

LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTION

Lancaster Livestock

New Holland, Pa.
Monday, July 17, 2000
Report Supplied By PDA

Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	Goats
79	15	10	488	183
105	9	0	301	101
255	11	0	40	95

CATTLE: Compared to Thursday, a very light offering of slaughter steers and heifers sold steady. There was not enough of any one class to fully test prices. Slaughter bulls sold steady. Supply included 32 percent slaughter steers and 20 percent slaughter cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice, few Prime 2-4 1125-1405 lbs 68.50-70.25. Select and low Choice 2-3 1030-1470 lbs 65.75-68.50. Couple Select 2 985-1090 lbs 61.75.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Couple high Select 2 1205-1575 lbs 58.25-58.75.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice, few Prime 2-4 1080-1395 lbs 67.10-70.25. Select and low Choice 2-3 1070-1475 lbs 64.25-66.50; couple 1040-1050 lbs 60.00-61.75. SLAUGHTER COWS: Few Lean 85-90 pct lean 36.75-39.00, few low dressing down to 34.25.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1220-1885 lbs 55.00-65.00, Charolais 1695 lbs 67.25. Yield Grade 2 1285-1975 lbs 47.25-57.00. Bulls: Select 1-3 1090-1450 lbs 53.00-60.00.

SLAUGHTER CALVES: Standard 300-400 lbs 75.00-85.00; 400-500 lbs 65.00-75.00.

SHEEP: Compared to last week; slaughter lambs under 100 lbs sold steady to 10.00 higher, heavier weights sold steady. Slaughter ewes sold steady to firm.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice and Prime 2-3 70-95 lbs 90.00-99.00; 95-110 lbs 82.00-90.00; 110-125 lbs 82.00-85.00. Good and Choice 1-3 returning to feed 40-60 lbs 95.00.

SLAUGHTER EWES: Utility and Good 1-3 25.00-40.00. Aged Bucks: 185-220 lbs 28.00-30.00.

GOATS: All sold by the head. Billies: Large 120.00-150.00. Medium 75.00-120.00. Nannies: Not well tested. Yearlings: Good and Choice 65.00-75.00. Kids: Choice and Prime 45.00-60.00.

Vintage Livestock Auction

Vintage, Pa.
Tuesday, July 17-18, 2000
Report Supplied By PDA

Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats
761	907	1	0
788	951	9	7
1119	707	28	6

CATTLE: Compared to Thursday, slaughter steers and heifers sold weak to .50 lower. The quality of Tuesday's supply was much improved over Monday, but buyers were again slow to bid. A light test of Holstein steers sold steady to 1.00 lower. Slaughter cow trading was very sluggish and prices were 2.50-3.00 lower, while slaughter bulls traded steady to weak on a modest test. Supply included 42 percent slaughter steers and 48 percent slaughter cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1160-1485 lbs 70.00-72.25, few fancy singles up to 74.00. Choice 2-3 1175-1490 lbs 68.50-70.60, few high dressing 1-2 up to 73.50. Select and low Choice 2-3 1055-1570 lbs 64.75-69.25. Select 1-3 1005-1485 lbs 61.25-67.50.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Choice 2-3 1280-1505 lbs 59.50-61.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1250-1510 lbs 55.25-60.50. Select 1-2 couple 1260 lbs 53.75-55.00, calf-feds 820-1080 lbs 59.75-61.75.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice, few Prime 2-4 1075-1300 lbs 67.25-69.85; couple 1015 lbs 64.35. Select and low Choice 2-3 1000-1390 lbs 63.25-67.50.

SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 40.00-43.75 37.50-42.00 Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 38.50-42.00 35.00-39.25 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean over-1200 lbs 38.75-41.25 34.75-38.75 Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 35.00-39.25 31.75-35.50 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 32.50-35.75 30.00-33.50 SLAUGHTER BULLS: Few Yield Grade 1 1585-1690 lbs 62.00-63.00. Yield Grade 2 930-1960 lbs 47.00-50.25. Bulls: Select 1-3 995-1635 lbs 52.00-59.75.

CALVES: Compared to last week, veal calf prices were largely steady. The market for Number 1 quality Holstein bulls to return to feed was steady to only 8.00 higher but trading was much more active this week, especially for the plainer bulls. Demand was also stronger for Holstein heifers and prices were

20.00-50.00 higher. Supply included 735 head in the State graded sale and around 91 percent of supply returned to feed.

VEALERS: Standard and Good 75-110 lbs 30.00-52.00, few up to 60.00. Utility 60-90 lbs 15.00-30.00.

RETURN TO FARM: Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 100.00-135.00. Plainer-type bulls 85-115 lbs 60.00-112.00, weaker calves 75-115 lbs 30.00-47.00. Holstein heifers 80-115 lbs 300.00-327.00. Plainer heifers 80-105 lbs 237.00-285.00; 70-75 lbs 50.00-75.00. Beef-type bulls and heifers 75-120 lbs 82.00-170.00.

New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.
Report Supplied By USDA
Thursday, July 20, 2000

Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats
1091	727	392	200
1099	634	296	183
1662	747	489	302

CATTLE: Compared to Tuesday; an attractive offering of slaughter steers and a thin test of heifers sold firm, to end the week steady to .50 lower. Trading was more active for the top quality cattle, with the best demand coming early and late in the sale. A good run of Holstein steers sold steady. Slaughter cow prices were mixed with lean cows trading steady to .50 lower and the big fleshy cows (less than 85 pct lean) selling steady to .50 higher than Tuesday's sharply lower market. Slaughter bull prices were mostly 1.00 lower, but Yield Grade 1 bulls were not well tested. Supply included 43 percent slaughter steers and 36 percent slaughter cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1130-1445 lbs 69.75-73.00, few singles up to 74.25. Choice 2-3 1105-

1490 lbs 68.25-71.00, few high dressing 1-2 up to 72.75; few 1500-1545 lbs 66.00-68.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1090-1595 lbs 64.75-69.50. Select 1-3 950-1485 lbs 61.00-66.50, returning to feed 1025-1085 lbs 64.75-67.75.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-3 1345-1520 lbs 62.75-64.50, indiv.

1500 lbs 66.25. Choice 2-3 1265-1650 lbs 59.50-62.75; couple 1715-1775 lbs 59.50. Select and low Choice 2-3 1025-1765 lbs 56.00-60.00. Select 1-2 1090-1255 lbs 55.00-57.10.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice, few Prime 2-4 1085-1335 lbs 67.25-69.50, individual 1260 lbs 71.50. Select and low Choice 2-3 1065-1210 lbs 62.50-65.00.

SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 40.75-45.75 38.00-41.75 Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 38.50-42.50 35.50-39.00 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean over-1200 lbs 37.50-41.00 34.50-38.25 Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 34.50-39.00 31.75-35.25 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 32.50-37.00 29.50-33.00

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Few Yield Grade 1 1345-1850 lbs 54.50-57.00. Yield Grade 2 1060-2030 lbs 46.50-54.50; ind 2125 lbs 57.50. Bulls: Select 1-3 990-1395 lbs 54.00-57.50.

CALVES: Compared to Monday's auction, vealers sold steady to firm. The larger slaughter calves sold mostly steady. Holstein bulls returning to feed sold 15.00 higher in active trading. Demand for Holstein heifers was much improved with prices trending 50.00-60.00 higher. Supply included 513 in the State graded sale and 92 pct returned to feed.

VEALERS: Standard and Good 75-110 lbs 30.00-50.00, few up to 60.00. Utility 60-90 lbs 11.00-30.00.

SLAUGHTER CALVES: Good and

Choice 175-350 lbs 88.00-112.00; 350-500 lbs 67.00-89.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls 90-125 lbs 104.00-131.00. Plainer-type bulls 75-125 lbs 67.00-108.00, weaker calves 70-110 lbs 25.00-40.00. Holstein heifers 80-120 lbs 280.00-375.00. Plainer heifers 75-115 lbs 150.00-280.00; 60-75 lbs 110.00-230.00.

SHEEP: Compared to Monday, a thin test of slaughter lambs sold steady to weak and slaughter ewes traded mostly steady.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice and Prime 2-3 40-60 lbs 100.00-112.00; 60-100 lbs 90.00-100.00; 100-135 lbs 72.00-90.00. Good and Choice 1-3 mostly returning to feed 30-60 lbs 70.00-95.00.

Lancaster County Weekly

New Holland, Pa.
Report Supplied By USDA
Friday, July 21, 2000

	CATTLE	CALVES
THIS WEEK	1931	1864
LAST WEEK	1992	1779
LAST YEAR	2917	1755

CATTLE: Compared to last week's closing prices, slaughter steers and heifers closed steady to .50 lower. Losses came early in the week on light demand, but increased Koshier interest late in the week stabilized prices at the lower level. This week's offering was fairly attractive, but the plainer Select cattle sold better, in relation to the Choice cattle, than they have in several weeks. Loads of inexpensive Western cattle continue to pass by our local auctions on the way to Eastern packing plants. As soon as competition improves by the big four packers for Midwestern cattle, the local market should improve significantly. Major feedlots sold cattle steady to 1.00 lower from 66.00-67.00 live and 106.00-107.00 dressed. Local Holstein steers closed steady to 1.00 lower. Slaughter cows ended 2.00-3.00 lower with the full decline on the leaner-type cows. Boneless beef prices have plunged since the July 4th holiday. Slaughter bulls sold 1.00 lower. Supply included 42 pct

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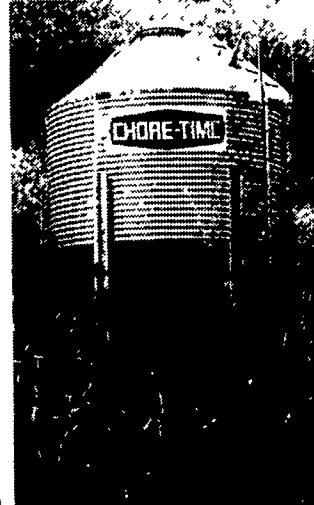
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