

Lancaster County Weekly

New Holland, Pa.
Report Supplied By USDA
Friday, Dec 8, 2000

| | CATTLE | CALVES |
|-----------|--------|--------|
| THIS WEEK | 3095 | 1812 |
| LAST WEEK | 2334 | 2055 |
| LAST YEAR | 2532 | 1749 |

CATTLE: Compared to last week's closing prices, slaughter steers and heifers closed mostly steady, with instances .50 higher on the fancy singles. During the week trading was very active for the fancy single head lots, with good demand for heavy cattle. Late in the week the market showed some strength but faded back to steady due to the lack of well finished cattle. Midwest feedlots traded cattle 1.00-2.00 higher from 74.00-75.50 live and 117.00-118.00 dressed. Local Holstein steers closed steady. Slaughter cows continue to decline closing 1.00-2.00 lower for the week, while slaughter bull prices closed steady to 1.00 lower on a thin test early in the week. Supply included 26 percent slaughter steers, 6 percent slaughter heifers, 37 percent cows, 5 percent bulls, with the balance feeders.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1210-1500 lbs 72.75-76.10, late 73.10-76.10, fancy singles up to 78.25. Choice 2-3 1155-1490 lbs 70.50-74.75, individual high dressing 1355 lbs 80.00; 1500-1780 lbs 65.00-71.75, high dressing up to 74.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1025-1485 lbs 64.25-72.25. Select 1-3 1125-1565 lbs 63.00-69.00. Standard 1-2 few 1335-1340 lbs 52.00-58.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-3 few 1275-1605 lbs 62.50-63.75. Choice 2-3 1065-1525 lbs 59.25-61.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1200-1465 lbs 55.75-59.50. Select 1-2 1250-1345 lbs 53.00-55.25.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1135-1485 lbs 70.00-73.60. Choice 2-3 1150-1415 lbs 67.00-71.00, with individual high dressing 1290 lbs 77.35. Select and low Choice 2-3 1035-1420 lbs 64.75-68.50. Heiferettes: Commercial and Standard 2-4 few 1195 lbs 59.00.

SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 38.00-41.50 35.00-38.00 Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 35.00-39.75 33.75-36.00 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean

over-1200 lbs 33.00-37.50 31.00-33.75 Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 32.00-36.25 30.00-32.50 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 30.00-33.75.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1255-2105 lbs 53.00-58.00, few up to 59.75, high dressing 60.75-63.25. Yield Grade 2 1080-2015 lbs 44.00-53.50. Bullocks: Select 1-3 54.50-65.00.

CALVES: Compared to last week, vealers and large slaughter calves traded fully steady. Holstein bulls returning to the farm sold 25.00 higher, with Holstein heifer calves 20.00 lower.

Indiana Livestock

Homer City, Pa.
Thursday, December 7, 2000
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CATTLE: 135. STEERS: STEADY TO 3.00 HIGHER. COWS: STEADY TO 1.50 LOWER. STEERS: HI CHOICE & PRIME 2-4 1340/1490 LBS. 71.00-75.00. CHOICE 2-3 1330/1650 LBS. 68.00, 70.75. SELECT 1-3 63.00, 66.75. STANDARD 1-2 55.00-58.50. HOLSTEIN STEERS: SELECT 1-2 56.50, 59.25. HEIFERS: CHOICE 2-4 1165/1275 LBS. COUPLES 69.50 & 74.25. SELECT 1-3 60.50, 64.25. STANDARD 1-2 45.00, 55.25.

COWS: BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 38.00, 41.00. BONERS 80-85% LEAN 34.50, 38.00. LEAN 85-90% LEAN 30.00, 35.00. SHELLS DOWN TO 30.00 & DOWN. BULLS: FEW YIELD GRADE 2 1080/1900 LBS. 35.00, 44.25. FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: FEW M & L-2 455/620 56.00, 68.00.

HEIFERS: M & L-2 450/610, 74.50, 79.50. M & L-2 410/500 65.00, 71.00, 700/910 50.00, 65.50. FEW TO 42.00.

BULLS: FEW M & L-2 335/465, 60.00-80.00, 520/705, 55.50, 74.00.

CALVES: 85. CH 155/265 LBS. 95.00, 115.00. GOOD 150/235 LBS. 59.00 67.00. STANDARD & GOOD 80/105 LBS. 40.00, 65.00. UTILITY 70/105 LBS 27.50, 35.00.

FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS STEADY TO 20.00 HIGHER NO. 1 90/125 LBS. 115.00, 150.00. NO. 2 85/115 LBS. 70.00, 120.00.

HOLSTEIN HEIFERS: FEW NO. 1 90/135 LBS. 260.00, 300.00. NO. 2 70/110 LBS. 105.00, 225.00. BEEF TYPE BULLS & HEIFERS 85/110 LBS 82.50, 155.00

Greencastle Livestock

Greencastle, Pa.
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CATTLE: 190.
COWS: BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 37.50-39.75, WITH ONE OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUAL AT 42.75. BONERS: 80-85% LEAN 35.00-38.00. LEAN 85-90% LEAN 27.00-33.25. SHELLS 26.75 AND DOWN. BULLS: YIELD GRADE 1 1665 & 2165 LBS. AT 47.00 & 47.75. YIELD GRADE 2 FEW 955/1740 LBS. 39.50-47.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: FEW M2 500-585 LBS., 79.50-85.00.

HEIFERS: FEW L&M 1-2, 500-560 LBS., 75.00-82.50.

BULLS: ONE LOT M, 605 LBS. AT 72.00.

CALVES: 292. ONE Ch 280 LBS. 99 GOOD ONE 160 LBS. AT 52.50. STANDARD & GOOD 70/115 LBS. 40.00-62.50. UTILITY 58/95 LBS. 20.00-40.00.

FARM CALVES: NO. 1: 90/105 LBS. 130.00-155.00 SEVERAL TO 167.50, 80-90 LBS. 120.00-145.00. NO. 2 100/120 LBS. 100.00-122.50, FEW TO 80.00, 80-95 LBS. 60.00-80.00.

HOLSTEIN HEIFERS: NO. 1: 80/110 LBS. 285.00-325.00. NO. 2 60/100 LBS. 130.00-200.00. BEEF TYPE BULLS & HEIFERS: 80/110 LBS. 170.00-160.00, FEW TO 190.00.

Pennsylvania Livestock Auction

Waynesburg, Pa.
Thursday, December 7, 2000
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CATTLE: STOCK COWS: 40.00-55.00. SLAUGHTER COWS: Utility & Commercial 35.00-42.00; Canner & Boning Utility 35.00-39.00; Cutter & Boning Utility 31.00-37.00; Canner & Low Cutter 31.00-35.25; Shells 30.00 & down.

BULLS: YIELD GRADE 1 1500#-2000# 32.50-52.50 YIELD GRADE 2 1000#-1400# Fat 47.00-63.00

FEEDER STEERS: M & L 1 300-500# 75.00-110.00; 250-280# 75.00-119.00; M 600-900# 60.00-86.00;



Jersey Shore Livestock Market, Inc.

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RETURN TO FARM CALF: 100.00-345.00.
GOOD VEAL: 60.00-99.00.
COMMON VEAL: 10.00-59.00.
CHOICE STEERS: 70.00-73.00.
SELECT STEERS: 65.00-69.00.
COMMON STEERS: 59.00-64.00.
COMMERCIAL COWS: 35.00-41.00.
CANNERS-CUTTERS: 33.00-37.00.
SHELLS: 23.00-32.00.
CHOICE HEIFERS: 65.00-70.00.
SELECT HEIFERS: 63.00-67.00.
COMMON HEIFERS: 44.00-62.00.
GOOD FEEDERS: 60.00-77.00.
COMMON FEEDERS: 20.00-59.00.
BULLS: 39.00-46.50.

Group Commends Decision

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — The Pennsylvania Milk Marketing Board issued a statement on partial pooling of the Class I over-order premium during Wednesday's sunshine meeting in Harrisburg. The board has asked that all interested parties come together to set the percentage level for the pooled premium.

Land O'Lakes Inc. and the Maryland and Virginia Milk Producers Cooperative, members of the Advantage Dairy Group, commended the board on its decision.

"This is a decision that has been three years in the making," said Land O'Lakes Director of Regulatory Affairs Dennis Schad. He testified for pooling on behalf of the Advantage Dairy Group. "We appreciate the effort that the board has put

into both the process and the conclusion."

"The over-order premium has equal value to producers, dealers and consumers," said Steve Graybeal, a dairy farmer from Peach Bottom, Pa. "With producers' pay prices varying so much within the industry, we congratulate the board on moving in the right direction by increasing the premium and deciding to pool it more equitably."

Lancaster dairy farmer Nelson Habecker agreed with Graybeal. "We appreciate the board's compromise to find common ground," he said. "Now it's up to us as an industry to reach a decision on the percentage level. It's a decision that we can all participate in and jointly find resolution."

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