Estimated Daily Livestock Slaughter

Under Federal Inspection

March 18, 1998

	CATTLE	CALVES	HOGS	SHEEP
WEDNESDAY 3/18/98 (EST)	129,000	7,000	369,000	17,000
WEEK AGO (EST)	125,000	6,000	376,000	18,000
YEAR AGO (ACT)	125,000	6,000	353,000	17,000
WEEK TO DATE (EST)	375,000	20,000	1,095,000	47,000
SAME PD LT WK (EST)	344,000	17,000	1,004,000	48,000
SAME PD LT YR (EST)	378,000	19,000	1,020,000	54,000

Central Carlot Pork Report

DES MOINES, IOWA

Thursday, March 19, 1998

USDA NATIONAL CARLOT PORK REPORT Equated to FOB Omaha Basis as 11:15 AM

Compared to Wednesday's Close: Fresh bone-in 13-19# loins and butts not tested; sknd. hams 1.00-2.00 higher; sdls. bellies 1.00-2.00 higher; lean trimmings steady. Trading slow, with light to moderate retail demand and offerings, while processing cuts experienced moderate demand and light offerings.

Loads PORK CUTS : 44.75 ** NOON ** Loads TRIM/PROCESS PORK : 13.0 ** REPORT **

FRESH PORK CUTS LDS PRICE RANGE WGHTD AVG. LOINS, BONE-IN, FRESH 1/4" Trim 13-19# 99.00 - 107.00 104.61 A 1/8" Trm/less 13-19# 106.00 - 110.00 107.50 A 1/4" Bladeless 1/4" Trim 19-23# 2.0 101.00 101.00 combos 23/Up# 57.00 57.00 A LOINS,CNTRCUT,10-11 RIB,1/4"TRM Tender-in FLO 8-13# 147.00 147.00 B Tender-out FLO 8-13# BNLS Strap-on 5-9# 1.0 162.00 162.00 BNLS Strap-off 5-9# 1.0 179.00 179.00 WHLE BNLS LOINS 7-11# BNLS SIRLOIN .75-1# 117.00 - 125.00 118.44 A BONE-IN SIR 2.5-3.5# BLADE ENDS 2-4# TENDERLOIN 1.25/DN# 237.00 237.00 A LOIN BACKRIB (BOXED) FRSH/FRZN 1.5/DN# " 1.75/DN# " 1.75-2.00# 0.3 285.00 285.00 " 2.00/UP# LOIN BACKRIB (COMBOS) 1.75/DN# PICNIC, FRESH Smkr Trm, RS, combo 36.00 36.00 A Smkr Trm, SS, boxed 52.00 52.00 A PICNIC CUSHION MEAT Combo 92% Fresh 90.00 90.00 A Boxed 92% Frozen 65.00 65.00 B BOSTON BUTT 4-9#,FRESH 1/4" Trim 69.00 - 74.00 72.18 A 1/8" Trim 77.00 77.00 B 1/4" Trim Neck-off 81.00 81.00 A 1/8" Trim Neck-off 84.00 84.00 B BNLS, Cellar Trim combo's 9/UP# SPARERIB, FRESH 3 BAG/3 PCVAC 3.8/DN# 134.00 - 137.00 136.00 A 2 BAG/3 PCVAC 3.8-5.8# COMBOS 3.8/DN# 124.00 124.00 A COMBOS 3.8-5.8# HAM,BONE-IN,TRIMMED 17-20# TS1 (sel) 3.0 54.00 - 55.00 54.33 17-20# TS2 (com) unq 20-23# TS1 (sel) 5.0 48.00 - 49.00 48.20 20-23# TS2 (com) unq 23-27# TS1 (sel) 5.0 44.00 - 47.00 45.80 23-27# TS2 (com) 20-27# TS1 (sel) 20.0 44.00 - 49.00 46.70 20-27# TS2 (com) 27#/up TS2 (com) HAM,BNLS MUSCLES 94-96% * 3 Muscle Group * 4 Muscle Group 102.00 102.00 A * 5 Muscle Group 99.00 - 101.00 100.00 A Inside Outside Knuckle Lite Butt Inner Shank HAM TRIMMINGS (CHEMICAL LEAN) Combo 72% Fresh 1.0 28.50 28.50 Boxed 72% Frozen Combo 90% Fresh Boxed 90% Frozen Outer Shank Frozen 49.00 49.00 D BELLY, SDLS, FRESH SKIN-ON, TRIMMED Fresh 10-12# Fresh 12-14# 3.0 44.00 44.00 Fresh 14-16# 4.5 45.00 45.00 Fresh 16-18# 39.00 39.00 A Fresh 18-20# 36.50 36.50 A Fresh 20-25# SKINLESS, SQUARED Fresh 9-11# Fresh 11-13# Fresh 13-15# Fresh 15-17# SKINLESS, CENTER CUT Fresh 8-10# Fresh 10-12# Fresh 12-14# Fresh 14-16# PORK TRIMMINGS/BONELESS PROCESSING PORK (CHEMICAL LEAN) Combo 42% Fresh 3.0 17.00 - 18.50 18.00 Boxed 42% Frozen unq Combo 72% Fresh 6.0 28.00 - 29.00 28.42 Boxed 72% Frozen 2.0 34.00 34.00 BONELESS PICNIC MEAT Combo 72% Fresh 1.0 38.00 38.00 Boxed 72% Frozen 45.00 45.00 E SKINNED JOWLS Combo Fresh 16.00 16.00 B Boxed Frozen 20.00 - 21.00 20.50 A FAT, VISUAL TRACE OF LEAN Combo Fresh unq Boxed Frozen TRIM, VISUAL TRACE OF LEAN Combo 12-16% Fresh Boxed 12-16% Frozen

Specifications for all reported cuts available upon request.

STANDARD CONVERSION FACTORS FOR RETAIL CUTS (all retail items vacuum packed unless otherwise noted.) Loins (13-22#'s): Butts (4-9#'s): Vacpak - report basis Vacpak - report basis Gas Pak - add $2.00 Gas Pak - no conversion Paper - add $5.00 Paper - add $3.00 Combo - add $6.00 Combo - add $4.00 Spareribs: Bone-in Center Cut Loins: Vacpak - report bas False Lean Off - basis Polywrap - add $7.00 False Lean On - add $5.00 Boneless Center Cut Loins: 1/4" Trim - report basis 1/8" Trim - subtract $6.00

ABCDE after quotes 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.

St. Louis Cattle, Hogs

Springfield IL.

Monday, March 16, 1998

USDA-Il Market News Service Farmers Livestock Marketing Association Greenville Illinois

Receipts this week: 150 Last week: 100 Last year: na

Compared to last Monday slaughter steers and heifers 1.00-1.50 higher. Cows 1.00 higher, bulls 1.00-2.00 higher. Supplies mainly Choice and mixed Select and Choice slaughter steers and heifers, light supply of holsteins, around 20% cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 2-4 1050-1450 lbs. 60.00-62.00,YG 2-3 and fancy YG 2-4 1150-1400 lbs. 62.00-63.00. Select and Choice 2-3 975-1250 lbs. 58.00-60.00. Select 2-3 950-1175 lbs. 55.00-58.00. Holstein Steers: Few Choice 2-3 1300-1450 lbs. 55.00-58.00;Select and Choice 2-3 1250-1400 lbs. 52.00-55.00; Select 2-3 1075-1300 lbs. 47.00-52.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 2-4 975-1175 lbs. 60.00-62.00; YG 2-3 and fancy YG 2-4 1000-1175 lbs. 62.00-63.00. Select and Choice 2-3 900-1150 lbs. 58.00-60.00; Select 2-3 875-1150 lbs. 55.00-58.00.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Cutter, Boning and Breaking Utility 1-4 33.00-36.00; Few High Yielding 36.00-38.00; Canner and Low Cutter 1-2 29.00-33.00; Shelly Canner 1-2 25.00-29.00

BULLS: Few Yield Grade 1-2 1150-1700 lbs. 38.00-44.00

Valley Stockyards

Athens, Pa.

March 16, 1998

Report Supplied By Auction

HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES 55.00-132.50.

BACK TO FARM CALVES BEEF X 37.50-87.50, 95-120 LBS. 60.00-90.00, 70-95 LBS. 30.00-67.50.

SLAUGHTER CALVES 5.00-29.00.

GRASSERS AND FEEDERS 31.00-65.00.

FEEDERS 40.00-82.00.

LAMBS 99.50-117.50, NEW CROP 120.00-151.00.

SHEEP 35.00-52.50.

HOGS, 200-250 LBS. 35.00-47.00.

SOWS .20-.21.

BOARS .14-.19.

PIGS, EACH, NONE.

HEIFERS 36.00-44.50.

STEERS 37.50-50.00.

BULLS 40.00-44.00.

COWS, GOOD 34.75-40.25.

COWS, MEDIUM 28.50-35.25.

COWS, POOR OR SMALL 15.50-29.00.

CATTLE MARKET STEADY.

CALF MARKET ACTIVE.

HORSES AND PONIES, NONE.

GOATS 12.50-79.00.

GOOD DEMAND FOR HEIFER CALVES AND NEW LAMBS.

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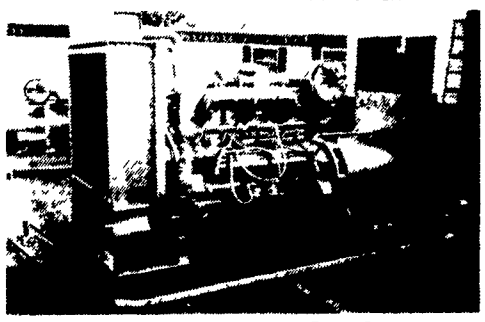

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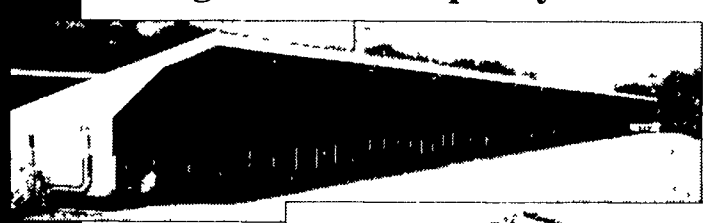

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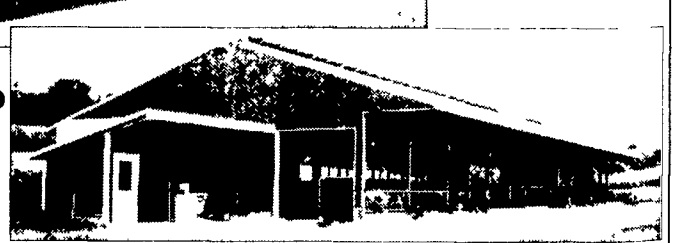

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