

# WHEN IS A *Steak* MORE THAN A *Steak*

## Retail Value of a Market Animal



### Let's Examine a 1250 Pound Steer

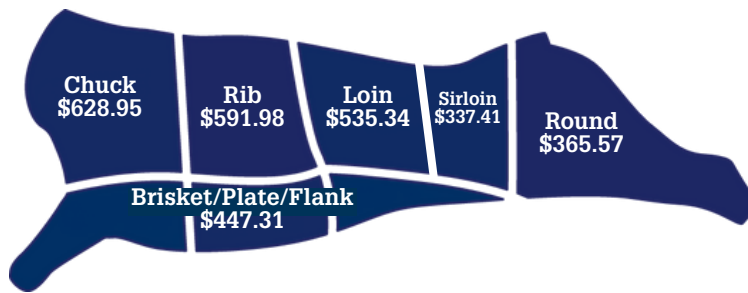
1250 lbs.

Average dressing percentage for cattle = 62%  
(carcass weight/live weight) X 100 = Dressing Percentage

1250 lbs X 62% = 775 lbs  
Loss from cutting and trimming ≈ 29%  
775 lbs X 71% = 550.25 lbs of meat

### Let's Break That Down into Primal Cuts

	% Cut Out Weight	Lbs. from Primal Cuts	Average \$/lbs.
<b>Chuck</b>	30%	165.08 lbs.	\$3.81
<b>Rib</b>	11%	60.63 lbs.	\$9.78
<b>Loin</b>	10%	55.02 lbs.	\$9.73
<b>Sirloin</b>	12%	66.03 lbs.	\$5.11
<b>Round</b>	22%	121.05 lbs.	\$3.02
<b>Brisket/F flank/Plate</b>	15%	82.53 lbs.	\$5.42



**Total = \$2,906.66**

Retail Value

Market Value



### Buying a 1250 lb steer

1250 x 1.6372 = 2,046.50



### Slaughter \$0.85 per pound (hanging weight)

775 lbs x \$0.85 = \$658.75 + \$71.67 kill fee = 730.42



**Total = \$2,776.92**

\*Average \$ per pound from week 2/24/2023 - [USDA](https://www.usda.gov/).

\*To find lbs. from primal cuts, % cut out weight is multiplied by 550.25 lbs.

\*To find \$ per primal cut average, \$/lbs. is multiplied by lbs. from primal cuts.