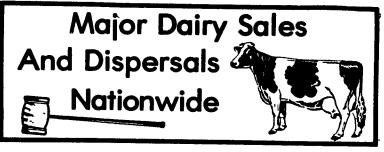
## **NATIONAL DAIRY COW SALE INDEX**

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This sale index can help dairymen place a value on the dairy cows in their own herds. Breed organization sales and private dispersal sales reported in Lancaster Farming are included in the dollar averages.

	Ayrshire	Brown Swiss	Guernsey	Jersey
Year to date:				
Nation	889	1099	1141	947
Pennsylvania	832	950	569	1019
Four previous weeks: Nation				
	_			781
Four previous weeks				
+/-year to date:	—		—	166 lower
	Holstein	Red and White	Milking Shorthorn	
Year to date:				
Nation	2126	1825	850	
Pennsylvania	2066	2837	922	
Four previous weeks:				
Nation	2097	_	_	
Four previous weeks	2001			
+/- year to date:	29 higher			



Reports from six sales for the week of March 10 to 17 averaged \$1,301 on 451 head. The top prices ranged from \$2,050 to \$5,600. The sales were held in Missouri, Virginia, Wisconsin and New York. Here is a brief look at the results of these sales

GUERNSEY The LYONS FARMS COM-PLETE DISPERSAL held in Missouri averaged \$942 on 99 head. This number includes all the animals to go through the sale ring, from aged cows to a 3-day-old calf.

Topping the sale at \$2,700 were two daughters of Big Tex.

The first cow to sell at this price was a VG-88 5 year old. She produced a top record as a 2 year old of 12,450 pounds of milk, 534 pounds of fat, and 438 pounds of protein in 365 days. The sale topper averaged 1,700 pounds of milk over herdmates. She was due at sale time to Wistar Deacon.

Her dam was a Housleys Dari Fayvor daughter. The next dam classified Very Good and produced a lifetime record over 178,000 milk and just under 9,000 fat.

The second cow to sell for the top price of the sale was a VG-87 3 year old. Her current Mature Equivalent record stands at 16,230 milk and 620 fat with a Cow Index of plus \$61. She posted a herd mate deviation of plus 6,800 milk. She was bred to Fayette to calve in June.

Her dam, classified VG-88 and sired by Fauver Hll Wis Domino,

produced five records which averaged 3,200 milk over herdmates. She produced a top record of 15,480 milk with a 4.4 test in 309 days.

Merv Leffler auctioneered the sale. The Guernsey Marketing Service managed the sale.

## HOLSTEIN

The VIRGINIA HOLSTEIN ASSOCIATION SPRING SALE averaged \$1,158 on 75 lots.

Two lots sold for the top price of \$2,050.

A 2-year-old, sired by Valiant, was the first animal to sell for \$2,050. Fresh on Jan. 9, she was producing 50 pounds of milk a day.

Her dam, an 85-point Pete daughter, produced a high record of 26,500 milk and 964 fat in 365 days.

The second cow to sell for \$2,050 was a 3 year old daughter of Glendell Arlinda Chief. Classified at 81 points as a 2 year old, she completed a first-calf lactation of 14,450 milk and 516 fat in 295 days. Fresh in December 1986, her current lactation stands at 3,046 milk and 145 fat in 56 days.

Her dam is an 86-point Pete (Turn to Page A39)

