

Local Livestock Market, Auction News

Lancaster Market

Monday, October 15

Cattle Calves Hogs Sheep				
Today	1121	133	707	110
Last Week				
Week	1240	161	790	83
Last Year	747	189	685	161

CATTLE: Compared to last Wednesday, slaughter steers uneven, yield grade 2-3 50-1.00 lower, yield grade 3-5 1.00-1.50 lower; cows steady to 1.00 lower; bulls and bullocks 50-1.00 lower. Supply included 694 in afternoon auction.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 950-1250 lb. yield grade 2-3 43.25-44.35, 1150-1375 lb. yield grade 3-5 40.35-43.10, Choice 950-1300 lb. yield grade 2-3 43.00-44.35, few 44.75-45.35, Choice 1100-1300 lb. yield grade 3-5 41.25-43.35; high Good and low Choice 1000-1300 lb. 41.50-43.50; Good 1100-1300 lb. 40.50-42.75, one lot Standard 41.35.

COWS: Utility and high dressing Cutter 34.00-37.00, few 37.00-37.50; Cutter 33.00-35.50; Canner and low Cutter 31.00-33.00.

BULLOCKS: Choice 43.50-46.50, couple 47.00-47.50; Good 39.25-43.50.

BULLS: Yield grade 1 1150-1650 lb. 43.00-46.25, few 46.50-47.10, couple 48.60-49.75, five head 1900-2100 lb. 46.50-47.35; yield grade 2 1000-1500 lb. 40.50-43.50.

VEAL CALVES: Vealers mostly steady, although Prime scarce.

VEALERS: Prime 78.00-83.00, few 83.00-86.00; Choice 72.00-78.00; Good 67.00-72.00, Standard 60.00-67.00.

SHEEP: Woolled lambs mostly 1.00 lower; slaughter ewes steady to 1.00 lower

WOOLED LAMBS: Choice 75-100 lb. 34.00-35.50, few 35.50-36.50; Good 30.00-34.00

SLAUGHTER EWES: Utility and Good 14.00-17.00

Local Grain

Thursday, October 18

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, October 18, 1973, are as follows:

	Bid+	Offered+
Ear Corn, Old	60.00	71.66
Ear Corn, New	49.00	57.00
Shelled Corn	2.37	2.61
Oats, Local	1.10	1.32
Oats,		
Western	1.63	1.74
Barley	2.00	2.21
Wheat	3.38	4.01

+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

Vintage Auction

Tuesday, October 16

Cattle Calves Hogs Sheep				
Today	722	706	19	
Last Week	658	743	46	
Last Year	782	752	45	

CATTLE: Compared to last Tuesday, slaughter steers 50-1.00 lower, instances 2.00 lower, mainly on Prime; cows steady, instances 50 higher; bulls 1.00-2.00 lower. Supply included 35 per cent cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 1075-1325 lb. 43.00-44.50, couple 45.25-45.50; bulk Choice 950-1350 lb. 42.50-45.50, several mainly yield grade 2 46.50-48.25, with yield grade 3-5 40.00-43.00; Good 41.50-43.25; Standard and low Good 39.00-41.75

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 850-1000 lb. 42.50-45.75, couple 46.50-47.00.

COWS: Utility and high dressing Cutter 35.50-37.75, few 38.00-38.50; Cutter 34.50-37.50; Canner and low Cutter 31.75-34.00.

BULLS: Yield grade 1 1100-1600 lb. 43.00-45.25, couple 46.60-48.75, individual 1540 lb. 55.25; yield grade 2 1000-1500 lb. 41.85-43.00.

FEEDER STEERS: Couple loads Choice 950-1100 lb. with Good to low Choice slaughter finish 42.00-44.75; around 35 head 970-1000 lb Holsteins 41.85-42.00.

VEAL CALVES: Vealers 1.00-2.00 lower.

VEALERS: Prime 78.00-83.00, couple 85.00-86.00; Choice 70.00-78.00; Good 66.00-71.00; Standard 61.00-66.00; Utility 90-120 lb. 50.00-59.00, 65-85 lb. 43.50-50.00, one lot 59 lb. 39.75.

RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein heifers 90-120 lb. 77.50-84.00, Utility heifers 80-105 lb. 62.00-67.50; bulk 90-125 lb. bull calves 73.00-79.50, one 25-head lot 102 lb. 83.00; Utility 90-115 lb. 59.00-60.00, with a couple lots 80-85 lb. 54.50-55.00.

SHEEP: Small supply woolled lambs mostly steady.

WOOLED LAMBS: Few Choice 80-95 lb. 35.00-39.00, couple head 50 lb. 43.00-45.00; Good 50-85 lb. 26.00-30.00.

Green Dragon Hay

Friday, October 12

18 loads hay, including: Few loads Alfalfa 65.00 - 70.00; few loads Timothy 36.50 - 49.00, one load 58.00; few loads Mixed hay 37.00 - 53.00, one load Clover 37.00.

9 loads straw 39.00 - 43.00.

7 loads corn, few 48.00 - 50.50, few 67.00 - 71.00

Wife Picking

I chose my wife, as she did her wedding gown, not for a fine, glossy surface, but such qualities as would wear well.

Lancaster Auction

Wednesday, October 17

Cattle Calves Hogs Sheep				
Today	767	89	400	27
Last Week	512	114	447	56
Last Year	958	111	348	55

This Week's Auction 343 89 387 26

Last Week's Auction 282 144 443 66

CATTLE: Compared to Monday, slaughter steers steady to strong; cows mostly steady; bulls steady to weak.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 950-1200 lb. yield grade 2-3 43.00-45.10, couple 45.50; Choice yield grade 3-5 950-1300 lb. 41.35-43.35, Choice 1300-1460 lb. yield grade 2-4 40.50-42.50, Good 40.75-43.00; Standard and low Good 40.00-41.75.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 800-1000 lb. 42.00-44.00, Good 40.00-42.25

COWS: Utility and high dressing Cutter 34.75-36.60, few 38.00-38.85; Cutter 33.50-35.85.

BULLOCKS: Choice 44.00-45.00; Good 41.50-43.50.

BULLS: Yield grade 1 1100-1500 lb 42.00-44.00, few 44.10-46.35, couple 1500-1630 lb. 48.00-49.85; yield grade 2 40.75-43.25.

VEAL CALVES: Vealers mostly steady.

VEALERS: Prime 79.00-84.00, Choice 73.00-79.00; Good 63.00-73.00.

SHEEP: Few Good 55-75 lb. woolled lambs steady at 28.50-33.50.

Lebanon Valley Auction

Tuesday, October 16

308 Head Cattle

Compared with last weeks market, slaughter steers and bulls \$1 to \$2 lower. Slaughter cows mostly steady, spots 50 cents higher.

STEERS: Choice 1000 - 1150 42.50 - 44.10; Good 42.25 - 44.60; individual at 45.60; Standard 39.75 - 42.50.

HEIFERS: Utility and Standard (few) 39.75 - 39.85.

COWS: Utility and High Dressing Cutter 36.75 - 38.85; Cutters 35.00 - 37.00; Canners 32.25 - 34.50; Shells down to 25.00.

BULLOCKS: Good 43.50 - 44.35; High Yield Good 45.00 - 47.00; Standard 42.50 - 43.50.

BULLS: Yield-Grade 1-2 1200 - 1550 pounds 43.00 - 44.00.

227 Head Veal Calves
Choice (few) 70.00, Good (few) 64.00 - 70.00; Standard (few) 61.00 - 67.00, Utility 90 - 120 pounds 52.50 - 58.50; 70 - 85 43.00 - 50.00.

FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls 70 - 85 pounds 50.00 - 55.00; 90 - 135 53.00 - 72.00; Holstein heifers 70 - 85 pounds 55.00 - 65.00; 90 - 135 70.00 - 86.00.

New Holland Auction

Thursday, October 18

Cattle Calves Hogs Sheep				
Today	631	505	2	
Last Week	926	478	6	
Last Year	1133	510	17	

CATTLE: Compared to last Thursday, slaughter steers weak to 1.00 lower, most decline on Choice and Prime yield grade 3-5; cows 1.00-2.00 higher; bulls weak to 1.00 lower; bullocks scarce.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Few head Prime yield grade 3-4 1175-1325 lb. 41.00-42.00; Choice 950-1300 lb. yield grade 2-3 43.00-45.50, few 45.75-46.75, yield grade 3-5 41.25-43.50; Choice mainly yield grade 3-5 1300-1475 lb. 40.00-42.00, few 39.00-40.00; Good 41.00-43.75; Standard 40.00-41.50.

COWS: Utility and high dressing Cutter 35.50-37.50, several 37.75-38.75; Cutter 33.50-36.25; Canner and low Cutter 31.75-33.50.

BULLOCKS: Few Choice 44.50-45.75, couple 47.00-47.25.

BULLS: Yield grade 1 1000-1600 lb. 43.00-44.25, couple 44.75-45.85, couple 2195-2275 lb. 43.75-44.60; yield grade 2 1000-1500 lb. 40.00-43.00.

VEAL CALVES: Vealers steady to 1.00 lower, Prime scarce.

VEALERS: Few Prime 78.00-84.00; Choice 69.00-76.00; Good 63.00-69.00; Standard 57.00-63.00; Utility 90-120 lb. 50.00-57.00, 65-85 lb. 45.00-50.00.

SHEEP: No market test.

Monday, October 15

Calf Receipts - 84

Choice and Prime 73-82; Standard 61-66.50; Good and Low Choice 67-72.50; Common 45-60.50.

Monday, October 15

19 loads of hay and 8 loads of straw sold as follows (prices per ton):

Alfalfa, 2 loads 64.50 and 87.50; Timothy, one load at 29.00; Mixed Hay 32.00-54.50; Clover, one load at 45.00; Hay, few loads 40.00-51.50; Straw, 8 loads 33.00-51.00; Ear Corn, 4 loads 53.00-67.50.

Ag Weather Report

A report from Penn State on weather conditions for the week ending October 15.

In Lancaster, the average temperature for the week was 59 degrees, three degrees above the normal for the time of year; weekly high was 73 degrees, low 43 degrees.

There was no rainfall recorded for the week; rainfall from April 1 totaled 23.66 inches, or -2.62 inches less than normal.

Composite Report

Friday Weekly, October 19

Cattle Calves		
This Week	4200	1450
Last Week	4628	1496
Last Year	5131	1567

CATTLE: Slaughter steers uneven, yield grade 2-3 50-1.00 lower, with yield grade 3-5 1.00-2.00 lower; cows closed the week 1.00-2.00 higher; bulls and bullocks weak to 1.00 lower. Supply included an estimated 30 per cent slaughter steers, 20 per cent cows and bulls, with the balance mainly feeder steers.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 1075-1325 lb. 43.00-45.00, few 45.00-45.50, few yield grade 3-5 41.00-42.00; bulk Choice 950-1350 lb. 42.50-45.50, few mainly yield grade 2 45.75-48.25, with yield grade 3-5 40.00-43.00; Choice 1300-1450 lb. yield grade 2-4 40.00-42.50, few 39.00-40.00; Good 40.50-43.50; Standard and low Good 39.00-41.75.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 800-1000 lb. 42.00-44.00; Good 40.00-42.25.

COWS: Utility and high dressing Cutter 34.75-37.50, several 37.75-38.85; Cutter 33.50-36.25; Canner and low Cutter 31.75-34.00.

BULLOCKS: Choice 43.50-45.75, few 46.00-47.50; Good 39.50-43.50.

BULLS: Yield grade 1 1100-1600 lb. 43.00-45.00, few mainly early part of week 46.00-47.50, around 15 head 1900-2300 lb. 45.00-48.50, individual 1540 lb. 55.25; yield grade 2 1000-1500 lb. 40.00-43.50.

VEAL CALVES: Vealers 1.00-2.00 lower, Prime and Choice supply scarce. Demand good for calves returned to farm.

VEALERS: Prime 78.00-84.00, few 85.00-86.00; Choice 69.00-78.00; Good 63.00-70.00; Standard 57.00-63.00; Utility 90-120 lb. 50.00-59.00, 65-85 lb. 43.50-50.00, one lot 59 lb. 39.75; bulk 90-120 lb. Holstein heifers 77.50-84.00, few 85.00-93.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Utility heifers 80-105 lb. 62.00-67.50; bulk 90-125 lb. bull calves 73.00-79.50, one 25-head lot 102 lb. 83.00; Utility 90-115 lb. 59.00-60.00, with a couple lots 80-85 lb. 54.50-55.00.

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