

Livestock market and auction news

St. Louis Cattle

Thursday, April 25
Report Supplied by USDA

Receipts this week 3,500
Week Ago 4,600
Year Ago 5,200

Compared with last week's close, Slaughter Steers mostly 1.00 lower. Slaughter Heifers weak to .50 lower. Cows firm to 1.00 higher. Bulls steady. Slaughter supply mainly choice and mixed choice and prime Steers and Heifers, around 10% Cows.

*Note: A substantial increase in steers weighing over 1150 lbs and heifers over 950 lbs. was apparent this week.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed choice and prime 2-4 1050-1375 lbs. 57.00-57.50, load late 58.00; 3-4 1100-1250 lbs. 56.00-56.50. Choice 2-4 1000-1350 lbs. 56.00-57.50, closing sales 56.50-57.50. Mixed good and choice 2-3 900-1250 lbs. 55.00-56.50. Good 2-3 900-1200 lbs. 52.00-55.00. Mostly good 2-3 1050-1435 lb. holsteins 48.00-54.25. Standard to good 2-3 1050-1275 lbs. 45.00-49.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Mixed choice and prime 2-4 900-1125 lbs. 56.00-57.00, most closing sales 57.00; 3-4 975-1100 lbs. 53.00-54.00; 4-5 950-1150 lbs. 50.00-52.00. Choice 2-4 900-1125 lbs. 55.00-57.00, closing sales 55.50-57.00. Mixed good and choice 2-3 800-1050 lbs. 53.00-55.50. Good 2-3 750-1000 lbs. 50.00-53.50.

COWS: (Closing Week Sales) Breaking Utility and Commercial 2-4 39.00-41.00. Cutter and boning utility 1-2 39.00-41.00. High-yielding utility 1-2 41.00-42.00. Canner and low cutter 1-2 34.00-39.00. Shelly canner 1-2 29.00-34.00.

BULLS: YG 1-2 1050-2200 lbs. 46.00-50.00. Few YG 151.00.

Wednesday's Weekly Sheep Auction. Receipts around 250 head. Compared to last week's limited test, shorn slaughter lambs 2.00-5.00 higher. Spring slaughter lambs 7.00 higher. Not enough of any other class to test market. Demand moderate for moderate supply. Consisting mostly of old

crop shorn slaughter lambs and spring lambs.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Mixed choice and prime shorn with No. 1-2 pelts 100-125 lbs. 65.00-70.00. Woolled lambs scarce. Same grades spring 81-110 lbs. 70.50-72.50.

SLAUGHTER EWES: Few utility 17.50-18.00.

FEEDER LAMBS: Mixed choice and fancy, two lots 60-70 lbs. 63.00-68.00.

GOATS: Few 16.00 per head.

FEEDERS: (Including around 1,200 at the regular Thursday auction.) Feeder steers 1.00-2.00 higher, except 300-400 lbs. 2.00-4.00 higher. Feeder heifers steady. Demand good. Supply moderate, consisting mostly of steers under 800 lbs. and heifers under 600 lbs.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large Frame 1: 300-400 lbs. 74.50-81.00; 400-600 lbs. 69.00-74.00, couple lots including some Missouri gold label steers 74.50-76.50; 600-700 lbs. 65.00-69.25, one lot 71.75. Fleshy lots 63.00-65.00; 700-900 lbs. 58.00-63.00, fleshy lots 55.00-56.50.

Large Frame No. 2 Holsteins: Few 300-500 lbs. 55.50; few 4 500-900 lbs. 47.50-51.50.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large Frame 1: 300-400 lbs. 57.00-63.50, three lots reputation brand 63.00-65.75; 400-600 lbs. 55.00-60.00, few 600-800 lbs. 53.00-56.50.

Medium and Large Frame 1-2: 300-600 lbs. 55.00-57.00.

Small Frame 1-2: Few 300-500 lbs. 52.00-52.50.

East Coast Carlot

Wednesday, April 24

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Compared to Tuesday's close: Special Fed Veal generally steady. Good and Choice Boning Veal steady to 1.00 lower. Inshipped generally steady. Choice and Prime Lamb not tested, steady to weak undertone. Boneless Beef 85 Chem Lean 1.00 lower than last week.

Veal Carcass

Choice & Prime (Special Fed)

Hide On 350 Head

220-280 lbs. 168.00, few 165.00, generally steady.

Good and Choice

Boning Type

Hide On 600 Head

NORTHEASTERN SUPPLIERS: 65-75 lbs. 87.00-88.00, steady-1.00 lower; 55-64 lbs. 85.00-86.00; 45-54 lbs. 83.00-84.00; 35-44 lbs. 81.00-82.00; 34 lbs. down 79.00-80.00.

INSHIPPED: 120 Head. Generally steady. 71-80 lbs. LTD 88.00; 61-70 lbs. LTD 86.00; 51-60 lbs. LTD 84.00; 41-50 lbs. LTD 82.00; 30-40 lbs. LTD 80.00.

Boneless Beef

2 Loads

(US and Canadian Origin)

85% Chem Lean, Fresh 100.00, 1.00 lower than last week.

Omaha Weekly

Thursday, April 25

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Slaughter steers and heifers closed this week fully 1.00 higher than last week, recovering part of that session's sharp downturn, higher dressed beef prices, prompting an improved buyer demand, was the primary reason for the upturn in prices. Those steers over 1300 lbs. still being discounted sharply this week. Buyers of steers suitable for commodity delivery played a smaller role this week. Slaughter cows steady to 1.00 higher. Slaughter bulls firm to 1.00 higher.

Estimated 5 day receipts this week 7800; actuals last week 9578 and 8023 last year. Slaughter steers made up 54 pct of this week's receipts, heifers 38 pct, cows 5 pct, feeder cattle 1 pct.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Closing sales choice 2-4 1075-1350 lbs. 57.50-58.75. Mixed good and choice 2-3 1000-1150 lbs. 56.00-58.00. Few good 54.50-56.00. Few mixed good and

choice 2-3 1200-1400 lb. holsteins 52.00-52.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Closing sales choice 2-4 975-1150 lbs. 56.50-58.25. Mixed good and choice 2-3 900-1050 lbs. 55.00-57.00. Few good 54.00-55.00.

Average of LS-214 detailed quotations for choice 900-1100 lb. steers 57.75, 1100-1300 lbs. 58.25. Average cost all slaughter steers this week 57.44, average weight 1229 lbs. as compared to 58.05 and 1217 lbs. last week. Average cost all slaughter heifers this week 56.66, average weight 1080 lbs. as compared to 56.88 and 1065 lbs. last week.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Few breaking utility and commercial 2-3 40.00-43.75. Cutter and Boning Utility 1-2 40.00-43.00, high dressing to 43.50. Canner and low cutter 37.00-41.50, few canner 31.00-36.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: 1-2 1300-2000 lbs. 49.00-52.75, low dressing 42.50-48.00.

CALVES 175: Few Choice 76.00-85.00, Few Good 62.00-72.00, Few Utility 60-80 lbs. 35.00-45.00.

FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls 90-125 lbs. 57.00-79.00, Holstein heifers 90-115 55.00-65.00. Few Good & Choice 275-325 lbs. Slaughter Calves 53.00-67.00.

HOGS 523: Barrows & gilts 50 cents-1.25 higher. US No. 12-2 215-240 lbs. barrows & gilts 44.00-45.75, No. 1-3 190-250 lbs. 43.00-44.00, No. 2-3 200-270 lbs. 39.00-43.00. Sows: US No. 1-3 480-700 lbs. sows 38.50-43.25, No. 2-3 300-500 lbs. 33.00-38.50. Boars 29.00-34.00.

FEEDER PIGS 331: US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. feeder pigs 26.00-36.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-55 lbs. 35.00-43.00.

SHEEP 8: Few Choice 30-40 lbs. Spring Slaughter Lambs 80.00-95.00. Few Slaughter ewes 17.00-18.00.

Valley Livestock

Athens, Pa.

Monday, April 22

Report supplied by auction

Holstein Hfr. Calves to 66.00. Veal Calves 65.00-87.00. Vealer Bull Calves 70.00-76.00. Slaughter Calves 45.00-55.00. Grassers & Feeders 28.00-50.00. Lambs 50.00-85.00. Sheep 10.00-21.00. Hogs, 200 to 250 38.00-42.50. Sows 32.00-37.00. Boars 28.00-36.00. Pigs each 18.00-36.00. Heifers 39.00-45.00. Steers, medium 39.00-49.00. Steers, feeder 36.00-52.00. Bulls 40.00-46.75. Cows, utility 38.00-42.50. Cows, fat 37.00-40.00. Cows, medium 34.00-36.00. Cows, poor or small 25.00-32.00. Cattle Market steady to easier. Calf Market steady. Goats each 10.00-36.00.

Middleburg Livestock

Middleburg, Pa.

Tuesday, April 23, 1985

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CATTLE 334: Compared with last Tuesday's market, slaughter steers Good & Choice 25 cents-1.50 lower. Slaughter cows \$2.00-4.50 higher. Choice 985-1380 lbs. 55.75-58.25, Couple 60.85, Good 47.50-54.25, Choice Holsteins 51.50-54.75, Good 46.00-50.75, Few Standard 45.00-48.00. Few Choice slaughter heifers 53.10-58.00. Breaking Utility & Commercial slaughter cows 39.25-43.25, one 44.50, Cutter & Boning Utility 38.25-41.50, Few Canner & Low Cutter 35.50-37.25, Shells down to 25.00. Choice slaughter bullocks one 55.75, Good, couple 48.00. Yield Grade No. 1 875-1600 lbs. slaughter bulls 43.25-48.25.

FEEDER CATTLE: Steers Medium Frame #1 400-675 lbs. 53.00-62.00; Heifers Medium Frame #1 350-750 lbs. 40.00-50.00.



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