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Livestock Planning Prices

The price projections listed below are for use in developing financial plans such as cash flows, enterprise budgets, capital budgets, business plans, and other financial projections.

The price projections were estimated using current market conditions. However, due to changing market conditions, the actual prices experienced during these time periods may differ from the projections.

These price projections are updated periodically as market and economic conditions change. The estimates are not meant to be used as projections for buying or selling these commodities.

Table 1. Quarterly planning prices.

	Choice steer price Iowa avg.	700-800#	Feeder steer price Iowa 500-600#	IA-SMN lean hog	Weaned pigs $/head	Milk
Q1 2010	$84-86	$94-97	$106-110	$56-59	$30-32	$15-16
Q2 2010	86-89	98-102	110-117	61-64	32-34	16-17
Q3 2010	82-86	102-108	114-120	65-68	31-33	16-17
Q4 2010	86-91	99-107	108-118	62-66	31-34	16-17
2010	85-88	98-104	110-116	61-64	31-34	16-17
2011	88-96	102-112	114-126	66-71	33-36	16-17

Average 2004-2009

Cull sow price as percent of barrow and gilt live price	77%
Cull cow price as percent of choice steer live price	62%
Heifer price as percent of steer price (500-600 lbs.)	90%

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