

# LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTION

## Lancaster Livestock

New Holland, Pa.

Monday, July 24, 2000

Report Supplied By PDA

Cattle Calves Hogs Sheep Goats

MONDAY	48	14	0	274	166
LAST WEEK	79	15	10	488	183
LAST YEAR	348	3	0	300	77

**CATTLE:** Compared to Thursday, there were not enough head of any class for a good market test. A few lots of slaughter heifers traded on a weak undertone. Supply included 21 percent slaughter steers and 23 percent slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** Few high Select and Choice 2-3 1200-1305 lbs 66.25-69.00, individual 1290 lbs 70.00. Couple Select 1-2 975-1470 lbs 61.75-65.00; individual 1590 lbs 59.50.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** Not tested. **SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Few Choice 2-4 1075-1175 lbs 65.00-65.85. Few Select 1-3 980-1420 lbs 56.75-64.00. Heiferettes: Few Commercial and Standard 2-4 1175-1325 lbs 47.00-51.50.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** Individual Breaker 75 pct lean 42.00. Few Lean 85-90 pct lean 37.00-39.50, few low dressing down to 33.00.

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Couple Yield Grade 1 1585-1710 lbs 53.00-60.00. Yield Grade 2 1445-1965 lbs 48.25-53.75. Bulls: Couple Select 1-3 1100-1210 lbs 58.75-62.75.

**SHEEP:** Sales of sheep, goats, and calves were not available at the time that this report was released.

## Vintage Livestock Auction

Vintage, Pa.

Tuesday, July 24-25, 2000

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Cattle Calves Sheep Goats

THIS WEEK	745	766	4	0
LAST WEEK	761	907	1	0
LAST YEAR	952	857	20	0

**CATTLE:** Compared to Thursday, slaughter steers and heifers sold .50-1.00 lower. A good portion of Tuesday's offering was of premium quality, but that was not enough to keep the market from fading. Holstein steers managed to hold steady. The slaughter cow market was active and prices were 1.00-1.50 higher, on the other hand slaughter bulls were

1.00-1.50 lower. Supply included 46 percent slaughter steers and 44 percent slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1180-1485 lbs 69.10-72.25, fancy singles up to 74.00. Choice 2-3 1140-1480 lbs 67.75-69.75, high dressing 1-2 up to 73.50. Select and low Choice 2-3 1070-1570 lbs 64.00-68.85; couple 1645-1705 lbs 62.00-64.00. Select 1-3 1010-1540 lbs 60.25-66.75.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** Package high Choice and Prime 2-3 1500 lbs 63.85. Choice 2-3 1445-1710 lbs 60.25-62.60; couple 1725-1770 lbs 58.00-59.75. Few Select and low Choice 2-3 1420-1470 lbs 59.25-59.75. Select 1-2 calf-feds 910-1065 lbs 57.00-60.25, few returning to feed 1025-1090 lbs 58.00-59.25.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Choice 2-4 1070-1145 lbs 65.50-67.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1130-1160 lbs 63.50-65.00. Couple Select 2 1000 lbs 62.00.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 42.00-44.75 39.00-42.75 Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 39.75-44.00 36.50-39.75 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean over-1200 lbs 38.75-42.50 35.25-39.00 Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 36.00-39.75 33.50-36.50 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 33.50-37.75 31.00-35.00.

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Few Yield Grade 1 1415-1755 lbs 56.00-59.25. Yield Grade 2 1000-1980 lbs 45.00-50.75. Bulls: Couple Select 1-3 1075-1425 lbs 56.00-57.50.

**VEALERS:** Standard and Good 80-125 lbs 40.00-57.00. Utility 60-90 lbs 15.00-40.00, graded 22.00-28.00. RETURN TO FARM: Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 130.00-157.00. Plainer-type bulls 80-115 lbs 70.00-110.00, weaker calves 75-110 lbs 35.00-42.00. Holstein heifers 80-115 lbs 275.00-332.00. Plainer heifers 80-105 lbs 222.00-250.00; 60-75 lbs 65.00-110.00. Beef-type bulls and heifers 70-115 lbs 100.00-180.00.

**CALVES:** Compared to last week, bob-veal calf trading was fairly active and prices were 5.00-10.00 higher. The market for Holstein bull farm calves found a spark and prices trended 22.00-30.00 higher for Number 1 quality bulls. However, the plainer bulls were only slightly higher. Holstein heifer trading was slow and prices were weak to 25.00 lower. Supply included 661 head in the State graded sale and around 90 percent of supply returned to feed.

**VEALERS:** Standard and Good 80-125 lbs 40.00-57.00. Utility 60-90 lbs 15.00-40.00, graded 22.00-28.00. RETURN TO FARM: Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 130.00-157.00. Plainer-type bulls 80-115 lbs 70.00-110.00, weaker calves 75-110 lbs 35.00-42.00. Holstein heifers 80-115 lbs 275.00-332.00. Plainer heifers 80-105 lbs 222.00-250.00; 60-75 lbs 65.00-110.00. Beef-type bulls and heifers 70-115 lbs 100.00-180.00.

## New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.

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Thursday, July 27, 2000

Cattle Calves Sheep Goats

THURSDAY	1086	752	312	171
LAST WEEK	1091	727	392	200
LAST YEAR	1299	731	436	229

**CATTLE:** Compared to Tuesday's lower market, slaughter steers and heifers sold fully steady. Supply and demand were well matched, which held prices and kept trading active through the end of the modest offering. Holstein steer prices were unchanged and have remained steady throughout the week. Slaughter cows sold steady to .50 lower, but still traded 1.00 higher than last week. A good test of slaughter bulls sold steady. Supply included 36 percent slaughter steers and 44 percent slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1065-1480 lbs 69.00-72.25, ideal pkg 1431 lbs 73.00. Choice 2-3 1060-1480 lbs 67.75-70.00, few high dressing 1-2 up to 71.25; individual 1365 lbs 75.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1075-1500 lbs 63.75-68.50. Select 1-3 1115-1385 lbs 61.00-65.75, returning to feed 1025-1220 lbs 66.00-67.50.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** Pkg high Choice and Prime 2-3 1476 lbs 63.60, individual 1350 lbs 66.00. Choice 2-3 1220-1590 lbs 59.60-62.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1230-1515 lbs 58.50-60.50. Select 1-2 1260-1450 lbs 53.00-56.75.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Few Choice and Prime 2-4 1185-1235 lbs 66.75-67.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 980-1295 lbs 60.00-64.25. Select 1-3 910-1060 lbs 57.00-60.75. Heiferettes: Commercial and Standard 2-4 1115-1330 lbs 52.00-57.00.

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**GOATS:** (All sold by the head) Billies: Medium and Large 81.00-106.00.  
Mutton: Few Choice and Prime 70.00-95.00.  
Nannies: Medium and Large 52.00-69.00.  
Kids: Choice and Prime 45.00-71.00.  
Good 25.00-45.00.

## Lancaster County Weekly

New Holland, Pa.

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Friday, July 28, 2000

CATTLE CALVES

THIS WEEK	1879	1704
LAST WEEK	1931	1864
LAST YEAR	1755	1836

**CATTLE:** Compared to last week's closing prices, slaughter steers and heifers closed .50-1.00 lower. The market refuses to find any stability and luckily local finished cattle supplies have been light, or else prices could slump even lower. Dressed beef values continue to hold around the 113.00 level with good movement, but Western feeders have gotten into bind by putting off the selling of their showlists for the past several weeks. Packers now have the leverage, which could lengthen this market slump. Feedlots refused lower bids again this week with only a few sales reported in Nebraska by Friday morning from 65.00-65.50 live and mostly 104.00 dressed. Some cash corn bids are as low as 1.40 per bushel in the Midwest, but the gloomy fat cattle market has finally brought on the first sign of weakness in Western feeder cattle prices.

Local Holstein steers managed to trade steady this week with good demand. Slaughter cows sold 1.00 higher, but slaughter bulls continue to back off of their highs and closed 1.00-1.50 lower. Supply included 40 pct slaughter steers, 5 pct slaughter heifers, 43 pct slaughter cows, 5 pct slaughter bulls, with the balance mostly feeders.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice

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