

# LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTION

## Lancaster Livestock

February 28, 2000

Report Supplied By PDA

CATTLE CALVES HOGS SHEEP GOATS

MONDAY	177	34	0	449	321
LAST WEEK	268	117	0	191	97
LAST YEAR	526	66	0	304	376

**CATTLE** Compared to Thursday, a very light test of slaughter steers sold steady. A rally in the futures market late last week improved demand, but the supply was much too tight to compete for higher prices. Holstein steers sold steady to firm and slaughter heifers were only lightly tested. Slaughter cows and a good offering of slaughter bulls sold fully steady. Supply included 37 percent slaughter steers and 17 percent slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS.** Choice, few Prime 2-3 1175-1350 lbs 66.75-69.25 Select and low Choice 2-3 1190-1410 lbs 62.50-66.00. Few Select 1-3 905-1230 lbs 58.00-65.00.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS.** Choice 2-3 1285-1510 lbs 59.75-61.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1270-1410 lbs 55.00-57.50. Couple Select 1-2 1367 lbs 52.25.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS.** Few Select and low Choice 2-3 1045-1410 lbs 62.00-64.25. Couple Select 1-3 1010-1135 lbs 57.00. Heiferettes Commercial and Standard 2-4 820-885 lbs 50.00-54.50.

**SLAUGHTER COWS.** Breakers 75-80 pct lean 40.00-43.00, low dressing down to 38.00. Boners 80-85 pct lean 37.00-40.75, low dressing down to 35.00. Lean 85-90 pct lean 34.50-40.00, low dressing down to 30.00.

**SLAUGHTER BULLS.** Few Yield Grade 1 1400-1475 lbs 53.75-59.00. Yield Grade 2 1140-2010 lbs 45.00-49.25, consignment 10 hd aged Holstein breeding bulls 2025-2415 lbs 45.00-49.75. Bullocks Select 1-3 1075-1420 lbs 49.75-57.00, few high dressing up to 60.25.

**FEEDER STEERS.** Pkg Large 1-2 745 lbs 69.25. Pkg Medium 2 407 lbs 83.50.

**FEEDER HEIFERS.** Medium 1-2 450-500 lbs 76.50. Pkg Large 1-2 715 lbs 69.25.

**SLAUGHTER CALVES.** Good and Choice 250-350 lbs 82.00-90.00, 350-500 lbs 75.00-82.00, 500-715 lbs 67.00-78.00. Few Standard 500-650 lbs 55.00-70.00.

**SHEEP.** No comparison for last week, due to the holiday.

**SLAUGHTER LAMBS.** Choice and Prime 2-3 70-80 lbs 110.00-120.00, 90-120 lbs 88.00-93.00, 125-135 lbs 82.00-85.00.

**SLAUGHTER EWES.** Few Utility and Good 1-3 45.00-50.00.

**GOATS.** (All sold per head) Billies

Large 90 00-130 00 Mutton Few Choice and Prime 75 00 Nannies Medium and Large 50 00-60 00 Yearlings Choice and Prime 75.00-82 00 Kids Choice and Prime 55 00-70 00 Good 35 00-42 00

## Vintage Livestock

Vintage, Pa.

February 28-29, 2000

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CATTLE CALVES SHEEP GOATS

THIS WEEK	870	853	0	0
LAST WEEK	853	765	1	4
LAST YEAR	543	827	0	0

**CATTLE.** Compared to Thursday, slaughter steers sold fully 50 and instances 1 00 higher. Strength was more evident on the Select quality cattle than it was on the fancier types. Holstein steers sold steady to 1 00 higher in activetrading, while slaughter heifers were not well tested. Slaughter cows sold steady to 1 00 higher with the full advance on the leanest cows. Slaughter bull prices were mostly steady. Supply included 41 percent slaughter steers and 50 percent slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS.** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1135-1485 lbs 68.50-70.60, fancy singles up to 74.00, few 1475-1495 lbs 66.25-68.00. Choice 2-3 1175-1485 lbs 67.00-69.25, few high dressing 1-2 up to 73.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1100-1460 lbs 64.00-67.75, package 1665 lbs 60.60. Select 1-3 1105-1475 lbs 62.00-66.00.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS.** Few high Choice and Prime 2-3 1410-1500 lbs 62.50-62.75. Choice 2-3 1240-1620 lbs 58.35-61.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1295-1550 lbs 55.35-58.85. Couple Select 1-2 1250 lbs 53.00.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS.** Few Choice 2-4 1140-1275 lbs 67.00-68.75, package low dressing 3-4 1065 lbs 64.60, individual high dressing 1200 lbs 69.50. Few Select and low Choice 2-3 1150-1315 lbs 62.75-65.00. Few Select 1-3 930-1440 lbs 56.75-60.75.

**SLAUGHTER COWS.** PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING

Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 38.75-43.00 38.00-40.00  
Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 37.00-41.25 35.25-38.00  
Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean over-1200 lbs 36.50-40.50 34.75-37.00  
Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 34.00-37.75 30.00-34.75  
Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 32.00-35.50 27.50-32.25

**SLAUGHTER BULLS.** Couple Yield Grade 1 1325-1795 lbs 51.00-56.25. Yield Grade 2 1175-2100 lbs 42.25-49.50. Bullocks Couple Choice 2-3 1320-1385 lbs 57.75-58.75. Select 1-3 945-1380 lbs 49.00-53.75.

**CALVES.** Compared to last week, veal calves sold steady to 15.00 lower. There was increased interest in heavier weights (over 100 lbs). Holstein bull calves returning to veal barns sold 13.00-16.00 lower, but the heifers sold 35.00-70.00 higher in active trading. There was also unusually good demand for beef-type calves. Supply included 681 head in the State graded sale and around 95 percent returned to feed.

**VEALERS.** Good and Choice 110-265 lbs 50.00-80.00, 70-110 lbs 25.00-40.00. Standard and low Good 60-90 lbs 12.00-25.00.

**RETURN TO FARM.** Holstein bulls 90-125 lbs 117.00-146.00. Plainer-type bulls 80-115 lbs 92.00-116.00, weaker calves 80-105 lbs 22.00-25.00. Holstein heifers 80-120 lbs 290.00-339.00. Plainer heifers 80-105 lbs 249.00-297.00, pkg 75 lbs 142.00. Beef-type bulls and heifers 75-105 lbs 100.00-175.00.

## New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.

Report Supplied By USDA

Thursday, March 2, 2000

CATTLE CALVES SHEEP GOATS

THURSDAY	1316	691	120	128
LAST WEEK	1070	720	226	166
LAST YEAR	1211	703	187	192

**CATTLE.** Compared to Tuesday; high Choice and Prime slaughter steers sold 1.50-2.50 higher, while average Choice steers and heifers traded .50-1.00 higher. Demand was outstanding for the fancy steers, but only moderate for the

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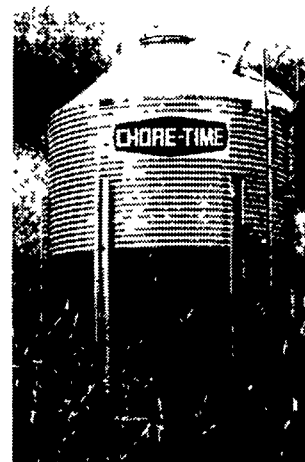
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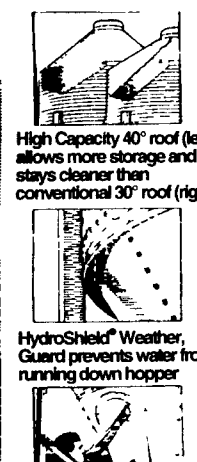
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**CALVES:** Compared to Monday's auction; veal calves sold 2.00-10.00 higher, but still closed 5.00-8.00 lower for the week. The slaughter calf run was too light for a market test. Holstein bull calves returning to feed sold 10.00-30.00 higher in active trading. Demand was very good for Holstein heifers and prices were as much as 70.00 higher. Supply included 410 head in the State graded sale and 87 percent returned to feed.

**VEALERS:** Good and Choice 70-110 lbs 22.00-40.00, few up to 45.00. Standard and low Good 60-90 lbs 11.00-25.00.

**SLAUGHTER CALVES:** Good and Choice 200-350 lbs 70.00-95.00.

**RETURNED TO FARM:** Holstein bulls 85-125 lbs 121.00-175.00. Plainer-type bulls 80-125 lbs 81.00-121.00, weaker calves 75-110 lbs 20.00-40.00. Holstein heifers 80-120 lbs 280.00-380.00. Plainer heifers 75-100 lbs 200.00-290.00.

**SHEEP:** There were not enough slaughter lambs or ewes on hand for a good market test.

**SLAUGHTER LAMBS:** Choice and Prime 2-3 40-60 lbs 140.00-170.00; 60-85 lbs 110.00-125.00; 85-110 lbs 95.00-107.00; few 125-150 lbs 60.00-70.00.

**SLAUGHTER EWES:** Few Utility and Good 1-3 35.00-53.00.

**GOATS:** (All sold by the head) Billies: Medium and Large 85.00-122.00.

Mutton: Choice and Prime 70.00-100.00.

Nannies: Few Medium and Large 55.00-80.00.

Kids: Choice and Prime 35.00-60.00. Good 20.00-35.00.

## Lancaster County Weekly

New Holland, Pa.

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Friday, March 3, 2000

CATTLE CALVES

THIS WEEK	2363	1790
LAST WEEK	2191	1804
LAST YEAR	2280	1796

**CATTLE:** Compared to last week's closing prices, slaughter steers and heif-

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