

Estimated Daily Livestock Slaughter

Under Federal Inspection

December 17, 1997

	CATTLE	CALVES	HOGS	SHEEP
TUESDAY 12/17/97 (EST)	119,000	7,000	383,000	17,000
WEEK AGO (EST)	118,000	7,000	367,000	15,000
YEAR AGO (ACT)	128,000	7,000	328,000	16,000
WEEK TO DATE (EST)	365,000	20,000	1,115,000	51,000
SAME PD LT WK (EST)	347,000	20,000	1,108,000	51,000
SAME PD LT YR (EST)	370,000	21,000	993,000	49,000

Central U.S.

Carlot

Beef Report

December 17, 1997

Report supplied by USDA

USDA NATIONAL CARLOT BEEF REPORT (INCLUDES MAJOR PRODUCTION AREAS IN THE MIDWEST AND TX) AS OF 3 P.M.

COW AND BULLS CARCASS

FOB OMAHA LOADS REPORTED

COMPARED TO TUESDAY'S 3 P.M. REPORT: COW AND BULL CARCASSES NOT ESTABLISHED.

UT, BRK 2-4 450 LBS. AND UP, LAT-EST ESTB. MKT. 55.00 D.

UT, BNG 1-3 400 LBS. AND UP, LAT-EST ESTB. MKT. 60.00 A.

CUTTER 1-2 350 LBS. AND UP, UNQUOTED.

BULLS YG1 500 LBS. AND UP,

UNQUOTED.

COW AND BULL CARCASS CAF WEST COAST MARKET FOR WEEK ENDED: DEC. 12

UT, BRK 1-3 400 LBS. AND UP 58.00. CUTTER 1-2 350 LBS. AND UP 58.00. BONELESS PROCESSING BEEF/ BEEF TRIMMINGS 160 LOADS

LEAN BONELESS PROCESSING BEEF 3.00-3.50 HIGHER MIDWEST, BUT 1.50 TO MOSTLY 4.00 HIGHER IN TEXAS; 85% FIRM TO 2.00 HIGHER; 75% 4.00-7.00 HIGHER; 65% FIRM. DEMAND LIGHT TO MODERATE FOR LIGHT OFFERINGS. BEEF TRIMMINGS WEAK ON LIGHT TO MODERATE DEMAND AND MODERATE OFFERINGS.

FOB OMAHA BASIS

90% FR, 17 LOADS, RANGE 92.0-95.0, WT. AVG. 93.85.

90% FZ, UNQUOTED. 85% FR, 8 LOADS, RANGE 85.0-87.0, WT. AVG. 86.00.

85% FZ, UNQUOTED. 75% FR, 4 LOADS, RANGE 68.0-71.0, WT. AVG. 69.50.

75% FZ, UNQUOTED. 65% FR, 11 LOADS, RANGE 60.0, WT. AVG. 60.00.

65% FZ, UNQUOTED. 50% FR, 76 LBS., RANGE 41.50-42.50, WT. AVG. 41.99.

50% FZ, UNQUOTED. 50% BX, UNQUOTED.

BULL 92-94, UNQUOTED. FOB EAST TX AND OK

90% FR, 27 LOADS, RANGE 93.5-95.0, WT. AVG. 94.87. 90% FZ, UNQUOTED.

CAF NORTHEAST AREAS 90% FR, 15 LOADS, RANGE 97.0-98.5, WT. AVG. 97.60.

90% FZ, UNQUOTED. 85% FR, 2 LOADS, RANGE 93.5, WT. AVG. 93.50.

CAF WEST COAST BASIS MARKET FOR WEEK ENDED 12/12/97

90% FR, RANGE 87.5, WT. AVG. 87.50.

90% FZ, UNQUOTED. 85% FR, RANGE 81.8-82.0, WT. AVG. 81.78.

85% FZ, UNQUOTED. 75% FR, UNQUOTED. 75% FZ, UNQUOTED.

65% FR, RANGE 57.0, WT. AVG. 57.00.

65% FZ, UNQUOTED. 50% FR, UNQUOTED. 50% FZ, RANGE 45.5-46.0, WT. AVG. 45.83.

**ABCDE AFTER QUOTED REPRESENTS DAYS SINCE LAST ACTUAL MARKET TEST. QUOTES ARE DROPPED AFTER 5 DAYS OF NO TEST OR BEFORE IF THEY NO LONGER REFLECT CURRENT MARKET CONDITIONS.

SOURCE: USDA MARKET NEWS, DES MOINES, IA.

HEAVY 43.00-45.00, LIGHT 40.00-43.00, FEEDER PIGS BY THE HEAD, UP TO 56.00.

SOWS: UP TO 42.00. MALE HOGS: UP TO 35.00. LAMBS: 70-85 LBS. UP TO 96.00; 85-125 LBS. UP TO 98.00; 30-60 LBS., UP TO 120.00; CULLS 60.00 AND DOWN. SHEEP: UP TO 47.50.

GOATS: ALL BY THE HEAD, LARGE 50.00-85.00; MEDIUM 20.00-50.00; SMALL 8.00-34.00.

NO SALE SAT., DEC. 27.

Morrison Cove

Livestock

Martinsburg, Pa.

December 15, 1997

Report supplied by auction

CATTLE 144. STEERS CHOICE 64.00-67.00; GOOD 60.00-63.50. HEIFERS: CHOICE 63.00-68.00; GOOD 55.00-62.00.

COWS: UTILITY & COMMERCIAL 34.00-40.00; CANNER & LOW CUTTER 18.00-33.00.

BULLOCKS: 45.00-51.00. BULLS: YIELD GRADE NO. 1 40.00-43.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS 50.00-65.00; BULLS 45.00-55.00; HEIFERS 35.00-60.00.

CALVES 111. PRIME, NO MKT. TEST; CHOICE, NO MKT. TEST; GOOD 45.00-65.00; STANDARD 15.00-25.00; HOLSTEIN BULLS 90-130 LBS. 45.00-85.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS 90-130 LBS. 85.00-100.00.

HOGS: 243. US NO. 1-2 41.00-42.00; US NO. 1-3 40.00-41.00.

SOWS: US NO. 1-3 30.00-38.00. BOARS: 27.00-30.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 27 HEAD. US#1&3 20-50 LBS. 18.00-39.00.

SHEEP: 23 HEAD. CHOICE LAMBS 90.00-100.00; GOOD LAMBS 80.00-90.00; SLAUGHTER EWES 28.00-40.00.

GOATS: 40.00-140.00.

Grantsville

Livestock

Grantsville, Maryland

Report Supplied by Auction

Sat., December 13, 1997

STOCK BULLS AND STEERS 200-500 LBS. 45.00-74.00.

STOCK HEIFERS 35.00-64.00. SLAUGHTER STEERS GOOD TO CHOICE, NONE AVAILABLE; MEDIUM TO GOOD 45.00-61.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS GOOD 41.50-49.00; LIGHT 35.00-48.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS GOOD TO CHOICE, NONE AVAILABLE; MEDIUM TO GOOD 42.00-60.50.

BULLS: HEAVY 36.00-47.75, LIGHT 40.00-49.00.

COWS: UTILITY HOLSTEINS 30.00-37.50, CANNERS 25.00-29.50, CULLS 27.00 AND DOWN.

VEALS GOOD TO CHOICE UP TO 76.00, MEDIUM TO GOOD 35.00-55.00.

BOB CALVES: 22.00 AND DOWN. HOLSTEIN BULL CALVES RETURN TO FARM: 90-120 LBS. UP TO 65.00.

HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES RETURN TO FARM, NONE AVAILABLE.

BEEF X CALVES RETURN TO FARM: UP TO 60.00.

HOGS: TOP QUALITY 43.00-45.50,

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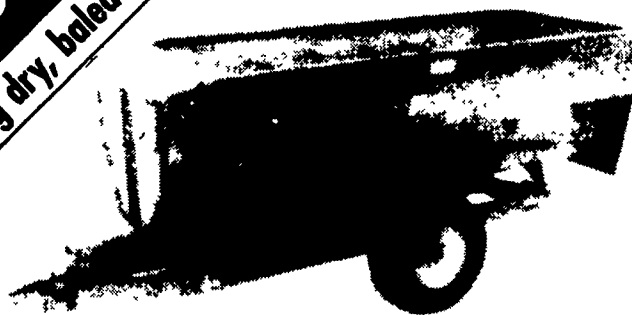
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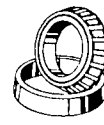
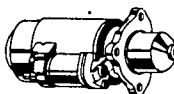
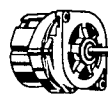
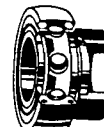
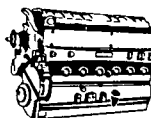
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