

HOG PRICES

Lancaster Market

Monday, March 4
 HOGS: Barrows and gilts 50-75 higher.
BARROWS AND GILTS:
 US 1 200-240 lb. 41.00-41.50;
 US 1-2 190-240 lb. 40.00-40.50;
 US 2-3 195-255 lb. 39.50-40.00

Vintage Auction

Saturday, March 2
 HOGS 934: Compared with last Saturday's market. Barrows & Gilts mostly \$1.50 lower. US no. 1-2 200-230 lbs. 40.35-40.85, No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 39.85-40.50, No. 2-3 240-275 lbs. 38.50-39.75, No. 2-4 180-185 lbs. 37.75-38.10, 30-60 lbs. 35.00-38.00. Few US No. 1-3 385-475 lbs. sows 33.25-36.00. Boars: 31.10-34.25.

Wednesday, March 6
 HOGS 709: Compared with last Wednesday's market. Barrows & Gilts \$1 to \$1.50 lower. US No. 1-2 200-245 39.50, No. 1-3 200-260 lbs. 37.00-38.85. SOWS: 1-3 300-550 lbs. 31.25-33.00, No. 2-3 350-600 1 31.00. Boars: Few 30.75.

Leb. Valley Auction

Tuesday, March 5
 Hogs
 Barrows and Gilts: US 1-3 190-245 pounds 38.25-39.50; 2-3 190-265 37.85-38.60; Sows 1-3 300-500 few 33.00-36.00.
Feeder Pigs
 Few US 1-3 20-35 pound feeder pigs 20-50-31.50 per head.

Lancaster Auction

Wednesday, March 6
 HOGS: Barrows and gilts mostly 2.00 lower.
BARROWS AND GILTS:
 US 1 200-230 lb. 39.00-39.25;

US 1-2 200-240 lb. 38.00-38.50;
 US 2-3 190-250 lb. 37.60-38.25.

New Holland Auction

Monday, March 4
 HOGS 1675: Compared with last Monday's market. Barrows & Gilts: \$1 to \$1.50 lower. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. 40.25-42.00, No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 39.50-40.25, No. 2-3 230-270 lbs. 38.50-40.00, No. 2-4 160-190 lbs. 38.00-40.00. US No. 1-3 300-550 lbs. sows 28.00-32.00. Boars: 28.00-31.00.

St. Louis Auction

ST. LOUIS HOGS: 5500. Barrows and gilts weak to 50 lower.
BARROWS AND GILTS:
 US 1-2 200-230 lb. 37.25-37.50;
 US 1-3 200-230 lb. 37.00-37.25.

Peoria Auction

PEORIA HOGS: 4000. Barrows and gilts mostly 50 lower, trading slow.
BARROWS AND GILTS:
 US 1-2 200-230 lb. 37.00-37.50;
 US 1-3 200-240 lb. 36.50-37.00.

Indianapolis Auction

INDIANAPOLIS HOGS: 1500. Barrows and gilts steady to weak, or steady to 50 lower than Wednesday's best time, trading slow.
BARROWS AND GILTS:
 US 1-2 200-235 lb. 37.50-38.00;
 US 1-3 200-240 lb. 36.75-37.75.

New York Dressed Meats

Thursday, March 7
 Daily distributive - less than carlot meat trade.
 Compared with Wednesday: Steer and heifer beef mostly \$1 lower, veal and calf steady to weak, lamb fully \$2 lower, pork loins, butts, sparerib and hams steady, picnics \$2 lower.

Demand for fresh meats only fair at best with pressure selling dominant on the part of wholesalers, volume buyers continue to operate conservatively as consumer demand running very poor.

Steer Beef
 Prime 600-900 pounds 69.50-71.50; Choice 600-700 69.50-71.50; 700-800 65.00-68.50; 800-900 64.50-68.00. Good 500-800 64.00-67.00.
Heifer Beef
 Choice 500-700 pounds 69.00-71.00.
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 150-350 Pounds
 Choice 100.00-104.00; Good 93.00-96.00; Standard 86.00-90.00.
Veal
 Choice 90-150 pounds 118.00-120.00; Good 60-90 112.00-115.00; Standard 60-120 90.00-96.00.
Lamb
 Choice and Prime 30-55 pounds 78.00-80.00; 55-65 73.00-76.00.
Choice Beef Cuts
 Hinds (steer) 145-190 pounds 83.00-86.00; Arm Chuck 90-105 59.00-64.00; Ribs (7-rib) 34-40 72.00-77.00; Loins (trmd) 50-70 100.00-105.00; Rounds (steer) 70-95 80.00-84.00; Full Plates 37.00-40.00; Hinds (heifer) 120-170 81.50-85.00.
Fresh Pork Cuts
 Loins (regular) 8-14 pounds 77.00-80.00; 14-17 74.00-77.00; Picnics

(regular) 4-8 52.00-55.00; Boston Butts 4-8 67.00-69.00; Spareribs 3 pounds down 79.00-84.00; Hams (skinned) 14-17 71.50-73.50; 17-20 68.00-71.00.
Kosher Steer Beef
 Choice and Prime forequarters 61.00-64.00.

Oklahoma City

Thursday, March 7
 Estimated receipts 9,500
 Same day last week 10,379
 Same day last year 9,946
 Active, feeder cattle and calves 1.00-2.00 higher, some sales 3.00 higher; majority receipts Good and Choice 500-850 pound steers and 450-650 pound heifers arriving mainly from wheat pastures; fairly large attendance buyers. Two day receipts should exceed 20,000 head.

FEEDER STEERS: Few small lots Choice 354-396 pound 53.25-54.25; 400-500 48.00-49.00, part load 471 at 51.60; 500-600 43.75-48.75, part load 507 at 50.00; 600-700 41.75-44.00, part load 628 at 44.30; 700-800 41.75-43.75; 800-1022 39.00-1022. 39.00-42.75, largely 40.00-42.75; mixed Good and Choice 350-500 42.00-49.25; 500-700 39.50-43.50; few 700-950 36.75-40.00; Good 350-500 37.75-43.00; 500-700 36.00-38.75. Few small lots Good 787-813 Holstein steers 33.75-34.00.
FEEDER HEIFERS: Few Choice 354-385 pound 44.25-48.00; 400-500 41.00-44.30; 500-600 38.00-41.75, short load 542 at 42.50; 600-700 38.00-40.50; few 700-750 38.70-40.30; mixed Good and Choice 400-500 39.00-41.00; 500-665 35.75-40.75; few Good 367-568 33.75-

Futures Trading

(Closing bids as of Thursday, March 7)

	Chicago Cattle	Chicago Hogs	New York Maine Potatoes	Chicago Fresh Eggs
March			10.65	55.95
April	44.15	38.15	12.15	54.90
May			14.80	52.30
June	47.20	40.77		52.90
July		42.85		54.75
August	48.10	42.77		
Sept.				58.00
October	49.05	42.95		
November			7.25	58.25
December	50.47	44.85		
Feb. '75		46.85		
April		46.40		

Trend — Cattle are Higher, Hogs are Higher, Potatoes are Mixed, and Eggs are Higher.

a-asked b-bid n-normal
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38.75.

For the week: Feeder cattle and calves recovered most of the early losses to close steady to 1.00 lower compared to late last week; cows under pressure and 1.50-2.50 lower; bulls 2.00-3.00 lower. Salable receipts near 27,200 head compared to 18,603 last week and 16,339 the same week a year ago. Cows eight percent cattle receipts; feeders 90 percent of total.

Omaha Cattle

Thursday, March 7
 Compared with last week's close: Prices on slaughter steers declined 2.00-2.50 as compared late previous week and heifers mostly 2.00 lower. Cows 2.50-3.00 lower and bulls 1.00 off. Feeder supply not sufficient for adequate market test.

Four day receipts 14,600 as compared 16,300 previous week and 15,600 a year ago. Slaughter steers approximately 48 percent, heifers 34 percent, cows 14 percent.

STEERS: Several loads high-Choice and Prime 1100-1225 pounds yield grade 3-4 42.00-42.50, same grade mainly 4 1175-1250 41.00-41.50. Choice 975-1150 grade 2-4 41.00-42.25 late, two loads 1157-1175 grade 3 42.75-43.00. Choice 1150-1250 grade 3-4 40.00-41.50, load 1203 grade 3 42.00, load 1325 grade 4 38.50, two loads 1369-1462 grade 2-4 35.00-38.00. Mixed Good and Choice 975-1225 39.50-41.00. Good 36.50-39.50. Standard and low-Good 34.50-36.50.

Average cost slaughter steers first three days 41.08 average weight 1126 pounds as compared 44.37 and 1137 pounds previous week and 44.09 and 1131 pounds a year ago.

HEIFERS: Several loads and part loads Choice and Prime 892-1180 pounds yield grade 2-4 41.75-42.50. Choice 850-1025 grade 2-4 40.25-41.50, some Choice and Prime grade 3-4 1025-1050 included at 41.50 and some 1000-1050 grade 3-5 39.25-40.00. Mixed Good and Choice 800-1000 39.25-40.50. Good 36.00-39.00. Standard and low-Good 34.50-36.00.

COWS: Utility and Commercial 29.00-31.00, Canner and Cutter 25.00-29.00, mixed Cutter and Utility 29.25-30.00.

BULLS: Yield grade 1 & 2 1400-1800 pounds 37.00-40.00, grade 2 40.25-41.00.

Local Grain

Thursday, March 7
 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 ear corn which is per ton.


The average local grain prices quoted Thursday, March 7, 1974 are as follows:

	Bid+	Offered+
Ear Corn, New	75.00	83.00
Shelled Corn	3.10	3.36
Oats, Local	1.45	1.70
Oats, Western	1.95	2.17
Barle	2.50	2.81
Wheat	4.71	4.83
Soybeans	5.35	5.65

+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.

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	CATTLE	HOGS	SHEEP
Week To Date	469,000	1,235,000	134,000
Same Period Last Week	468,000	1,237,000	128,000
Same Period Last Year	478,000	1,202,000	130,000

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