

Hog Prices

Lancaster Market

Monday, Dec. 3

Barrows and gilts 50-75 lower. BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1 195-230 lb. 43.50-44.00; US 1-2 195-240 lb. 42.75-43.00; US 2-3 190-240 lb. 42.00-42.50.

Vintage Auction

Saturday, December 1

HOGS 709: Compared with last Saturday's market. Barrows & Gilts: 50c to \$1.50 lower. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. 43.10-43.60, few 43.75-44.10, No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 42.50-43.10, No. 2-3 235-265 lbs. 41.85-42.50, No. 2-4 150-160 lbs. 35.00-38.25. SOWS: US No. 1-3 290-555 lbs. 36.00-38.50. Boars 34.00-38.00.

Wednesday, December 5

HOGS 500: Compared with last Wednesday's market. Barrows & Gilts: 50c to \$1 lower. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. 43.50-44.00, No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 41.00-43.00. SOWS: US No. 1-3 300-550 lbs. 33.50-35.00. Boars: 32.00-35.50.

Lancaster Auction

Wednesday, Dec. 5

Barrows and gilts steady to strong.

BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1 195-225 lb. 44.60-44.75; US 1-3 200-240 lb. 42.75-43.35; US 2-3 240-255 lb. 41.10-42.35.

New Holland Auction

Monday, December 3

HOGS 1079: Compared with last Monday's market. Barrows & Gilts: 50c to \$1 lower. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. 43.25-45.00, No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 42.25-43.25, No. 2-3 220-270 lbs. 40.00-42.25, No. 2-4 160-190 lbs. 39.00-42.25. SOWS: US No. 1-3 300-575 lbs. 35.00-37.50. Boars 34.25-35.75.

St. Louis Auction

HOGS: 6000.

Barrows and gilts 1.00 lower. BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-2 200-230 lb. 41.25-41.50; US 1-3 200-220 lb. 41.00-41.25; 220-240 lb. 40.00-41.00.

Lebanon Valley Auction

Tuesday, December 4

444 Hogs

Barrows and Gilts \$1.50 to \$2.50 lower.

Barrows and Gilts: US 1-3 200-245 pound barrows and gilts 41.10-42.10, 2-3 230-255 40.25-41.00, 3-4 265-275 37.00-37.75.

Sows: Few US 1-3 300-550 pound sows 36.00-39.00, few 2-3 450-550 33.25-35.60.

Boars: 31.75-33.50.

50 Feeder Pigs

US 1-3 25-35 pound feeder pigs 17.50-22.50 per head.

Peoria Auction

HOGS: 4000.

Barrows and gilts 1.00-1.50 lower.

BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-2 200-230 lb. 40.50-41.00; US 1-3 200-240 lb. 39.75-40.50.

Indianapolis Auction

HOGS: 2000.

Barrows and gilts under 240 lb. fully 1.00, instances 1.50 lower, over 250 lb. not established.

BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-3 200-230 lb. 40.50-41.00; 230-250 lb. 39.50-40.50.

New York Dressed Meats

Thursday, December 6

Daily distributive - less than carlot meat trade.

Compared with Wednesday: Prices unchanged but weak for steer and heifer beef. Veal and calf steady to weak. Lamb weak throughout. Pork loins \$2.00 higher, picnics \$1.00 higher, butts steady, spareribs and hams \$2.00 lower.

Demand generally poor for most fresh meats. Practically all beef cuts under pressure except chucks meeting moderate outlet. Peddling situation on lamb in instances. Pork loins getting first call in that division.

Steer Beef

Prime 600-900 pounds, 66.50-67.50; Choice 600-700 65.50-67.00; 700-800 63.50-65.00; 800-900 60.00-62.50. Good 500-800 58.50-62.50.

Heifer Beef

Choice 500-700 pounds 62.50-64.50.

Calf (Skin Off)

150-300 pounds
Choice 97.00-100.00; Good 86.00-95.00; Standard 80.00-86.00.

Veal (Skin Off)

Choice 90-150 pounds 112.00-115.00; Good 60-90 100.00-107.00; Standard 60-120 85.00-90.00.

Lamb

Choice and Prime: 30-55 pounds 77.00-80.00; 55-65 74.00-77.00.

Choice Beef Cuts

Hinds (steer) 145-190 pounds 73.00-76.00; Arm Chucks 90-105 56.00-59.00; Ribs (7-rib) 34-40 70.00-80.00; Loins (trmd) 50-70 95.00-100.00; Rounds (steer) 70-95 72.00-75.00; Full Plates 39.00; Hinds (heifer) 120-170 73.00-75.00.

Fresh Pork Cuts

Loins (regular) 8-14 pounds 76.00-78.00; 14-17 74.00-77.00; Picnics (regular) 4-8 56.00-59.00; Boston Butts 4-8, 63.00-67.00; Spareribs three pounds down 75.00-78.00; Hams (skinned) 14-17 84.00-86.00, 17-20 78.00-80.00.

Peoria Cattle

Thursday, December 6

Receipts this week: 5000

Last Week: 5100

Year Ago: 6000

Compared with last weeks close, Slaughter steers yield grade 2-4 weak to 1.00 lower, 4-5 1.00-2.00 lower. Slaughter heifers steady to 50 lower. Cows closed 1.00-2.00 lower. Bulls mostly steady. Receipts 65 percent slaughter steers, 30 percent slaughter heifers, balance mostly cows, Sharp increase in number of yield grade 4-5 slaughter steers over past couple of weeks.

STEERS: Choice and Prime 1200-1300 pounds yield grade 3-4 37.00-38.00; Load 1350 35.00; 1200-1350 4-5 33.00-36.00; 1300-1450 32.25-33.00; Choice 900-1200 2-4 38.50-39.50; Several loads 900-1140 2-3 40.00; Half-Load 40.50; Choice

U. S. Inspected Livestock Slaughter

Estimated Daily Livestock Slaughter Under Federal Inspection

	CATTLE	HOGS	SHEEP
Week to Date	457,000	1,205,000	138,000
Same Period Last Week	478,000	1,252,000	140,000
Same Period Last Year	502,000	1,276,000	162,000

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Futures Trading

(Closing bids as of Thursday, December 6)

	Chicago Cattle	Chicago Hogs	New York Maine Potatoes	Chicago Fresh Eggs
December	37.50	41.35		64.45
January '74				54.70
February	45.10	43.60		49.70
March			7.63	48.15
April	46.47	42.35	7.97	46.00
May			8.89	44.50
June	46.57	43.75		
July		44.70		
August	45.75	43.20		
October	44.90	42.40		
November		42.40	5.11	

Trend — Cattle are Stronger, Hogs are Stronger, Potatoes are Stronger, and Eggs are Steady.

a-asked b-bid n-normal

Markets provided by Commodity Dept., Reynolds Securities, Inc.

Omaha Cattle

Thursday, December 6

Compared with last week's close: Slaughter steers and heifers 1.00-1.50 lower in very uneven trade. Cows 3.00-3.50 lower, Bulls weak to 1.00 lower. Small feeder supply weak to mostly 1.00 lower.

Four day receipts 19,700 as compared 22,100 previous week and 19,900 a year ago. Slaughter steers approximately 45 percent, heifers 30 percent, cows 7 percent feeders near 15 percent including consignments for Friday auction sale. Fed cattle trade followed a highly erratic pattern during week under review. Prices declined sharply on an expanded

1200-1300 2-4 37.00-38.00 load 1400 4 33.00; Mixed Good and Choice 900-1200 38.00-38.50; Good 37.00-38.00; Standard and Good Holsteins 36.00-37.00.

HEIFERS: Choice and Prime 900-1050 pounds yield grade 3-4 36.00-37.00; Few 4-5 950-1180 31.00-33.00; Choice 800-1050 2-4 37.00-38.00; Part-Load 38.50 and Load 39.00; mixed Good and Choice 750-1100 36.50-37.00; Good 34.50-36.50.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 25.00-29.50; High-Dressing Utility 30.00; Cutter 24.00-29.00; Canner 22.00-24.00.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1100-1800 pounds 37.00-40.00; Individual yield Grade 1 41.25; Few yield Grade 3 34.00-36.00.

Monday supply, made a substantial recovery at midweek as hazardous roads virtually paralyzed livestock movement only to register another sharp downturn on Thursday. However, demand was fairly broad at the lowered prices and Canadian buying interests were fairly aggressive with the volume bought for export increased over most recent weeks. Marketings poorly distributed over trading period as the Monday run swelled by a long string of Texas and Oklahoma origin and more than 50 percent of the four day total arrived for the opening session. Overall finish quite attractive with liberal percentage Choice and moderate volume High-Choice and Prime, a large share mixed yield grade 3 & 4.

STEERS: At midweek high-time, four loads and part loads Choice and Prime 916-1155 pounds yield grade 3-4 39.00-39.50. At the close, four loads Choice and Prime 1050-1111 38.25-38.50; two loads High-Choice and Prime 1175-1200 37.25-37.75. Choice 975-1200 2-4 mainly 37.00-38.00, few 1000-1100 2-3 38.25-38.50. Choice 1200-1300 3-4 36.00-37.25. Early in week, a number of loads Choice 1250-1350 34.00-35.50, load 1400 4 32.50. Mixed Good and Choice 950-1200 closed 36.00-37.25. Good 35.00-36.25. Standard and Low-Good 34.00-35.00.

Average cost slaughter steers first three days 36.81 average weight 1164 pounds as compared 38.92 and 1158 pounds previous week and 34.62 and 1154 pounds a year ago.

HEIFERS: Four loads Choice and Prime 1003-1020 pound yield grade 3-4 37.65-37.75 on Wednesday. In closing trade High-Choice and Prime 975-1025 3-4 36.25-37.00. Choice 850-1050 2-4 35.50-37.00, Two loads Choice 925-950 37.25-37.50. Mixed Good and Choice 800-1000 35.00-36.00. Good 33.00-35.00. Standard and Low-Good 32.00-33.00.

COWS: Utility and Commercial late 25.50-27.50, Canner and Cutter 23 00-25.50, mixed Cutter and Low-Utility 26.00-26.50. Shelly Canner 21.00-22.50.

BULLS: Yield grade 1 & 2 1400-1800 pounds 36.00-39.00, few yield grade 1 40.00-41.00.

FEEDERS: Prices weak to mostly 1.00 lower on small supply, mainly fleshy two-way steers with moderate showing fleshy heifers

STEERS: Load Choice 969 pounds 39.00. High-Good and Choice 948-1060 fleshy 37.50-38.25

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