

Estimated Daily Livestock Slaughter

Under Federal Inspection

April 25, 2001

	CATTLE	CALVES	HOGS	SHEEP
Wednesday 2001-03-14 (est)	126,000	4,000	374,000	10,000
Week ago (est)	119,000	4,000	379,000	11,000
Year ago (act)	130,000	4,000	360,000	15,000
Week to date (est)	374,000	12,000	1,100,000	32,000
Same Period Last Week (est)	351,000	13,000	1,012,000	31,000
Same Period Last Year (act)	378,000	12,000	985,000	43,000

Wytheville Weekly Feeder Cattle

Wytheville, Va.
April 24, 2001

Report Supplied by USDA

STATE GRADED FEEDER CATTLE: 172 head. Prices per cwt. based on in weights.

GRADED STEERS: 71 head. Med. & Lge. 1: 400-500 lb 115.00; 500-600 lb 96-108.00; 600-700 lb 87-89.00. Med. & Lge. 2: 300-400 lb 108-115.00; 400-500 lb 106-113.00; 500-600 lb 94-107.00; 600-700 lb 87-89.00.

GRADED HEIFERS: 101 head. Med. & Lge. 1: 300-400 lb 90-97.00; 400-500 lb 92-96.00; 500-600 lb 90-94.50; 600-700 lb 80.00. Med. & Lge. 2: 300-400 lb 100.50-101.00; 400-500 lb 90-95.00; 500-600 lb 87-90.50; 600-700 lb 79-79.50.

Wytheville Regular Weekly Sales: 128 head.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: 61 head. Med. & Lge. 2: 200-300 lb 90-113.00; 300-500 lb 91-109.00; 500-700 lb 75-87.00.

BULLS: 67 head. Med. & Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 109-117.00; 300-400 lb 106-116.00; 400-500 lb 102-112.00; 500-600 lb 89-90.00; 600-700 lb 86-93.00; 700-900 lb 72-80.00. Med. & Lge. 2: 200-300 lb 100-111.00; 300-400 lb 97-108.00; 400-500 lb 96-105.00; 700-900 lb 65-71.00.

Greencastle Livestock

Greencastle, Pa.

Report Supplied by USDA

Tues., April 24, 2001

MONDAY CATTLE 426, CALVES 337, HOGS 3, SHEEP 67, GOATS 37. LAST MON. CATTLE 352, CALVES 414, HOGS 35, SHEEP 30, GOATS 161.

CATTLE: Compared with last Monday's auction, slaughter steers and heifer sold steady to 1.00 lower. Slaughter cows were 3.00 higher. Slaughter bulls traded 2.00 higher.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 2-3 1075-1405 lbs 73.00-79.75; 1545-1600 lbs 69.50-74.50. Select 1-3 70.00-77.75. Standard 1-2 few 65.00-68.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-3 1200-1680 lbs 68.50-70.00, one head 75.75. Choice 2-3 1135-1690 lbs 65.50-70.00. Select 1-2 56.50-63.75. Standard 1-2 48.00-55.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: High Choice 2 individual 1290 lbs 81.50. Choice 2-4 1080-1370 lbs 74.00-80.50. 1-3 few 70.50-74.75. Standard 1-2 few 50.00-66.25.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breakers 75-80 percent lean 46.50-52.75. Boners 80-85 percent lean 45.00-51.25, low dressing down to 42.00. Lean 85-90 percent lean 37.00-47.75, mostly 39.00-46.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield grade 1 1450-2120 lbs 62.00-67.75, individual up

to 72.25. Choice and Prime 1050-1495 lbs 54.75-60.00.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 1 individual 290 lb 104.00; 550-690 lbs 83.00-90.00; 745-780 lbs 75.00-79.00. Medium and Large 2 few 410-450 lbs 95.00-98.00; individual 930 lbs 67.00. Medium and Large 3 275-400 lbs 57.00-71.00. Large 3 Holsteins few 300-510 lbs 93.00; 465-610 lbs Holsteins 54.00-77.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1 320-415 lbs 85.00-102.00; 500-695 lbs 72.00-90.00. Medium and Large 2 260-475 lbs 74.00-91.00; 550-620 lbs 64.00-77.00; 795-835 lbs 61.00-65.00. Medium and Large 3 individual 290 lbs 69.00; few 540-745 lbs 43.00-60.00. Few bred heifers 855-895 lbs 53.00-55.00 wt.

FEEDER BULLS: Medium and Large 1 320-470 lbs 88.00-108.00; 520-605 lbs 70.00-85.00. Medium and Large 2 260-370 lbs 79.00-82.50; 500-580 lbs 52.00-68.00. Medium and Large 3 200-475 lbs 52.00-67.00; 520-655 lbs 55.00-67.00.

CALVES: Compared to last week's auction, Holstein bulls returning to the farm sold 15.00 lower. VEALERS: Standard and Good few 80-110 lbs 52.50-62.00. Utility few 40-80 lbs 20.00-30.00. RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls Number 1 90-125 lbs 170.00-210.00, mostly 180.00-205.00; 80-85 lbs 157.50-170.00. Number 2 80-125 lbs 100.00-175.00, weaker calves down to 70.00. Holstein heifers Number 1 80-100 lbs 410.00-475.00. Beef type bulls and heifers 65-85 lbs 165.00-185.00.

BARROWS AND GILTS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT PRICE...SOWS: US 1-3 Few 305-480 lbs 34.00-38.00.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice 30-45 lbs 130.00-145.00; 60-75 lbs 117.00-130.00; 80-90 lbs 105.00-120.00. OLD CROP LAMBS: Choice 70-115 lbs 90.00-110.00. SLAUGHTER SHEEP: Utility 1-3 20.00-38.00, mostly 24.00-34.00.

Weekly Meat Production Under Federal Inspection

WASHINGTON, D.C., Apr. 20 - (USDA) - Total red meat production under federal inspection for the week ending April 21, 2001, was estimated at million lb according to the USDA's Marketing Service. This was 1.5% lower than a week ago and 1.2% lower than a year ago. Cumulative meat production for the year to date was 4.0% lower compared to the previous year.

MEAT PRODUCTION (million pounds)
(excludes condemned)

Week Ending (1)	Beef	Calf/Veal	Pork (2)	Lamb/Mutton	Totals (3)
21-Apr-01	458.6	4.0	352.8	3.5	818.9
14-Apr-01	454.9	3.5	368.2	4.5	831.1
Change:	up 0.8%	dn 14.3%	dn 4.2%	dn 22.2%	dn 1.5%
22-Apr-00	489.6	3.6	330.5	5.1	828.8
Change:	dn 6.3%	up 11.1%	up 6.7%	dn 31.4%	dn 1.2%
2001 YTD	7462.9	59.1	5836.0	73.1	13430.9
2000 YTD	8039.0	64.2	5809.8	80.1	13993.1
Change:	dn 7.2%	dn 7.9%	up 0.5%	dn 8.7%	dn 4.0%

- 1- Previous week estimates may be revised Year ago data are actuals
- 2- Excludes lard
- 3- Totals may not add due to rounding 2001 totals are subject to revision

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER (head)

Week Ending	Cattle	Calves/Vealers	Hogs	Sheep/Lambs
21-Apr-01	633,000	20,000	1,796,000	49,000
14-Apr-01	627,000	18,000	1,876,000	63,000
Change:	up 1.0%	up 11.1%	dn 4.3%	dn 22.2%
22-Apr-00	673,000	18,000	1,700,000	78,000
Change:	dn 5.9%	up 11.1%	up 5.6%	dn 37.2%
2001 YTD	10,216,000	311,000	29,775,000	1,035,000
2000 YTD:	10,879,000	336,000	30,048,000	1,157,000
Change:	dn 6.12%	dn 7.4%	dn 0.9%	dn 10.6%

AVERAGE WEIGHTS (lbs.)

Week Ending	LIVE:	Cattle	Calves/Vealers	Hogs	Sheep/Lamb
21-Apr-01	Estimate	1205	331	266	145
14-Apr-01	Estimate	1208	327	265	145
22-Apr-00	Actual	1200	336	264	130
DRESSED:					
21-Apr-01	Estimate	728	204	197	72
14-Apr-01	Estimate	729	201	197	72
22-Apr-00	Actual	731	207	195	65

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL SLAUGHTERED BY CLASS

Wk Ending	CATTLE				HOGS		
	Steers	Heifers	Cows	Bulls/Stags	Barrows/Gilts	Sows	Boars/Stags
07-Apr-01	47.9	33.6	16.7	1.8	96.3	3.3	0.4
08-Apr-00	49.8	33.8	14.6	1.8	96.6	3.1	0.3

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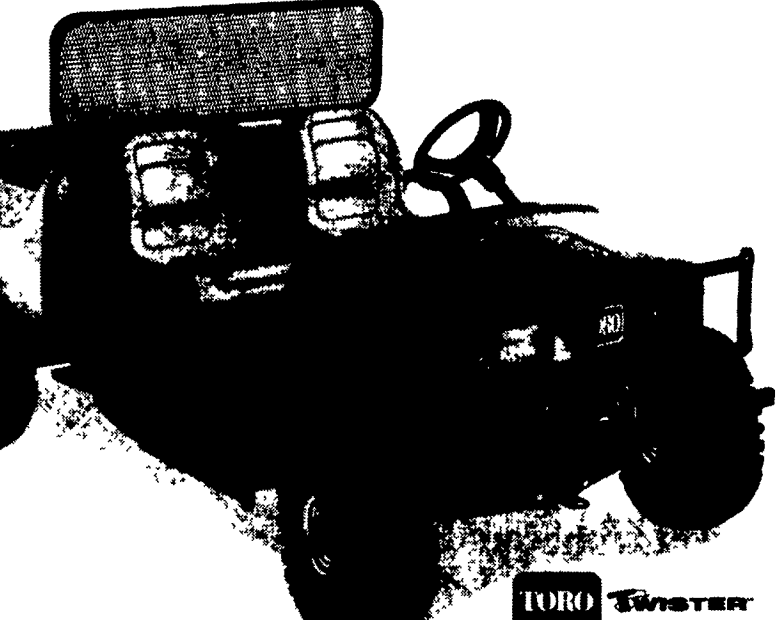


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