

LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTION

Lancaster Livestock Auction
 New Holland, Pa.
 Dec. 14, 1998
 Report Supplied By PDA

CATTLE CALVES HOGS SHEEP GOATS					
MONDAY	537	58	14	454	467
LAST WEEK	535	60	0	355	393
LAST YEAR	654	33	0	410	385

CATTLE Compared to Thursday, slaughter steers and heifers sold mostly 1.00 lower. The market incurred part of the loss that was expected late last week, however, the decline was not nearly as sharp as the Western markets. Holstein steers were 1.00-2.00 lower. Prices were firm on a limited test of slaughter cows and slaughter bulls sold firm to 1.00 higher, especially on the younger bulls. Supply included 52 percent slaughter steers and 15 percent cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS High Choice and Prime 2-4 1175-1410 lbs 61.10-63.25. Choice 2-3 1095-1455 lbs 59.00-61.35, few high dressing 1-2 up to 62.25, 1495-1540 lbs 57.00-59.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1060-1495 lbs 54.50-60.50, few 1520-1635 lbs 53.75-55.25. Select 1-3 1010-1400 lbs 50.75-56.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS Individual Prime 3 1385 lbs 54.75. Choice 2-3 1390-1550 lbs 51.85-52.75, package 1710 lbs 49.10. Select and low Choice 2-3 1170-1580 lbs 49.85-51.75, 1680-1730 lbs 47.50-48.75. Select 1-2 1285-1510 lbs 48.00-48.75.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS Choice, few Prime 2-4 1030-1330 lbs 58.00-61.00, 20 head consignment low dressing 3-4 1125-1175 lbs 55.00-58.50. Select and low Choice 2-3 1015-1305 lbs 53.75-59.50. Few Select 1-3 925-1165 lbs 47.25-53.50. Heiferettes Commercial and Standard 2-4 990-1315 lbs 36.75-44.50.

LEAN DRESSING	WEIGHT	BULK	LOW
Breakers	75-80 pct lean	over-1400 lbs	36.25-38.00
Boners	80-85 pct lean	over-1200 lbs	33.25-36.25
Lean (Hi-Yield)	85-88 pct lean	over-1200 lbs	32.00-35.00
Lean	88-90 pct lean	over-1000 lbs	28.75-31.75
Lean (Light-Wt)	85-90 pct lean	750-1000 lbs	27.25-31.50

SLAUGHTER BULLS Yield Grade 1 1005-1930 lbs 40.50-53.25, individual lean Holstein 1670 lbs 54.50. Yield Grade 2 1080-1895 lbs 35.75-43.25.

Bullocks Choice 2-3 1195-1365 lbs 56.25-61.50. Select 1-3 945-1390 lbs 45.00-53.00, outstanding Limousin 1155 lbs 64.50, 3 head Charolais 1530-1790 lbs 68.00.

FEEDER CATTLE There were 498 head of feeder cattle sold Friday, December 11, in fairly active trading. Supply included several large consignments and most cattle were sold in good-sized bunches.

FEEDER STEERS Medium and Large 1 few 330-360 lbs 79.50-81.00, 480-600 lbs 66.00-70.00, pkg 659 lbs 65.50, 850-925 lbs 58.00-61.25. Large 1 pkg 566 lbs 57.50, pkg 817 lbs 55.75, pkg 951 lbs 56.75. Medium and Large 1-2 few 300-400 lbs 74.50, pkg 20 hd thin Charolais 553 lbs 65.00, 565-700 lbs 57.50-61.50, 745-885 lbs 58.25-62.25. Consignment Large 1-2 Charolais pkg 665 lbs 59.75, 28 hd 800-825 lbs 56.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS Large 2 pkg 554 lbs 52.00, pkg 863 lbs 46.75.

FEEDER HEIFERS Medium and Large 1 300-400 lbs 56.00-60.75, few 400-500 lbs 55.50-57.00, 90 hd 500-600 lbs 56.25-58.00, 600-700 lbs 50.50-54.75. Large 1 17 hd Charolais 719 lbs 54.25.

FEEDER BULLS Medium and Large 1-2 pkg 16 hd 725 lbs 55.00.

SHEEP Compared to last week, slaughter lambs over 90 lbs sold 1.00-3.00 higher, lighter weights were 5.00-10.00 higher with instances of 20.00 higher for new-crop lambs. Slaughter ewe prices were mostly steady.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS New Crop Choice and Prime 2-3 45-55 lbs 120.00-140.00, few up to 185.00. Woolled: Choice and Prime 2-3 65-75 lbs 88.00-92.00, few 80-90 lbs 85.00-90.00, 90-100 lbs 68.00-74.00, pkg 110 lbs 69.00, 120-140 lbs 55.00-58.00.

SLAUGHTER EWES Good and Choice yearlings and 2 year-olds 52.00-55.00. Utility and Good 1-3 32.00-48.00. Aged Bucks 220-260 lbs 35.00-38.00.

GOATS (All goats sold by the head)
 Billies Few Large 135 00-150 00 Medium 85.00-99 00
 Mutton Few Choice and Prime 78 00-84 00
 Nannies: Few Large 67 00-72 00 Medium 49 00-54 00. Thin 35 00-42 00
 Kids Prime 48 00-75 00 Choice 38 00-52 00 Good 25 00-32 00

Vintage Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.
 Dec. 15, 1998
 Report Supplied By PDA

CATTLE CALVES SHEEP GOATS				
TUESDAY	504	824	2	0
LAST TUESDAY	562	744	1	0
LAST YEAR	585	772	5	1

CATTLE Compared to Monday, slaughter steers sold firm to 1.00 higher. The steer market was definitely stronger, but light receipts and outstanding quality were partly to blame. Holstein steers and slaughter heifers were not well tested. Slaughter cows sold mostly 1.00 higher and slaughter bulls were mostly steady in a light test. Supply included 23 percent slaughter steers and 70 percent slaughter cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS High Choice and Prime 2-4 1180-1465 lbs 61.50-54.75. Choice 2-3 1235-1450 lbs 59.00-62.25, numerous high dressing 1-2 up to 64.00, few 1525-1550 lbs 57.00-58.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1075-1580 lbs 54.75-61.00. Select 1-3 1235-1490 lbs 50.25-58.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS Individual low Choice 2 1320 lbs 51.75. Few Select 1-2 1320-1565 lbs 46.75-49.25.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS Not well

ested Heiferettes Few Commercial and Standard 2-4 1140-1630 lbs 39.50-42.75.

SLAUGHTER COWS PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 35.75-39.25. Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 34.00-37.00. Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean over-1200 lbs 32.25-35.75. 29 50-32 50 Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 29.25-32.75. 26.75-30.25.

Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 27.50-31.75. 25.00-28.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS Few Yield Grade 1-2 1510-1930 lbs 40.75-42.50. Bullocks Individual Select 2 1200 lbs 47.75.

HOLSTEIN FEEDER STEERS Package Large 2 900 lbs 38.00.

CALVES Compared to last Tuesday, veal calves sold 2.00-3.00 lower. Holstein bull calves returning to feed sold 4.00-11.00 lower, but demand continues to be good following last week's improved interest. Holstein heifer calves sold 14.00-18.00 higher in active trading. Supply included 705 head in the State graded sale and 80 percent returned to the farm.

VEALERS Good and Choice 70-110 lbs 18.00-22.00. Standard and low Good 60-90 lbs 9.00-16.00.

RETURNED TO FARM Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 85.00-107.00. Plainer-type bulls 80-115 lbs 30.00-72.00. Holstein heifers 80-120 lbs 170.00-212.00. Few plainer heifers 70-85 lbs 105.00-142.00, pkg 68 lbs 23.00.

New Holland Livestock

New Holland, Pa.
 Thursday, Dec. 17, 1998
 Report Supplied by USDA

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats
Today	1371	681	1095	524
Last Thursday	1289	753	719	636
Last Year	1365	696	847	1019

CATTLE: Compared to Tuesday, the slaughter steer market was fully steady, but ranged steady to mostly .50 lower than last Thursday's active market. Quality was very good for this time of year and late sales were just as strong as the opening. Holstein steers sold steady to 1.00 higher and slaughter heifers were mostly steady in a light test. Slaughter cows sold firm to 1.00 higher, especially on the fleshier types, and slaughter bulls were steady. Supply included 39 percent slaughter steers and 37 percent slaughter cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1160-1430 lbs 61.50-64.50, individual 1340 lbs 65.00. Choice 2-3 1140-1485 lbs 59.35-62.25, few high dressing 1-2 up to 66.25 and low dressing 4-5 down to 57.50; 1490-1570 lbs 56.00-58.50. Select and low Choice 2-3 1040-1500 lbs 54.75-60.25; 1510-1555 lbs 50.25-54.25. Select 1-3 1015-1495 lbs 50.25-58.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Choice 2-3 1395-1575 lbs 52.00-53.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1255-1560 lbs 49.75-52.25. Select 1-2 1060-1620 lbs 47.00-51.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice, few Prime 2-4 1115-1345 lbs 59.25-61.50, few high dressing 1-2 up to 63.00 and a few low dressing 4-5 1080-1220 lbs 55.75-57.25. Few Select and low Choice 2-3 1165-1240 lbs 54.50-56.00.

SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 36.25-40.25. Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 34.50-37.50. 31.00-34.50 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean over-1200 lbs 32.50-35.75. 31.50-33.25. Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 29.50-33.25. 27.00-30.50 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 27.50-32.00. 25.50-29.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1105-1995 lbs 42.00-50.50. Yield Grade 2 1180-2030 lbs 37.00-42.75. Bullocks: Select, few Choice 1-3 1200-1565 lbs 44.00-54.25. Couple Oxen 2280-2360 lbs

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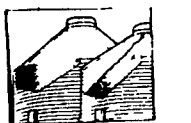
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