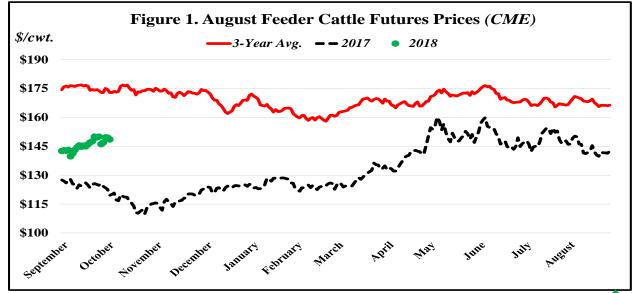
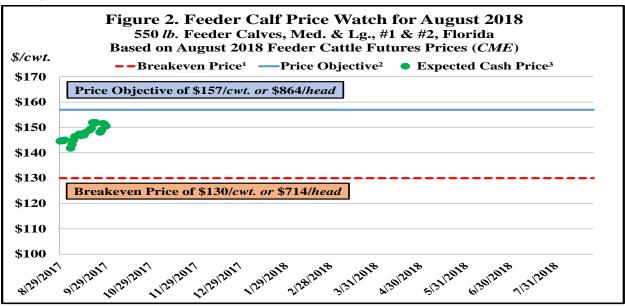
FLORIDA CATTLE MARKET PRICE WAT

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Beginning of September: \$142.60/*cwt.* End of September: \$148.55/*cwt.* Price Change: \$5.95/*cwt.* **August 2018 High:** \$150.02/*cwt.* August 2018 Low: \$139.80/*cwt.* Price Range: \$10.22/*cwt.* The August 2018 Feeder Cattle futures contract increased by \$5.95/*cwt.* during September. Based on this futures price increase, August Feeder Cattle revenues increased by approximately \$47.60/*head* (\$5.95/*cwt.* * 8.0 *cwt.*) on an 800-pound feeder steer which amounts to \$2,975.00/*truckload* (50,000 *lbs.*). The August Feeder Cattle futures contract low, and price range since September 2017 are \$150.02, \$139.80, and \$10.22/*cwt.*, respectively. The price range of \$10.22/*cwt.* on an 800-pound feeder steer totals \$81.76/*head* and \$5,110.00/*truckload*.



¹The breakeven price was estimated to be \$714.13/*head* or \$129.84/*cwt*. (\$714.13/*head* divided by 5.50 *cwt*.). The breakeven price includes variable and fixed production costs of \$419/*head* and \$295/*head*, respectively. ²The price objective was estimated to be \$864.36/*head* or \$157.16/*cwt*. (\$864.36/*head* divided by 5.50 *cwt*.). The price objective includes production costs of \$714/*head*, family living withdrawal (\$100/*head*), and growth capital/retirement (\$50/*head*).

³The expected cash price is equal to the daily August 2018 Feeder Cattle futures closing price plus an expected August 2018 South Florida 550 *lb*. Feeder Calf Basis of \$2/*cwt*.