

LIVESTOCK PRICES



THE AVERAGE PRICES FOR THE DATES GIVEN

Data courtesy of-
East Tennessee Livestock Center Inc. Sweetwater TN.

For Wednesday February 3 2010

Fd. Steer 0-299	80.04
Fd. Steer 300-399	99.06
Fd. Steer 400-499	85.69
Fd. Steer 500-599	87.29
Fd. Steer 600-699	79.23
Fd. Steer 700-799	69.34
Fd. Steer 800-899	74.25
Fd. Steer 900 & over	64.41
Fd. Heifer 0-299	90.00
Fd. Heifer 300-399	82.07
Fd. Heifer 400-499	74.93
Fd. Heifer 500-599	65.66
Fd. Heifer 600-699	71.74
Fd. Heifer 700-799	54.50
Fd. Heifer 800-899	00.00
Fd. Heifer 900 & over	00.00
Hol. Steer 0-299	47.50
Hol. Steer 300-399	00.00
Hol. Steer 400-499	62.00
Hol. Steer 500-599	41.00
Hol. Steer 600-699	00.00
Hol. Steer 700-799	59.00

Hol. Steer 800-899	49.00
Hol. Steer 900 & over	51.74
Hol.Cows	47.84
Cows	45.75
Bull under 1100 lbs	65.74
Bull 1100 lbs & over	61.38

For Wednesday February 10 2010

Fd. Steer 0-299	93.90
Fd. Steer 300-399	98.70
Fd. Steer 400-499	95.08
Fd. Steer 500-599	85.50
Fd. Steer 600-699	80.30
Fd. Steer 700-799	69.28
Fd. Steer 800-899	83.00
Fd. Steer 900 & over	59.50
Fd. Heifer 0-299	00.00
Fd. Heifer 300-399	84.62
Fd. Heifer 400-499	84.46
Fd. Heifer 500-599	77.93
Fd. Heifer 600-699	70.68
Fd. Heifer 700-799	67.05

Fd. Heifer 800-899	56.18
Fd. Heifer 900 & over	61.00
Hol. Steer 0-299	00.00
Hol. Steer 300-399	00.00
Hol. Steer 400-499	00.00
Hol. Steer 500-599	00.00
Hol. Steer 600-699	59.00
Hol. Steer 700-799	76.00
Hol. Steer 800-899	00.00
Hol. Steer 900 & over	55.00
Hol.Cows	49.95
Cows	48.12
Bull under 1100 lbs	59.07
Bull 1100 lbs & over	62.69

Hol. Steer 700-799	00.00
Hol. Steer 800-899	78.00
Hol. Steer 900 & over	00.00
Hol. Cows	48.72
Cows	49.19
Bull under 1100 lbs	00.00
Bull 1100 lbs & over	64.04

For Wednesday February 24 2010

Fd. Steer 0-299	108.66
Fd. Steer 300-399	103.17
Fd. Steer 400-499	102.69
Fd. Steer 500-599	92.28
Fd. Steer 600-699	85.67
Fd. Steer 700-799	70.03
Fd. Steer 800-899	84.50
Fd. Steer 900 & over	00.00
Fd. Heifer 0-299	85.14
Fd. Heifer 300-399	80.37
Fd. Heifer 400-499	88.21
Fd. Heifer 500-599	84.34
Fd. Heifer 600-699	71.43
Fd. Heifer 700-799	69.85
Fd. Heifer 800-899	57.02
Fd. Heifer 900 & over	54.35
Hol. Steer 0-299	00.00
Hol. Steer 300-399	68.00
Hol. Steer 400-499	59.87
Hol. Steer 500-599	00.00
Hol. Steer 600-699	49.00
Hol. Steer 700-799	00.00
Hol. Steer 800-899	00.00
Hol. Steer 900 & over	00.00
Hol.Cows	44.61
Cows	46.14
Bull under 1100 lbs	54.89
Bull 1100 lbs & over	58.41

For Wednesday February 17 2010

Fd. Steer 0-299	100.50
Fd. Steer 300-399	106.87
Fd. Steer 400-499	99.08
Fd. Steer 500-599	90.99
Fd. Steer 600-699	85.93
Fd. Steer 700-799	78.00
Fd. Steer 800-899	91.38
Fd. Steer 900 & over	00.00
Fd. Heifer 0-299	86.14
Fd. Heifer 300-399	89.61
Fd. Heifer 400-499	83.73
Fd. Heifer 500-599	80.03
Fd. Heifer 600-699	73.82
Fd. Heifer 700-799	68.08
Fd. Heifer 800-899	67.46
Fd. Heifer 900 & over	59.72
Hol. Steer 0-299	00.00
Hol. Steer 300-399	56.00
Hol. Steer 400-499	00.00
Hol. Steer 500-599	00.00
Hol. Steer 600-699	00.00

Your Honor, I'll Take the 10th by Dennis Powers

The following was sent to The People News by a reader

No, not the 5th – the 10th. The Tenth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States provides protection to the states from encroachment by the federal government. The federal government has become more and more involved in our everyday lives from the college football bowls to the compulsory low-flush toilet bowls in our home.

Liberals and Progressives would have us believe that the federal government is the ultimate authority and they delight in expanding its powers and limiting the freedoms of individuals and states. They believe the Constitution is some type of “living, breathing document” that has outlived its usefulness.

Conservatives know that the Constitution and other founding documents are the foundations of our freedom.

The Tenth Amendment is critical to states rights and the last line of defense against the intrusion of federal government. The founders knew that a large federal government could become too powerful and overstep its function.

As stated in the U.S. Supreme Court decision of *United States vs. Sprague* (not Howard) of 1931, “The Tenth Amendment was intended to confirm the understanding of the people at the time the Constitution was adopted, that powers not granted to the United States were reserved to the States or to the people. It added nothing to the instrument as originally ratified.”

There is an ongoing effort, and rightfully so, to reject the mandates and infringements of the federal government upon the states. Keep in mind that the states created the federal government, not the other way around.

Like Texas, Oklahoma, Montana and Utah, Tennessee’s House of Representatives overwhelmingly passed a resolution to urge Congress to recognize Tennessee’s sovereignty under the Tenth Amendment. Part of that resolution is as follows:

WHEREAS, the Tenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States reads as follows: “The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people”; and

WHEREAS, the Tenth Amendment defines the total scope of federal power as being that specifically granted by the Constitution of the United States and no more; and

WHEREAS, the scope of power defined by the Tenth Amendment means that the federal government was cre-

ated by the states specifically to be an agent of the states.

The Tenth Amendment allows Congress to pass only laws that fall within their constitutional authority. The Constitution only gives Congress the authority to make laws that pertain to certain issues such as taxation, international commerce, currency regulation, the federal Judiciary, and the armed forces to name a few.

That’s it – no HealthCare, stimulus, bailouts, education, welfare, etc. For example, Congress was granted the power to promote the general welfare of the nation by the Constitution. That means that Congress should provide laws that are in keeping with the principles of the self-governed.

It also means that Congress may provide legislation that acts in the general “best interest” of our nation. It doesn’t mean that everybody should get a welfare check

on the first of the month.

The Constitution also grants Congress the authority to make laws necessary and proper for the carrying out of their enumerated powers, which is a clause that has been manipulated to grant the federal government authority far beyond what our founding fathers intended.

The federal government has been steadily expanding their authority in areas the Constitution has not authorized. Congress has ignored the Constitution by imposing health, environmental and educational mandates on states.

The most recent federal health care proposal will be by far the most serious overreach of Congressional power. Congress is well known for passing unfunded mandates down to states. This top-down approach is unsustainable and unconstitutional.

We send representatives to

our state capitals and Washington and often refer to them as “lawmakers.” The fact is – we rarely need any new laws. We just need to abide by the ones we currently have, cut spending, cut taxes and let the free market system that our founders established flourish as it did in the past.

If we take those steps, we will once again make America the greatest economic force in the world, the land of opportunity and a beacon of liberty and freedom for all who wish to come here legally and assimilate. We will give people the opportunity to become successful, not by the hand of government, but by their own hand.

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