

Local Livestock Market, Auction News

Lancaster Market

Monday, September 24

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep
Today	821	143	850	143
Last Week	892	129	1194	151
Last Year	909	144	663	169

CATTLE: Compared to last Wednesday, slaughter steers very uneven, Choice 950-1200 lb. 2.00-3.00 lower, bulk of trading 3.00-5.00 lower, with instances 7.00 lower on Choice and Prime yield grade 4&5 1275-1400 lb.; cows steady to 50 lower with the decline mainly on Utility; bullocks 4.00-5.00 lower; bulls 3.00-5.00 lower. Supply included 588 in afternoon auction.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 1175-1275 lb. yield grade 2-4 42.10-43.60, 1285-1320 lb. yield grade 4-5 39.35-39.85; Choice 950-1200 lb. yield grade 2-4 42.25-43.60, lot yield grade 4-5 1160 lb. 38.50; Choice 1200-1300 lb. yield grade 3-5 39.75-42.00, few yield grade 2 1250-1450 lb. 42.50-43.35; Choice 1300-1400 lb. yield grade 3-5 36.35-39.85, lot 1310 lb. yield grade 5 34.35; Good 950-1400 lb. 39.50-42.10; Standard and low Good 38.00-39.60.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 700-900 lb. 42.00-44.50; Good 37.25-40.00.

COWS: Utility and high dressing Cutter 35.25-37.50; Cutter 34.50-36.50; Canner and low Cutter 31.50-34.00.

BULLOCKS: Choice 900-1350 lb. 43.00-45.00, couple 45.75; Good 40.00-43.00.

BULLS: Yield grade 1 1100-1650 lb. 42.50-45.00, several 45.00-46.60; couple 47.00-47.50; three head 1950-2060 lb. 44.75-45.50; yield grade 2 1000-1500 lb. 39.50-42.50.

VEAL CALVES: Vealers steady to weak; slaughter calves 1.00-2.00 lower.

VEALERS: Prime 72.00-76.00, few 77.00-78.00; Choice 66.00-72.00; Good 59.00-66.00; Standard 52.00-60.00; Utility 90-120 lb. 46.00-53.00, 65-85 lb. 40.00-45.00.

SLAUGHTER CALVES: Choice 260-350 lb. 55.00-58.00, few 260-300 lb. 58.00-62.00; Good 250-350 lb. 50.00-55.00.

SHEEP: Spring lambs 1.00-2.00 lower; ewes scarce.

SPRING LAMBS: Choice 60-90 lb. 32.00-34.00, few small lots 35.00-37.00; Good 55-90 lb. 29.00-32.00.

Regional Hay Prices

Monday, September 24, 1973
(All hay No. 2 and better prices paid by dealers at the farm price per ton.)

Hay slow and steady; straw steady to strong.

Alfalfa	50.00-60.00
Mixed Hay	30.00-50.00
Timothy Hay	30.00-40.00
Straw	30.00-35.00
Mulch	10.00-20.00

Vintage Auction

Tuesday, September 25

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep
Today	599	689	53
Last Week	1094	805	42
Last Year	874	928	47

CATTLE: Compared with last Tuesday, slaughter steers very uneven, 2.00-5.00 lower, with most sales to the small retail slaughter outlets, sales to the major packers very scarce; cows 3.50-5.00 lower; bullocks 3.00-7.00 lower; bulls 5.00-7.00 lower. Supply included 54 per cent cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 1050-1200 lb. 40.25-43.10, few 44.00-44.50; 1200-1400 lb. 38.50-41.00; Choice 950-1150 lb. 40.75-44.10, several mainly yield grade 2 & 3 44.50-46.75, 1150-1400 lb. 38.25-41.50, several mainly yield grade 2 42.00-44.00; Good 950-1350 lb. 39.00-42.25; Standard and low Good 37.25-41.00.

COWS: Utility and high dressing Cutter 32.25-34.50; Cutter 31.25-34.00; Canner and low Cutter 29.00-32.00.

BULLOCKS: Choice 42.00-43.50; Good 40.00-42.00.

BULLS: Yield grade 1 1200-1650 lb. 41.00-43.50; few 43.75-44.85; yield grade 2 1000-1500 lb. 38.00-42.00.

VEAL CALVES: Vealers 1.00-3.00 higher, although Utility 3.00-7.00 higher.

VEAL CALVES: Prime 72.00-76.00, few 77.00-81.00; Choice 66.00-72.00; Good 62.00-66.00; Standard 57.00-62.00; Utility 90-120 lb. 48.00-57.00, 70-90 lb. 39.00-48.00, couple lots 60-65 lb. 37.00-39.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein heifers 80-125 lb. 76.50-88.00, few Utility 85-110 lb. 68.00-71.00; bulk 100-125 lb. Holstein bulls 72.00-83.50, few 90-95 lb. 60.00-69.00.

SHEEP: Spring slaughter lambs fully steady; slaughter ewes fully steady.

SPRING LAMBS: Good and Choice 60-90 lb. 34.00-39.00, few Choice 40-70 lb. 41.00-44.00.

SLAUGHTER EWES: Utility and Good 16.00-19.00.

Green Dragon Hay

Friday, September 21

12 loads hay, including: Few loads Alfalfa 49.00 - 60.00; couple loads Timothy 47.00 and 49.00; few loads Mixed hay 43.50 - 67.00. 4 loads straw 37.00 - 53.00. 8 loads corn 62.00 - 74.00; 4 loads 41.50 - 57.50.

Bats Broadcast?

Bats usually broadcast sonar pulses at frequencies too high for humans to hear. The pulses of a Malayan naked free-tailed bat have been measured at 145 decibels, comparable to the sound level of some jets at takeoff.

Lancaster Auction

Wednesday, September 26

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep
Today	254	117	495	18
Last Week	906	107	458	29
Last Year	930	111	393	4

This Week's Auction 272 117 411 19
Last Week's Auction 762 114 522 29

CATTLE: Compared to Monday, slaughter steers fully steady, instances 1.00 higher on Choice; cows 2.00-3.00 lower; bullocks and bulls weak to 1.00 lower.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Few head Prime 1050-1250 lb. 42.35; Choice 950-1200 lb. 41.25-42.75, several yield grade 2-3 1000-1400 lb. 43.25-45.25, few 46.25-47.75, Choice 1200-1460 lb. 40.00-42.00; Good 1100-1350 lb. 40.00-41.50; Standard 38.00-39.85.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 850-1000 lb. 42.00-44.35; Good 38.00-42.00.

COWS: Utility and high dressing Cutter 32.75-34.25, few 34.50-35.00; Cutter 32.00-34.00; Canner and low Cutter 29.50-32.00.

BULLOCKS: Couple Choice 42.00-42.75; Good 38.50-41.00.

BULLS: Yield grade 1 1100-1550 lb. 41.75-43.50, few 43.75-44.85; yield grade 2 1000-1400 lb. 38.00-42.00.

VEAL CALVES: Vealers fully steady, instances 2.00-4.00 higher on Prime.

VEALERS: Prime 74.00-80.00, several 82.00-86.50; Choice 66.00-74.00; Good 60.00-66.00; Standard 54.00-60.00.

SHEEP: One lot Choice 95 lb. 2.00 lower at 31.50.

Local Grain

Thursday, September 27

These prices are made up of the average prices quoted by five participating local feed and grain concerns. It should be noted, however, that not every dealer handles each commodity. All prices are per bushel except for ear corn which is per ton.

The average local grain prices quoted Thursday, September 27, 1973, are as follows:

	Bid	Offered	+
Ear Corn, Old	60.00	70.00	
Ear Corn, New	40.00	48.00	
Shelled Corn	2.34	2.61	
Oats, Local	1.10	1.32	
Oats, Western	1.66	1.79	
Barley	1.98	2.28	
Wheat	3.99	4.05	

+Bid is the price the dealer will buy from the farmer delivered to the mill. Offered is the price the dealer will sell for at his mill.

New Holland Auction

Thursday, September 27

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep
Today	513	435	5
Last Week	997	547	44
Last Year	947	574	68

CATTLE: Compared to last Thursday, slaughter steers 1.00-2.00 lower, instances 3.00 lower; cows 2.00-3.00 lower; bullocks and bulls 2.00-4.00 lower. Supply included 48 per cent cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 1075-1200 lb. 43.00-45.00; Choice 950-1200 lb. 42.75-44.75, several 45.50-46.75, five head 47.00-48.50; Choice 1200-1400 lb. 42.00-44.00, few yield grade 4-5 1250-1400 lb. 40.00-40.50; Good 40.25-42.75; Standard and low Good 37.00-41.50.

COWS: Utility and high dressing Cutter 32.00-34.25, few 34.35-35.00; Cutter 31.00-34.00; Canner and low Cutter 29.00-31.25.

BULLOCKS: Choice 950-1250 lb. 43.25-45.75, few 47.00-48.00; Good 40.00-43.00.

BULLS: Yield grade 1 1200-1600 lb. 42.00-44.25, few 47.25-48.00; yield grade 2 1000-1500 lb. 38.00-42.00.

VEAL CALVES: Vealers 3.00-5.00 higher, instances 8.00 higher on Choice and Prime.

VEALERS: Prime 79.00-86.00, couple 88.00-90.00; Choice 74.00-79.00; Good 63.00-73.00; Standard 58.00-63.00; Utility 90-120 lb. 48.00-56.00, 65-85 lb. 40.00-50.00.

SHEEP: Insufficient volume for a market test.

Monday, Sept. 24

Calf Receipts 135
Choice and Prime 71-81;
Standard 59-66.50; Good and Low
Choice 67-70.50; Common 40-58.50.

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17 loads of hay and 7 loads of straw sold as follows (prices per ton):

Alfalfa 45.00-75.00, individual at 39.00; Timothy, few loads 40.00-49.00; Mixed Hay, few loads 31.00-47.00; Hay, one load at 30.00; Clover, one load at 40.00; Straw 38.00-54.00; Ear Corn, 2 loads 55.00 and 60.00

New Holland Dairy

Wednesday, September 26

Reported receipts of 139 cows; market steady with last weeks market.

Load Pennsylvania cows, fresh 590 - 980; springers, 670 - 710.

Load Franklin County cows, fresh, 400 - 730; springers, 690 - 800.

Load Vermont cows, fresh, 665 - 810.

Load Wisconsin cows, fresh, 660 - 940.

Three loads New York State cows, fresh, 390 - 925; springers, 530 - 910.

Locally consigned cows 300 - 790.

Composite Report

Friday Weekly, Sept. 28

	Cattle	Calves
This Week	2500	1400
Last Week	4507	1588
Last Year	4459	1765

CATTLE: Slaughter steers closed the week 2.00-3.00 lower after some early sales being as much as 6.00 lower; cows 2.00-4.00 lower; bulls and bullocks 2.00-4.00 lower. Supply included an estimated 25 per cent slaughter steers, 15 per cent bulls, 40 per cent cows, with the balance mainly feeder steers.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Closing sales high Choice and Prime 1050-1350 lb. 42.25-45.00; Choice 950-1300 lb. 41.25-44.00, several sales mainly yield grade 2-3 44.25-46.50, with a few sales 46.75-48.50; Good 40.00-40.75; Standard and low Good 38.00-39.85.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 700-1000 lb. 42.00-44.50; Good 37.25-40.00.

COWS: Utility and high dressing Cutter 32.00-34.25, few 34.35-35.00; Cutter 31.00-34.00; Canner and low Cutter 29.00-31.25.

BULLOCKS: Choice 950-1250 lb. 42.00-45.75, few 47.00-48.00; Good 38.50-43.00.

BULLS: Yield grade 1 1100-1600 lb. 41.75-44.25, few 44.75-48.00; yield grade 2 1000-1500 lb. 38.00-42.00.

VEAL CALVES: Vealers 3.00-5.00 higher, instances 8.00 higher on Choice and Prime. Demand good for calves returned to farm.

VEALERS: Prime 75.00-86.00, couple at the close 88.00-90.00; Choice 70.00-79.00; Good 63.00-73.00; Standard 56.00-63.00; Utility 90-120 lb. 48.00-57.00; 70-90 lb. 39.00-48.00, couple lots 60-65 lb. 37.00-39.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein heifers 80-125 lb. 76.50-88.00, few Utility 85-110 lb. 68.00-71.00; bulk 100-125 lb. Holstein bulls 72.00-83.50, few 90-95 lb. 60.00-69.00.

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