

Livestock market and auction news

St. Louis Cattle

Thursday, May 1

Report Supplied by USDA

Receipts this week 3,500
Week Ago 4,000
Year Ago Unavailable

Compared to last week's close, slaughter steers firm to .50 higher. Slaughter heifers fully steady. Cows weak to 1.00 lower. Bulls steady. Slaughter supply mainly choice and mixed choice and prime steers and heifers, around 15% cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Mixed choice and prime 2-4 1075-1350 lbs. 53.50-54.00. Couple loads early 54.50, not tested late. Choice 2-4 950-1350 lbs. 52.50-54.00, closing 53.00-54.00. Couple package 2-3 54.25. Mixed good and choice 2-3 900-1200 lbs. 51.00-53.00. Good 2-3 900-1200 lbs. 49.00-51.00. Standard to good 2-3 1050-1600 lb. holsteins 41.00-44.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Mixed

choice and prime 2-4 900-1125 lbs. 51.50, few up to 52.00. Choice 2-4 825-1100 lbs. 50.50-51.50. Mixed good and choice 2-3 800-1050 lbs. 48.50-50.50. Good 2-3 750-975 lbs. 46.50-48.50.

COWS (Closing Week Sales) Breaking utility and commercial 2-4 33.00-35.00. Cutter and boning utility 1-2 35.00-36.00. High-yielding cutter and boning utility 1-2 36.00-37.00, few up to 38.00. Canner and low cutter 1-2 32.00-35.00. Shelly canner 1-2 28.00-32.00.

BULLS: YG 1-2 1100-2200 lbs. 40.00-45.00. Couple YG 1 1890 and 2185 lbs. 45.00-45.75.

Sheep Auction
Wednesday, April 30

Receipts 192 Head. Slaughter lambs 3.00-4.00 lower than last week. Slaughter ewes steady.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice and prime 95-115 lbs. 74.50-79.00.

OLD CROP SLAUGHTER LAMBS: 105-116 lbs. 68.00-73.00.

SLAUGHTER EWES: Cull to utility 16.00-24.50.

FEEDER LAMBS: Few choice and fancy 60-90 lbs. 65.00-67.50.

Central U.S. Carlot

Pork Report

Wednesday, Apr. 30

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Compared to Wednesday's 4:00 P.M. report, fresh Pork Loins 14-18 lbs. \$2.00 lower; Boston Butts 4-8 lbs. steady to \$1.00 lower; Skd. Hams steady to .50 higher; Sdls Bellies steady to \$5.00 higher. Trade slow to moderate for moderate offerings. Demand good on bellies light to moderate on other cuts.

U.S. No. 2 175 lb. Pork Carcass cutout value advanced .08, to an estimated \$56.91 per cwt.

Sales reported on 33 loads of fresh Pork cuts, and 5 loads of trimmings and boneless processing Pork.

Loins (Regular)
9½ lds. 14-18 lbs. 86.00-89.00.
18-22 lbs. 88.00 A.
22&Up lbs. 88.00 C.
Tenderloins,
2/Bag
Price range 254.00 A.
Picnics, Regular
2 lds. 4-8 lbs. 41.00 A.
8 & Up lbs. 38.00.
Boston Butts
4½ lds. 4-8 lbs. 62.00-64.00.
Spareribs, Fresh
PL's 1.5-3.5 lbs. 127.00.
3.5-5.5 lbs. 96.00 C.
Spareribs, Frozen
1.5-3.5 lbs. 128.00 B.
3.5-5.5 lbs. 92.50-100.00 E.
Loins Backribs
1.5/DN lbs. 183.00 B.
1.75/DN lbs. 173.00 B.
1.75-2.25 lbs. 160.00 B.
Hams, Skinned
Fresh
17-20 lbs. 54.00-57.50 A.
6 lds. 20-26 lbs. 55.00-55.50.
Bellies, Sdls,
Skin On, Fresh
1 lds. 12-14 lbs. 58.00.

2 lds. 14-16 lbs. 59.00-60.00.
6 lds. 16-18 lbs. 52.50-54.00.
1 lds. 18-20 lbs. 45.00.
20-25 lbs. 38.00 B.
Bellies, Sdls,
Skin On, Frozen
10-12 lbs. 41.00-42.50 A.
Pork Trimmings/
Boneless Processing Pork
(Chemical Lean)
Combo 42% Fresh 29.50-31.00 A.
Combo 72% Fresh 3½ 60.00-62.50.
Boxed Frozen 59.75 B.
Picnic Cushion
Meat
Combo 93% Fresh PL's 89.00.
Boxed Frozen PL's 89.00.
Bnls Picnic
Combo 72% Fresh PL's 62.50.
Boxed Frozen 61.00 E.
Skinned Jowls
Combo Fresh 27.25-28.00 D.
Boxed Frozen 24.50 C.
Cured and
Processed Meats
Hams, Smoked,
Skinned, Water
Added
16-19 lbs. 67.00-75.00.
19-23 lbs. 66.00-73.00.
Picnics, Smoked,
Water Added
4-7 lbs. 53.00-59.00.
Bacon, Sliced
Vac Pack
1 lb. pkg. 124.00-154.00.
Note: A,B,C,D,E, letter after market quotes represents days since last actual reported sales. A=Day 1, B=Day 2, C=Day 3, D=Day 4, E=Day 5. Market quotes after five days without trade will be dropped.

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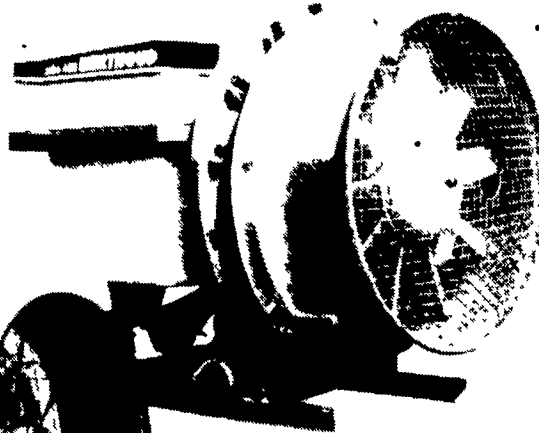
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