

New York Dressed Meats

Dairy wholesale meat trade distributive less than carlot. Compared with Wednesday, prices 50c higher for steer and heifer beef. Cow beef, calf and veal steady. Spring lamb 50c higher. Pork steady.

Trading active and outlet dependable for bulk beef, calf and veal. Demand only fair for lamb and pork. Volume of beef, lamb and pork near normal. Calf and veal moderate.

Steer Beef

Prime 600 - 900 pounds 61.00 - 64.00
Choice 600 - 700 60.50 - 63.00
800 900 59.50 - 60.50
Good 500 - 800 58.00 - 59.50

Heifer Beef

Choice 500 - 700 pounds 59.50 - 61.25

Calf (Skin-Off)

Choice 150 - 350 pounds 79.00 -

83.00; Good 150 - 350 78.00 - 82.00,
Standard 150 - 350 70.00 - 74.00.

Veal (Skin-Off)

Choice 90 - 150 pounds 93.00 - 101.00; Good 60 - 90 84.00 - 89.00,
Standard 60 - 120 72.00 - 75.00.

Lamb

Choice and Spring Lamb 30 - 55 pounds 72.50 - 76.50.

Choice Beef Cuts

Hinds (Steer) 145 - 190 pounds 74.50 - 77.00, Arm Chucks 90 - 105 48.50 - 53.00; Ribs (7-rib) 34 - 40 75.00 - 79.00, Loins (trmd) 50 - 70 102.00 - 106.00, Rounds (Steer) 70 - 95 68.00 - 69.00, Full Plates 30.50 - 31.00, Hinds (Heifer) 120 - 170 72.50 - 74.50

Fresh Pork Cuts

Loins (regular) 8 - 14 pounds 60.00 - 64.50, 14 - 17 58.00 - 62.00; 17 - 20 49.00 - 51.00, Picnics (regular) 4 - 8 37.00 - 40.00; Boston

Future Trends In The Dairy Industry

What's in the future for the dairy industry? Better management and new products, according to Frank Groves, University of Wisconsin agricultural economist.

In the next ten years, the number of dairy farms will decline from the present 300,000 to slightly more than 200,000. At the same time, the total number of cattle will decrease from the present 12.4 million to slightly more than 11 million. However, the average herd size will be larger and production per cow will increase.

These trends indicate that the key to having a successful operation will be good management. Groves says that to be successful, the farmer will have to be well-educated and able to adapt to new technology, management and marketing techniques. Better management will enable the dairyman to double his production in the next decade.

As with the dairy farms, processing plants will decrease in number and increase in size. This trend will also call for more efficient management.

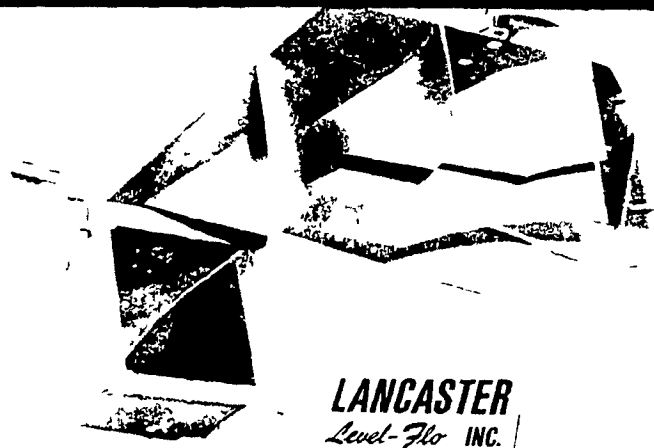
Rising labor costs will continue to force management to substitute machines for people. The demand for food will naturally increase as the population increases, but the types of food desired will change.

It is estimated that the life cycle of a new food product

is about five years. This means that two-thirds of the food products you will be eating in 1984, haven't even been developed. Most of these new products will be made by combining different parts of present foods such as dairy products.

As far as pure dairy foods

are concerned, there will be a continued shift of consumer demand from high fat products, such as butter, whole milk and cream to products like skim and low fat milk. An exception is cheese which is not a low fat product but will increase in consumption.



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