

# LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTION

**Lancaster Livestock**  
November 29, 1999

Report Supplied By PDA

CATTLE CALVES HOGS SHEEP GOATS					
MONDAY	95	15	0	328	165
LAST WEEK	153	91	57	562	341
LAST YEAR	502	59	0	253	204

**CATTLE** Compared to Thursday there were not enough slaughter steers or heifers on hand for a market test due to the opening of deer season. A light run of slaughter cows and bulls sold firm. Supply included 20 percent slaughter steers and 31 percent slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS** Few high Choice and Prime 2-4 1335-1433 lbs 72-25-74-25 Individual Select 3 1340 lbs 65-00

**HOLSTEIN STEERS** Few high Choice and Prime 2-3 1525-1650 lbs 62-00-65-00

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS** Individual Choice 3 1340 lbs 68-00 Individual Select 2 1100 lbs 61-00

**SLAUGHTER COWS** Few Breakers 75-80 pct lean 39-00-45-00 Few Boners 80-85 pct lean 38-75-40-25, with low dressing down to 35-00 Lean 85-90 pct lean 33-75-37-50 low dressing down to 29-25

**SLAUGHTER BULLS** Yield Grade 1 1050-1715 lbs 48-50-55-00, four head Charolais 1380-1825 lbs 60-00-64-75 Yield Grade 2 1025-1490 lbs 41-25-48-50 Bullocks Select 1-3 955-1355 lbs 43-00-52-00, few high dressing up to 60-50

**SLAUGHTER CALVES** Good and Choice 200-300 lbs 82-00-350-575 lbs 55-00-72-00

**SHEEP** Compared to last week slaughter lambs sold 5-00-10-00 higher with good demand Slaughter ewes sold 1-00-5-00 higher

**SLAUGHTER LAMBS** Choice and Prime 2-3 package 58 lbs 110-00, package 68 lbs 94-00, 90-120 lbs 78-00-92-00 120-140 lbs 72-00-78-00

**SLAUGHTER EWES** Utility and Good 1-3 30-00-40-00 Aged Bucks 220-300 lbs 28-00-32-00

**GOATS** All goats sold by the head Billies Large 90-00-110-00 Nannies Few Medium and Large 55-00-60-00 Yearlings Choice and Prime 75-00-80-00 Kids Choice and Prime 45-00-65-00 Good 35-00-40-00

**Vintage Livestock**

Vintage, Pa.

November 29 and 30

Report Supplied By PDA

CATTLE CALVES SHEEP GOATS				
THIS WEEK	865	917	8	0

LAST WEEK	618	920	0	1
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LAST YEAR	502	926	0	6
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**CATTLE** Compared to Thursday slaughter steers and heifers sold steady to weak on Tuesday's mixed offering, after starting the week mostly firm on Monday. A good test of Holstein steers sold steady to 50 lower Slaughter cows were mixed with fleshy cows mostly steady and the leaner types (over 85 pct lean) selling 50-100 higher Slaughter bulls were fully steady. Supply included 37 percent slaughter steers and 48 percent slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1185-1480 lbs 71-50-74-75, singles up to 76-75 Choice 2-3 1140-1475 lbs 68-75-72-75, high dressing 1-2 up to 73-75 Select and low Choice 2-3 1100-1485 lbs 64-75-69-75 Few Select 1-3 1015-1315 lbs 60-75-63-50

**HOLSTEIN STEERS** Few high Choice and Prime 2-3 1440-1550 lbs 62-25-62-85 Choice 2-3 1200-1540 lbs 58-75-61-75 package heifers 1470 lbs 61-00 Select and low Choice 2-3 1155-1480 lbs 53-75-57-25 Few Select 1-2 1245-1465 lbs 50-00-52-00

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS** Choice, few Prime 2-4 1110-1285 lbs 65-00-69-50

**SLAUGHTER COWS** PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK

**LOW DRESSING**  
Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 39-50-43-00 38-00-41-00  
Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 36-75-40-50 33-75-37-50  
Lean (Hi Yield) 85-88 pct lean over-1200 lbs 35-50-39-25 33-50-36-50  
Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 33-50-36-75 30-00-34-00  
Lean (Light Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 30-00-33-50 28-00-31-50

**SLAUGHTER BULLS** Yield Grade 1 individual (Holstein) 1345 lbs 49-75 Yield Grade 2 1190-2170 lbs 40-00-48-50 Bullocks Select 1-3 880-1295 lbs 45-00-55-50

**CALVES** Compared to last week veal calves sold weak to 5-00 lower in a light test. Holstein bulls suitable for special fed veal barns turned sharply higher marking the highest prices of the year. Fresh bull calves sold 8-00-20-00 higher in very active trading. On the other hand Holstein heifer demand continues to weaken and prices were 10-00-40-00 lower. Supply included 720 head in the State graded sale and 93 percent returned to feed.

**VEALERS** Good and Choice 70-110 lbs 15-00-25-00 Standard and low Good 60-90 lbs 10-00-18-00

**RETURNED TO FARM** Holstein bulls 90-125 lbs 144-00-170-00 Plainer type bulls 90-115 lbs 110-00-137-00 80-90

lbs 65-00-102-00	Holstein heifers	80-120
lbs 240-00-305-00	Plain heifers	80-105
lbs 225-00-272-00	65-75 lbs	50-00
145-00		

**New Holland Livestock**

New Holland, Pa.  
Thursday, Dec. 2, 1999  
Report Supplied By USDA

CATTLE CALVES SHEEP GOATS				
THURSDAY	1338	882	354	152
LAST WEEK	989	196	39	45
LAST YEAR	1192	840	369	260

**CATTLE** Compared to Tuesday, slaughter steers and heifers sold 1-00 higher, especially on average quality cattle as buyers were less particular. Supply was light, again this week, and demand continues to be very good. Holstein steers sold steady to 50 higher in a fairly light test. A good run of slaughter cows sold weak to 50 lower with most of the pressure placed on the leaner cows. A large selection of slaughter bulls sold mostly steady. Supply included 31 percent slaughter steers and 48 percent slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1190-1420 lbs 72-10-75-75 Choice 2-3 1180-1525 lbs 70-00-73-50, few high dressing 1-2 up to 75-75 Select and low Choice 2-3 1025-1500 lbs 65-75-70-50, 1500-1595 lbs 65-00-69-25 Select-1-3 1120-1480 lbs 62-75-68-75, few high dressing up to 70-50, few returning to feed 1090-1215 lbs 63-00-67-60

**HOLSTEIN STEERS** Few high Choice and Prime 2-3 1410-1590 lbs 62-50-64-10 Choice 2-3 1095-1645 lbs 59-00-62-25, few 1655-1695 lbs 57-50-57-75 Select and low Choice 2-3 1200-1340 lbs 54-00-57-75 Couple Select 1-2 returning to feed 1065 lbs 53-75

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS** Few high Choice and Prime 2-4 1095-1200 lbs

71-00-72-50 Choice 2-4 1020-1370 lbs 66-75-70-25 Select and low Choice 2-3 1025-1330 lbs 65-00-68-50 Couple Select 1-3 1035 lbs 61-50 Heiferettes Commercial and Standard 2-4 1060-1580 lbs 48-25-52-50

**SLAUGHTER COWS** PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK

**LOW DRESSING**  
Breakers 75-80 pct lean over 1400 lbs 39-75-44-00 36-50-40-50  
Boners 80-85 pct lean over 1200 lbs 36-50-41-25 33-50-37-75  
Lean (Hi Yield) 85-88 pct lean over-1200 lbs 35-00-39-00 33-50-36-00  
Lean 88-90 pct lean over 1000 lbs 33-00-36-50 30-00-33-75  
Lean (Light Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 29-50-33-00 27-00-30-50

**SLAUGHTER BULLS** Yield Grade 1 1490-2010 lbs 47-00-57-25, consignment 15 head Angus 1185-1685 lbs 46-50-53-50 Yield Grade 2 1070-1910 lbs 41-50-48-75

**Bullocks** Choice 2-3 1180-1590 lbs 47-00-56-00 Select 1-3 960-1470 lbs 44-50-52-00

**CALVES** Compared to Monday's auction, there were not enough calves sold for veal on Monday to test prices and vealers were only lightly tested again Thursday. Larger slaughter calves sold fully steady. Holstein bulls returning to feed sold 15-00-30-00 higher in active trading. Holstein heifers traded 20-00-50-00 lower with only moderate demand. Supply included 513 head in the State graded sale with around 93 percent returning to feed.

**VEALERS** Good and Choice 70-110 lbs 22-00-31-00 few up to 40-00 Standard and low Good 60-90 lbs 11-00-25-00

**SLAUGHTER CALVES** Few Good and Choice 200-350 lbs 80-00-99-00, 350-550 lbs 55-00-70-00 Standard 300-600 lbs 45-00-55-00

**RETURNED TO FARM** Holstein bulls 90-125 lbs 142-00-162-00, singles up to 175-00 Plainer-type bulls 90-125 lbs 119-00-135-00, weak calves 80-110 lbs 37-00-82-00 Holstein heifers 80-120

lbs 240-00-315-00 Plainer heifers 70-100 lbs 150-00-250-00

**SHEEP** (compared to Monday's auction) slaughter lambs over 80 lbs sold firm to 10-00 higher in a light test, lighter weight new crop lambs sold fully steady Slaughter ewes sold steady to 5-00 higher

**SLAUGHTER LAMBS** New Crop Choice and Prime 2-3 50-80 lbs 120-00-155-00 Wooled Choice and Prime 2-3 60-80 lbs 100-00-120-00 80-100 lbs 95-00-105-00, 100-130 lbs 85-00-100-00

**SLAUGHTER EWES** Good and Choice yearlings and 2 year olds 50-00-65-00 Utility and Good 1-3 35-00-50-00

**GOATS** (All sold by the head) Billies Large were scarce Medium 75-00-100-00

Mutton Not well tested Nannies Medium and Large 50-00-80-00

Yearlings Choice and Prime 60-00-90-00 Kids Choice and Prime 30-00-70-00

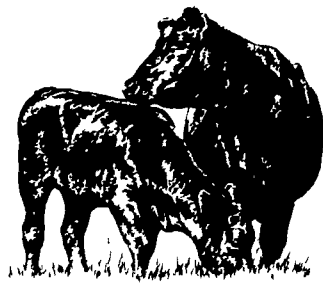
**Lancaster County Weekly**

New Holland, Pa.  
Dec. 3, 1999

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CATTLE	CALVES
THIS WEEK	2300 1981
LAST WEEK	1760 1371
LAST YEAR	2196 2032

**CATTLE** Compared to last week's closing prices, slaughter steers and heifers closed 1-00 higher. Prices turned higher late in the week as buyer competition for the light offering was fierce. Analysts continue to be baffled over the amazing strength of beef demand. Several factors could be to blame, a strong economy, stocking up in fear of Y2K, or  
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