

# LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTION

**LANCASTER LIVESTOCK AUCTION**  
**MONDAY APRIL 6, 1998**  
**CATTLE CALVES HOGS SHEEP**  
**GOATS**  
**MONDAY'S AUCTION** 606  
 21 79 800 348  
**LAST WEEK** 712 65  
 119 946 449  
**LAST YEAR** 828 52  
 116 245 115

**CATTLE** Compared to Thursday, slaughter steers sold 1.00-2.00 higher. Demand was good, even for heavy weight cattle which showed some support for the first time in several weeks. An attractive offering of Holstein steers and slaughter heifers sold 2.00-3.00 higher. Slaughter cows were steady to firm, while slaughter bulls sold mostly 50 to 1.00 higher. Supply included 60 percent slaughter steers and 17 percent slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1190-1410 lbs 63.00-64.25. Choice 2-3 1200-1475 lb 60.85-64.10, high dressing individual 1285 lbs 67.00; few 1490-1625 lbs 56.75-59.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1150-1500 lbs 57.00-62.25, few 1500-1670 lbs 54.60-59.00. Few Select 1-3 1135-1480 lbs 54.25-60.25.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** Choice, few Prime 2-3 1235-1585 lbs 55.00-58.35, outstanding individual 1395 lbs 59.25, couple packages 1636-1642 lbs 54.35-54.85. Select and low Choice 2-3 1300-1535 lbs 53.00-56.00, one package 1655 lbs 51.85. Few Select 1-2 1375-1475 lbs 51.50-54.00.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Choice, few Prime 2-3 1000-1315 lbs 59.85-62.60, few Yield grade 4's 56.00-58.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 960-1230 lbs 56.00-60.75. HEIFERETTES, Commercial and Standard 2-4 900-1285 lbs 40.75-47.75.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** LOW DRESSING BULK HIGH DRESSING Brkg Utility/Commercial 2-3 37.00-39.00 38.75-43.75. Cutter/Boning Utility 1-3 32.00-35.75 35.50-39.50 38.50-42.25. Canner/low Cutter 1-2 28.50-32.25 32.50-37.75.

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield grade 1 1000-2330 lbs 45.75-55.00. Few Yield grade 2 1395-1765 lbs 43.00-45.75.

**BULLOCKS:** Select 1-3 920-1470 lbs 54.00-62.50.

**CALVES:** Not enough on offer for an adequate market test.

**SHEEP:** Compared to last Monday, woolled slaughter lambs sold mostly steady, however, new crop lambs under 70 lbs were 10.00-20.00 higher. Slaughter ewes sold 2.00-5.00 lower. Demand picked up from last week, and the seasonal market is closer to normal.

**VINTAGE LIVESTOCK AUCTION**  
**TUESDAY APRIL 7, 1998**  
**CATTLE CALVES SHEEP GOATS**  
**TODAY** 637 589  
**LAST TUESDAY** 573 627  
**LAST YEAR** 659 656  
 9 0

**CATTLE** Compared to Monday, slaughter steer prices were firm to 50 higher. Trade was active as aggressive buyers paid premiums for much of the fancy supply on hand. Slaughter heifers were only lightly tested. High Cutter and Utility cows sold steady to 50 higher, while the thinner Canner and low Cutter's were mostly 1.00-1.50 higher. Slaughter bulls sold steady in a light test. Supply included 35 percent slaughter steers and 54 percent slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1150-1470 lbs 63.50-67.00, ideal individual 1375 lbs 68.75. Choice 2-3 1115-1450 lbs 61.25-64.35, high dressing 64.75-66.50. Select and low Choice 2-3 1085-1550 lbs 57.00-62.50. Few Select 1-3

for this time of year.

**SLAUGHTER LAMBS:** Choice 2-3 80-100 lbs 100.00-105.00, 100-125 lbs 85.00-100.00, 125-130 lbs 78.00-82.00.

**NEW CROP LAMBS:** Choice 2-3 25-30 lbs 192.00; 30-40 lbs 160.00-172.00, 40-50 lbs 140.00-160.00, 50-60 lbs 130.00-150.00, 60-70 lbs 115.00-130.00, 70-80 lbs 115.00-120.00.

**SLAUGHTER EWES:** Utility and Good 1-3 35.00-42.00, 1-2 45.00-50.00. Aged Bucks 250-300 lbs 38.00-42.00.

**GOATS:** All goats sold by the head. Billies Large 90.00-120.00 Medium 85.00-92.00. Mutton Good and Choice 75.00-85.00. Nannies Large 60.00-68.00 Medium 45.00-55.00. Thin 38.00-42.00. Yearlings Choice 70.00-85.00. Kids Choice 50.00-80.00. Utility 35.00-50.00. Good 22.00-35.00.

1090-1450 lbs 50.00-58.00.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** Choice, few Prime 2-3 1375-1560 lbs 54.75-57.10. Select and low Choice 2-3 1375-1530 lbs 51.25-54.10. Few Select 1-2 1050-1545 lbs 48.00-51.25.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** High Choice 2-3 few high dressing 1135-1395 lbs 62.75-66.00.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** LOW DRESSING BULK HIGH DRESSING Breaking Utility/Comm 2-4 37.50-39.50 39.00-45.00. Cutter/Boning Utility 1-3 33.50-35.75 35.50-40.00 39.00-43.75. Canner/low Cutter 1-2 29.50-33.50 33.50-38.50.

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield grade 1 1400-1870 lbs 46.25-53.75. Few Yield grade 2 1215-1865 lbs 41.25-44.00.

**CALVES:** Compared to last Tuesday, vealers sold 2.00 higher. Trading was very active for calves returning to feed, with good buyer attendance. Holstein bulls sold 3.00-7.00 higher. Holstein heifers were sharply higher with prices ranging 20.00-35.00 higher. This week's offering included 508 head in the State graded sale and around 84 percent returned to the farm.

**VEALERS:** Good and Choice 75-110 lbs 18.00-29.00. Standard and low Good 60-80 lbs 10.00-15.00.

**SLAUGHTER CALVES:** Few Utility and Good 200-275 lbs 67.00-80.00.

**RETURNED TO FARM:** Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 101.00-130.00. Plainer calves 80-115 lbs 60.00-92.00, weaker calves 70-100 lbs 30.00-55.00. Holstein heifers 80-115 lbs 120.00-171.00. Few plainer calves 80-110 lbs 35.00-65.00.

**New Holland Livestock**  
**New Holland, Pa.**  
**Thursday, April 9, 1998**  
**Report Supplied by USDA**  
**Cattle Calves Sheep Goats**  
**Today** 1320 498 825 468  
**Last Thursday** 1279 582 1626 1369  
**Last Year** 1495 618 479 312

**CATTLE:** Compared to Tuesday, slaughter steers sold 1.00-1.50 higher. Trade was active with good demand, especially for the plainer cattle which reflects the narrow spread between Select and Choice carcass prices this week. Slaughter steers were not well tested. Slaughter cow prices were unevenly steady with moderately active trade, while slaughter bull trade was active with prices ranging .50-1.00 higher. Supply included 54 percent slaughter steers and 30 percent slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1145-1400 lbs 64.60-66.25, outstanding individual 1450 lbs 68.50. Choice 2-3 1035-1480 lbs 62.85-65.35, high dressing up to 66.00; few 1475-1585 lbs 58.85-62.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 975-1500 lbs 58.75-63.50; 1500-1600 lbs 56.00-60.50. Select 1-3 965-1680 lbs 55.50-61.50.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** Few High Choice and Prime 2-3 1450-1530 lbs 58.50-60.25. Choice 2-3 1300-1625 lbs 54.50-58.50. Select and Low Choice 2-3 1370-1700 lbs 52.75-55.10. Select 1-2 1090-1460 lbs 49.50-53.00.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Few Choice 2-4 1060-1220 lbs 63.00-63.75. Heiferettes: package Choice 3-4 1198 lbs 61.75.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** LOW DRESSING BULK HIGH DRESSING

Brkg Utility/Commercial 2-4 38.00-39.50 39.00-44.00. Cutter/Boning Utility 1-3 33.50-35.75 35.50-40.50 38.75-42.75. Canner/low Cutter 1-2 29.50-34.00 33.50-38.75.

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield grade 1 1100-2200 lbs 46.50-55.50, few high dressing individuals 1495-1550 lbs 57.00-60.25. Yield grade 2 1000-1950 lbs 43.75-47.00. Bullocks Few Select 1-3 920-1435 lbs 54.00-58.00.

**CALVES:** Compared to Monday's auction, vealers sold 2.00-3.00 higher and slaughter calves were mostly 5.00 higher. Demand was good for Holstein calves returning to feed with bulls selling 5.00-10.00 higher and heifers trading sharply higher in a very limited test of high quality.

**VEALERS:** Good and Choice 75-100 lbs 18.00-25.00. Standard and low Good 65-85 lbs 12.00-18.00.

**SLAUGHTER CALVES:** Few Good and Choice 230-300 lbs 90.00-105.00. Few Good 300-500 lbs 65.00-75.00.

**RETURNED TO TO FARM:** Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 90.00-125.00. Plainer calves 85-120 lbs 50.00-87.00, weaker calves 65-100 lbs 25.00-40.00. Few Holstein heifers 90-115 lbs 105.00-167.00. Plainer calves 80-100 lbs 40.00-70.00, weaker calves 65-90 lbs 20.00-30.00.

**SHEEP:** Compared to Monday's auction: woolled slaughter lambs were only lightly tested and the new crop lambs sold fully steady. Slaughter ewes sold 5.00-15.00 higher in a light offering. Receipts were lighter this week and in turn, demand picked up for both sheep and goats. The Easter buying season will last at least one more week.

**SLAUGHTER LAMBS:** Choice 2-3 120-140 lbs 60.00-75.00. Lighter weights were not well tested.

**NEW CROP LAMBS:** Choice and Prime 2-4 20-40 lbs 150.00-200.00; 40-60 lbs 150.00-175.00. Choice 2-3 20-40 lbs 130.00-150.00; 40-65 lbs 100.00-120.00; 60-90 lbs 90.00-110.00. Good and Choice 2-3 few plainer lambs 20-40 lbs 80.00-130.00.



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