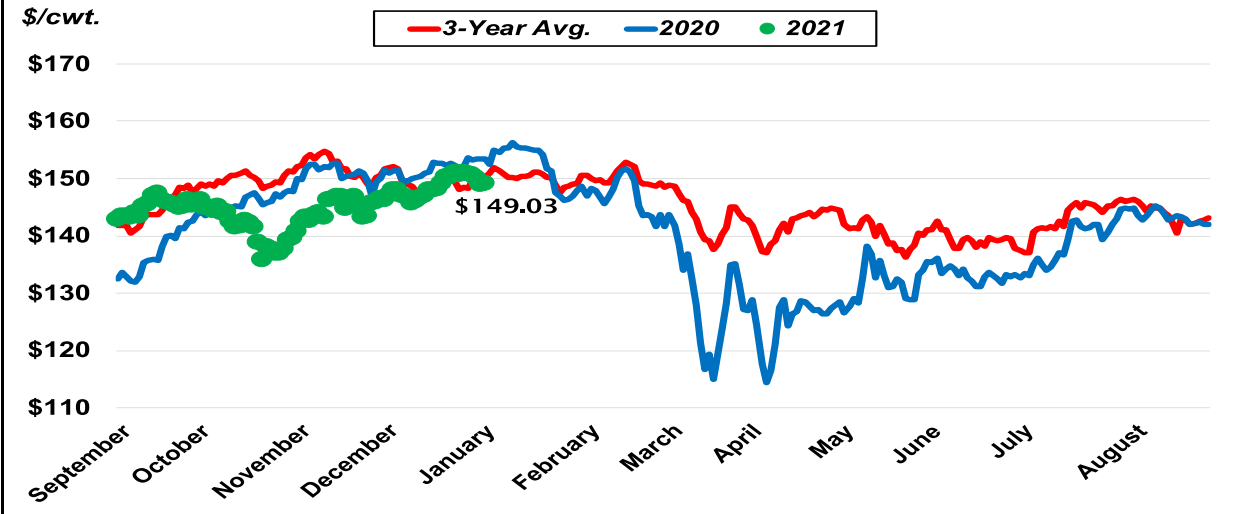




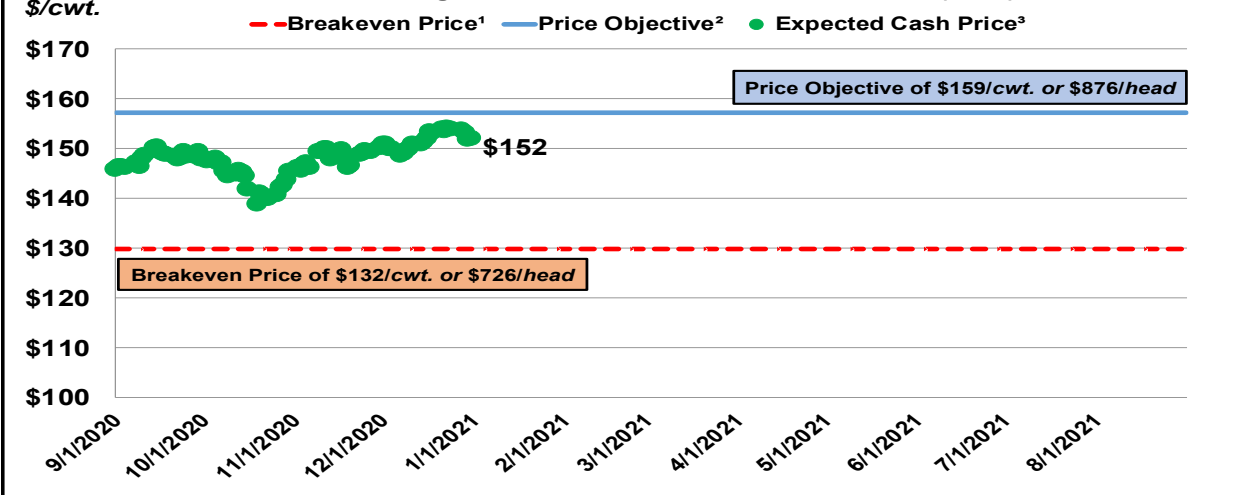
Figure 1. August Feeder Cattle Futures Prices (CME)



Beginning of December: \$147.82/cwt. End of December: \$149.03/cwt. Price Change: \$1.20/cwt. ↑
August 2020 High: \$151.00/cwt. August 2020 Low: \$135.80/cwt. Price Range: \$15.20/cwt.

The August 2021 Feeder Cattle futures contract increased by \$1.20/cwt. during December. Based on this futures price increase, August Feeder Cattle revenues increased by approximately \$9.60/head (\$1.20/cwt. * 8.0 cwt.) on an 800-pound feeder steer which amounts to \$600.00/truckload (50,000 lbs.). The August Feeder Cattle futures contract high, contract low, and price range since September 2020 are \$151.00, \$135.80, and \$15.20/cwt., respectively. The price range of \$15.20/cwt. on an 800-pound feeder steer totals \$121.60/head and \$7,600.00/truckload.

Figure 2. Feeder Calf Price Watch for August 2021
550 lb. Feeder Calves, Med. & Lg., #1 & #2, Florida
Based on August 2021 Feeder Cattle Futures Prices (CME)



¹The breakeven price was estimated to be \$726.57/head or \$132.10/cwt. (\$726.57/head divided by 5.50 cwt.). The breakeven price includes variable and fixed production costs of \$421/head and \$305/head, respectively.
²The price objective was estimated to be \$876.41/head or \$159.35/cwt. (\$876.41/head divided by 5.50 cwt.). The price objective includes production costs of \$726/head, family living withdrawal (\$100/head), and growth capital/retirement (\$50/head).
³The expected cash price is equal to the daily August 2021 Feeder Cattle futures closing price plus an expected August 2021 South Florida 550 lb. Feeder Calf Basis of \$3/cwt.