

# Livestock market and auction news

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gilts 25 to 50 cents lower. No. 1-3 200-240 lbs. 45.75-46.35, 1 small lot at 47.00. SOWS US No. 1-3 300-525 lbs. sows 37.00-39.75, 1 at 40.25. Few BOARS 28.00-29.85.

FEEDER PIGS 48. US No. 1-3 35-45 lbs. feeder pigs 29.00-41.00 per head, No. 1-3 50-60 lbs. 44.00-44.50 per head.

SHEEP 13. Spring lambs Choice 70-95 lbs. 70.00-86.00.

## St. Louis Cattle

National Stockyards  
April 6, 1978

Receipts this week 10,100  
Week ago 8,100  
Year ago 7,400

Compared to the previous weeks close, slaughter steers and heifers 1.00 to mostly 1.50, instances 2.00 lower. Most decline on strictly choice and mixed choice and prime. Holstein steers 50-1.00 lower. Cows 50-1.00 higher. Bulls fully steady. Supply mainly choice 2-4 1050-1250 lb. steers, around 25 per cent heifers and 15 per cent cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed choice and prime 2-4 1050-1325 lbs. 49.50-51.00. Choice 2-4 975-1300 lbs. 48.50-50.50, closing mostly 48.50-50.00. Mixed good and choice 2-4 900-1225 lbs. 47.00-49.00. Few lots mixed good and choice 2-3 1100-1275 lb. holsteins 43.50-44.00. Good 2-3, 900-1200 lbs. 43.00-47.00. Standard to good 2-3 1100-1325 lb. holsteins 39.50-43.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Mixed choice and prime 2-4 875-1050 lbs. 47.00-48.50, closing mostly 47.50-48.00. Choice 2-4 800-1075 lbs. 45.50-47.50, several 46.00-47.50. Mixed good and choice 2-3 700-1000 lbs. 43.00-45.50. Good 2-3 700-975 lbs. 39.50-43.00.

COWS: Utility and commercial 2-4 33.50-37.00. Boning utility 1-2 36.50-38.00, closing 37.00-37.50, few 38.00. Cutter 1-2 31.50-36.00. Canner and low cutter 1-2 27.00-32.00.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1050-1900 lbs. 37.00-43.00. Yield Grade 1 1400-1900 lbs. 43.50-44.00.

FEEDERS: Including around 3,500 at Thursday's auction. Feeder steers 1.00-3.00 lower. Feeder heifers 1.00 to mostly 2.00 lower. Demand moderate for larger supply. Receipts mainly choice and mixed good and choice 400-700 lb. steers and 350-600 lb. heifers.

FEEDER STEERS: Lot high choice and prime 564 lbs. 60.00. Choice 350-500 lbs. 54.00-59.00, small lot 256 lbs. 59.50; 500-600 lbs. 51.75-55.00; 600-700 lbs. 47.75-50.00; 700-875 lbs. 46.25-48.75. Mixed Good and choice and some choice compact 400-500 lbs. 48.00-53.00; 500-600 lbs. 47.00-50.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Choice 300-500 lbs. 45.25-49.50; 500-600 lbs. 44.00-47.50; 600-700 lbs. 42.00-46.75. Mixed good and choice 300-600 lbs. 42.00-44.50. Few lots good 325-425 lbs. 40.00-41.50.

Small lot good and choice 4 and 5 year old stock cows with small calves at side 325.00 per pair.

## Joliet Cattle

Joliet, Ill  
April 6, 1978

CATTLE: Friday through Wednesday's salable receipts 5,500, 5 days last week 5,349, same period last year 5,839. Receipts continue small. Trading slow on Monday and turned moderately active Wednesday.

SLAUGHTER STEERS 25 to 75 lower than Wednesday of last week. Slaughter Heifers 75 to mostly 1.00 lower than Wednesday.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed High Choice and Prime 3-4 1150-1350 lbs. 52.00-53.50, load Wednesday 53.75. Choice 2-4 1050-1250 lbs. Unevenly 49.00-52.00, mostly 50.00-51.50. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 950-1150 lbs. 47.00-49.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: High Choice and Prime 3-4 950-1100 lbs. 50.00-50.25. Choice 2-4 875-1000 lbs. 48.00-49.00 Monday; 48.75-50.00 Wednesday. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 700-1000 lbs. 45.00-48.00, mostly 46.00-48.00.

## Pa. Auction Summary

April 7, 1978

CATTLE 8777. Compared with 8272 last week and 6275 a year ago, compared to last week slaughter steers uneven, 75 cents higher to \$2 lower. Slaughter heifers \$1 to \$2 higher. Slaughter cows \$1-\$1.50 higher, spots \$3. Slaughter bullocks steady to \$1.50 higher. Slaughter bulls mostly steady to 50 cents higher. High Choice and Prime YG 3-4 slaughter steers 52.75-54.25, Choice YG 2-4 48.50-54.00, Good 44.00-49.00, Standard 38.00-46.50, a few Utility 35.00-39.00. Choice YG 2-4 lbs. slaughter heifers 43.00-49.00, Good 39.00-46.50, Standard 35.00-41.00, few Utility 30.00-39.00. Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 36.00-39.00, few 41.00, Cutters 33.50-38.00, Canners & low cutters 29.00-35.00, shells down to 25.00. Choice slaughter bullocks 44.50-50.75, Good 42.00-46.00, Standard 38.00-42.00. Yield Grade No. 1 1000-2200 lbs. slaughter bulls 39.00-46.50, Yield Grade No. 2 900-1600 lbs. 37.00-44.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: Mostly steady, good and choice 300-800 lbs. steers 42.00-49.50, few 54.00, med. 300-750 lbs. 34.00-39.25. Good & choice 300-750 lbs. heifers 37.00-45.00, Med. 300-700 lbs. 29.00-40.00. Good & choice 300-800 lbs. bulls 39.00-49.50.

CALVES 4306. Compared to 4309 last week and 3896 a

year ago. Vealers mostly \$2 to \$7 higher. Prime vealers 76.00-86.00, choice 66.00-80.00, Good 55.00-70.00, Standard & good 110-130 lbs. 48.00-60.00, 90-110 lbs. 39.00-50.00, Standard 70-90 lbs. 32.00-40.00, Utility 55-100 lbs. 21.00-35.00.

FARM CALVES: Steady to \$5 higher. Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs. 43.00-65.00, Holstein heifers 85-160 lbs. 40.00-84.00.

HOGS 8123. Compared to 8097 last week and 7037 a year ago. Barrows and gilts 50 cents to \$1.50 lower. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. barrows and gilts 46.50-48.50, No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 45.50-47.50, No. 2-3 190-260 lbs. 43.00-46.50, few No. 2-4 260-300 lbs. 38.00-43.00, No. 1-3 140-190 lbs. 35.00-43.00. SOWS uneven. US No. 1-3 300-570 lbs. sows 37.00-41.00, No. 2-3 300-650 lbs. 34.00-38.50. BOARS: 29.00-33.50.

FEEDER PIGS 1313. Compared to 1263 last week and 1574 a year ago. \$1 to \$5 higher. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. feeder pigs 24.00-40.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 31.00-55.00.

SHEEP 466. Compared to 274 last week and 5419 a year ago. Spring slaughter lambs mostly steady. Choice 40-100 lbs. 60.00-79.00, few to 86.00, Good and Choice, 65-135 lbs. woolled slaughter lambs 46.00-65.00. Slaughter ewes 12.00-27.50.

GRADED FEEDER PIGS 1519. Compared to 3062 last week, and 1311 last year. Mostly \$1 to \$8 lower.

1-2 30-40 lb. 126.00-142.00; 40-55 lb. 114.00-136.00; 55-70 lb. 100.00-117.00.

2-3 35-45 lb. 101.00-139.00; 45-65 lb. 108.00-117.00. 3 25-40 lb. 108.00-130.00; 40-60 lb. 105.00-127.00.

Utility 20-35 lb. 80.00-95.00; 45-65 lb. 50.00-66.00.

## Des Moines Carlot

April 5, 1978

Compared to Tuesday's close fresh pork cut trade moderate, demand moderate. Fresh loins 2.00-2.75 higher, picnics 4.00-4.50 lower than last Monday, skinned hams .50-1.50 lower after being 1.25-2.50 lower early, bellies 12-14 lbs. .50-1.00 higher after being steady in early trade, other cuts not established.

FRESH PORK CUTS LOINS: 14/DN lbs. 87.00-87.25; 14-17 lbs. 86.00-86.25, 2 loads Mon. shipment 88.00, 2.00-2.75 higher; 14-17 lbs. 87.25-88.00, trimmed; 17-20 lbs. 80.50; 20 & Up lbs.

PICNIC: 4-8 lbs. 50.00, load 50.50.

BOSTON BUTT: No sales reported.

SPARERIBS: No sales reported.

SKINNED HAMS: 14-17 lbs. 69.00-71.50, mostly 70.00-71.00, .50-1.50 lower; 17-20 lbs. 68.00-70.00, mostly 69.00-70.00, .50-1.00 lower; 20-26 lbs. 67.25, load 68.25,

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