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steady.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Good and Choice 1-3 30-60 lbs 110.00-135.00: 60-80 lbs 105.00-115.00; 80-110 lbs 80.00-100.00; 110-130 lbs 70.00-80.00 Good 1-2 30-60 lbs 80.00-110.00; 60-80 lbs 75.00-105.00.

SLAUGHTER EWES: Good and Choice yearlings and 2 year-olds 40.00-70.00.

Utility and Good 1-3 30.00-55.00.

GOATS: (All sold by the head) Billies: Large 100.00-125.00. Medium 75.00-100.00.

Mutton: Choice and Prime 75.00-100.00.

Yearlings: Choice and Prime 60.00-90.00.

Nannies: Large 70.00-110.00. Medium 40 00.70 00

Kids: Choice and Prime 60.00-75.00, few 85.00. Good 40.00-60.00.

> Lancaster County Weekly Cattle New Holland, Pa. **Report Supplied By USDA** Friday, March 1, 2002

-	CATTLE	CALVES
THIS WEEK	2350	1836
LAST WEEK	2485	1730
LAST YEAR	2550	173
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CATTLE: Compared to last week's closing prices, slaughter steers sold mostly steady, with some strength noted on the top end late in the week. Trading opened slow on Monday and Tuesday but as the week ended the market regained losses from early in the week. Holstein steers sold 1.00-2.00 lower early in the week. Feedlots in the Plains and Midwest reported live cattle 1.00 lower mostly 70.00 as of Thursday afternoon. Slaughter cows closed the week mostly steady with last week. Slaughter bulls were steady for the week. Supply included 37 percent slaughter steers, 7 percent slaughter heifers, 40 percent cows, 4 percent bulls, with the balance feeders.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice** and Prime 2-4 1185-1480 Jbs 72.75-76.25. fancy singles up to 76.75; 1485-1565 lbs 69.60-73.75; few 1635-1695 lbs 66.50-66.85. Choice 2-3 1145-1475 lbs 70.85-74.00, high dressing 1-2 up to 76.50; 1490-1570 lbs 68.00-70.75; few 1605-1680 lbs 62.00-65.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1065-1455 lbs 66.00-71.75.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-3 1475-1555 lbs 62.75-64.00, one head 1380 lbs 66.00. Choice 2-3 1380-1585 lbs 60.25-62.00; 1625-1695 lbs 55.00-60.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1340-1455 lbs 57.25-60.25; 1070-1072 lbs 56.50-57.25 returning to the country. SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice, few Prime 2-4 1075-1410 lbs 68.10-71.60, few up to 73.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 few 1075-1365 lbs 65.00-69.25.

SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESS-ING Breakers 75-80 over-1400 lbs 41.00-45.75 38.00-42.00 Boners 80-85 over-1200 lbs 41.00-45.00 38.00-42.00 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 over-1200 lbs 40.50-44.00 37.00-40.50 Lean 88-90 over-

1000 lbs 40.00-43.75 37.00-40.00 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750 -1000 lbs 36.00-39.75 33.00-36.00 SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1305-2070 lbs 60.25-63.00. Yield grade 2 1010- 2335 lbs 53.25-59.00. CALVES Compared to last week, vealers closed steady to 5.00 higher. Large slaughter calves not tested. Holstein bulls returning to farm closed mostly 10.00 17.00 lower. Holstein heifers mostly steady, with very good demand all the week.

VEALERS: Standard and Good 75-130 lbs 47.00-67.00. Utility 55-115 lbs 10.00-48.00.

SLAUGHTER CALVES: Not tested **RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls** 90-125 lbs 125.00-166.00; 80-85 lbs 140.00- 145.00; 75-80 lbs 25.00-62.00. Plainer type bulls 82-125 lbs 100.00-137.00, weaker calves 75-110 lbs 25.00-87.00. Holstein heifers 90-115 lbs 500.00-675.00; individual 95 lbs 700.00; 83-84 lbs 560,00; 75 lbs 310.00. Plainertype heifers 80-115 lbs 200.00-410.00. Beef-type bulls and heifers 75-95 lbs 150.00-190.00.

#### **Eastern Cornbelt Direct Feeder Pig Weekly** Springfield, Ill. February 22, 2002

**Report Supplied By USDA** 

FEEDER PIGS: Receipts: 16,072; last week 22,219. SEW 10 lb pigs and feeders were unevenly steady to weak. Demand was moderate for a moderate offering. Trading was moderate to slow.

FOB Eastern Cornbelt - Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan: Receipts: 9.472: last week 10,002.

EARLY WEANED PIGS, 10 Lbs Basis: Estimated 50-54% Lean Value. Lot size under 250: 125 head, 32.95; lot size 250-750: 4,062 head, 29.04-37.26, wtd.avg 32.25; lot size 750 or more: 2,300 head, 30.55-39.00, wtd. avg. 33.49. Total Composite: 6,487 head, 29.04-39.00, wtd. avg. 32.70.

FEEDER PIGS, 50 Lbs Basis: Estimated 50-54% Lean Value. Lot size under 250: 500 head, 53.50-58.00, wtd. avg. 56.20: lot size 250-750 lb 1.685 head. 48.18-48.52, wtd. avg. 48.41; lot Size 750 or more: 800 head, 48.18, Total Composite: 2,985 head, 48.18-58.00, wtd. avg. 49.65.

FOB prices are quoted on a per head basis "picked up" at the sellers farm in Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, and Michigan; these prices do not include freight.

Most lots of 40-60 weight pigs have a sliding value from the negotiated weight basis which is calculated on the actual average weight of the lot plus or minus .30-.40 cents per pound. Some lots of early weaned pigs are discounted 1.00-10.00 per head on pigs weighing under 10 pounds. Early weaned pigs are under 19 days old. Estimated lean value is projected to base slaughter weights with normal confinement feeding conditions. Vaccination and health program values are not included but health status should be disclosed.

## East Fluid Milk **And Cream Review** Madison, Wis. February 27, 2002 **Report Supplied by USDA**

Spot prices of class II cream, dollars per lb. butterfat. F.O.B. producing plants. Northeast: 1.4523-1.6137. Delivered Equivalent: Atlanta: 1.4647-1.6137 mostly 1.4647-1.5144.

PRICES OF CONDENSED SKIM, dollars per lb. wet solids, F.O.B. producing plants: Northeast: Class II, includes monthly formula prices: .9700-1.0500; Class III - spot prices - .8800-.9900.

SPOT SHIPMENTS OF GRADE A MILK: FLORIDA: This week - In 0, Out 33: last week - In 0. Out 47; last year - In 0, Out 78. SOUTHEAST STATES: This week - In 0, Out 0; last week - In 0, Out 0; last vear - In 0. Out 0.

The base price for Class 1 milk for March 2002 is \$11.62 per cwt., down \$0.33 from February. A Class I differential specific to each pricing point (county) is added to the base price to determine the applicable Class I price. The Class II skim milk price for March is \$7.66, down three cents from February.

Milk production is increasing in most of the region, but most noticeably in the Southeast. At midweek, a cold front pushed through the Midwest and Southeast and contacts feel that the sharply colder temperatures will retard the current gains in milk production. In the Northeast, it is still relatively mild and the milk flow continues to show slight gains. Fluid milk supplies are excessive of the slow Class I demand and diversion to manufacturing plants remain heavy. Contacts are surprised by the generally lackluster bottled milk demand throughout the region. Most feel that the recent cold and snowy weather system did not cause very much panic buying and "first of the month" sales appear to be having little impact on bottled milk orders.

Manufacturing plant contacts report continued heavy receipts and their plants are nearly full. Some schools have been or are on vacation and this is also disrupting Class I milk orders. Class II condensed skim sales and prices are mostly steady. However, prices from Class III wet solids is lower. Spot demand is fair, but contract shipments are clearing normal volumes.

The fluid cream market is little changed from past weeks, but a few contacts report that the glut of cream isn't quite as heavy as it has been. However, supplies are still excessive and sales to

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butter plants continue at relatively low prices. Spot prices are mixed. Last week's CME average butter prices did move about one cent lower, but in a few instances, multiples moved a little higher. Cream cheese producers are reportedly taking a few extra spot loads this week. Cream cheese orders for Easter are being filled and shipped. Ice cream output is steady to slightly heavier. Bottled cream production is increasing slightly as Easter needs are being filled. Churning activity remains heavy.

#### Indiana Livestock Homer City, Pa. Thursday, Feb. 28, 2002

**Report Supplied By Auction** CATTLE: 90. COWS: STEADY TO 1.50 HIGHER ON LEAN CUTS. STEERS: SELECT 1-3 67.75-69.75. HOLSTEIN STEERS: CHOICE 2-3 1500/1535 LBS. 58.75-59.00. SELECT 1-2 54.25-57.50. STANDARD 1-2 52.00-53.50.

HEIFERS: CHOICE 2-4 985/1305 LBS. 68.00-69.75. SELECT 1-3 63.00-67.50. STANDARD 1-2 54.25-61.25.

COWS: BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 41.00-46.25. BONERS 80-85% LEAN 40.00-42.50. LEAN 85-90% LEAN 35.00-41.00, SHELLS DOWN TO 34.23 & DOWN. BULLS: FEW YIELD GRADE 2 1040/1185 LBS. 45.00-50.00.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: NO MARKET TEST.

HEIFERS: NO MARKET TEST.

**BULLS: NO MARKET TEST.** 

CALVES: 115. STANDARD & GOOD 90/110 LBS, 50.00-65.00, STANDARD & GOOD 70/85 LBS, 40.00-65.00. UTILITY 65/75 LBS. 27.00-37.50.

FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS STEADY. NO. 1 90/130 LBS. 122.50-152.50, NO. 2 80/125 LBS. 72.50-125.00.

HOLSTEIN HEIFERS: NO. 1 85%10 LBS, 480.00-625.00, NO. 2 70/90 LBS. 120.00-360.00. BEEF TYPE BULLS & HEIFERS 85/110 LBS. 117.50-187.50.

HOGS: 26. BARROW & GILTS STEADY 49-54% LEAN 225/275 LB. 41.50-44.50. 45-50% 230/240 LB. 37.00-38.00. LITE 40-45% 115/145 LB. 43.00-44.00. SOWS: 1-3 355/435 LBS. 31.75 & 32.00. 1-3 500 & 510 LBS. 27.00 & 28.00. MED. 205 & 368 LBS. 24.50 & 25.75

SHEEP: 7. SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 19.00-52.50.

#### **Jersey Shore** Livestock Market, Inc. Jersey Shore, Pa. **Report Supplied By Auction** Thursday, Feb. 28. 2002

**RETURN TO FARM CALF:** 100.00-520.00. GOOD VEAL: 70.00-99.00. COMMON VEAL: 20.00-69.00. CHOICE STEERS: 70.00-73.00. SELECT STEERS: 65.00-69.00. COMMON STEERS: 55.00-64.00. COMMERCIAL COWS: 38.00-42.00.

CANNERS/CUTTERS: 36.00-42.00. SHELLS: 32.00 TO 35.00. SELECT HEIFERS: 64.00-67.00. COMMON HEIFERS: 35.00-63.00. GOOD FEEDERS: 65.00-70.00. COMMON FEEDERS: 59.00-64.00. BULLS: 44.00-58.00.

### Pennsylvania Livestock Auction Waynesburg, Pa.

Thursday, February 28, 2002 **Report Supplied By Auction** 

Cattle: STOCK COWS: 40.00-51.00. SLAUGHTER COWS: Utility & Commercial 36.00-44.00; Canner & Boning Utility 34.00-40.00; Cutter & Boning Utilitv 30.00-37.00; Canner & Low Cutter 30.00-37.00; Shells 30.00 & down.

**BULLS: YIELD GRADE 1** 1500#-2000# 41.50-60.00; YIELD GRADE 2 1000#-1400# 35.00-58.00.

FEEDER STEERS: M & L 1 300-500 82.00-100.00; 250-280# 80.00-112.00; M 600-900# 55.00-86.00.

HEIFERS: M 1 & L 1 300-500# 75.00-92.00; L 1 400-650# 60.00-90.00.

BULLS: M & L 1 300-620# 70.00-98.00. CALVES: Veal Prime 70.00-90.00; Choice 60.00-84.00; Good 35.00-70.00; Farm Calves #1 Holstein Bulls 90-120# Few 35.00-100.00; #2 Holstein Bulls 80-100# Few 10.00-50.00; Beef - Bull & Hfrs./Hd. 50.00-100.00.

HOGS: Barrows & Gilts #1-2 210-255# 40.00-62.00; #2-3 255-280# 40.00-51.00; Sows #1-3 300-500# 40.00-48.00; Feeder Pigs 1-3 15-20# 5.00-17.00/Hd. 1-3 25-35# 10.00-41.00/Hd.

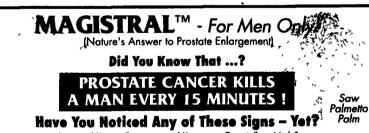
LAMBS: High Choice 80-100# 70.00-115.00; Choice 40-75# 80.00-135.00; Feeder Lambs Good 80.00-110.00; Sheep 30.00-50.00: Fat Sheep 39.00 and down.

GOATS: Large 60.00-130.00/Hd.; Medium 30.00-75.00/Hd.; Small 20.00-50.00/ Hd.

HORSES: Horses 25.00-52.00; Ponies 20.00-48.00.

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