



Cattle Producer's Handbook

Nutrient Requirements of Beef Cattle

Table 1. Nutrient requirements for growing and finishing cattle (nutrient concentration in diet dry matter, avoirdupois system).^{a,b,c}

Weight (lb)	Daily Gain (lb)	Dry Matter Intake (lb)	Protein Intake (lb)	Protein (%)	ME (Mcal/lb)	NE _m (Mcal/lb)	NE _g (Mcal/lb)	TDN (%)	Ca (%)	P (%)
<i>Medium-frame steer calves</i>										
300	0.5	7.8	0.75	9.6	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.31	0.20
	1.0	8.4	0.95	11.4	0.96	0.57	0.31	58.5	0.45	0.24
	1.5	8.7	1.14	13.2	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.0	0.58	0.28
	2.0	8.9	1.32	14.8	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.72	0.32
	2.5	8.9	1.48	16.7	1.21	0.79	0.51	73.5	0.87	0.37
	3.0	8.0	1.60	19.9	1.39	0.95	0.64	85.0	1.13	0.47
400	0.5	9.7	0.87	8.9	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.27	0.18
	1.0	10.4	1.06	10.3	0.96	0.57	0.31	58.5	0.38	0.21
	1.5	10.8	1.24	11.5	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.0	0.47	0.25
	2.0	11.0	1.41	12.7	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.56	0.26
	2.5	11.0	1.56	14.2	1.21	0.79	0.51	73.5	0.68	0.30
	3.0	10.0	1.65	16.6	1.39	0.95	0.64	85.0	0.86	0.37
500	0.5	11.5	0.98	8.5	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.25	0.17
	1.0	12.3	1.16	9.5	0.96	0.57	0.31	58.5	0.32	0.20
	1.5	12.8	1.33	10.5	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.0	0.40	0.22
	2.0	13.1	1.49	11.4	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.47	0.24
	2.5	13.0	1.63	12.5	1.21	0.79	0.51	73.5	0.56	0.27
	3.0	11.8	1.69	14.4	1.39	0.95	0.64	85.0	0.69	0.32
600	0.5	13.2	1.08	8.2	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.23	0.18
	1.0	14.1	1.26	9.0	0.96	0.57	0.31	58.5	0.28	0.19
	1.5	14.7	1.42	9.8	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.0	0.35	0.21
	2.0	15.0	1.57	10.5	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.40	0.22
	2.5	14.9	1.69	11.4	1.21	0.79	0.51	73.5	0.46	0.24
	3.0	13.5	1.73	12.9	1.39	0.95	0.64	85.0	0.57	0.29
700	0.5	14.8	1.18	7.9	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.22	0.18
	1.0	15.8	1.35	8.6	0.96	0.57	0.31	58.5	0.27	0.18
	1.5	16.5	1.50	9.2	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.0	0.31	0.20
	2.0	16.8	1.65	9.8	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.34	0.21
	2.5	16.7	1.75	10.5	1.21	0.79	0.51	73.5	0.40	0.22
	3.0	15.2	1.77	11.7	1.39	0.95	0.64	85.0	0.49	0.26

^aShrunk liveweight basis, see text.

^bVitamin A requirements are 1,000 IU per pound of diet.

^cThis table gives reasonable examples of nutrient concentrations that should be suitable to formulate diets for specific management goals. It does not imply that diets with other nutrient concentrations when consumed in sufficient amounts would be inadequate to meet nutrient requirements.

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Weight (lb)	Daily Gain (lb)	Dry Matter Intake (lb)	Protein Intake (lb)	Protein (%)	ME (Mcal/lb)	NE _m (Mcal/lb)	NE _g (Mcal/lb)	TDN (%)	Ca (%)	P (%)
800	0.5	16.4	1.27	7.7	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.22	0.17
	1.0	17.5	1.44	8.3	0.96	0.57	0.31	58.5	0.24	0.19
	1.5	18.2	1.58	8.8	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.0	0.28	0.19
	2.0	18.6	1.72	9.2	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.31	0.20
	2.5	18.5	1.81	9.8	1.21	0.79	0.51	73.5	0.35	0.21
	3.0	16.8	1.81	10.8	1.39	0.95	0.64	85.0	0.42	0.25
900	0.5	17.9	1.36	7.6	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.21	0.18
	1.0	19.1	1.52	8.0	0.96	0.57	0.31	58.5	0.23	0.18
	1.5	19.9	1.66	8.4	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.0	0.25	0.19
	2.0	20.3	1.79	8.8	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.28	0.20
	2.5	20.2	1.87	9.3	1.21	0.79	0.51	73.5	0.31	0.20
	3.0	18.3	1.85	10.1	1.39	0.95	0.64	85.0	0.37	0.23
1,000	0.5	19.3	1.45	7.5	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.21	0.18
	1.0	20.7	1.60	7.8	0.96	0.57	0.31	58.5	0.21	0.18
	1.5	21.5	1.74	8.1	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.0	0.24	0.18
	2.0	22.0	1.85	8.4	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.25	0.19
	2.5	21.9	1.92	8.8	1.21	0.79	0.51	73.5	0.27	0.19
	3.0	19.8	1.88	9.5	1.39	0.95	0.64	85.0	0.32	0.22
<i>Large-frame steer calves and compensating medium-frame yearling steers</i>										
300	0.5	8.2	0.77	9.5	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.30	0.19
	1.0	8.7	0.99	11.3	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.46	0.23
	1.5	9.1	1.19	12.9	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.58	0.27
	2.0	9.4	1.37	14.6	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.5	0.70	0.30
	2.5	9.6	1.55	16.3	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.85	0.34
	3.0	9.6	1.73	18.0	1.18	0.77	0.49	72.0	0.99	0.39
	3.5	9.3	1.88	20.3	1.29	0.86	0.57	78.5	1.16	0.45
400	0.5	10.1	0.89	8.9	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.26	0.17
	1.0	10.8	1.10	10.2	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.37	0.20
	1.5	11.3	1.30	11.4	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.47	0.23
	2.0	11.7	1.47	12.7	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.5	0.57	0.26
	2.5	11.9	1.64	13.9	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.65	0.30
	3.0	11.9	1.81	15.2	1.18	0.77	0.49	72.0	0.76	0.33
	3.5	11.5	1.94	16.9	1.29	0.86	0.57	78.5	0.90	0.36
500	0.5	12.0	1.00	8.5	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.24	0.17
	1.0	12.8	1.21	9.5	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.33	0.19
	1.5	13.4	1.40	10.4	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.39	0.21
	2.0	13.8	1.57	11.4	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.5	0.46	0.24
	2.5	14.0	1.73	12.4	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.55	0.25
	3.0	14.0	1.88	13.4	1.18	0.77	0.49	72.0	0.63	0.28
	3.5	13.6	2.00	14.7	1.29	0.86	0.57	78.5	0.73	0.32
600	0.5	13.8	1.11	8.2	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.22	0.18
	1.0	14.6	1.31	9.0	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.29	0.18
	1.5	15.3	1.50	9.7	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.35	0.20
	2.0	15.8	1.66	10.5	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.5	0.40	0.22
	2.5	16.1	1.81	11.3	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.47	0.23
	3.0	16.1	1.95	12.1	1.18	0.77	0.49	72.0	0.52	0.26
	3.5	15.6	2.05	13.2	1.29	0.89	0.57	78.5	0.61	0.28
700	0.5	15.4	1.21	7.9	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.21	0.17
	1.0	16.4	1.41	8.6	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.27	0.19
	1.5	17.2	1.59	9.2	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.31	0.19
	2.0	17.8	1.74	9.8	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.5	0.36	0.21
	2.5	18.0	1.88	10.5	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.40	0.22
	3.0	18.0	2.01	11.1	1.18	0.77	0.49	72.0	0.45	0.23
	3.5	17.5	2.10	12.0	1.29	0.86	0.57	78.5	0.52	0.26

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Weight (lb)	Daily Gain (lb)	Dry Matter Intake (lb)	Protein Intake (lb)	Protein (%)	ME (Mcal/lb)	NE _m (Mcal/lb)	NE _g (Mcal/lb)	TDN (%)	Ca (%)	P (%)
800	0.5	17.1	1.31	7.7	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.21	0.18
	1.0	18.2	1.51	8.3	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.24	0.18
	1.5	19.0	1.68	8.8	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.28	0.19
	2.0	19.6	1.82	9.3	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.5	0.32	0.20
	2.5	19.9	1.96	9.8	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.35	0.21
	3.0	19.9	2.07	10.4	1.18	0.77	0.49	72.0	0.40	0.22
	3.5	19.3	2.15	11.1	1.29	0.86	0.57	78.5	0.45	0.24
900	0.5	18.6	1.40	7.6	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.20	0.18
	1.0	19.8	1.60	8.0	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.23	0.18
	1.5	20.8	1.77	8.5	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.27	0.18
	2.0	21.4	1.90	8.9	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.5	0.29	0.20
	2.5	21.8	2.03	9.3	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.31	0.20
	3.0	21.7	2.13	9.8	1.18	0.77	0.49	72.0	0.36	0.21
	3.5	21.1	2.19	10.4	1.29	0.86	0.57	78.5	0.40	0.23
1,000	0.5	20.2	1.49	7.5	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.20	0.17
	1.0	21.5	1.69	7.8	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.23	0.17
	1.5	22.5	1.85	8.2	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.25	0.18
	2.0	23.2	1.98	8.6	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.5	0.27	0.18
	2.5	23.6	2.09	8.9	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.29	0.19
	3.0	23.6	2.19	9.3	1.18	0.77	0.49	72.0	0.32	0.20
	3.5	22.8	2.24	9.8	1.29	0.86	0.57	78.5	0.35	0.21
1,100	0.5	21.7	1.58	7.4	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.19	0.18
	1.0	23.1	1.77	7.7	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.21	0.18
	1.5	24.1	1.93	8.0	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.23	0.18
	2.0	24.9	2.05	8.3	1.04	0.64	0.38	63.5	0.25	0.18
	2.5	25.3	2.16	8.5	1.11	0.70	0.44	67.5	0.26	0.18
	3.0	25.3	2.25	8.9	1.18	0.77	0.49	72.0	0.29	0.19
	3.5	24.5	2.28	9.3	1.29	0.86	0.57	78.5	0.32	0.21
<i>Medium-frame bulls</i>										
300	0.5	7.8	0.76	9.7	0.88	0.49	0.24	53.5	0.31	0.20
	1.0	8.3	0.96	11.6	0.94	0.56	0.30	57.5	0.48	0.24
	1.5	8.6	1.15	13.4	1.01	0.63	0.35	61.5	0.62	0.28
	2.0	8.8	1.34	15.2	1.08	0.68	0.41	65.5	0.75	0.33
	2.5	8.9	1.52	17.0	1.15	0.74	0.47	70.0	0.92	0.37
	3.0	8.7	1.68	19.3	1.26	0.84	0.54	76.5	1.09	0.43
400	0.5	9.6	0.87	9.0	0.88	0.49	0.24	53.5	0.28	0.18
	1.0	10.3	1.07	10.4	0.94	0.56	0.30	57.5	0.39	0.21
	1.5	10.7	1.26	11.8	1.01	0.62	0.35	61.5	0.49	0.25
	2.0	11.0	1.44	13.1	1.08	0.68	0.41	65.5	0.60	0.28
	2.5	11.1	1.60	14.1	1.15	0.74	0.47	70.0	0.70	0.32
	3.0	10.8	1.74	16.1	1.26	0.84	0.54	76.5	0.84	0.37
500	0.5	11.4	0.98	8.6	0.88	0.49	0.24	53.5	0.25	0.17
	1.0	12.1	1.17	9.7	0.94	0.56	0.30	57.5	0.35	0.20
	1.5	12.7	1.35	10.7	1.01	0.62	0.35	61.5	0.42	0.23
	2.0	13.0	1.52	11.7	1.08	0.68	0.41	65.5	0.49	0.25
	2.5	13.1	1.68	12.8	1.15	0.74	0.47	70.0	0.59	0.27
	3.0	12.8	1.81	14.1	1.26	0.84	0.54	76.5	0.69	0.31
600	0.5	13.1	1.08	8.3	0.88	0.49	0.24	53.5	0.24	0.19
	1.0	13.9	1.27	9.2	0.94	0.56	0.30	57.5	0.30	0.19
	1.5	14.5	1.44	10.0	1.01	0.62	0.35	61.5	0.36	0.21
	2.0	14.9	1.61	10.8	1.08	0.68	0.41	65.5	0.43	0.24
	2.5	15.0	1.75	11.6	1.15	0.74	0.47	70.0	0.50	0.25
	3.0	14.7	1.86	12.7	1.26	0.84	0.54	76.5	0.57	0.29

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700	0.5	14.7	1.18	8.0	0.88	0.49	0.24	53.5	0.23	0.18
	1.0	15.6	1.37	8.8	0.94	0.56	0.30	57.5	0.28	0.20
	1.5	16.3	1.53	9.4	1.01	0.62	0.35	61.5	0.32	0.20
	2.0	16.7	1.69	10.1	1.08	0.68	0.41	65.5	0.38	0.22
	2.5	16.8	1.82	10.8	1.15	0.74	0.47	70.0	0.43	0.24
	3.0	16.5	1.92	11.7	1.26	0.84	0.54	76.5	0.49	0.25
800	0.5	16.2	1.27	7.8	0.88	0.49	0.24	53.5	0.22	0.19
	1.0	17.3	1.45	8.4	0.94	0.56	0.30	57.5	0.25	0.19
	1.5	18.0	1.61	9.0	1.01	0.62	0.35	61.5	0.29	0.20
	2.0	18.5	1.76	9.5	1.08	0.68	0.41	65.5	0.33	0.21
	2.5	18.6	1.89	10.1	1.15	0.74	0.47	70.0	0.38	0.23
	3.0	18.2	1.97	10.8	1.26	0.84	0.54	76.5	0.44	0.24
900	0.5	17.7	1.36	7.7	0.88	0.49	0.24	53.5	0.21	0.19
	1.0	18.9	1.54	8.2	0.94	0.56	0.30	57.5	0.25	0.19
	1.5	19.7	1.69	8.6	1.01	0.62	0.35	61.5	0.28	0.19
	2.0	20.2	1.83	9.1	1.08	0.68	0.41	65.5	0.31	0.21
	2.5	20.3	1.95	9.6	1.15	0.74	0.47	70.0	0.34	0.22
	3.0	19.9	2.02	10.2	1.26	0.84	0.54	76.5	0.39	0.23
1,000	0.5	19.2	1.45	7.5	0.88	0.49	0.24	53.5	0.21	0.18
	1.0	20.4	1.62	8.0	0.94	0.56	0.30	57.5	0.24	0.18
	1.5	21.3	1.77	8.4	1.01	0.62	0.35	61.5	0.26	0.19
	2.0	21.8	1.90	8.7	1.08	0.68	0.41	65.5	0.28	0.19
	2.5	22.0	2.01	9.1	1.15	0.74	0.47	70.0	0.31	0.20
	3.0	21.5	2.07	9.6	1.26	0.84	0.54	76.5	0.35	0.22
1,100	0.5	20.6	1.54	7.4	0.88	0.49	0.24	53.5	0.20	0.19
	1.0	21.9	1.70	7.8	0.94	0.56	0.30	57.5	0.22	0.19
	1.5	22.9	1.85	8.1	1.01	0.62	0.35	61.5	0.24	0.19
	2.0	23.4	1.97	8.4	1.08	0.68	0.41	65.5	0.26	0.19
	2.5	23.6	2.07	8.7	1.15	0.74	0.47	70.0	0.28	0.20
	3.0	23.1	2.11	9.2	1.26	0.84	0.54	76.5	0.32	0.21
<i>Large-frame bull calves and compensating large-frame yearling steers</i>										
300	0.5	7.9	0.77	9.7	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.31	0.20
	1.0	8.4	0.98	11.7	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.47	0.24
	1.5	8.8	1.18	13.5	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.63	0.28
	2.0	9.0	1.38	15.1	1.03	0.63	0.37	62.5	0.76	0.32
	2.5	9.2	1.56	17.0	1.09	0.69	0.42	66.5	0.91	0.36
	3.0	9.2	1.74	18.8	1.16	0.75	0.47	70.5	1.08	0.43
	3.5	9.1	1.91	20.9	1.24	0.82	0.53	75.5	1.24	0.48
4.0	8.2	2.04	24.7	1.41	0.96	0.66	86.0	1.53	0.59	
400	0.5	9.8	0.89	9.0	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.27	0.18
	1.0	10.4	1.09	10.5	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.40	0.21
	1.5	10.9	1.29	11.9	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.51	0.24
	2.0	11.2	1.48	13.1	1.03	0.63	0.37	62.5	0.61	0.28
	2.5	11.4	1.65	14.5	1.09	0.69	0.42	66.5	0.72	0.31
	3.0	11.5	1.82	15.9	1.16	0.75	0.47	70.5	0.82	0.35
	3.5	11.3	1.98	17.5	1.24	0.82	0.53	75.5	0.96	0.39
4.0	10.2	2.08	20.3	1.41	0.96	0.66	86.0	1.19	0.48	
500	0.5	11.6	1.00	8.6	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.25	0.19
	1.0	12.3	1.20	9.8	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.36	0.21
	1.5	12.9	1.39	10.9	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.43	0.22
	2.0	13.2	1.58	11.8	1.03	0.63	0.37	62.5	0.52	0.25

Table 1. (cont'd)

Weight (lb)	Daily Gain (lb)	Dry Matter Intake (lb)	Protein Intake (lb)	Protein (%)	ME (Mcal/lb)	NE _m (Mcal/lb)	NE _g (Mcal/lb)	TDN (%)	Ca (%)	P (%)
500	2.5	13.5	1.74	12.9	1.09	0.69	0.42	66.5	0.59	0.28
	3.0	13.6	1.90	14.0	1.16	0.75	0.47	70.5	0.68	0.31
	3.5	13.4	2.05	15.3	1.24	0.82	0.53	75.5	0.77	0.35
	4.0	12.0	2.13	17.5	1.41	0.96	0.66	86.0	0.97	0.40
600	0.5	13.3	1.10	8.3	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.23	0.18
	1.0	14.1	1.30	9.2	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.31	0.20
	1.5	14.8	1.48	10.1	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.37	0.21
	2.0	15.2	1.67	10.9	1.03	0.63	0.37	62.5	0.44	0.23
	2.5	15.5	1.82	11.8	1.09	0.69	0.42	66.5	0.51	0.26
	3.0	15.5	1.97	12.7	1.16	0.75	0.47	70.5	0.58	0.27
	3.5	15.3	2.11	13.7	1.24	0.82	0.53	75.5	0.66	0.30
	4.0	13.8	2.16	15.6	1.41	0.96	0.66	86.0	0.81	0.37
700	0.5	14.9	1.20	8.0	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.22	0.18
	1.0	15.9	1.40	8.8	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.29	0.19
	1.5	16.6	1.57	9.6	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.35	0.21
	2.0	17.0	1.75	10.2	1.03	0.63	0.37	62.5	0.39	0.22
	2.5	17.4	1.90	11.0	1.09	0.69	0.42	66.5	0.44	0.24
	3.0	17.5	2.04	11.7	1.16	0.75	0.47	70.5	0.50	0.25
	3.5	17.2	2.16	12.5	1.24	0.82	0.53	75.5	0.56	0.28
	4.0	15.5	2.20	14.1	1.41	0.96	0.66	86.0	0.70	0.33
800	0.5	16.5	1.30	7.9	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.21	0.19
	1.0	17.5	1.49	8.5	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.26	0.19
	1.5	18.3	1.66	9.1	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.31	0.20
	2.0	18.8	1.84	9.7	1.03	0.63	0.37	62.5	0.35	0.21
	2.5	19.2	1.97	10.3	1.09	0.69	0.42	66.5	0.40	0.23
	3.0	19.3	2.11	10.9	1.16	0.75	0.47	70.5	0.45	0.24
	3.5	19.0	2.22	11.6	1.24	0.82	0.53	75.5	0.50	0.26
	4.0	17.1	2.24	13.0	1.41	0.96	0.66	86.0	0.61	0.31
900	0.5	18.0	1.39	7.7	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.22	0.18
	1.0	19.2	1.58	8.3	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.25	0.18
	1.5	20.0	1.74	8.8	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.29	0.20
	2.0	20.6	1.92	9.2	1.03	0.63	0.37	62.5	0.32	0.20
	2.5	21.0	2.04	9.8	1.09	0.69	0.42	66.5	0.36	0.21
	3.0	21.1	2.17	10.3	1.16	0.75	0.47	70.5	0.40	0.23
	3.5	20.8	2.27	10.9	1.24	0.82	0.53	75.5	0.45	0.24
	4.0	18.7	2.27	12.1	1.41	0.96	0.66	86.0	0.53	0.28
1,000	0.5	19.5	1.48	7.6	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.21	0.18
	1.0	20.7	1.66	8.1	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.25	0.19
	1.5	21.7	1.83	8.5	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.27	0.19
	2.0	22.3	1.99	8.9	1.03	0.63	0.37	62.5	0.30	0.20
	2.5	22.7	2.11	9.3	1.09	0.69	0.42	66.5	0.33	0.20
	3.0	22.8	2.23	9.7	1.16	0.75	0.47	70.5	0.36	0.21
	3.5	22.5	2.32	10.3	1.24	0.82	0.53	75.5	0.40	0.24
	4.0	20.2	2.30	11.3	1.41	0.96	0.66	86.0	0.48	0.27
1,100	0.5	20.9	1.57	7.5	0.86	0.48	0.23	52.5	0.21	0.19
	1.0	22.3	1.75	7.9	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.23	0.19
	1.5	23.3	1.91	8.3	0.98	0.59	0.33	59.5	0.26	0.19
	2.0	23.9	2.07	8.6	1.03	0.63	0.37	62.5	0.28	0.19
	2.5	24.2	2.18	9.0	1.09	0.69	0.42	66.5	0.30	0.20
	3.0	24.5	2.29	9.3	1.16	0.75	0.47	70.5	0.32	0.21
	3.5	24.1	2.37	9.8	1.24	0.82	0.53	75.5	0.36	0.22
	4.0	21.7	2.33	10.7	1.41	0.96	0.66	86.0	0.43	0.25

Table 1. (cont'd)

Weight (lb)	Daily Gain (lb)	Dry Matter Intake (lb)	Protein Intake (lb)	Protein (%)	ME (Mcal/lb)	NE _m (Mcal/lb)	NE _g (Mcal/lb)	TDN (%)	Ca (%)	P (%)
<i>Medium-frame heifer calves</i>										
300	0.5	7.5	0.73	9.6	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.29	0.21
	1.0	8.0	0.91	11.4	1.02	0.63	0.36	62.0	0.44	0.22
	1.5	8.2	1.08	13.1	1.13	0.72	0.44	68.5	0.59	0.27
	2.0	8.0	1.22	15.1	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.74	0.33
400	0.5	9.3	0.84	8.9	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.26	0.19
	1.0	9.9	1.01	10.2	1.02	0.63	0.36	62.0	0.36	0.20
	1.5	10.2	1.17	11.4	1.13	0.72	0.44	68.5	0.45	0.24
	2.0	10.0	1.29	12.9	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.57	0.29
500	0.5	11.0	0.94	8.5	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.24	0.18
	1.0	11.8	1.11	9.4	1.02	0.63	0.36	62.0	0.30	0.21
	1.5	12.1	1.25	10.3	1.13	0.72	0.44	68.5	0.38	0.22
	2.0	11.8	1.35	11.4	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.45	0.24
600	0.5	12.6	1.04	8.1	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.23	0.18
	1.0	13.5	1.19	8.8	1.02	0.63	0.36	62.0	0.28	0.20
	1.5	13.8	1.32	9.5	1.13	0.72	0.44	68.5	0.32	0.21
	2.0	13.5	1.41	10.4	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.38	0.23
700	0.5	14.1	1.13	7.9	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.22	0.19
	1.0	15.1	1.28	8.4	1.02	0.63	0.36	62.0	0.25	0.19
	1.5	15.5	1.39	9.0	1.13	0.72	0.44	68.5	0.28	0.20
	2.0	15.2	1.46	9.6	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.32	0.22
800	0.5	15.6	1.22	7.7	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.21	0.18
	1.0	16.7	1.36	8.1	1.02	0.63	0.36	62.0	0.22	0.18
	1.5	17.2	1.46	8.5	1.13	0.72	0.44	68.5	0.24	0.19
	2.0	16.8	1.51	9.0	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.28	0.20
900	0.5	17.1	1.31	7.5	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.21	0.18
	1.0	18.3	1.44	7.8	1.02	0.63	0.36	62.0	0.22	0.18
	1.5	18.8	1.53	8.1	1.13	0.72	0.44	68.5	0.22	0.19
	2.0	18.3	1.56	8.5	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.25	0.19
1,000	0.5	18.5	1.39	7.4	0.92	0.54	0.28	56.0	0.20	0.19
	1.0	19.8	1.51	7.6	1.02	0.63	0.36	62.0	0.20	0.18
	1.5	20.3	1.59	7.8	1.13	0.72	0.44	68.5	0.21	0.18
	2.0	19.8	1.61	8.1	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.22	0.19
<i>Large-frame heifer calves and compensating medium-frame yearling heifers</i>										
300	0.5	7.8	0.76	9.5	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.31	0.20
	1.0	8.4	0.95	11.3	0.98	0.58	0.32	59.0	0.45	0.24
	1.5	8.8	1.13	13.0	1.05	0.65	0.39	64.0	0.58	0.25
	2.0	8.9	1.30	14.6	1.14	0.74	0.46	69.5	0.69	0.30
	2.5	8.7	1.45	16.7	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.86	0.35
400	0.5	9.7	0.87	8.9	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.27	0.18
	1.0	10.5	1.06	10.1	0.98	0.58	0.32	59.0	0.36	0.21
	1.5	10.9	1.23	11.3	1.05	0.65	0.39	64.0	0.45	0.22
	2.0	11.1	1.38	12.6	1.14	0.74	0.46	69.5	0.54	0.26
	2.5	10.8	1.51	14.1	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.65	0.31
500	0.5	11.5	0.98	8.4	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.23	0.17
	1.0	12.4	1.16	9.4	0.98	0.58	0.32	59.0	0.30	0.20
	1.5	12.9	1.32	10.3	1.05	0.65	0.39	64.0	0.38	0.20
	2.0	13.1	1.46	11.2	1.14	0.74	0.46	69.5	0.44	0.24
	2.5	12.8	1.57	12.4	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.53	0.26

Table 1. (cont'd)

Weight (lb)	Daily Gain (lb)	Dry Matter Intake (lb)	Protein Intake (lb)	Protein (%)	ME (Mcal/lb)	NE _m (Mcal/lb)	NE _g (Mcal/lb)	TDN (%)	Ca (%)	P (%)
600	0.5	13.2	1.08	8.1	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.22	0.18
	1.0	14.1	1.25	8.9	0.98	0.58	0.32	59.0	0.28	0.19
	1.5	14.8	1.41	9.6	1.05	0.65	0.39	64.0	0.33	0.19
	2.0	15.0	1.54	10.3	1.14	0.74	0.46	69.5	0.38	0.22
	2.5	14.6	1.63	11.2	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.44	0.24
700	0.5	14.8	1.18	7.9	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.21	0.18
	1.0	15.9	1.34	8.5	0.98	0.58	0.32	59.0	0.25	0.18
	1.5	16.6	1.49	9.0	1.05	0.65	0.39	64.0	0.29	0.19
	2.0	16.8	1.61	9.6	1.14	0.74	0.46	69.5	0.33	0.20
	2.5	16.4	1.68	10.3	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.38	0.22
800	0.5	16.4	1.27	7.7	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.20	0.17
	1.0	17.6	1.43	8.2	0.98	0.58	0.32	59.0	0.24	0.18
	1.5	18.3	1.57	8.6	1.05	0.65	0.39	64.0	0.25	0.18
	2.0	18.6	1.67	9.0	1.14	0.74	0.46	69.5	0.28	0.19
	2.5	18.1	1.74	9.6	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.33	0.21
900	0.5	17.8	1.36	7.5	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.20	0.18
	1.0	19.2	1.52	7.9	0.98	0.58	0.32	59.0	0.22	0.18
	1.5	20.0	1.64	8.2	1.05	0.65	0.39	64.0	0.23	0.18
	2.0	20.3	1.74	8.6	1.14	0.74	0.46	69.5	0.26	0.18
	2.5	19.8	1.78	9.0	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.29	0.20
1,000	0.5	19.3	1.45	7.4	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.19	0.18
	1.0	20.8	1.60	7.7	0.98	0.58	0.32	59.0	0.21	0.18
	1.5	21.7	1.71	8.0	1.05	0.65	0.39	64.0	0.21	0.18
	2.0	22.0	1.80	8.2	1.14	0.74	0.46	69.5	0.23	0.18
	2.5	21.5	1.83	8.6	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.25	0.18
1,100	0.5	20.8	1.54	7.3	0.89	0.50	0.25	54.0	0.19	0.18
	1.0	22.3	1.68	7.5	0.98	0.58	0.32	59.0	0.20	0.18
	1.5	23.3	1.78	7.7	1.05	0.65	0.39	64.0	0.20	0.18
	2.0	23.6	1.86	7.9	1.14	0.74	0.46	69.5	0.21	0.18
	2.5	23.1	1.88	8.2	1.26	0.84	0.55	77.0	0.22	0.18

Table 2. Nutrient requirements of breeding cattle (avoidupois system).

Weight ^a (lb)	Gain ^b (lb)	Energy												Phosphorus		Vitamin A ^d			
		Daily						In Diet DM						Total Protein		Calcium		In Diet	
		DM ^c (lb)	ME (Mcal)	TDN (lb)	NE _m (Mcal)	NE _g (Mcal)	NE _g (Mcal/lb)	ME (Mcal/lb)	TDN (%)	NE _m (Mcal/lb)	NE _g (Mcal/lb)	NE _g (Mcal/lb)	Daily (lb)	DM _m (%)	Daily (g)	DM (%)	Daily (g)	DM (%)	Daily (g)
<i>Pregnant yearling heifers—Last third of pregnancy</i>																			
700	0.9	15.3	13.9	8.5	7.95	NA ^e	0.91	55.4	0.52	NA ^e	1.3	8.4	19	0.27	14	0.20	19		
700	1.4	15.8	15.7	9.6	7.95	0.87	0.99	60.3	0.60	0.34	1.4	9.0	24	0.33	15	0.21	20		
700	1.9	15.8	17.4	10.6	7.95	1.89	1.10	67.0	0.70	0.43	1.5	9.8	27	0.33	16	0.21	20		
750	0.9	16.1	14.6	8.9	8.25	NA	0.90	55.1	0.52	NA	1.3	8.3	20	0.27	14	0.19	20		
750	1.4	16.6	16.4	10.0	8.25	0.92	0.98	59.9	0.60	0.33	1.5	8.9	24	0.32	16	0.21	21		
750	1.9	16.6	18.2	11.1	8.25	1.99	1.09	66.5	0.69	0.42	1.6	9.5	28	0.37	17	0.23	21		
800	0.9	16.8	15.2	9.2	8.56	NA	0.90	54.8	0.51	NA	1.4	8.2	21	0.28	15	0.20	21		
800	1.4	17.4	17.1	10.4	8.56	0.96	0.98	59.6	0.59	0.33	1.5	8.8	25	0.33	16	0.21	22		
800	1.9	17.5	19.0	11.6	8.56	2.09	1.08	66.1	0.69	0.42	1.6	9.3	28	0.35	17	0.21	22		
850	0.9	17.6	15.7	9.6	8.85	NA	0.89	54.5	0.51	NA	1.4	8.2	21	0.26	16	0.20	22		
850	1.4	18.2	17.8	10.8	8.85	1.01	0.97	59.3	0.59	0.32	1.6	8.6	25	0.30	17	0.21	23		
850	1.9	18.3	19.8	12.1	8.85	2.19	1.08	65.7	0.68	0.41	1.7	9.1	28	0.34	18	0.22	23		
900	0.9	18.3	16.3	9.9	9.15	NA	0.89	54.3	0.51	NA	1.5	8.1	22	0.26	17	0.20	23		
900	1.4	19.0	18.5	11.3	9.15	1.05	0.97	59.1	0.58	0.32	1.6	8.5	26	0.30	18	0.21	24		
900	1.9	19.2	20.6	12.5	9.15	2.28	1.07	65.4	0.68	0.41	1.7	9.0	28	0.32	19	0.21	24		
950	0.9	19.0	16.9	10.3	9.44	NA	0.89	54.1	0.50	NA	1.5	8.0	23	0.27	17	0.20	24		
950	1.4	19.8	19.1	11.7	9.44	1.09	0.97	58.9	0.58	0.32	1.7	8.4	26	0.29	19	0.21	25		
950	1.9	20.0	21.3	13.0	9.44	2.38	1.07	65.1	0.67	0.40	1.8	8.8	29	0.32	19	0.21	25		
<i>Dry pregnant mature cows—Middle third of pregnancy</i>																			
800	0.0	15.3	12.3	7.5	6.41	NA	0.80	48.8	0.42	NA	1.1	7.1	12	0.17	12	0.17	19		
900	0.0	16.7	13.4	8.2	7.00	NA	0.80	48.8	0.42	NA	1.2	7.0	14	0.18	14	0.18	21		
1,000	0.0	18.1	14.5	8.8	7.57	NA	0.80	48.8	0.42	NA	1.3	7.0	15	0.18	15	0.18	23		
1,100	0.0	19.5	15.6	9.5	8.13	NA	0.80	48.8	0.42	NA	1.4	7.0	17	0.19	17	0.19	25		
1,200	0.0	20.8	16.6	10.1	8.68	NA	0.80	48.8	0.42	NA	1.4	6.9	18	0.19	18	0.19	26		
1,300	0.0	22.0	17.7	10.8	9.22	NA	0.80	48.8	0.42	NA	1.5	6.9	20	0.20	20	0.20	28		
1,400	0.0	23.3	18.7	11.4	9.75	NA	0.80	48.8	0.42	NA	1.6	6.9	21	0.20	21	0.20	30		

^a Average weight for a feeding period.

^b Approximately 0.9 ± 0.2 lb of weight gain/day over the last third of pregnancy is accounted for by the products of conception. Daily 2.15 Mcal of NE_m and 0.1 lb of protein are provided for this requirement for a calf with a birth weight of 80 lb.

^c Dry matter consumption should vary depending on the energy concentration of the diet and environmental conditions. These intakes are based on the energy concentration shown in the table and assuming a thermoneutral environment without snow or mud conditions. If the energy concentrations of the diet to be fed exceed the tabular value, limited feeding may be required.

^d Vitamin A requirements per pound of diet are 1,273 IU for pregnant heifers and cows and 1,773 IU for lactating cows and breeding bulls.

Table 2. (cont'd)

Weight ^a (lb)	Gain ^b (lb)	Energy															
		Daily							In Diet DM								
		ME (Mcal)	TDN (lb)	NE _m (Mcal)	NE _g (Mcal)	ME (Mcal/lb)	TDN (%)	NE _m (Mcal/lb)	NE _g (Mcal/lb)	Daily (lb)	In Diet DM (%)	Daily (g)	In Diet DM (%)	Daily (g)	In Diet DM (%)	Phosphorus In Diet DM (%)	Vitamin A ^d Daily (1,000s IU)
<i>Dry pregnant mature cows—Last third of pregnancy</i>																	
800	0.9	16.8	15.0	9.2	8.56	NA	0.89	54.5	0.51	NA	1.4	8.2	20	0.26	15	0.20	21
900	0.9	18.2	16.2	9.8	9.15	NA	0.89	54.0	0.50	NA	1.5	8.0	22	0.27	17	0.21	23
1,000	0.9	19.6	17.3	10.5	9.72	NA	0.88	53.6	0.50	NA	1.6	7.9	23	0.26	18	0.20	25
1,100	0.9	21.0	18.3	11.2	10.28	NA	0.87	53.2	0.49	NA	1.6	7.8	25	0.26	20	0.21	26
1,200	0.9	22.3	19.4	11.8	10.83	NA	0.87	52.9	0.49	NA	1.7	7.8	26	0.26	21	0.21	28
1,300	0.9	23.6	20.4	12.5	11.37	NA	0.87	52.7	0.48	NA	1.8	7.7	28	0.26	23	0.21	30
1,400	0.9	24.9	21.5	13.1	11.90	NA	0.86	52.5	0.48	NA	1.9	7.6	29	0.26	24	0.21	32
<i>Two-year-old heifers nursing calves—First 3-4 months postpartum—10 lb milk/day</i>																	
700	0.5	15.9	17.0	10.3	9.20 ^f	0.87	1.07	65.1	0.67	0.40	1.8 ^g	11.3	26	0.36	17	0.24	28
750	0.5	16.7	17.7	10.8	9.51 ^f	0.92	1.06	64.4	0.66	0.40	1.8 ^g	11.0	26	0.34	18	0.24	30
800	0.5	17.6	18.4	11.2	9.81 ^f	0.96	1.05	63.8	0.66	0.39	1.9 ^g	10.8	27	0.34	19	0.24	31
850	0.5	18.4	19.1	11.6	10.11 ^f	1.01	1.04	63.2	0.65	0.38	1.9 ^g	10.6	27	0.33	19	0.23	33
900	0.5	19.2	19.8	12.0	10.40 ^f	1.05	1.03	62.7	0.64	0.37	2.0 ^g	10.4	28	0.32	20	0.23	34
950	0.5	20.0	20.5	12.5	10.69 ^f	1.09	1.02	62.3	0.63	0.37	2.0 ^g	10.2	28	0.31	21	0.23	35
1,000	0.5	20.8	21.1	12.9	10.98 ^f	1.14	1.02	61.9	0.62	0.36	2.1 ^g	10.0	29	0.31	22	0.23	37
<i>Cows nursing calves—Average milking ability—First 3-4 months postpartum—10 lb milk/day</i>																	
800	0.0	17.3	16.6	10.1	9.81 ^f	NA	0.96	58.2	0.57	NA	1.8 ^g	10.2	23	0.30	17	0.22	31
900	0.0	18.8	17.7	10.8	10.40 ^f	NA	0.94	57.3	0.55	NA	1.9 ^g	9.9	24	0.28	19	0.22	33
1,000	0.0	20.2	18.8	11.5	10.98 ^f	NA	0.93	56.6	0.55	NA	2.0 ^g	9.6	25	0.28	20	0.22	36
1,100	0.0	21.6	19.9	12.1	11.54 ^f	NA	0.92	56.0	0.54	NA	2.0 ^g	9.4	27	0.27	22	0.22	38
1,200	0.0	23.0	21.0	12.8	12.09 ^f	NA	0.91	55.5	0.53	NA	2.1 ^g	9.3	28	0.27	23	0.22	41
1,300	0.0	24.3	22.0	13.4	12.63 ^f	NA	0.90	55.1	0.52	NA	2.2 ^g	9.1	30	0.27	25	0.22	43
1,400	0.0	25.6	23.0	14.0	13.15 ^f	NA	0.90	54.7	0.51	NA	2.3 ^g	9.0	31	0.27	26	0.22	46
<i>Cows nursing calves—Superior milking ability—First 3-4 months postpartum—20 lb milk/day</i>																	
800	0.0	15.7	19.9	12.1	13.22 ^f	NA	1.27	77.3	0.85	NA	2.2 ^g	14.2	34	0.48	22	0.31	28
900	0.0	18.7	21.5	13.1	13.81 ^f	NA	1.15	69.8	0.74	NA	2.4 ^g	12.9	35	0.41	24	0.28	33
1,000	0.0	20.6	22.7	13.8	14.38 ^f	NA	1.10	67.0	0.70	NA	2.5 ^g	12.3	36	0.39	25	0.27	37
1,100	0.0	22.3	23.8	14.5	14.94 ^f	NA	1.07	65.2	0.67	NA	2.6 ^g	11.9	38	0.38	27	0.27	40
1,200	0.0	23.8	24.9	15.2	15.49 ^f	NA	1.05	63.7	0.65	NA	2.7 ^g	11.5	39	0.36	28	0.26	42
1,300	0.0	25.3	26.0	15.9	16.03 ^f	NA	1.03	62.6	0.64	NA	2.8 ^g	11.2	41	0.36	30	0.26	45
1,400	0.0	26.7	27.1	16.5	16.56 ^f	NA	1.01	61.7	0.62	NA	2.9 ^g	11.0	42	0.35	31	0.26	47

^f Includes 0.34 Mcal NE_m/lb of milk produced.

^g Includes 0.03 lb protein/lb of milk produced.

Table 2. (cont'd)

Weight ^e (lb)	Gain ^b (lb)	Energy																			
		Daily				In Diet DM				Total Protein			Calcium			Phosphorus		Vitamin A ^d Daily (1,000s IU)			
		ME (Mcal)	TDN (lb)	NE _m (Mcal)	NE _g (Mcal)	ME (Mcal/lb)	TDN (%)	NE _m (Mcal/lb)	NE _g (Mcal/lb)	Daily (lb)	In Diet DM (%)	Daily (g)	In Diet DM (%)	Daily (g)	In Diet DM (%)						
<1,300																					
		For growth and development use requirements for bulls in Tables 1, 2, 3, and 10.																			
1,300	1.0	25.4	23.3	14.2	9.22	2.20	0.92	55.8	0.53	0.28	1.9	7.6	25	0.22	22	0.19	45				
1,300	1.5	26.1	25.5	15.6	9.22	3.43	0.98	59.7	0.59	0.33	2.0	7.9	28	0.24	23	0.19	46				
1,300	2.0	26.2	27.6	16.8	9.22	4.71	1.05	64.0	0.65	0.39	2.2	8.2	31	0.26	24	0.20	46				
1,400	1.0	26.8	24.6	15.0	9.75	2.33	0.92	55.8	0.53	0.28	2.0	7.5	26	0.21	23	0.19	48				
1,400	1.5	27.6	27.0	16.5	9.75	3.63	0.98	59.7	0.59	0.33	2.1	7.7	29	0.23	24	0.19	49				
1,400	2.0	27.7	29.1	17.8	9.75	4.98	1.05	64.0	0.65	0.39	2.2	8.0	31	0.25	25	0.20	49				
1,500	0.0	25.2	20.0	12.2	10.26	NA	0.79	48.4	0.41	NA	1.7	6.9	23	0.20	23	0.20	45				
1,500	1.0	28.3	25.9	15.8	10.26	2.45	0.92	55.8	0.53	0.28	2.1	7.4	27	0.21	24	0.19	50				
1,500	1.5	29.0	28.4	17.3	10.26	3.82	0.98	59.7	0.59	0.33	2.2	7.6	29	0.22	25	0.19	51				
1,600	0.0	26.5	21.0	12.8	10.77	NA	0.79	48.4	0.41	NA	1.8	6.9	23	0.19	24	0.20	47				
1,600	1.0	29.7	27.2	16.6	10.77	2.57	0.92	55.8	0.53	0.28	2.2	7.3	29	0.22	26	0.19	53				
1,600	1.5	30.4	29.8	18.2	10.77	4.01	0.98	59.7	0.59	0.33	2.3	7.4	31	0.22	27	0.20	54				
1,700	0.0	27.7	22.0	13.4	11.28	NA	0.79	48.4	0.41	NA	1.9	6.8	26	0.21	26	0.21	49				
1,700	0.5	29.6	25.3	15.4	11.28	1.26	0.85	52.0	0.47	0.22	2.1	7.0	27	0.20	26	0.19	52				
1,800	0.0	28.9	23.0	14.0	11.77	NA	0.79	48.4	0.41	NA	2.0	6.8	27	0.21	27	0.21	51				
1,800	0.5	30.9	26.4	16.1	11.77	1.31	0.85	52.0	0.47	0.22	2.2	7.0	28	0.20	28	0.20	55				
1,900	0.0	30.1	23.9	14.6	12.26	NA	0.79	48.4	0.41	NA	2.0	6.8	29	0.21	29	0.21	53				
1,900	0.5	32.2	27.5	16.8	12.26	1.37	0.85	52.0	0.47	0.22	2.2	6.9	29	0.20	29	0.20	57				
2,000	0.0	31.3	24.9	15.2	12.74	NA	0.79	48.4	0.41	NA	2.1	6.8	30	0.21	30	0.21	55				
2,100	0.0	32.5	25.8	15.7	13.21	NA	0.79	48.4	0.41	NA	2.2	6.8	32	0.22	32	0.22	58				
2,200	0.0	33.6	26.7	16.3	13.68	NA	0.79	48.4	0.41	NA	2.3	6.8	33	0.22	33	0.22	60				

Bulls, maintenance, and slow rate of growth (regain body condition)

