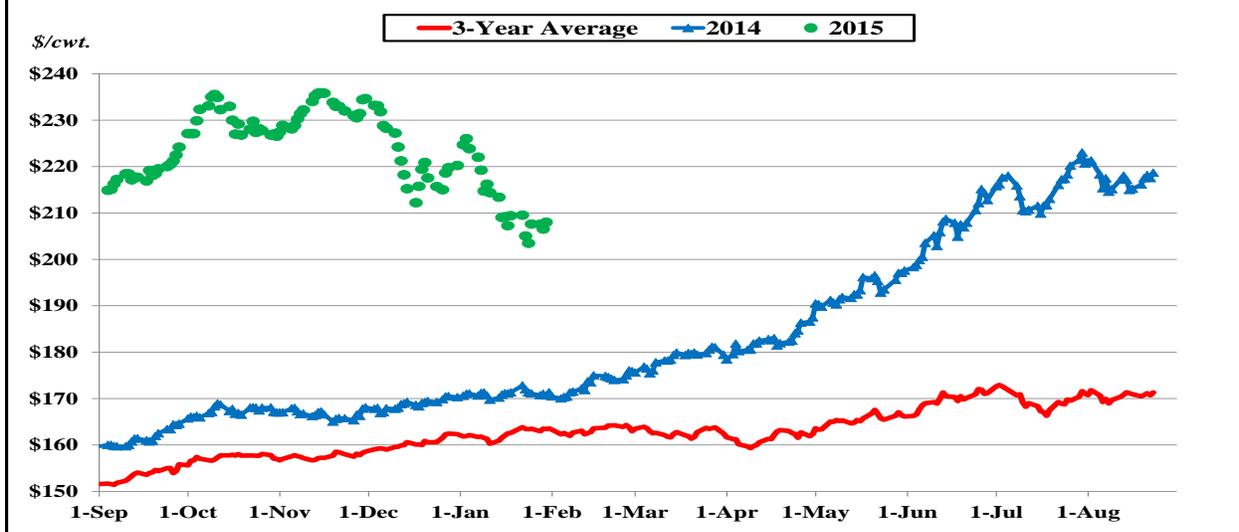




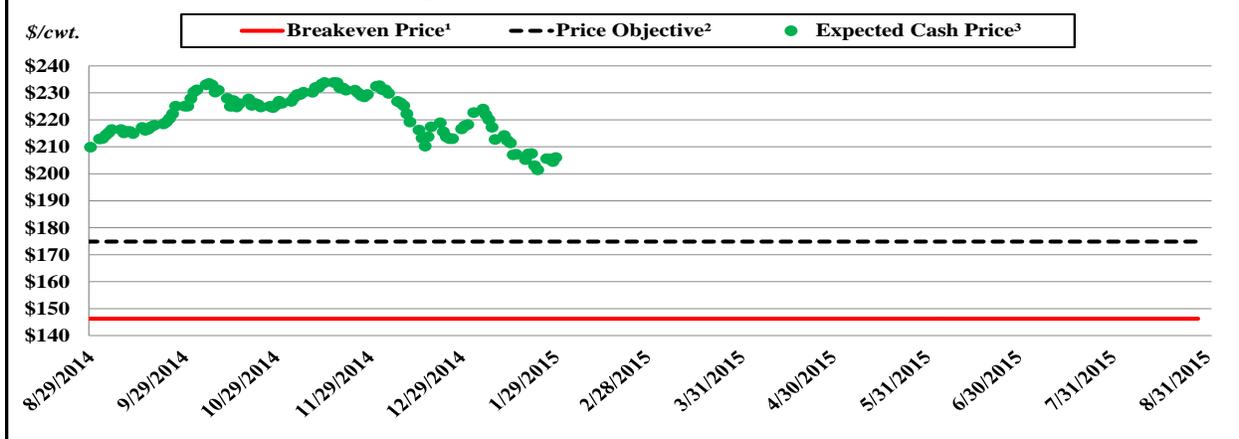
**Figure 1. August 2015 Feeder Cattle Futures Prices (CME)**



Beginning of January: \$224.70      End of January: \$208.00      Price Change: - \$16.70  
 August 2015 Low: \$203.48      August 2015 High: \$235.88      Price Range: \$32.40

The August 2015 Feeder Cattle futures price declined by \$16.70/cwt. during January. Based on this futures price decrease, August feeder cattle revenues decreased by approximately \$125.25/hd. (\$16.70/cwt. \* 7.5 cwt.) on a 750-pound feeder steer or \$8,350 per truckload (50,000 lbs.). The August Feeder Cattle Futures contract low, contract high, and price range since September 2014 are \$203.48, \$235.88, and \$32.40/cwt., respectively. The price range of \$32.40/cwt. on a 750-pound feeder steer amounts to \$243.00/hd. and \$16,200.00 per truckload.

**Figure 2. Expected Cash Price for August 2015, 525 lb. Feeder Calves, Med. & Lg., #1 & #2, Florida, Based on August 2015 Feeder Cattle Futures Prices (CME)**



<sup>1</sup>The breakeven price assumes \$768.00/hd. or \$146.29/cwt. (\$768.00/hd. divided by 5.25 cwt.). The breakeven price includes production costs of \$750/hd. and death loss of \$18.00/hd.

<sup>2</sup>The price objective assumes \$918.00/hd. or \$174.86/cwt. (\$918.00/hd. divided by 5.25 cwt.). The price objective includes production costs of \$750/hd., death loss (\$18.00/hd.), family living withdrawal (\$100/hd.), and growth capital/retirement (\$50/hd.).

<sup>3</sup>The expected cash price is equal to the daily August 2015 Feeder Cattle Futures closing price plus the expected August 2015 South Florida 525 lb. Feeder Calf Basis (-\$2/cwt.).