

LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTION

Lancaster Livestock

New Holland, Pa.
October 4, 1999

Report Supplied By PDA

CATTLE	CALVES	HOGS
SHEEP	GOATS	
MONDAY	149	17
0 387 125		
LAST WEEK		100
16 0 365 210		
LAST YEAR	500	81
46 197 272		

CATTLE Compared to Thursday, a light run of slaughter steers sold weak. An attractive offering of Holstein steers sold steady to 50 higher, and slaughter heifers were not tested. There were not enough slaughter cows on hand for a market test, but a good test of slaughter bulls sold steady. Supply included 46 percent slaughter steers and 19 percent slaughter cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS Few Choice 2-3 1295-1435 lbs 63.75-65.75, package low dressing 4 1260 lbs 63.35, couple 1485 lbs 62.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1095-1435 lbs 60.00-63.50 individual 1665 lbs 60.00. Few Select 1-3 970-1180 lbs 52.00-58.50.

HOLSTEIN STEERS Choice 2-3 1140-1460 lbs 55.00-58.35, individual 1575 lbs 58.50, package 1631 lbs 54.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1030-1500 lbs 53.00-55.50. Couple Select 1-2 1430 lbs 48.75.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS No tested.

SLAUGHTER COWS Breakers 75-80 pct lean 39.25-42.00. Boners 80-85 pct lean 38.00-39.50. Lean 85-90 pct lean 29.75-32.75, low dressing down to 27.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS Yield Grade 1 1330-2145 lbs 48.00-55.75, heavy muscled X-bred 1500 lbs 64.25. Yield Grade 2 1065-1885 lbs 40.00-48.00. Bullocks Choice 2-3 1044-1235 lbs 55.00-58.75.

SLAUGHTER CALVES Good and Choice 400-550 lbs 65.00-74.00.

SHEEP Compared to last week, slaughter lambs sold 2.00-4.00 higher, especially on weights under 80 lbs. Slaughter ewes sold fully steady.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3 65-80 lbs 82.00-88.00, 80-90 lbs 78.00-82.00, 90-110 lbs 75.00-78.00, 110-140 lbs 72.00-75.00.

SLAUGHTER EWES Utility and Good 1-3 28.00-36.00. Aged bucks 180-220 lbs 32.00.

GOATS (sold by the head) Billies Few Large 125.00-135.00, Medium 75.00-100.00, Nannies Thin 30.00-38.00, Kids Choice and Prime 45.00-54.00, package Farm Show goats 56.00.

Vintage Livestock

New Holland, Pa.
October 4 & 5, 1999

Report Supplied By PDA

CATTLE	CALVES	SHEEP
GOATS		
THIS WEEK		938
846 1 2		
LAST WEEK		1036
919 4 3		
LAST YEAR		555
696 3 0		

CATTLE Compared to Thursday, a good run of slaughter steers and heifers sold 50 higher. Trading was active, but buyers continue to show resistance as prices approach the 70.00 level. Holstein steers sold mostly 1.00 higher. Slaughter cows sold uneven, the leaner cows (over 85 pct lean) sold mostly 1.00 higher, but the fleshier types traded weak. A light test of slaughter bulls sold mostly steady. Supply included 48 percent slaughter steers and 40 percent slaughter cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS High Choice and Prime 2-4 1165-1445 lbs 66.50-69.00, few up to 70.50. Choice 2-3 1130-1480 lbs 64.85-67.50, few high dressing 1-2 up to 69.50, few 1515-1555 lbs 62.50-64.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1080-1505 lbs 60.25-65.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS Few High Choice and Prime 2-3 1325-1450 lbs 58.25-59.35. Choice 2-3 1230-1555 lbs 56.75-58.60, package 1630 lbs 54.35. Select and low Choice 2-3 1320-1555 lbs 53.25-57.25. Few Select 1-2 1350-1415 lbs 49.75-53.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice, few Prime 2-4 1020-1350 lbs 63.00-65.50, few high dressing 1-2 up to 66.50 and low dressing 4-5 down to 61.50. Few Select and low Choice 2-3 1090-1340 lbs 60.50-62.00.

SLAUGHTER COWS PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING

Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 38.50-42.75, 36.50-40.00. Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 35.50-39.00, 33.75-36.75.

Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean over-1200 lbs 34.75-37.75, 31.50-34.50. Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 32.75-35.25, 29.00-33.00.

Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 29.00-32.75, 27.00-30.50.

SLAUGHTER BULLS Few Yield Grade 1 1320-1775 lbs 51.50-53.75. Yield Grade 2 1435-1645 lbs 43.00-48.00. Bullocks Few Select 1-3 825-1200 lbs 49.00-50.00.

CALVES Compared to last week, veal calves sold 2.00-3.00 lower on a thin test. The Holstein bulls returning to veal barns traded 25.00-30.00 higher as

demand bounced back, after last week's lower prices. Holstein heifers sold weak to 40.00 lower with lighter interest, especially on the plainer and lighter-weight heifers. Supply included 713 head in the State graded sale and 92 percent returned to feed.

VEALERS Good and Choice 70-110 lbs 15.00-22.00. Standard and low Good 60-90 lbs 10.00-15.00.

RETURNED TO FARM Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 104.00-136.00. Plainer-type bulls 85-115 lbs 45.00-99.00, few weaker calves 75-100 lbs down to 20.00. Holstein heifers 80-115 lbs 255.00-335.00. Plainer heifers 90-105 lbs 242.00-262.00, 75-85 lbs 50.00-182.00. Beef-type bulls and heifers 85-110 lbs 60.00-105.00.

New Holland Livestock

NEW HOLLAND, PA
THU OCTOBER 7, 1999

CATTLE	CALVES	SHEEP	GOATS
THURSDAY			
1206	641	325	423
LAST WEEK			
1349	738	469	382
LAST YEAR			
1139	621	526	215

CATTLE: Compared to Tuesday, slaughter steers and heifers sold .50-1.00 higher, instances 2.00 higher on the high Choice and Prime cattle. Trading was very active with groups of fancy steers breaking the 70.00 mark for the first time in a long time. Holstein steers sold .50-1.00 higher. The slaughter cow market was fully steady, but slaughter bulls sold steady to 1.00 lower. Supply included 51 pct slaughter steers and 34 pct slaughter cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1165-1470 lbs 66.75-70.60, few up to 73.00. Choice 2-3 1115-1490 lbs 65.75-68.00, few high dressing 1-2 up to 70.25; 1500-1595 lbs 63.25-65.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1065-1570 lbs 60.75-66.00. Select 1-3 1000-1365 lbs 58.00-64.00, pkg Longhorn-X 1160 lbs 56.75; few returning to feed 1040-1125 lbs 61.25-63.75.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Few high Choice and Prime 2-3 1400-1535 lbs 60.25-60.75. Choice 2-3 1300-1540 lbs 57.00-59.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1230-1570 lbs 53.00-56.35; 1630-1735 lbs 50.00-52.50. Select 1-2 1080-1235 lbs 50.25-53.50. Few Standard 1-2 1235-1280 lbs 46.00-50.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice, few Prime 2-4 1170-1455 lbs 64.50-65.10, high dressing individual 1005 lbs 66.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1030-1320 lbs 57.50-63.75. Few Select 1-3 925-1205 lbs 53.00-57.00.

SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 38.75-44.00, 36.50-39.25. Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 35.50-39.00, 33.50-36.75. Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean over-1200 lbs 34.50-37.50, 32.00-35.00. Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 32.50-35.50, 28.50-33.00. Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 29.00-33.00, 26.50-30.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1415-1885 lbs 47.00-54.50. Yield Grade 2 1010-2185 lbs 40.50-48.00. Bullocks: Choice 2-3 1375-1550 lbs 51.50-61.75. Select 1-3 1105-1420 lbs 50.00-57.50.

CALVES: Compared to Monday's auction, veal calves sold steady to 10.00 higher. Larger slaughter calves were 5.00-10.00 lower in a light test. The Holstein bull calves returning to feed sold mostly 60.00 higher with increased demand from regional buyers. Holstein heifers traded mostly 10.00 higher with better demand for the plainer heifers. Supply included 388 head in the State graded sale with around 92 percent returning to feed.

VEALERS: Good and Choice 70-110 lbs 20.00-36.00. Standard and low Good 60-90 lbs 11.00-20.00.

SLAUGHTER CALVES: Few Good and Choice 200-350 lbs 75.00-95.00; 350-550 lbs 50.00-65.00. Standard 300-600 lbs 40.00-55.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls 90-125 lbs 140.00-170.00. Plainer type bulls 85-125 lbs 101.00-150.00, weaker calves 75-110 lbs 40.00-62.00. Holstein

heifers 80-120 lbs 260.00-335.00. Plainer heifers 75-125 lbs 185.00-280.00.

SHEEP: Compared to Monday, slaughter lambs sold 2.00-3.00 higher. Slaughter ewes and aged sheep sold steady to 5.00 lower.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice and Prime 2-3 40-60 lbs 100.00-125.00; 60-90 lbs 77.00-90.00; 90-120 lbs 70.00-80.00.

SLAUGHTER EWES: Good and Choice yearlings and 2 year-olds 40.00-60.00. Utility and Good 1-3 30.00-45.00.

GOATS: (All goats sold by the head) Billies: Large 100.00-130.00, Medium 75.00-100.00. Mutton: Choice and Prime 75.00-90.00. Nannies: Large 50.00-65.00, Medium 30.00-50.00. Yearlings: Choice and Prime 60.00-85.00. Kids: Choice and Prime 30.00-55.00, few fed goats 65.00-90.00, Good 15.00-30.00.

Lancaster County Weekly

NEW HOLLAND, PA
FRI OCTOBER 8, 1999

CATTLE	CALVES
THIS WEEK	2293 1656
LAST WEEK	2485 1915
LAST YEAR	2923 1599

CATTLE: Compared to last week's closing prices, slaughter steers and heifers closed 1.00-1.50 higher, instances 2.00 higher on high Choice and Prime quality cattle. A slight market improvement came at midweek, followed by sharp advances on Thursday. The noticeably higher prices are a welcome sight for local feeders, but the Northeastern market continues to trail the rest of the country. Midwestern fat cattle gained 2.00 this week, with closing prices at mostly 69.00 and 107.00-109.00 for Select and Choice grades. Also, Choice steer futures for the current month are trading over 70.00, but only a few of our (all black) high Choice and Prime steers were able to break that barrier this week. Local Holstein steers closed 1.50-2.00 higher. The slaughter cow market ended steady to 1.00 higher, with the improvement placed on the leaner cows (over 85 percent lean). Slaughter bulls sold steady to 1.00 lower. Supply included 51 percent slaughter steers, 4 percent slaughter heifers, 36 percent slaughter cows, 5 percent slaughter bulls, with the balance made up of feeder cattle.

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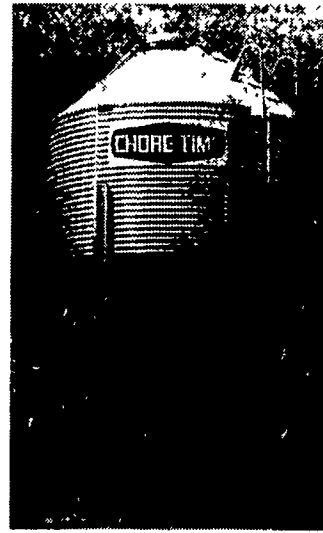
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