

Top Protein Lancaster DHIA Herds For June

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JOSEPH N ZEISET	NARVON	H	140	20
LEONARD J STOLTZFUS	GAP	H	141	54
SAMUEL F LONG	PEACH BOTTOM	H	148	39
ROY E SENSENIG	NOTTINGHAM	H	148	73
STEVE K. BEILER	HOLTWOOD	H	151	49
CLAY FARM	LITITZ	H	152	63
DAVID K STOLTZFUS	PEACH BOTTOM	H	152	52
ABNER S. KING	TALMAGE	H	152	28
JOHN H HOWARD	WILLOW STREET	H	153	40
ARLIN BENNER	MOUNT JOY	H	154	167
RALEIGH D RHODES III	QUARRYVILLE	H	154	40
SAMUEL J. ZOOK	BIRD-IN-HAND	H	154	41
CARL E & NANCY G BRANDT	MANHEIM	H	155	74
DANIEL M STOLTZFUS	MORGANTOWN	H	158	57
MERVIN M. ESH	BIRD-IN-HAND	H	160	35
LESTER W GEHMAN JR	EPHRATA	H	164	60
MAR MULDALE FARM	QUARRYVILLE	H	164	140
TRITOWN FARM	LEOLA	H	167	34
GORDON & CAROLE HOOVER	GAP	H	167	115
STEVEN M HERR	NEW PROVIDENCE	H	167	76
HENRY L. GLICK	LANCASTER	H	173	47
NORMAN S WENGER JR	NEW HOLLAND	H	177	55
EUGENE & SUSAN HESS	MARIETTA	H	177	69
STEVE STRICKLAND	BAINBRIDGE	H	178	112
REUBEN S STOLTZFUS	NARVON	H	179	51
HARVEY Z RINGLER	NARVON	H	184	42
MARVIN Z WEAVER	LITITZ	H	185	30
NEVIN S HORNING	LITITZ	H	185	50
PAUL B ZIMMERMAN JR.	EPHRATA	H	186	56
MARTIN BROTHERS	HOLTWOOD	H	186	72
JAMES O NOLT	NEW HOLLAND	H	187	49
NICE VIEW FARM	EPHRATA	H	187	56
J DAVID HOSTETTER	NEW HOLLAND	X	189	51
ELI L STOLTZFUS	MANHEIM	H	190	44
MARLIN W. HORST	KINZERS	H	190	59
SAMUEL K GLICK	QUARRYVILLE	H	190	38
BO JOY FARM	QUARRYVILLE	B	191	55
AMOS MARTIN	HOLTWOOD	H	192	60
JAMES SENSENIG	QUARRYVILLE	H	192	67
REUBEN KING	LEOLA	H	193	39
KENTON L SWEIGART	MOUNT JOY	H	194	72
LEE NOME FARM	GORDONVILLE	H	195	33
ROB-BONNIE WENTWORTH	QUARRYVILLE	A	196	68
MEADOW VISTA FARM	BAINBRIDGE	H	196	207
AARON R ZEISET	LEOLA	H	197	44
J KENNETH GROFF	LEOLA	H	197	62
DAVID L STOLTZFUS	MORGANTOWN	H	199	41

LEBANON COUNTY				
ADAM & LISA SONNEN	RICHLAND	H	189	66
LYCOMING COUNTY				
SCOTT & RHONDA LOVELL	LINDEN	H	83	51
MIFFLIN COUNTY				
LA FAY FARM	LEWISTOWN	H	184	46
SOMERSET COUNTY				
MARK & HELEN MISHLER	HOLSOPPLE	H	87	44
J & M FARMS	WINDBER	H	154	44
CLARADALE FARMS	SALISBURY	H	156	71
ERNEST SLABAUGH	MEYERSDALE	G	185	21
HICKORY BOTTOM	BERLIN	X	194	28
UNION COUNTY				
AARON B MARTIN	MIFFLINBURG	H	167	46
ELTON W NOLT	LEWISBURG	H	178	43
RUFUS B. MARTIN	MIFFLINBURG	H	198	49
STATE OF MARYLAND				
ENGLAND FARM INC.	RISING SUN	H	116	68

USDA Updates Feeder Standards

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The USDA is updating feeder cattle grade standards. The revision reflects changes in the genetic composition and production of beef cattle since the current grade standards were adopted in 1979.

The frame size grades, which are an important tool used to predict the weight at which an animal will grade USDA Choice, are updated to reflect production and genetic changes. USDA is also adjusting the minimum requirements for the muscle thickness grades and increasing the number of grades from three to four to accommodate thicker muscled cattle and reflect current marketing practices. The updated frame size and muscle thickness grades will more accurately reflect the value of feeder cattle.

"Colorado State University conducted a project for AMS to study changes in beef industry production and marketing practices and in the genetic composition of beef cattle. The study, which was funded by AMS's Federal/State Marketing Improvement Program, was completed in 1998," said Kathleen

Merrigan, AMS's administrator.

Results of the study showed that adjustments in grade standards were justified and would improve the standards because there have been changes in production and marketing practices, as well as genetic changes in frame size and muscle thickness, during the past 20 years.

The notice will be published in the Federal Register on June 27, 2000. In order to allow the industry sufficient time to update its current system, the updated standards will be implemented October 1, 2000. A copy of the notice is available electronically at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/rulemaking.htm>. Copies of the official standards are available from Herbert C. Abraham, Chief, Standardization Branch, Livestock and Seed Program, AMS, USDA, Room 2603-S, Stop 0254, P.O. Box 96456, Washington, DC 20090-6456 or telephone (202) 720-4486 or e-mail to herbert.abraham@usda.gov.

The official standards are also available electronically at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/stand/st-pubs.htm>.

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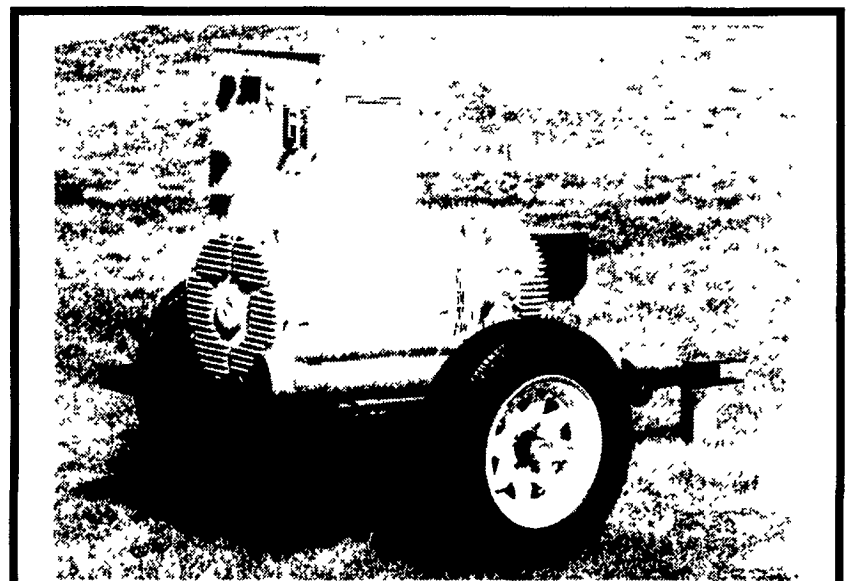
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