Estimated Daily Livestock Slaughter Under Pederal Inspection

March 25, 1998

	CATTLE	CALVES	HOGS	SHEEP
WEDNESDAY 3/25/98 (EST)	129,000	7,000	368,000	17,000
WEEK AGO (EST)	129,000	7,000	360,000	17,000
YEAR AGO (ACT)	126,000	6,000	363,000	19,000
WEEK TO DATE (EST)	379,000	19,000	1,099,000	47,000
SAME PD LT WK (EST)	375,000	20,000	1,086,000	47,000
SAME PD LT YR (EST)	375,000	19,000	1,031,000	56,000

Westminster Livestock Auction Hagerstown, Md. March 24, 1998

Report supplied by auction 117 HEAD, STEADY TO .50 HIGHER. UTILITY 36.00-40.00; HIGH DRESSING

40.00-42.50, 1 AT 44.00; CANNERS 31.00-35.50; SHELLY 31.00 DOWN. BULLS: 9 HEAD 2.00-3.00 HIGHER.

YG#1 47.00-52.75; YG#2 44.00-46.50. FED STEERS: 20 HEAD. HIGH CHOICE 1200-1400 LBS. 62.00-64.00; SELECT TO LOW CHOICE 1000-1150 LBS. 55.00-60.50; CHOICE HOLSTEINS 1100-1550 LBS. 55.00-59.50.

FED HEIFERS: 10 HEAD. HIGH CHOICE #3&4 1100-1300 LBS. 58.50-61.50; SELECT HOLSTEINS 41.00-48.00.

VEAL CALVES: 133 HEAD. GOOD TO CHOICE 225-325 LBS. 65.00-78.00; CULLS 85-110 LBS. 24.00-31.00; 60-85 LBS. 20.00-28.00.

FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS 5.00 LOWER. #1 95-120 LBS. 65.00-86.00; 125-135 LBS. 45.00-60.00; 85-95 LBS. 35.00-68.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS #1 95-120 LBS. 100.00-130.00; #2 75-95 LBS. 60.00-82.00; BEEF X BULLS 50.00-100.00; HEIFERS 37.00-40.00.

BUTCHER HOGS: 40 HEAD, 1.00 HIGHER. US#1-2 240-280 LBS. 34.00-35.50; #1&3 225-260 LBS. 33.00-34.00; 1 322 LB. AT 35.00; 1 412 LB. AT 26.00.

SOWS: FEW 400-600 LBS. 24.00-27.50.

BOARS: 10 HEAD 15.00-17.00. STOCK CATTLE: 207 HEAD, ACTIVE BIDDING! STEERS 200-400 LBS. 75.00-91.00; 400-600 LBS. 73.00-87.00; 600-800 LBS. 68.00-79.00; 5 HEAD 715 LBS. 85.00; 800-950 LBS. FEW TO 60.00.

HEIFERS: 300-500 LBS. 64.00-78.00; 500-700 LBS. 62.00-75.00; 700-800 LBS. 58.00-68.00.

BULLS: 200-400 LBS. 75.00-90.00, 1 AT 102.00; 400-600 LBS. 68.00-81.00; 600-700 LBS. 65.00-75.00; 700-900 LBS. 48.00-54.00.

LAMBS: 90 HEAD. CHOICE WOOLED 100-125 LBS. 76.00-88.00; 80-100 LBS. 77.00-92.00; CHOICE TO PRIME SPRING 60-80 LBS. 105.00-117.00; 50-60 LBS. 110.00-125.00; 25-40 LBS. 125.00-155.00.

SHEEP: 25 HEAD 36.00-50.00; HEAVYWEIGHTS 28.00-37.00.

GOATS: 34 HEAD. LARGE 65.00-102.00; MEDIUM 35.00-75.00; SMALL 14.00-32.00.

PIGS AND SHOATS: BY THE HEAD, 25-40 LBS. 19.00-30.00; 1 YORK BOAR 300 LBS. AT 35.00.

NEXT TUES., MARCH 31: SPECIAL LAMB AND GOAT SALE FOR EASTER TRADE. STRONG DEMAND FOR SPRING LAMBS 25-60 LBS. AND FAT KID GOATS 20-50 LBS.

Friend's Stockyard Inc. Accident, Md. 21520 Report Supplied by Auction March 23, 1998

STOCK BULLS AND STEERS (200-500 LBS.) 52.00-82.50. STOCK HEIFERS: 36.00-74.00.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: GOOD TO CHOICE 58.50-64.10; MEDIUM TO GOOD 56.00-59.50, HEAVY CHOICE OVER 1450 LB. 55.00-61.50.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: HEAVY CHOICE 39.00-54.50, LIGHT 38.00-45.00

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: GOOD TO CHOICE 58.25-64.00; MEDIUM TO GOOD 47.00-58.00.

BULLS: HEAVY 44.00-54.00, LIGHT 38.00-45.00. COWS: UTILITY (HOLSTEIN)

35.00-43.50, COMMERCIAL TO GOOD 31.00-34.50, CULL COWS 30.00 AND DOWN.

VEALS: GOOD TO CHOICE 50.00-65.00, MEDIUM TO GOOD 20.00-46.00.

BOB CALVES: 29.00 AND DOWN. HOLSTEIN BULL CALVES RETURN TO FARM (90 TO 120 LB.)-UP

HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES -RETURN TO FARM (90 TO 120 LB.) - UP

TO 124.00. BEEF CROSS CALVES — RETURN TO FARM UP TO 90.00. HOGS: TOP QUALITY UP TO 37.00,

HEAVY UP TO 34.50, LIGHT 28.00-31.00. SOWS: 29.00-31.00. MALE HOGS: 21.00-28.00.

LAMBS, LIGHT AND FEEDER, NONE AVAILABLE. SHEEP: 20.00-42.00.

LIVESTOCK PRICES ARE ALL GIVEN PER HUNDRED WEIGHT!

Lebanon Valley Livestock Fredericksburg, PA

March 24

Report Supplied by Auction STEERS: CHOICE 1280-1400 LBS. 61.00-63.00; SELECT 1220-1420 LBS. 56.50-59.25.

HOLSTEINS: SELECT 1455 LBS. 51.75; STANDARD 46.50-48.50.

HEIFERS: CHOICE 1420 LBS. 59.50; SELECT 1455 LBS. 56.75; STANDARD 44.75-47.00.

COWS: BREAKING UTILITY AND COMMERCIAL 38.00-41.00; CUTTER AND BONING UTILITY 35.75-37.50; CANNER AND LOW CUTTER 32.00-35.00; SHELLS 25.00-31.00.

BULLS: YG#1 1835 LBS. 48.00; YG#2 1420 LBS. 43.50-45.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: STERS 675-840 HOL. 48.75-49.50; BULLS 620 LBS. 48.75 HOL.

CALVES: GOOD 85-100 LBS.

25.00-30.00.

FARM CALVES: #1 HOLSTEIN BULLS 95-115 LBS. 70.00-80.00, #2 HOLSTEIN BULLS 95-115 LBS. 55.00-65.00; #1 HOLSTEIN HEIFERS 100 LBS. 92.00, #2 HOLSTEIN HEIFERS 80-85 LBS. 32.00-34.00.

HOGS: US#1-3 251 LBS. 34.00; US#2-3 292 LBS. 30.25.

SOWS: US#1-3 495-540 LBS. 25.00-25.50; US#1-3 410-470 LBS. 23.50; US#2-3 490 LBS. 22.00.

BOARS: 285-305 LBS. 15.50-16.00. SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 125-170 LBS. 34.00-40.00.

Grantsville Livestock Grantsville, Maryland

Report Supplied by Auction Sat., March 21, 1998 STOCK BULLS AND STEERS 200-500 LBS. 45.00-89.00.

STOCK HEIFERS 35.00-82.00. SLAUGHTER STEERS GOOD TO CHOICE, NONE AVAILABLE; MEDIUM TO GOOD 45.00-61.50.

HOLSTEIN STEERS GOOD 40.00-52.00; LIGHT 35.00-48.00. SLAUGHTER HEIFERS GOOD TO

CHOICE 56.50-60.00; MEDIUM TO GOOD 42.00-56.00.

BULLS: HEAVY 36.00-49.00, LIGHT 40.00-47.50.

COWS: UTILITY HOLSTEINS 34.00-42.00, CANNERS 30.00-33.50, 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 80.00. HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES

RETURN TO FARM UP TO 85.00. BEEF X CALVES RETURN TO FARM: UP TO 60.00.

HOGS: TOP QUALITY 33.00-40.00, HEAVY 30.00-36.00, LIGHT 30.00-35.00, FEEDER PIGS BY THE HEAD, UP TO 40.00.

SOWS: UP TO 30.00.

MALE HOGS: UP TO 27.00. LAMBS: 70-85 LBS. UP TO 119.00; 85-125 LBS. UP TO 93.00; 30-60 LBS., UP TO 148.00; CULLS 60.00 AND DOWN. SHEEP: UP TO 56.00.

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

ANNUAL EASTER LAMB AND GOAT SALES SAT., APRIL 4 AND SAT., APRIL 11.

Central Carlot **Beef Report**

****Note correction on CAF Northeast 90% lean**** DES MOINES,

IOWA USDA-AMS Wednesday, March 25, 1998

USDA NATIONAL CARLOT BEEF REPORT (includes major production areas in the Midwest and TX) as of 3:00 PM COW & BULL CARCASS FOB OMA-HA Loads Reported. Compared to Tuesday's 3:00 P.M. report: Cow and bull car-

casses not established. Lds Price Range Latest Estb. Mkt. UT,brk 2-4 450#/up 62.00 C UT,bng 1-3 400#/up 66.00 C Cutter 1-2 350#/up 67.00

C Bulls YG 1 500#/up unq

COW & BULL CARCASS CAF WEST COAST Loads Reported. Compared to last week:

Market for Week Ended: March 20, 1998 Lds Price Range UT,brk 2-4 450#/up UT,bng 1-3 400#/up 67.00 Cutter 1-2 350#/up 67.00 Bulls YG 1 500#/up

BONELESS PROCESSING BEEF BEEF TRIMMINGS 150.0 Loads Reported. Lean boneless beef 3.50 lower; 85% 1.00-2.00 lower, 65% 1.00-2.00 higher. Demand and offerings light to moderate. Beef trimmings generally lower on moderate demand and moderate to heavy offerings

FOB OMAHA BASIS: Chm Ln Lds Price Range Wtavg 90% fr 14 98.0 - 101.5 99.75 90% fz unq 85% fr 11 93.5 - 95.0 94.14 85% fz unq 75% fr 73.0 - 75.0 74.00 A 75% fz unq 65% fr 22 53.0 - 55.0 54.00 65% fz unq 50% fr 76 33.00 - 37.00 34.73 50% fz unq 50% bx unq Bull 92-94 118.00

FOB EAST TEXAS AND OKLAHO-MA: Chm Ln Lds Price Range Wtavg 90% fr 7 99.0 99.00 90% fz ung 85% fr ung 85% fz 75% fr 75% fz 65% fr 65% fz

CAF NORTHEAST AREAS: Chm Ln Lds Price Range Wtavg 90% fr 18 **101.0 - 102.0 101.67 **** 90% fz unq 85% fr 2 94.0 94.00 85% fz 75% fr 75% fz 65% fr 65% fz

CAF WEST COAST BASIS Market for Week Ended: 3/20/98 Chm Ln Lds Price Range Wtavg 90% fr 102.00 -107.00 104.18 90% fz unq 85% fr 89.00 - 95.00 93.53 85% fz unq 75% fr unq 75% fz unq 65% fr 50.00 - 53.00 50.78 65% fz ung 50% fr 31.00 - 36.00 33.45 50% fz 35.00 -

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