

Pa. Weekly

13 Livestock Auctions
Friday, August 17
Report Supplied By PDA

CATTLE 4626... Compared with 4107 head last week and 4410 head a year ago. Compared with last Friday's summary...sl. steers opened the week mostly steady and closed steady to 1.00 higher, sl. heifers fully 1.00-2.00 lower, sl. cows and bulls mostly steady to 1.00 lower.

STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 72.75-77.00, Choice 2-3 69.50-74.50, Select and Low Choice 2-3 67.00-72.00, Select 1-3 64.00-71.50, Standard 1-2 54.00-64.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-3 66.00-69.75, Choice 2-3 62.75-66.00, Select 1-2 56.00-62.25, Standard 1-2 47.25-55.75.

HEIFERS: Choice 2-4 68.00-73.75, Select 1-3 62.00-70.00, Standard 1-2 45.75-62.00.

COWS: Breakers 75-80% lean 43.00-53.75 with few to 54.75, Boners 80-85% lean 40.50-49.00 with a few to 50.50, Lean 85-90% lean 35.00-46.75. Shells 35.00 and down.

BULLOCKS: Choice 2-3 63.50-65.00, Select 1-3 62.50-63.00.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1000-2500 lbs 54.50-66.50, Yield Grade 2 900-2400 lbs 47.00-60.25.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: Medium and Large 1 300-500 lbs 89.00-117.50, 500-800 lbs 75.00-88.00, Medium and Large 2 400-900 lbs 57.00-78.50; **HEIFERS:** Medium and Large 1 300-700 lbs 70.00-96.00, Medium and Large 2 300-800 lbs 54.00-80.00; **BULLS:** Medium and Large 1 300-500 lbs 80.00-101.00, 500-700 lbs 73.00-80.00, Medium and Large 2 300-500 lbs 58.50-79.00, 500-700 lbs 53.00-78.00.

CALVES 4330... Compared with 3556 head last week and 3819 head a year ago. Vealers steady to 5.00 higher.

VEALERS: few Choice 135-144 lbs 107.50-120.00, Good 125-295 lbs 81.00-102.00, Standard and Good 75-110 lbs 40.00-75.00, Utility 50-90 lbs 10.00-47.50. **FARM CALVES:** Holstein bull calves mostly steady with an increase in supply, Holstein heifers active, fully 10.00-30.00 higher with a few lots reaching the 600.00 mark. No 1 Holstein bulls 80-120 lbs 120.00-161.00, No 2 80-120 lbs 75.00-147.00; No 1 Holstein heifers 80-120 lbs 400.00-590.00 with a few to 600.00, No 2 60-120 lbs 150.00-390.00 with a few to 455.00.

Beef type bulls and heifers 75-120 lbs 100.00-235.00.

HOGS 1689... Compared with 1233 head last week and 1467 head a year ago. Barrows and gilts mostly steady to 1.00 higher, sows steady to 1.00 lower. **BARROWS AND GILTS:** 49-54% lean 220-265 lbs 49.25-53.00, 45-50% lean 220-275 lbs 47.25-50.00, 40-45% lean 240-300 lbs 44.10-48.75. **SOWS:** 1-3 300-500 lbs 38.00-39.50 with a few to 42.75, 500-700 lbs 39.00-44.00. **BOARS:** 24.00-27.00.

FEEDER PIGS 222... Compared with 248 head last week and 215 head a year ago. 1-3 30-50 lbs 34.00-55.00, 50-95 lbs 48.00-67.00. — per cwt.

SHEEP 1380... Compared with 1720 head last week and 1410 head a year ago. Slaughter lambs 50-130 lbs steady to 10.00 higher. **SLAUGHTER LAMBS:** Choice 40-50 lbs 82.00-89.00, 50-80 lbs 67.00-92.50, 80-130 lbs 55.00-70.00, Good and Choice 80-85 lbs 54.00-55.00, **FEEDER LAMBS:** Good and Choice 20-40 lbs 52.00-74.00. **SLAUGHTER SHEEP:** 20.00-50.00.

TWO GRADED FEEDER PIG SALES 716... Compared with 439 last week and 1002 head a year ago. Feeder pigs active and firm. **FEEDER PIGS:** No 1-2 50-60 lbs 106.00-120.00, 60-70 lbs 95.00-120.00; Slaughter 20-40 lbs 120.00-155.00, 40-50 lbs 100.00-120.00 — per cwt.

National Feeder Cattle Weekly Summary

St. Joseph, Mo.
Aug. 17, 2001

Report Supplied By USDA

NATIONAL FEEDER CATTLE SUMMARY - Week ending Aug. 17, 2001. Receipts this week 167,000; last week 152,300; year ago 164,200. Feeder cattle prices rebounded a bit from last week's lower prices on the calves, but yearlings did not fare as well. According to USDA's Livestock and Grain Market News Service, calves mostly steady to 2.00 higher with some classes of calves up to 5.00 higher in the Southeast. Yearling cattle were quoted mostly steady to weak, with some direct sales as much as 2.00 lower on slow country trading.

The Southern Plains are just now starting to see some moisture falling from the sky. Many are wondering what it is; they haven't seen any rain in so long. Spotty rains occurred over last weekend and a front moved through that dropped widespread showers this week and gave the area a much needed break from hot, humid weather. As those in the Southern Plains move toward September, wheat and rye pasture planting is just around the corner. It appears that the weather pattern moving through has left much optimism about getting crops to sprout and grow quickly. Already arid states in the Northwest are seeing more wildfires erupting after lightning strikes; starting underbrush afire and the situation is growing out of hand quickly. Many ranchers sold their calves 30-45 days early due the severe drought conditions in the Plains.

Direct feedlot sales took back what was lost last week as live sales were quoted 1.00 higher at mostly 70.00 and dressed sales 2.00 to 3.00 higher at 112.00-113.00.

This month has been interesting as CME's August Live Cattle futures have been trading near a 2.00 premium to the cash trade. For the true hedgers, it seems the conditions are in their favor to deliver. As of Thursday evening this week, month to date total loads tendered came to a sum of 366. Some in the industry are calling 366 only a moderate number at this time in the delivery month. Hedgers are keeping their eyes on the fall and winter Live Cattle futures as they hover in the middle 70's.

Today's bearish Cattle on Feed Report pegged inventory at 107 percent. Placements were 104 percent, mostly to blame for this is the drought conditions in the South that forced grass cattle to depart early. The marketing number of 99 percent also weighed on the inventory numbers. However, this was the most positive number in the report as it was toward the high end of industry guesses.

For the month of July, slaughter numbers under federal inspection averaged only 659,000. Chain speed will need to be increased to get some of the excess fed cattle moved into the food chain. This week's reported feeder supply included 43 percent over 600 lbs.

St. Louis Feeder Cattle

Greenville, IL
August 23, 2001

Report Supplied By USDA

Cattle and calves: 790 head. Compared to last week slaughter steers and heifers were firm to 1.00 higher, except holstein steers were weak to 1.00 lower. Supply was mainly Select and Choice slaughter steers and heifers with several lots of 2-3 and Fancy 2-4 blacks. Moderate supply of holstein steers.

Total Receipts this week: 790 Last week: 684 Last year: 910

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 2-4 1075-1450 lbs 70.00-72.00, 1450-1700 lbs 68.00-70.00; Several lots YG 2-3 and

Fancy 2-4 1150-1475 lbs 72.00-74.00, few up to 74.25; Select and Choice 2-3 1000-1375 lbs 67.00-70.00. Select 2-3 1000-1550 lbs 63.00-67.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Choice 2-3 1350-1800 lbs 65.00-68.00, Prime 2-3 1700-1825 lbs 68.00-69.00. Select and Choice 2-3 1300-1800 lbs 62.00-69.00. Select 2-3 1150-1450 lbs 58.00-62.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 2-4 1025-1375 lbs 70.00-72.00; Several 2-3 and Fancy 2-4 1150-1375 lbs 72.00-74.00, few up to 74.25. Select and Choice 2-3 950-1300 lbs 67.00-70.00. Select 2-3 950-1250 lbs 63.00-67.00.

HEIFERETTES: Medium and Large Frame 925-1300 lbs 49.00-59.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: Compared with last week, feeder steers and heifers were generally steady. Overall quality was below last weeks level. Moderate buyer attendance. Large supply Holstein feeder steers.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large Frame 1-2: Thin: 200-300 lbs 103.00-115.00 300-400 lbs 95.00-103.00 400-500 lbs 90.00- 98.00 500-600 lbs 87.00-93.00 600-700 lbs 82.00- 90.00 Moderately Fleishy: 300-400 lbs 87.00-95.00 400-600 lbs 82.00- 90.00

Holsteins Large Frame 2-3: 300-400 lbs 88.00- 93.00 400-500 lbs 83.00- 89.00 500-600 lbs 78.00- 84.00 600-700 lbs 71.00- 78.00

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large Frame 1: Thin: 200-300 lbs 100.00-110.00 300-400 lbs 85.00- 95.00, fancy 95.00-100.00 400-500 lbs 83.00- 91.00 500-600 lbs 80.00- 86.00 Moderately Fleishy: 300-600 lbs 75.00- 85.00

COW/CALF PAIRS: Large Frame 1-9 yrs old 650.00-835.00/pr.

BRED COWS: Large Frame 2-10 yrs old in 2nd and 3rd stage 460.00-690.00/hd.

Slaughter Cows and Bulls: 175 head. Compared to last week, slaughter cows were generally steady and Bulls were fully steady.

SLAUGHTER COWS: % Lean Weight Price Breakers 75-80 % 850-1200 lbs 42.00-45.00 Boners 80-85 % 850-1200 lbs 43.00-47.00 High Yielding 80-85 % over 1100 lbs 45.00-47.00 Lean 85-90 %

Five-Area Weekly Average Direct Slaughter Cattle

St Joseph, Mo., August 20 - USDA Market News Service
Sales in Texas/Oklahoma; Kansas; Nebraska; Colorado; and Iowa/Minnesota Feedlots for
Week Ending Sunday, August 19, 2001

Confirmed Sales: 219,792 Week Ago 161,307

LIVE BASIS SALES:

SLAUGHTER STEERS	Head Count	Weight Range	Price Range	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
Over 80% Choice	5,514	765-1,600	69 00-72 25	1,267	71 03
65-80% Choice	10,854	900-1,600	68 00-72 00	1,302	70 61
35-65% Choice	42,453	840-1,600	67 00-71 70	1,273	69 91
1-35% Choice	7,084	900-1,575	66 00-70 10	1,257	69 84
SLAUGHTER HEIFERS					
Over 80% Choice	3,164	875-1,500	69 50-72 00	1,158	70 87
65-80% Choice	8,668	875-1,600	68 77-72 50	1,172	70 67
35-65% Choice	37,725	870-1,530	67 00-71 50	1,142	70 09
1-35% Choice	419	875-1,380	70 00-70 00	1,125	70 00

DRESSED BASIS SALES:

SLAUGHTER STEERS	Head Count	Weight Range	Price Range	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
Over 80% Choice	3,130	472-1,048	110 00-119 00	806	112 07
65-80% Choice	15,466	476-1,077	108 50-118 00	818	112 34
35-65% Choice	22,015	482-1,096	104 00-113 00	819	111 52
1-35% Choice	1,293	482-1,028	104 00-113 00	764	109 29
SLAUGHTER HEIFERS					
Over 80% Choice	1,645	529- 968	111 00-113 00	752	112 60
65-80% Choice	14,506	420-1,000	109 00-118 00	745	112 17
35-65% Choice	18,855	450-1,032	107 00-113 00	740	111 74
1-35% Choice	810	456- 965	107 00-113 00	708	109 39

Weekly Accumulated Weighted Averages (Beef Breeds)

	Head Count	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
Live Steer	65,943	1,275 6	70 11
Live Heifer	49,976	1,147 8	70 24
Dressed Steer	41,908	815 9	111 80
Dressed Heifer	35,816	741 8	111 90
Week Ago Weighted Averages			
Live Steer	51,036	1,266 4	69 13
Live Heifer	42,614	1,131 2	69 09
Dressed Steer	26,343	810 7	110 07
Dressed Heifer	21,180	734 5	109 94

850-1200 lbs 40.00-43.00 85-90 % 750-850 lbs 36.00-40.00 85-90 % under 750 lbs 32.00-36.00

COWS: Commercial 3-4: 40.00-42.00; Cutter, Breaking and Boning Utility 1-4 42.00-45.00. High Yielding 45.00-47.00

Canner and low Cutter 1-2 38.00-42 00 Shelly Canner 1-2 34.00-38.00; Low Yielding 30.00-34.00.

BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1300-2350 lbs 49.00-53.00; Yield Grade 1 1300-1900 lbs 53.00-55.00. Individual at 56 00.

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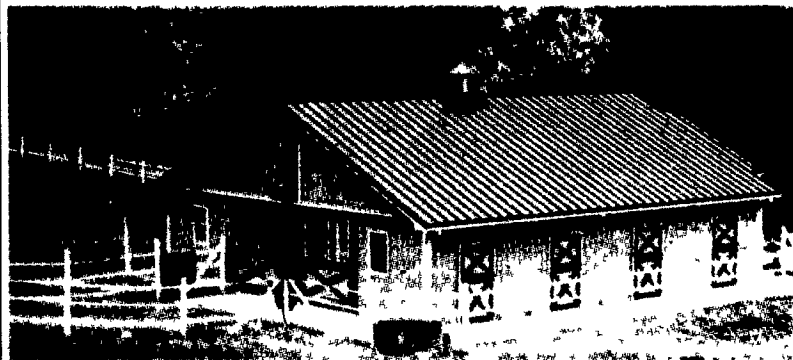
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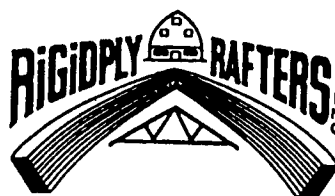
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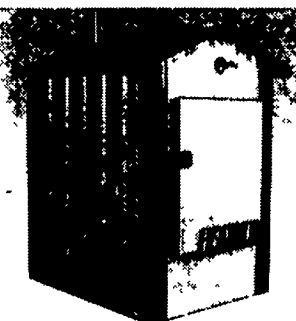
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