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COWNTY CATTLE & DROUGHT REPORT · WEEK ENDING NOV 27, 2026

Calf prices mixed across Panhandle barns; drought worsens in 0 counties

No USDA report this week: Wildorado, Dalhart, Tulia, Woodward, Beaver, Clovis, Dodge City.

On the U.S. Drought Monitor map dated Nov 24, 16 of the region's 49 counties had some severe drought (D2) or worse, and 6 had it across most of the county. Severe-or-worse coverage shrank by at least 5 points in 0 counties, and grew that much in none.

All 49 region counties are on FSA's 2026 Livestock Forage Disaster Program list. Applications for 2026 losses are due March 1, 2027; FSA decides each operation's eligibility.

The nearest active New World screwworm zone in Texas (TAHC) is roughly 187 miles from Amarillo in a straight line. Animals leaving an infested zone need TAHC inspection and treatment.

STEERS 500–599 LB · LATEST SALE · $/CWT

Barns in a fixed order (west to east), not ranked. Bars start at $0 so differences show. Head-weighted USDA averages.

DROUGHT BY AREA · MAP OF NOV 24

AREA	COUNTIES	ANY D2+	MOST D2+	ON 2026 LFP LIST
Texas Panhandle	26	10	3	26
Oklahoma Panhandle	3	0	0	3
Western Oklahoma	5	5	3	5
Southwest Kansas	10	1	0	10
Northeast New Mexico	2	0	0	2
Eastern New Mexico	3	0	0	3

BARN BY BARN · HEAD-WEIGHTED AVERAGES OF USDA-REPORTED LOTS, $/CWT

BARN	SALE	STEERS 500–599	VS LAST SALE	STEERS 700–799	HEIFERS 500–599	RECEIPTS
OKC benchmark	Nov 23	$452.79	+$12.26	$346.41	$382.78	6,000
Joplin benchmark	Nov 23	$402.12	+$0.45	$337.93	$359.97	11,000

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— only 0 of 7 barns reported 500–599 lb steers that week

Source: Cownty (cownty.com), from USDA AMS Market News and the U.S. Drought Monitor. Prices are head-weighted averages of USDA-reported lots ($/cwt), past sales, not quotes. Information only; FSA decides eligibility. Not affiliated with USDA. Barns: OKC, Joplin (USDA AMS report ids on each barn page). Drought: U.S. Drought Monitor. LFP: FSA eligible-county file dated Nov 5, 2026. Screwworm zones: TAHC.