

Grantsville Livestock

Grantsville, Maryland
Report Supplied by Auction
Saturday, March 16, 2002

STOCK STEERS AND BULLS
200-500 LBS. \$5.00-105.00.

STOCK HEIFERS 50.00-95.00.
SLAUGHTER STEERS GOOD TO CHOICE UP TO 70.50, MEDIUM TO GOOD 45.00-62.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS GOOD 42.00-55.00, LIGHT 52.00-60.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS GOOD TO CHOICE UP TO 67.00, MEDIUM TO GOOD 50.00-58.50.

BULLS HEAVY 41.00-60.00, LIGHT 48.00-67.00.

COWS UTILITY HOLSTEINS 35.50-44.50, CANNERS 32.00-40.00, CULLS 32.00 AND DOWN.

BOB CALVES 50.00 AND DOWN.
HOLSTEIN BULL CALVES RETURN TO FARM 90-120 LBS. UP TO 125.00.

HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES RETURN TO FARM UP TO 525.00.

BEEF CROSS CALVES RETURN TO FARM UP TO 150.00.

HOGS TOP QUALITY UP TO 37.00, HEAVY UP TO 34.00, LIGHT 30.00, FEEDER PIGS BY HEAD UP TO 50.00.

SOWS 20.00-29.00.

MALE HOGS 12.00-19.00.

LAMBS 70-85 LBS. UP TO 120.00, 85-125 LBS. UP TO 92.00, 30-60 LBS. UP TO 140.00, CULLS UP TO 60.00.

SHEEP UP TO 45.00.

GOATS LARGE 55 00-150.00, MEDIUM 25.00-70.00, SMALL 10.00-40.00, ALL BY THE HEAD.

Middleburg Livestock Auction

Middleburg, Pa.
Tuesday, March 19, 2002
Report Supplied By USDA

CATTLE 302...(PDA)...(Supply included 117 steers and heifers, 139 cows, 16 bulls and 30 feeder cattle)...Compared with last week's sale...steers steady with some weakness late in the sale, Lean cows steady, Boners and Breakers 2.00 to 3.00 lower, heifers steady, bulls 2.00 lower.

STEERS: few High Choice and Prime 2-4 1300-1455 lbs 74.00-76.00, 1505-1570 lbs 70.75-71.50, Choice 2-3 1175-1495 lbs 69.50-75.00, 1530-1625 lbs 65.75-69.00, Select 1-3 66.00-72.00, Standard 1-2 61.50-65.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: one Prime 3 1445 lbs 67.50, Choice 2-3 1180-1550 lbs 58.75-64.00, few Select 1-2 51.50-58.00, Standard 1-2 47.00-51.00.

HEIFERS: one Prime 3 1460 lbs 76.25, Choice 2-4 1245-1420 lbs 70.75-75.00, few Select 1-3 65.00-68.25, few Standard 1-2 45.50-56.75.

COWS: Breakers 75-80% lean 41.00-47.50 mostly 42.00-46.50, Boners 80-85% lean 40.00-48.50, bulk of sales 42.00-46.75, Lean 85-90% lean 37.75-47.25 mostly 40.75-46.50. Shells 35.00 and down.

BULLS: few Yield Grade 1 1670-2045 lbs 57.75-63.25, Yield Grade 2 1035-2115 lbs 50.00-56.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: one Medium 3 740 lbs 55.00, Large 3 370-425 lbs Holsteins 69.00-78.00; HEIFERS: few Large 2 365-575 lbs 78.00-85.00, one Large 3 1100 lbs Holstein 79.00; BULLS: few Medium and Large 3-4 400-465 lbs 40.00-41.00, 555-565 lbs 48.00-60.00.

CALVES 260...VEALERS: few Standard and Good 75-110 lbs 40.00-60.00, few Utility 60-105 lbs 20.00-30.00.

FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls uneven 5.00 lower to 5.00 higher, Holstein heifers steady...No 1 Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs 130.00-155.00, 80-90 lbs 129.00-147.00, No 2 80-125 lbs 70.00-132.00; No 1 Holstein heifers 90-105 lbs 500.00-675.00, No 2 75-110 lbs 200.00-490.00.

HOGS 93...Barrows and gilts 2.00 lower. BARROWS AND GILTS: few 49-54% lean 260-270 lbs 35.50-37.00, 45-50% lean 245-275 lbs 28.00-32.00, 40-45% lean 280-325 lbs 26.50-34.50, few up to 39.00.

SOWS: one 1-3 450 lbs 29.50, few 545-670 lbs 28.00-29.50.

BOARS: 420-805 lbs 11.75-13.50.

FEEDER PIGS 3...Few 1-3 60 lbs 34.00. — per head.

SHEEP 121...Slaughter lambs 5.00 to 10.00 lower. SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice 25-45 lbs 102.00-137.00, 45-65 lbs 100.00-120.00, 80-85 lbs 60.00-75.00, Good and Choice 30-35 lbs 72.00-97.00, 60-70 lbs 75.00-88.00. SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 10.00-35.00, Yearlings 40.00-50.00.

GOATS 54...(All sold by the head). One Large Billy 95.00, Medium 50.00-77.00, Large Nannies 56.00-80.00, Medium 40.00-67.00, Large Kids 27.00-55.00 with one 63.00, few Small 27.00-36.00.

Tri-State Weekly Feeder Cattle Sale

Richmond, Va.
March 18, 2002

Report Supplied By USDA
WEEKLY AUCTION at Tri-State, Mar. 15 — FEEDER CATTLE: 730 head. Prices per hundredweight, based on Out Weights.

STEERS: 241 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 108-127.00; 300-400 lb 102-116.00; 400-500 lb 97-108.00; 500-600 lb 91-99.00; 600-700 lb 75-83.50; 700-800 lb 72-75.50; 800-900 lb 67.50-70.00; 900-1000 lb 62.50; 1000-1100 lb 58.50-62.50. Small 1: 300-400 lb 80-94.00; 400-500 lb 85-92.00; 500-600 lb 82-86.00. Med. and Lge. 2: 300-400 lb 97-104.00; 400-500 lb 95-98.00; 500-600 lb 85-90.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: 19 head. Med. and Lge. 2: 300-500 lb 69-76.50; 500-700 lb 62-71.00; 700-900 lb 60-65.00.

HEIFERS: 284 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 90-97.00; 300-400 lb 88-95.00; 400-500 lb 86-92.00; 500-600 lb 79-83.00; 600-700 lb 75-81.50; 700-800 lb 69-74.50; 800-900 lb 59-61.00. Small 1: 200-300 lb 77-85.00; 300-400 lb 80-84.00; 400-500 lb 76.50-82.00; 500-600 lb 65-71.00; 600-700 lb 66-69.00. Med. and Lge. 2: 200-300 lb 85.50-92.00; 300-400 lb 83-90.00; 400-500 lb 83-88.00; 500-600 lb 70-78.00; 600-700 lb 70-74.00; 700-800 lb 62-66.00.

BULLS: 186 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 95-103.00; 300-400 lb 101-116.00; 400-500 lb 93-106.00; 500-600 lb 83-85.00; 600-700 lb 79-85.00; 700-900 lb 67.50-72.00. Small 1: 600-700 lb 69-73.00. Med. and Lge. 2: 300-400 lb 94-103.00; 400-500 lb 86-94.00; 600-700 lb 75-80.00.

Wytheville Weekly Feeder Cattle

Richmond, Va.
March 20, 2002

Report Supplied by USDA
WEEKLY AUCTION at Wytheville, Mar. 19 — FEEDER CATTLE: Receipts: 120 head. Prices per CWT, Based on In Weights.

STEERS: 18 head state graded. Med. and Lge. 1: 300-400 lb 97.00; 400-500 lb 96.00; 500-600 lb 90-93.00; 600-700 lb 78-82.00. Med. and Lge. 2: 300-400 lb 97.00; 400-500 lb 91.00; 500-600 lb 80.00; 600-700 lb 83.00.

HEIFERS: 54 head state graded. Med.

Weekly Meat Production Under Federal Inspection

WASHINGTON, D.C., Mar. 15 — (USDA-NASS) — Total red meat production under federal inspection for the week ending Sat., Mar. 16, was estimated at 876.4 million lb, according to the USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service. This was 2.2% higher than a week ago and 3.2% higher than a year ago. Cumulative meat production for the year to date was 1.1% higher compared to the previous year.

MEAT PRODUCTION (million pounds)
(excludes condemned)

Week Ending (1)	Beef	Calf/Veal	Pork (2)	Lamb/Mutton	Totals (3)
16-Mar-02	492.8	3.6	374.4	5.6	876.4
09-Mar-02	485.4	4.1	363.0	4.8	857.3
Change:	up 1.5%	dn 12.2%	up 3.1%	up 16.7%	up 2.2%
17-Mar-01	478.4	3.8	362.0	4.9	849.1
Change:	up 3.0%	dn 5.3%	up 3.4%	up 14.3%	up 3.2%
2002 YTD:	5314.0	38.3	3973.3	45.4	9371.0
2001 YTD:	5165.2	41.3	4013.5	47.1	9267.1
Change:	up 2.9%	dn 7.3%	dn 1.0%	dn 3.6%	up 1.1%

1- Previous week estimates may be revised. Year ago data are actuals.

2- Excludes lard.

3- Totals may not add due to rounding. 2002 totals are subject to revision.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER (head)

Week Ending	Cattle	Calves/Vealers	Hogs	Sheep/Lambs
16-Mar-02	647,000	19,000	1,890,000	81,000
09-Mar-02	637,000	21,000	1,832,000	70,000
Change:	up 1.6%	dn 9.5%	up 3.2%	up 15.7%
17-Mar-01	657,000	19,000	1,847,000	68,000
Change:	dn 1.5%	0%	up 2.3%	up 19.1%
2002 YTD:	6,958,000	208,000	20,090,000	656,000
2001 YTD:	7,049,000	212,000	20,472,000	652,000
Change:	dn 1.3%	dn 2.0%	dn 1.9%	dn 0.6%

AVERAGE WEIGHTS (lbs.)

Week Ending:	LIVE:	Cattle	Calves/Vealers	Hogs	Sheep/Lamb
16-Mar-02	Estimate	1255	321	267	138
09-Mar-02	Estimate	1258	327	267	139
17-Mar-01	Actual	1212	324	265	143
DRESSED					
16-Mar-02	Estimate	766	196	199	69
09-Mar-02	Estimate	766	200	199	69
17-Mar-01	Actual	731	200	197	72

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL SLAUGHTERED BY CLASS

Wk. Ending	CATTLE				HOGS		
	Steers	Heifers	Cows	Bulls/Stags	Barrows/Gilts	Sows	Boars/Stags
02-Mar-02	48.3%	34.2%	15.6%	1.8%	96.6%	3.2%	0.3%
03-Mar-01	47.6%	33.2%	17.4%	1.9%	96.6%	3.0%	0.4%

and Lge. 1: 400-500 lb 88.00; 600-700 lb 74.50-75.00. Med. and Lge. 2: 300-400 lb 98.00; 400-500 lb 86-89.00; 500-600 lb 79-87.00 600-700 lb 75.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: 21 head. Med. and Lge. 2: 200-300 lb 91-100.00.00; 300-400 lb 85-93.00; 400-500 lb 71-76.00;

500-600 lb 63-67.00.

BULLS: 39 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 300-400 lb 88.00; 400-500 lb 90-99.00; 500-600 lb 81-88.00; 600-700 lb 64-70.00. Small 1: 400-500 lb 79-84.00. Med. and Lge. 2: 400-500 lb 86-92.00; 500-600 lb 78-82.00.



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