



Schwieterman Update

Update for the morning of April 23, 2024

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Corn

Trends – May Contract

Short Term: **Up**

Long Term: **Up**

Overnight Trade: **K Flat** @7:30 AM

Estimated Fund Position

Net Long Futures and Options: -267000

Change: +4000

Yesterday the May corn closed well above the 50-day moving average, which has been a very rare occurrence this year. The bulls need the market to clear \$4.48, which was the post stocks/acreage report high, in order to be fully in control, so there is still a great deal of work to do. Corn planting is going very well so far with 12% of the crop planted, which is ahead of average.

Wheat

Trends – May Contract

Short Term: **Up**

Long Term: **Up**

Overnight Trade: Chicago: **K +9** KC: **K +9** @7:30 AM

Estimated Fund Position

Net Long Futures and Options: -90000

Change: +6000

Winter wheat conditions declined more than expected with Kansas dropping 7 points to 36% Good to Excellent, and the US dropping 5 points to 50% Good to Excellent. The drop in ratings helped the wheat market build upon yesterday's large gains. Weather around the world is less than ideal and therefore helping the bulls. This rally can continue, but eventually we have to see US ending stocks decline to sustain strength.

Soybeans

Trends – May Contract

Short Term: **Up**

Long Term: **Down**

Overnight Trade: **K -4** @7:30 AM

Estimated Fund Position

Net Long Futures and Options: -151000

Change: +4000

May soybeans have had a strong enough recovery to nearly get back to the 50-day moving average resistance. Further gains may be hard to come by unless we see the wheat continue higher and a bigger bounce in the soybean oil. What the market really needs is better demand, but that does not appear to be in the works. Look for some consolidation trade for a couple of days as traders wait for a reason to make their next move.

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Live Cattle

Trend

Short Term: Up

Long Term: Down

Opening Calls: Mixed

Live cattle futures closed sharply higher to start the week, following the friendly on feed report and feeding off last weeks' recovery effort. Sharply higher equities added to the advances. Cutouts were higher, with choice +.26 and select +1.04. Cash was quiet, per a normal Monday. Our show list was off 20% from a week ago and up 1% this week, a year ago. Overnight equities are modestly higher and the Dollar moderately lower.

Feeder Cattle

Trends

Short Term: Up

Long Term: Down

Opening Call: Mixed

Feeder cattle futures were even stronger than the fats, gaining nearly 5.00 in the late summer and early fall contracts. The feeder rally came in the face of 6-7 cent gains in corn futures. The cash index did climb to 242.11 and is now discount to the April futures by about .80. Overnight corn values are modestly lower, as we write.

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Weekly Stocks Report for Week Ending

04/12/24

	Change	DOE			API		
		04/12/24	04/05/24	04/07/24	04/12/24		
Crude	+2.70	460.00	457.30	466.00	+ 4.09		
Gasoline	-1.2	227.40	228.50	223.50	-2.51		
Distillates	-2.8	115.00	117.70	112.10	- 300K		
Rates	-.20%	88.10	88.30	86.00			
Imports	+.03K	6.46	6.43	6.27			
				% Above/Below Lst Yr	5 Yr Avg	% A/B	
Nat Gas	+ 50	2.333	2.283	1.909	+ 22.2	1.711	+ 36.4

Analysts Estimates for Week Ending 04/12/24

		5 Yr Avg
Crude	- 140K	+ 1.40
Gasoline	+ 940K	- 900K
Distillates	+ 180K	- 300K

Rates
 Analysts Estimates for Week Ending 04/12/24

	Range	Avg	Lst Yr	5 Yr Avg
Nat Gas	+ 44 + 56	+ 50	+ 61	+ 61

	<u>Crude Oil</u>	<u>Unleaded</u>	<u>Heating Oil</u>	<u>Natural Gas</u>
Short Term Trend	DOWN	UP	DOWN	DOWN
Long Term Trend	UP	UP	DOWN	DOWN
O/N Trade @ 6:00 am	-0.30	-0.0216	-0.0149	+ .003

Commentary:

Spot month crude oil held important technical support levels early yesterday morning and rebounded to close near the top of the day's trading range but still slightly lower on the day. This is a sign that the market is still wary of Middle East geopolitical concerns even though those concerns have abated considerably. A solid support zone has developed from 81.50 to 81.00. The trouble the bull camp has at the moment is that it likely needs continued conflicts between Israel and Iran to keep the market higher which does not look likely at the moment. Both sides have calmed down from the recent attacks on each other which pushed spot month crude oil above the \$ 86.00 level. Without actual attacks it will be hard to keep crude oil from extracting more risk premium without fundamentals improving. Supply has been rising and demand has had concerns which have helped to pull crude oil back from its highs in the last 8 trading sessions. Today will start another round of US weekly supply and demand data which the market is needing to see better demand data or technical support levels may fail. There was some better EU economic data released overnight which could help support but US data will need to show some tempering of the recent inflation data if demand sentiment is going to improve.

	June	May	May
	Crude Oil	Unleaded	Heating Oil
Resistance	85.65/88.00	2.7860/2.8240	2.5900/2.6505
Support	80.00/76.84	2.6570/2.5165	2.5000/2.4500



Schwieterman Update

Financial Market Analysis for the morning of Tuesday, April 23, 2024

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U.S. Stock Futures

The equities closed higher as the Dow gained 253, the S&P gained 43, and the Nasdaq gained 169 points. This morning's futures are all higher with the Dow up 25, the S&P up 5, and the Nasdaq up 21. GM raised its 2024 outlook this morning while also beating top and bottom lines for the first quarter. Truck sales in North America were largely responsible for the positive data. Revenue during the first quarter rose 7.6% compared with the same period a year earlier. Net income surged 26% and their stock is up over 3% premarket. Tesla's stock has reached its lowest level since January 2023 as they have reduced prices by as much as \$2000 on the Model Y and entry level Model 3. They have lost about 43% this year, which is the second worst in the S&P 500. The FTC has sued to block Coach Parent Tapestry's \$8.5 billion acquisition of Capri Holdings. Shares of Swiss drugmaker Novartis are up about 5% this morning following a better than expected earnings report. Net sales climbed 11% in the first quarter and operating income surged 22% over the same period.

Stock to Watch: Smart for Life Inc. is trading up 46% premarket.

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[AMS 2453/LM XB403](#)

DAILY ESTIMATED CUTOUT VALUES

	<u>Choice</u> <u>600-900#</u>	<u>Select</u> <u>600-900#</u>	Choice/Select Spread
Current Cutout Values:	295.93	291.87	4.06
Change from prior day:	0.26	1.04	
Primal Rib	431.45	432.25	
Primal Chuck	247.91	246.64	
Primal Round	247.15	246.61	
Primal Loin	397.89	381.76	
Primal Brisket	238.88	235.95	
Primal Short Plate	232.88	232.88	
Primal Flank	155.17	152.66	

Load Count:	
Total	104
Choice	68
Select	12
Trimming	0
Grinds	23

Fresh 50% Trimmings	0 Loads @	0.00
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[AMS 2829/NW LS441](#)

USDA BY-PRODUCT DROP VALUE (STEER) - DAILY

	11.59	Change:	(-0.05)
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[AMS 2466/LM CT100](#)

5 AREA WEEKLY ACCUMULATED WEIGHTED AVG CATTLE PRICE

<i>As of 10:00 am</i>	<u>Head Count</u>	<u>Avg Weight</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
Live Steer	23,061	1,464	182.67
Live Heifer	12,748	1,335	182.52
Dressed Steer	9,780	966	292.35
Dressed Heifer	3,847	870	292.19

[AMS 3208/SJ LS710](#)

DAILY CATTLE SLAUGHTER

Today	113,000		
Week Ago	121,000		
Year Ago (act)	125,147		
Week to Date			
Same Period Last Week			
Same Period Last Year			
Previous Day	Steer and Heifer	Friday	Saturday
	Cow and Bull	91,000	18,000
		22,000	2,000

[AMS 3209/SJ LS712](#)

BEEF PRODUCTION

	4/20/2024	Last Week	Last Year
	(Estimate)	(Estimate)	(Actual)
Slaughter	620,000	603,000	625,000
Live Weights	1399	1398	1353
Dressed Weights	847	847	815
Beef Production (millions of pounds)	524.3	509.8	508.8

[AMS 2825/NW LS410](#)

USDA BEEF CARCASS PRICE EQUIVALENT INDEX VALUE

	<u>Choice</u> <u>600-900#</u>	<u>Select</u> <u>600-900#</u>	<u>Dressing percent:</u>	
			<u>Steer</u>	<u>Heifer</u>
Change	\$280.39	\$274.14	63.10	63.03
	(-0.29)	0.19		

[AMS 2455/LM XB405](#)

USDA NATIONAL CUTTER COW CARCASS CUTOUT

	269.57	(-0.15)	90% lean:	349.31
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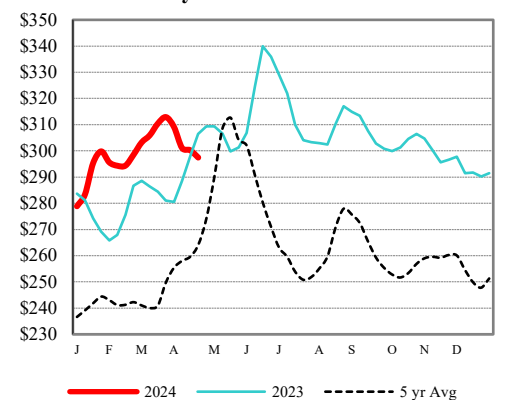
CME LIVE CATTLE

	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Settle</u>
APR	N/A			
JUN	N/A			
AUG	N/A			

CME FEEDER CATTLE

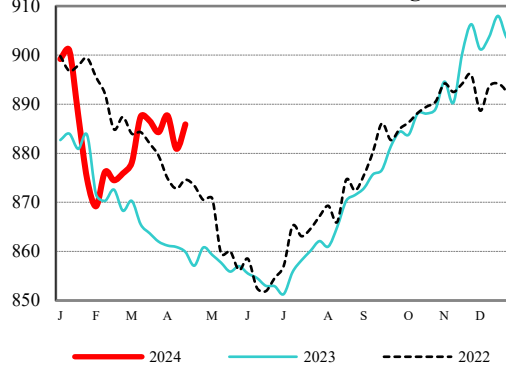
	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Settle</u>
APR	N/A			
MAY	N/A			
AUG	N/A			

Weekly Choice Cutout



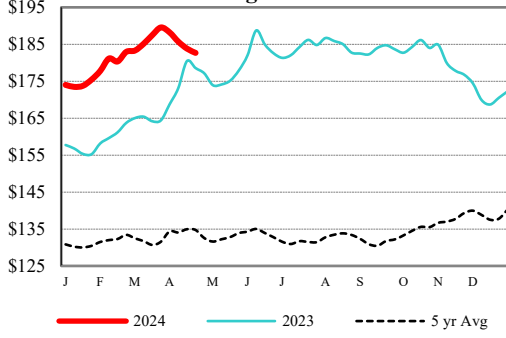
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LMR Steer/Heifer Dressed Weights



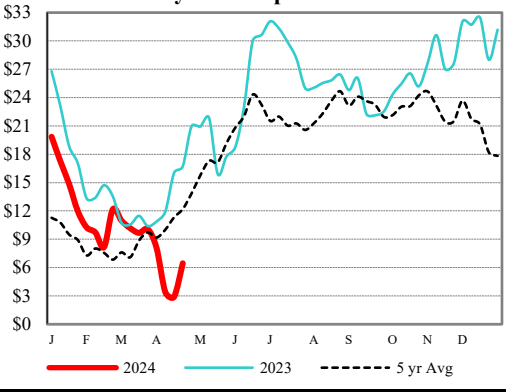
— 2024 — 2023 - - - - 2022

5 Area Weekly Wtd Avg Steer Price



— 2024 — 2023 - - - - 5 yr Avg

Weekly Ch/Se Spread



— 2024 — 2023 - - - - 5 yr Avg

DAILY DIRECT HOGS PLANT DELIVERED as of 1:30 PM

Negotiated Barrow and Gilts:	Carcass Base Price		Live Price	
<u>NATIONAL - AMS 2675/LM HG203:</u>				
Range:	\$83.50	\$92.00	\$64.00	\$69.80
Weighted Average:	\$90.31		\$69.10	
Change from Prior Day:	\$1.82		\$2.01	
Head Count	689		544	

IOWA/MINNESOTA - AMS 2675/LM HG206:

Weighted Average:	\$90.91	*
Change from Prior Day:	\$0.89	*

WESTERN CORNBELT - AMS 2675/LM HG212:

Weighted Average:	\$90.91	*
Change from Prior Day:	\$2.84	*

EASTERN CORNBELT - AMS 2675/LM HG210:

Weighted Average:	*	*
Change from Prior Day:	*	*

*Price not reported due to confidentiality.

NATIONAL DAILY PORK REPORT FOB PLANT- AMS 2498/LM PK602:

Carcass Cutout Values		Chg:	
Primal Loin	98.48		(-0.97)
Primal Butt	129.47		(-0.38)
Primal Picnic	80.74		3.35
Primal Rib	169.36		4.21
Primal Ham	84.55		(-0.11)
Primal Belly	134.48		6.06
Total Loads	234.38		
Pork Cuts	204.68	Lds	
Trim/Process Pork	29.70	Lds	

DAILY HOG SLAUGHTER UNDER FIS - AMS 3208/SJ LS710

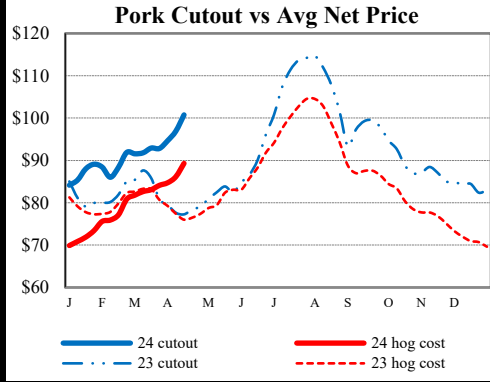
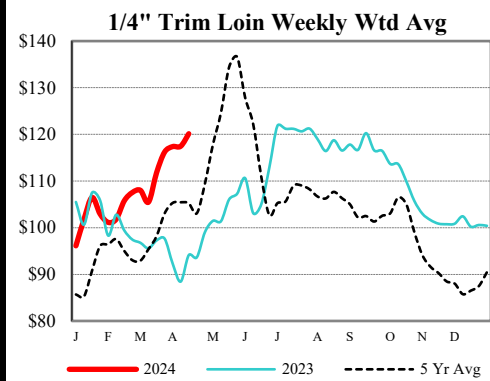
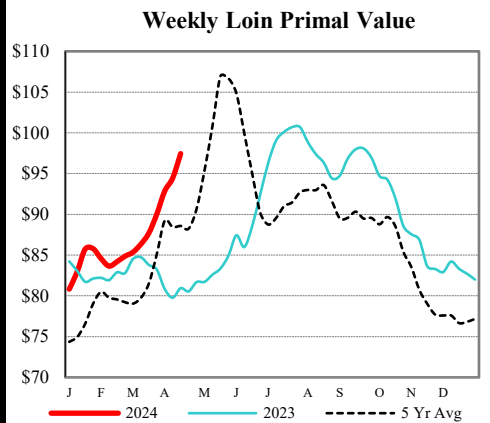
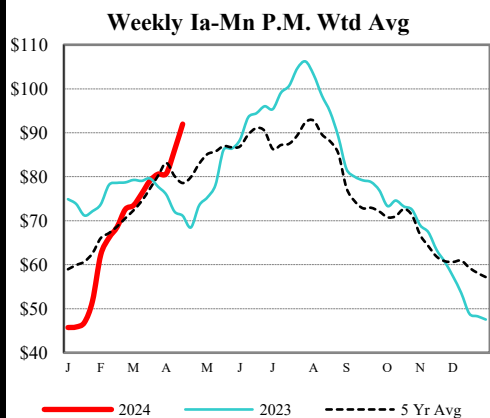
Today (est)	487,000
Week Ago (est)	482,000
Year Ago (act)	467,164

CME Lean Hog CLOSE	High	Low	Change	Settle
APR	N/A			
MAY	N/A			
JUN	N/A			
JLY	N/A			

CME Lean Hog Delayed Futures

ESTIMATED WEEKLY PORK PRODUCTION UNDER FIS - AMS 3209/SJ LS712

Week Ending	Hog Slaughter	Million Pounds	Live Weight	Dressed Weight
04/20/24	2,487,000	536.0	323	192
04/13/24	2,485,000	534.6	322	191
2024 YTD	40,041,000	8656.0		
2023 YTD	39,771,000	8637.4		



AUCTION SUMMARY

AMS 1857		3,300		Friday	
Crawford Lvstck Market					
		Crawford, NE			
400-500 lbs	350.00-382.50	Feeder Heifers	300-400 lbs	310.00-335.00	
Medium & Large #1	500-600 lbs	322.00-346.00	Medium & Large #1	400-500 lbs	284.50-324.00
	600-700 lbs	279.00-317.50		500-600 lbs	275.00-310.00
	700-800 lbs	250.00-290.00		600-700 lbs	261.50-294.00
	800-900 lbs	217.00-234.50		700-800 lbs	249.00-261.00

AMS 2024		2,600		Friday	
Herreid Lvstck Market					
		Herreid, SD			
Feeder Steers	500-600 lbs	314.00-329.00	Feeder Heifers	400-500 lbs	310.00
Medium & Large #1	600-700 lbs	284.50-299.50	Medium & Large #1	500-600 lbs	258.00-297.50
	700-800 lbs	266.00-287.50		600-700 lbs	252.50-269.00
	800-900 lbs	251.25-268.50		700-800 lbs	235.00-256.75
	900-1000 lbs	229.00-236.00		800-900 lbs	230.50-246.00

AMS 1853		2,365		Saturday	
Ericson Lvstck Market					
		Ericson, NE			
Feeder Steers	400-500 lbs	357.50-377.00	Feeder Heifers	400-500 lbs	310.00-330.00
Medium & Large #1	500-600 lbs	311.00-348.00	Medium & Large #1	500-600 lbs	283.00-303.00
	600-700 lbs	299.25-311.00		600-700 lbs	249.50-261.00
	700-800 lbs	283.75		700-800 lbs	237.50-249.00
	800-900 lbs	235.50-244.00		800-900 lbs	224.00

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE LIVESTOCK FUTURES SETTLEMENT Monday

<u>Live Cattle</u>		<u>Change</u>	<u>Feeder Cattle</u>		<u>Change</u>
Apr	183.825	2.350	Apr	242.900	1.575
Jun	178.050	2.375	May	247.175	3.175
Aug	176.400	177.175	Aug	258.475	4.975

CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE GRAIN FUTURES SETTLEMENTS Monday

<u>Corn</u>		<u>Change</u>	<u>Soybeans</u>		<u>Change</u>
May	4.3975	0.0625	May	11.6100	0.1050
Jul	4.4975	0.0675	Jul	11.7650	0.1075
Sep	4.5800	0.0675	Aug	11.7850	0.1150

KANSAS CITY BOARD OF TRADE		<u>Wheat</u>		<u>Change</u>
		May	5.9750	0.1600
		Jul	6.0250	0.1975
		Sep	6.1425	0.2025

[AMS 2466](#) Monday

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[AMS 2453](#) Monday

DAILY ESTIMATED BOXED BEEF CUTOUT VALUES

<u>Choice</u>	<u>Select</u>	<u>Choice Cuts</u>	
<u>600-900#</u>	<u>600-900#</u>	<u>Select Cuts</u>	68 loads
295.93	291.87	<u>Trimming</u>	0 loads
26.00	1.04	<u>Grinds</u>	23 loads

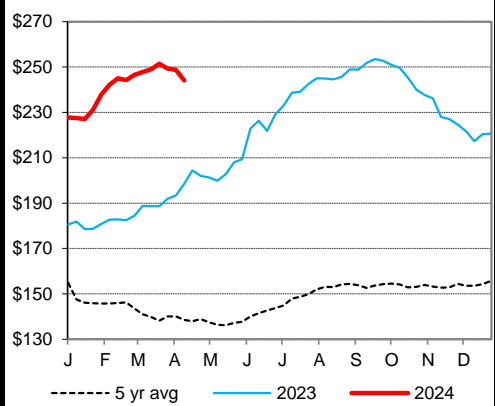
[AMS 3208](#) Friday

ESTD DAILY CATTLE SLAUGHTER	
Friday	113,000
Week Ago (est)	109,000
Year Ago (act)	109,000
Wk to date (est)	600,000
Last Week (est)	591,000
Last Year (act)	614,000
Previous Day Estimated:	Steer and Heifer
	Cow and Bull
	Friday
	Saturday
	91,000
	18,000
	22,000
	2,000

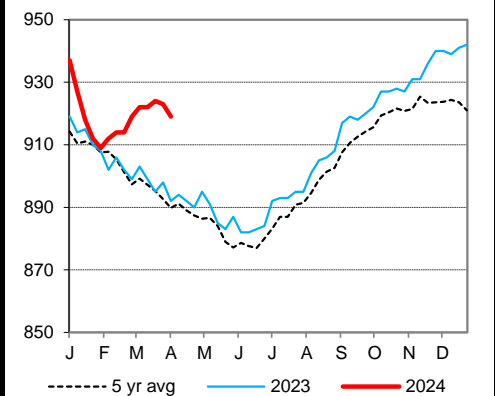
[AMS 2101](#) Friday

Torrington Lvstck Auction		Torrington, WY	
		Avg Dressing	
	<u>Pct Lean</u>	<u>Price</u>	
Breaking	75-80	128.00	
Boning	80-85	138.00-140.00	
Lean	85-90	120.00-125.00	

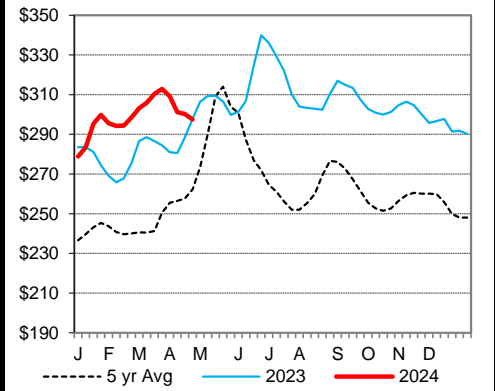
CME Feeder Cattle Index



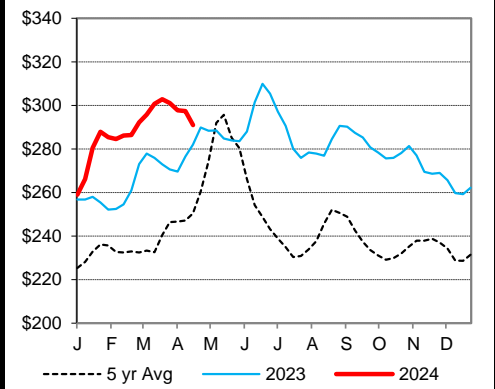
Average Dressed Steer Weight



Weekly Choice Cutout



Weekly Select Cutout



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