

# LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTION

## Lancaster Livestock Auction

New Holland, PA  
Monday, Sept. 14, 1998  
Cattle Calves Hogs Sheep Goats

Monday's Auction	632	72	261	389	294
Last Week	595	44	15	402	122
Last Year	901	89	285	535	567

**CATTLE: COMPARED TO THURSDAY, SLAUGHTER STEERS SOLD MOSTLY STEADY TO 50 HIGHER. MARKET INDICATORS WERE VERY GOOD FOR LATE LAST WEEK AND EARLY MONDAY AS BOTH FUTURES AND WESTERN CASH PRICES WERE HIGHER, BUT BY THE END OF THE DAYS TRADING LOCAL STEERS MANAGED ONLY A SLIGHT GAIN AND FUTURES ENDED UP CLOSING LOWER. HOLSTEIN STEERS SOLD STEADY TO FIRM AND SLAUGHTER HEIFERS WERE STEADY. SLAUGHTER COWS SOLD STEADY FOR THE MOST PART WITH A LARGER OFFERING OF BEEF-TYPE COWS THAN USUAL. SLAUGHTER BULLS WERE ACTIVE AND 1.00-2.00 HIGHER. SUPPLY INCLUDED 58 PERCENT SLAUGHTER STEERS AND 15 PERCENT COWS.**

**SLAUGHTER STEERS: HIGH CHOICE AND PRIME 2-4 1150-1435 LBS. 60.00-62.75. CHOICE 2-3 1115-1485 LBS. 58.50-61.60. SELECT AND LOW CHOICE 2-3 960-1525 LBS. 54.00-60.25. FEW SELECT 1-3 1000-1520 LBS. 52.25-57.00.**

**HOLSTEIN STEERS: HIGH CHOICE AND PRIME 2-4 1225-1645 LBS. 53.00-54.10, IDEAL INDIVIDUAL 1225 LBS. 57.50. CHOICE 2-3 1315-1600 LBS. 51.50-53.25. SELECT AND LOW CHOICE 2-3 1270-1475 LBS. 49.35-52.00. SELECT 1-2 1220-1540 LBS. 46.25-48.75.**

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: FEW HIGH CHOICE AND PRIME 2-4 1140-1240 LBS. 59.60-60.35. CHOICE 2-4 1100-1300 LBS. 57.75-58.75; FEW 975-1045 LBS. 55.00-56.00. SELECT AND LOW CHOICE 2-3 1035-1405 LBS. 50.25-56.75. SELECT 1-3 920-1425 LBS. 47.75-54.25, PACKAGE RETURNING TO FEED 1030 LBS. 45.75. HEIFERETTES: COMMERCIAL AND STANDARD 2-4 885-1155 LBS. 36.75-45.75.**

**SLAUGHTER COWS: BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN, OVER 1400 LBS. BULK 36.00-39.25, LOW DRESSING 34.00-35.00; BONERS 80-85% LEAN, OVER 1200 LBS. BULK 34.25-38.75, LOW DRESSING 32.50-33.75; LEAN (HI-YIELD) 85-88% LEAN, OVER 1200 LBS. BULK 33.00-36.75, LOW DRESSING 31.00-33.00; LEAN 88-90% LEAN OVER 1000 LBS., BULK 31.00-34.50, LOW DRESSING 28.50-31.75;**

## Vintage Livestock Auction

TUESDAY  
SEPTEMBER 15 1998

CATTLE CALVES	SHEEP	GOATS		
TODAY	533	796	0	3
LAST TUESDAY	443	721	0	1
LAST YEAR	628	726	1	0

**CATTLE** Compared to Monday, slaughter steer prices held steady. The market did well to remain unchanged since buyers turned up the pressure and supplies were not quite as fancy as usual. Holstein steers and slaughter heifers were not well tested. Slaughter cows sold steady to weak, instances 1.00 lower on the leaner-type cows and slaughter bulls were scarce. Supply included 27 percent slaughter steers and 68 percent slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1180-1450 lbs 60.50-63.75, ideal individual 1360 lbs 64.25. Choice 2-3 1120-1495 lbs 58.50-61.50, few high dressing 1-2 1230-1430 lbs 61.75-62.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1095-1500 lbs 55.50-60.25. Consignment of aged Herefords 3-4 1305-1580 lbs 46.00-50.75. Few Select 1-3 1285-1495 lbs 53.00-57.00.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** Couple Choice 2-3 1510-1560 lbs 52.00-52.50. Couple Select 1-2 1495-1660 lbs 46.75-47.75.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Package Choice 3 1250 lbs 57.10. Heiferettes: Package Choice 3-4 1090 lbs 49.00.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** PERCENT LEANWEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 pct lean over 1400 lbs 35.75-40.00. Boners 80-85 pct lean over 1200 lbs 34.50-37.75. Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean over 1200 lbs 32.75-34.75. Lean 88-90 pct lean over 1000 lbs 30.75-34.00. Lean (Light Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 29.00-31.75. 25.00-30.00.

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Not tested. **FEEDER STEERS:** Medium 1 400-470 lbs 65.00-66.00. **FEEDER BULLS:** Medium 1 235-425 lbs 50.00-50.50.

**CALVES:** Compared to last Tuesday vealers sold 4.00-6.00 lower as a large number sold for slaughter. Demand for Holstein bulls and heifers returning to feed was only moderate, despite a good crowd of buyers. Holstein bull prices were 10.00-15.00 lower and heifers were 35.00-60.00 lower than last week's active market. Supply included 681 head in the State graded sale and 62 percent of the total supply returned to the farm.

**VEALERS:** Individual Prime 140 lbs 72.00. Good and Choice 75-110 lbs 18.00-26.00. Standard and low Good 60-90 lbs 10.00-15.00.

**RETURNED TO FARM:** Holstein bulls 95 lbs 50.00-55.00, 100-125 lbs 71.00-88.00. Plainer type bulls 80-115 lbs 24.00-50.00. Holstein heifers 80-115 lbs 147.00-190.00. Plainer heifers 70-85 lbs 65.00-135.00.

**LLAMAS:** Individual male (brown and white) 210.00.

## New Holland Livestock

NEW HOLLAND, PA  
THU SEPTEMBER 17, 1998

CATTLE CALVES	SHEEP	GOATS		
TODAY	1200	778	587	332
LAST WEEK	1511	716	751	499
LAST YEAR	1618	668	263	160

**CATTLE:** Compared to Tuesday, slaughter steers sold steady to firm. Buyers were fairly active but the quality was somewhat lacking with as many select cattle on hand as anything else. A good offering of Holstein steers sold .50 to mostly 1.00 higher and slaughter heifers were steady in a light test. Slaughter cow trading was mixed; the leaner cows sold weak to

.50 lower, while the fleshier cows (less than 85 percent lean) were .50 higher. Slaughter bulls sold steady. Supply included 36 percent slaughter steers and 37 percent slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1080-1430 lbs 60.50-63.50. Choice 2-3 1030-1465 lbs 58.60-61.60, few low dressing 3-4 57.75-58.75; 1500-1725 lbs 55.25-58.50. Select and low Choice 2-3 1075-1485 lbs 54.75-59.75. Select 1-3 1020-1440 lbs 52.00-57.75.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-3 1370-1570 lbs 53.25-55.85, ideal individual 1485 lbs 57.00. Choice 2-3 1295-1615 lbs 52.00-54.60. Select and low Choice 2-3 1220-1525 lbs 49.50-52.00. Select 1-2 990-1310 lbs 47.00-50.50. 25 head Large 2 feeder steers sold on the farm, sight unseen 975 lbs 50.00.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Couple packages Choice, few Prime 2-4 1115-1160 lbs 58.10-58.85. Few Select 1-3 1190-1400 lbs 52.50-55.75. Heiferettes: Few Commercial and Standard 2-4 1030-1285 lbs 43.25-44.75.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 pct lean over 1400 lbs 36.50-40.50. Boners 80-85 pct lean over 1200 lbs 34.75-38.50. 32.00-35.00. Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean over 1200 lbs 33.00-35.75. 29.75-33.50. Lean 88-90 pct lean over 1000 lbs 30.25-33.75. 27.75-30.75. Lean (Light Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 28.75-33.00. 25.75-29.25.

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1 1045-1600 lbs 46.50-55.00. Yield Grade 2 955-2290 lbs 39.50-47.00. Bullocks: Select 1-3 1005-1290 lbs 49.00-56.75.

**CALVES:** Compared to Monday's auction, vealer and slaughter calves sold 3.00-5.00 lower. Demand was light for Holstein bull calves returning to feed and prices were 6.00-10.00 lower. Holstein heifer trade continued active and prices were fully steady. Around 75 percent of supply returned to feed.

**VEALERS:** Good and Choice 70-110 lbs 16.00-24.00. Standard and low Good

60-90 lbs 11.00-16.00. **SLAUGHTER CALVES:** Few Good and Choice 200-350 lbs 55.00-65.00; 350-500 lbs 48.00-55.00. Standard 200-350 lbs 45.00-55.00; 350-500 lbs 40.00-50.00.

**RETURNED TO FARM:** Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 40.00-68.00. Plainer type bulls 80-115 lbs 22.00-45.00. Holstein heifers 80-110 lbs 120.00-190.00, few to 215.00. Plainer heifer calves 70-100 lbs 80.00-125.00.

**SHEEP:** Compared to Monday's auction, slaughter lambs sold steady to weak with a larger offering of light weight lambs than on Monday. Slaughter ewe prices were steady to 5.00 lower.

**SLAUGHTER LAMBS:** Choice and Prime 2-3 40-60 lbs 90.00-125.00; 60-110 lbs 70.00-85.00. Good and Choice 1-3 40-60 lbs 70.00-90.00; 60-110 lbs 65.00-75.00.

**SLAUGHTER EWES:** Good and Choice yearlings and 2 year-olds 40.00-60.00. Utility and Good 1-3 30.00-40.00.

**GOATS:** All goats sold by the head. Billies: Medium and Large 75.00-100.00, few to 125.00. Nannies: Medium and Large 40.00-60.00. Yearlings: Choice and Prime 40.00-60.00. Kids: Choice and Prime 35.00-50.00. Good 20.00-35.00.

## Lancaster Co. Weekly

NEW HOLLAND, PA  
FRI SEPTEMBER 18, 1998

CATTLE	CALVES	
THIS WEEK	2366	1890
LAST WEEK	2676	1667
LAST YEAR	3233	1686

**CATTLE:** Compared to last week's closing prices, slaughter steers sold .50 higher. The modest gain took all week to accumulate as buyers were simply never forced into a heated competition to fill their needs. The Western fat cattle market has jumped 4.00 in the last two weeks with the bulk of this week's sales posted at 60.00.

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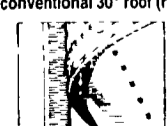
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