

Hog Prices

New Holland Auction

Monday, July 16
 HOGS 1057, compared with last Monday's market. Barrows & Gilts: Mostly \$4 higher. US No. 1-2 200-220 lbs. 45.00-45.50; US No. 1-3 200-230 lbs. 44.50-45.00; US No. 2-3 220-250 lbs. 43.50-44.50; US No. 2-4 180-200 lbs. 43.50-44.50.
 Sows: US No. 1-3 35.50-38.50; Boars: 36.00-37.00.

St. Louis Auction

HOGS: 3000.
 Barrows and gilts unevenly 4.50-5.50 higher.
 BARROWS & GILTS: US 1-3 200-250 lb. 49.25-50.00.

Indianapolis Auction

HOGS: 1000.
 Barrows and gilts largely 4.00 higher.
 BARROWS & GILTS: US 1-3, including 1-2 200-250 lb. 48.50-49.50.

Peoria Auction

HOGS: 3000.
 Barrows and gilts 4.00-5.00 higher.
 BARROWS & GILTS: US 1-3 190-250 lb. mostly 50.00.

Vintage Auction

Saturday, July 14
 HOGS 461: Compared with last Saturday's market. Barrows and Gilts: \$3 to \$4 higher. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. 44.85-45.35, No. 1-3 200-240 lbs. 44.50-44.85, No. 2-3 190-230 lbs. 44.00-44.60, few No. 2-4 250-290 lbs. 38.25-40.60, No. 2-4 120-175 lbs. 39.50-40.00.
 SOWS: US No. 1-3 315-500 lbs. 33.35-36.85. Few Boars: 32.00-34.50.

Wednesday, July 18
 HOGS 450: Compared with last Wednesday's market. Barrows and Gilts: Mostly \$2 higher. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. 44.75-45.35, No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 44.00-44.75.
 SOWS: US No. 1-3 300-575 lbs. 35.00-36.00. Few Boars: 34.00-35.00.

Lancaster Auction

Wednesday, July 18
 HOGS: Barrows and gilts 75-1.00 higher; sows scarce.
 BARROWS AND GILTS: Few small lots sorted US 1 210-235 lb. 45.00-45.50; US 1-2 195-240 lb. 44.00-44.50; US 2-3 190-250 lb. 43.50-44.00; US 2-4 250-270 lb. 42.00-43.50.

Lancaster Market

Monday, July 16
 HOGS: Barrows and gilts mostly 1.00 higher.
 BARROWS AND GILTS: Three small lots sorted US 1 218-246 lb. 46.25-46.50; US 1-2 200-240 lb. 45.00-45.50; US 2-3 195-250 lb. 44.50-45.10; Few US 2-4 260-265 lb. 42.50-43.60.
 SOWS: US 1-3 365-425 lb. 35.50-37.00.

Lebanon Valley Auction

Tuesday, July 17
 307 Head of Hogs
 Barrows and gilts 25 cents to mostly \$1 higher. US 1-3 185-230 pounds.
 Barrows and gilts 43.75-44.85, lot to 45.00, 2-3 180-265 42.00-43.00. Few US 1-3 450-575.
 Sows 37.50-40.25, 2-3 350-600 35.50-38.00.
 Boars 31.50-32.00.

32 Head of Feeder Pigs
 Few lots US 1-3 35-65 pounds. Feeder pigs 25.50-35.50 per head.
 55 Head of Sheep
 Choice 85-100 pounds spring slaughter lambs 33.00-35.50, Good 75-100 28.00-32.00.

Lebanon Valley Auction

Tuesday, July 17
 255 Head of Cattle
 Compared with last Tuesday's market, slaughter steers steady to mostly \$1.25 higher. Slaughter cows strong to 75 cents higher. Slaughter bulls strong to \$1 higher.

STEERS: Choice 1050-1150 pounds 47.75-48.50, individual at 58.85, Good 44.35-46.00, Standard 41.60-44.25.

HEIFERS: Choice 43.75-46.25, few Good 42.75-43.85, few Standard 41.00-42.75.

COWS: Utility and High Dressing Cutter 36.75-39.00, Cutters 34.75-36.85, Canners 32.00-34.50, Shells down to 30.00.

BULLS 45.10-47.00, Utility and Commercial 42.00-46.00, few Cutters 39.25-41.50.

253 Head of Veal Calves
 Supply included 75 percent farm calves. Few Choice vealers 68.50-71.00, Good 62.00-67.00, few Standard 61.00-65.00, Utility 90-120 pounds 52.00-58.00, 70-85 43.00-48.00.

FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls 70-85 pounds 53.00-57.00, 90-135 62.00-76.00; Holstein heifers 70-80 55.00-65.00, 80-135 82.00-94.00.

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(Closing bids as of Thursday, July 19)

	Chicago Cattle	Chicago Hogs	New York Maine Potatoes	Chicago Fresh Eggs
July		49.06		
August	50.70	49.70		
September				72.90
October		49.80		70.00
November			5.80	72.40
December	52.37	50.90		75.85
January '74				69.30
February	52.52	50.75		66.20
March			7.15	
April	51.55	49.25	7.45	
May			8.35	
June	51.47	49.30		
July		48.50		
August	50.80	47.00		

Trend - Cattle are Stronger, Hogs are Stronger, Potatoes are Lower, Eggs are Stronger.

a-asked b-bid n-normal
 Markets provided by Commodity Dept., Reynolds Securities, Inc.

Omaha Cattle

Thursday, July 19
 Weekly 51 - Cattle
 Compared with last week's close: prices on slaughter steers and heifers stood 75-1.50 higher through midweek but a late decline left prices strong to 50 cents higher. Cows were mostly 50-1.00 lower. Bulls fully steady. Feeder cattle were 50-1.00 higher, part of the early upturn a reflection of higher slaughter prices.

Four day receipts 12,600 as compared 17,800 previous week and 17,000 a year ago. After a period of uneasy waiting for some word promising relief from present ceiling limitations on carcass beef the live trade spurred into action by curtailed supplies and the apparent hopeful assumption that at least some advance in prices would be allowed. However, much of the early upturn was erased in late trading in the wake of the announcement of the phase IV program. Virtually all packing interests came into the week needing cattle for immediate requirements and live prices advanced sharply in a scramble for numbers to maintain even reduced slaughter quotas. The available supply of market ready cattle was in strong hands with many feeders clinging to a "wait and see" attitude.

STEERS: load high-Choice and Prime 1086 pounds 3-4 50.00 at midweek and eight loads same grade 1026-1351 3-4 49.50-49.85. Choice 975-1275 2-4 48.00-48.25 at midweek, late sales 47.50-48.75. Mixed Good and Choice 950-1250 47.50-48.25 at midweek, Good 44.00-47.50. Standard and low-Good 43.00-44.00, two loads Good 1250 holsteins 2-3 43.50 late.

Average cost of slaughter steers first three days 47.96 average weight 1104 pounds as compared 46.95 and 1103 pounds previous week and 37.93 and 1115 a year ago.

HEIFERS: high-Choice and Prime 975-1025 pounds 3-4 47.75-48.50, two loads at latter price Wednesday, small consignment 961 with two steers 49.00. Choice 825-1050 2-4 46.25-47.75 at midweek, late sales 45.50-47.00. Mixed Good and Choice 750-1000 Wednesday 45.50-46.25. Good 41.50-45.25.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 33.00-35.00, few Utility 35.25-36.00. Canner and Cutter 30.00-33.00, mixed cutter and low-Utility 33.25-33.50.

BULLS: 1-2 1400-2100 pounds 38.00-43.00, 1 1600-2100 43.50-45.00. 1-2 1100-1400 39.00-42.00.

FEEDERS: price 50-1.00 higher under continued brisk demand. Outshipments approximately 1800 head, large share fleshy two-way steers with moderate volume yearlings.

STEERS: several loads Choice 714-800 pounds 50.50-51.00, two loads Choice fleshy and load Choice 898 48.00. Choice 975-1075 47.00-47.50, high-Good and Choice these weights 46.25-47.00, three loads Good 1026-1100 pounds Holsteins 43.00.

HEIFERS: load mostly Choice 497 pounds 54.00, three loads Choice 724-847 47.00-49.00. Few loads and part loads high-Good and Choice 768-922 45.50-46.25.

Growing Degree Days, Rainfall

A report from Penn State of weekly crop and weather roundups with a report on weather conditions for the week ending July 16.

In Lancaster, the average temperature for the week was 76 degrees, a 2 degree departure from normal temperatures.

Growing degree days for crops that start at 50 degrees totaled 1,418 degrees or 54 more than in an average year.

Rainfall for the week totaled .44 inches; rainfall for the season since April 1 totaled 16.83 inches or 2.94 inches more than normal.

U. S. Inspected Livestock Slaughter

Estimated Daily Livestock Slaughter Under Federal Inspection

	CATTLE	HOGS	SHEEP
Thursday, July 19, 1973	111,000	160,000	40,000
Week Ago	121,000	224,000	38,000
Year Ago	122,000	248,000	40,000
Week To Date	440,000	697,000	158,000
Same Period Last Week	475,000	930,000	143,000
Same Period Last Year	476,000	1,009,000	155,000



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