

Hog Markets

Lancaster Market

Lancaster, Pa.
Monday, Dec. 19, 1977
HOGS: Barrows and gilts 2.00-2.50 higher.
BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-2 200-240 lb. 48.25-48.75; Few US 1 205-240 lb. 49.50-50.00; US 1-3 200-245 lb. 47.50-48.25; Few US 2-3 235-260 lb. 46.50-47.50.

Peoria Hog Auction

Thursday, Dec. 22, 1977
HOGS: 1500 - Barrows & gilts active, opening 1.00-1.50 higher. US 1-2 200-230 lb. 46.50-47.00; US 1-3 200-240 lb. 46.00-46.50.
Sows: 50-1.00 higher. US 1-3 300-350 lb. 37.00-38.00.

Lancaster Feeder Pig

Lancaster, Pa.
Tuesday, Dec. 20, 1977
Feeder Pigs
Today 1649
Two Weeks ago 1411
TREND: Compared to two weeks ago feeder pigs steady to 3.00 lower. All prices on a per hundred weight basis.
US 1-2 35-50 lb. 74.00-85.50; 175 Head 43-45 lb. 86.00-88.50; 50-60 lb. 66.00-79.50; Few 70-75 lb. 56.00-59.00.
US 2-3 35-40 lb. 78.00-80.00; 40-50 lb. 48.00-62.50; 40 Head 49 lb. 70.00-72.50; One lot 57 lb. 78.00; 60-90 lb. 49.50-53.00.

Lancaster Auction

Lancaster, Pa.
December 21, 1977
BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-2 200-240 lb. 47.25-47.75, Late Sales 47.50-48.50; US 1 200-240 lb. 48.60-48.75; US 1-3 200-255 lb. 46.50-47.50.

St. Louis Hog Market

Thursday, Dec. 22, 1977
HOGS: 4000 - Barrows & gilts active, unevenly 1.00-1.50 higher. US 1-2 200-240 lb. 46.00-46.50; US 1-3 200-240 lb. 45.75-46.25.
Sows: Steady to 50 higher. US 1-3 300-450 lb. 36.00-36.50.

New Holland Feeder Pig

New Holland, Pa.
Wednesday, Dec. 21, 1977
Feeder Pigs
Today 949
Last Wednesday 1345
TREND: Compared to last Wednesday feeder pigs 5.00-8.00 lower. All prices on a per hundred weight basis.
US 1-2 30-45 lb. 68.00-76.00; 45-55 lb. 58.00-73.50; 55-70 lb. 50.50-63.00.
US 2-3 30-40 lb. 62.00-71.00; 40-60 lb. 53.00-64.00.
Utility 105 Head 35-50 lb. 43.00-63.00.

Indianapolis Hog

Thursday, Dec. 22, 1977
HOGS: 700 - Barrows & gilts active, 50-1.00 higher, mostly 75 up.
US 1-3 200-245 lb. 45.75-46.50; 1 load US 2-3 260 lb. 45.00; 1 lot US 2-3 280 lb. 42.50; 1 small pkg. US 2-4 300 lb. 41.00.
Sows: Active, weak to 50 lower. US 1-3 300-450 lb. 35.00-36.50.

Vintage Hog

Saturday, December 17
Reported 780 head.
No. 1 200 to 245 lbs. 47.00-47.50; No. 2-3, 200 to 240 lbs. 46.35-47.00, 12 head at 48.00-48.75; sows 31.00-34.50; boars 28.00-32.00; heavystraights, 260 to 305 lbs. 40.00-46.50; lightweights, 125-165 lbs. 37.00-38.50; roasters, 30 to 60 lbs. 45.00-61.00.

New Holland Hog

Wednesday, December 21
Reported 476 head.
No. 1, 195 to 250 lbs. 47.50-48.25; No. 2-3, 210 to 240 lbs. 46.25-47.50, 11 head at 48.50; sows 33.00-35.50; boars 29.00-30.00; heavystraights, 265 to 315 lbs. 38.25-45.25; lightweights, 155 to 180 lbs. 38.00-39.50.

New Holland Hog Auction

New Holland, Pa.
Mon., Dec. 19, 1977
Hog Auction
Today 1067
Last Monday 1717
TREND: Barrows and gilts 1.50-2.00 higher.
BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-2 200-240 lb. 47.00-47.85; 25 Head 195-230 lb. 48.00-48.75; US 1-3 200-240 lb. 46.50-47.00; One lot US 2-3 257 lb. 45.00.

Lancaster Grain

Thursday, Dec. 22, 1977
These prices are made up of the average prices quoted by a number of participating area feed and grain concerns. It should be noted however, that not every dealer or broker handles each commodity. All prices are per bushel except ear corn and soybean meal which are per ton.

The average prices quoted Thursday, Dec. 22 are as follows:

	Bid+	Offered+
Ear Corn	46.50	56.60
Shelled Corn	2.30	2.45
Barley	1.96	2.06
Oats		
Local	1.26	1.50
Western	1.85	2.05
Wheat	2.48	2.68
Soybeans	5.70	—
Soybean Meal	229.00	—

Hunting Calendar

December 26 - Small Game (pheasants in northern Pennsylvania, cottontail rabbits, grouse, squirrels) and Archery and Muzzleloader deer seasons open. Canada goose season opens, south of Route 22 and east of Interstate Route 83. Snowshoe hare season opens

January 2, 1978 Snowshoe hare season closes. Mink and muskrat trapping season closes.

January 6, 1978 Crow season opens (hunting on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays only)

January 14, 1978 Small game, archery and muzzleloader deer, and Canada Goose (southeastern Pennsylvania) seasons close.

January 31, 1978 Trapping season (skunks, opossums, raccoons, weasels, foxes) closes. Raccoon hunting season closes.

Futures Trading

(Closing Bids as of Thursday, December 22, 1977)

	Chicago Cattle	Chicago Hogs	New York Maine Potatoes	Chicago Fresh Eggs
Jan.	43.30			46.90
Feb.	42.15	41.70		
March			4.03	43.95
April	41.40	36.70	4.50	41.10
May			4.96	41.75
June	42.70	37.65		
July		38.15		
Nov.			5.15	

Trend - Cattle are lower, Hogs are higher, Potatoes are mixed, and eggs are lower.

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CHICAGO GRAIN FUTURES

(Closing Bids as of Thursday, December 22, 1977)

	Corn	Wheat	Soybeans	Soybean Meal
Jan.			6.11½	165.80
March	2.26¾	2.71¼	6.18½	167.30
May	2.28¾	2.76	6.25¾	169.30
July	2.29½	2.80½	6.27¾	171.30
Sept.	2.26¾	2.85¾		

Trend - Corn is higher, Wheat is higher, Soybeans are higher, and Soybean Meal is higher.

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U.S. Inspected Livestock Slaughter

Estimated Daily Livestock Slaughter Under Federal Inspection

Week to Date	CATTLE	CALVES	HOGS	SHEEP
577,000	71,000	1,111,000	82,000	
Same Period Last Week	599,000	76,000	1,180,000	82,000
Same Period Last Year	545,000	67,000	1,081,000	93,000

To make certain you have enough eggnog on hand for holiday entertaining, it's smart to freeze a few cartons of it, along with some ice cube trays filled with eggnog. Unmold the eggnog cubes into the punch bowl, then pour in defrosted eggnog so it may be served cold.



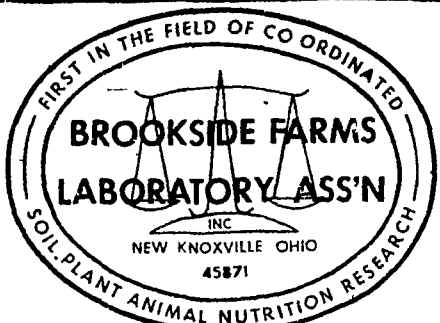
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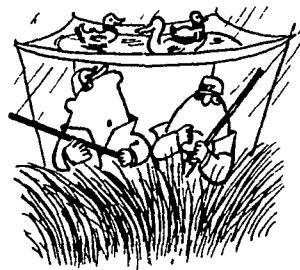
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