

Weekly Meat Production Under Federal Inspection

WASHINGTON, D.C., Mar. 29- (USDA-NASS) - Total red meat production under federal inspection for the week ending Sat., Mar. 30 was estimated at 848.8 million lb, according to the USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service. This was 2.3% lower than a week ago and 1.1% higher than a year ago. Cumulative meat production for the year to date was 1.2% higher compared to the previous year.

MEAT PRODUCTION (million pounds)

Week Ending (1)	Beef	Calf/Veal	Pork (2)	Lamb/Mutton	Totals (3)
30-Mar-02	469.2	4.0	371.1	4.5	848.8
23-Mar-02	483.3	4.1	375.6	6.0	869.0
Change:	dn 2.9	dn 2.4%	dn 1.2%	dn 25.0%	dn 2.3%
31-Mar-01	464.8	3.6	365.6	5.7	839.7
Change:	up 0.9%	up 11.1%	up 1.5%	dn 21.1%	up 1.1%
2002 YTD:	6270.5	45.6	4723.7	55.7	11,095.5
2001 YTD:	6105.8	48.5	4747.7	58.4	10,960.4
Change:	up 2.7%	dn 6.0%	dn 0.5%	dn 4.6%	up 1.2%

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
30-Mar-02	620,000	21,000	1,872,000	65,000
23-Mar-02	637,000	21,000	1,895,000	86,000
Change:	dn 2.7%	0%	dn 1.2%	dn 24.4%
31-Mar-01	642,000	18,000	1,863,000	78,000
Change:	dn 3.4%	up 16.7%	up 0.5%	dn 16.7%
2002 YTD:	8,215,000	250,000	23,857,000	807,000
2001 YTD:	8,347,000	249,000	24,219,000	808,000
Change:	dn 1.6%	up 0.4%	dn 1.5%	dn 0.1%

AVERAGE WEIGHTS (lbs.)

Week Ending: LIVE:	Cattle	Calves/Vealers	Hogs	Sheep/Lamb
30-Mar-02 Estimate	1247	321	267	141
23-Mar-02 Estimate	1251	325	267	139
31-Mar-01 Actual	1203	330	266	147
DRESSED:				
30-Mar-02 Estimate	761	197	199	70
23-Mar-02 Estimate	766	198	199	70
31-Mar-01 Actual	728	202	197	73

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL SLAUGHTERED BY CLASS

Wk. Ending	CATTLE				HOGS		
	Steers	Heifers	Cows	Bulls/Stags	Barrows/Gilts	Sows	Boars/Stags
16-Mar-02	48.0%	33.7%	16.5%	1.8%	96.5%	3.2%	0.3%
17-Mar-01	49.4%	31.9%	16.8%	1.9%	96.4%	3.2%	0.4%

Four States Livestock Monday Sale

Hagerstown, Md.
 Report Supplied By Auction
 April 1, 2002
 SLAUGHTER COWS: 51 HEAD, STEADY. BREAKERS 41.00-45.75, 1 AT 47.75, BONERS 40.00-44.00, LEAN 37.00-41.50, THIN 37.00 DOWN.
 FED STEERS; CHOICE 2-3 1300-1575 LBS. 69.25-71.75, SELECT TO LOW CHOICE 1100-1450 LBS. 66.00-69.00.
 FED HEIFERS: FEW OFFERED.
 CALVES: 89 HEAD, 1 CHOICE 220 LBS. AT 92.00, GOOD 90-120 LBS. 50.00-62.00; HOLSTEIN BULLS RETURNING TO FARM 5.00-10.00 HIGHER. +N1 95-120 LBS. 140.00-151.00, 82-94 LBS. 120.00-130.00; +N2 95-130 LBS. 115.00-135.00, 80-94 LBS. 90.00-115.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS 9 HEAD. +N1 90-110 LBS. 575.00-660.00, +N2 80-88 LBS. 335.00-450.00, 60-70 LBS. TO 170.00; BEEF X BULLS AND HEIFERS +N2 80-100 LBS. 85.00-132.00.
 BUTCHER HOGS: 16 HEAD, STEADY. +N1 AND 3 250-290 LBS. 31.00, 295-325 LBS. 28.00-30.25.
 SOWS: 21 HEAD, 2.00 HIGHER. 400-475 LBS. 24.00-28.00, 475-750 LBS. 29.75-32.00.
 BOARS: 600-800 LBS. TO 14.25.
 STOCK CATTLE: 46, INCLUDES 12 HEAD HEIFERS. STEERS, FEW OFFERED, 800-1075 LBS. 64.00-72.50.
 HEIFERS: 250-500 LBS. 69.00-78.00, 1 350 LBS. AT 89.50, 500-700 LBS. 71.00-76.00.
 BULLS: 300-400 LBS. 90.00-104.00, 800-900 LBS. 54.00-55.00.
 DAIRY REPLACEMENTS: 5 HEAD, MEDIUM FRESH 660.00 AND 710.00; SHORT BRED HEIFERS 975.00-1200.00, 1 LARGE OPEN HEIFER 1135.00, MEDIUM OPEN 700-860 LBS. 1 SMALL AT 550.00, HOLSTEIN BULLS 1150 LBS. 550.00.
 LAMBS: 10 HEAD. GOOD WOOLED 90-105 LBS. 77.00-79.00, GOOD SPRING 50-60 LBS. TO 85.00.
 GOATS: 7 HEAD. MEDIUM 44.00-56.00, SMALL FLESHY 32.00-45.00.
 PIGS AND SHOATS: BY THE LB. 110-180 LBS. TO 32.00, STOCK BOARS 200-266 LBS. 24.00-29.00.

Westminster Livestock Hag-

erstown, Md.
 Report Supplied By Auction
 April 2, 2002
 SLAUGHTER COWS: 95 HEAD, ACTIVE 1.00-2.00 HIGHER. BREAKERS 41.00-46.00, FEW TO 47.75, BONERS 40.00-44.00, FEW TO 45.50, LEAN 38.00-42.00, SHELLY 38.00 DOWN.
 BULLS: 11 HEAD, STEADY TO 1.00 HIGHER. YG+N1 59.00-61.25, 2 HIGH DRESSING 1870 AND 1980 LBS. 68.50 AND 70.50, YG+N2 55.00-59.50.
 FED STEERS: 22 HEAD, 1.00 HIGHER. HIGH CHOICE TO PRIME 1200-1550 LBS. 71.75-73.75, CHOICE 2-3 69.00-72.00, HIGH CHOICE TO PRIME HOLSTEINS 1200-1600 LBS. 59.00-62.00, CHOICE 2-3 1100-1600 LBS. 53.00-59.00.
 FED HEIFERS: 10 HEAD. HIGH CHOICE TO PRIME 1100-1450 LBS. 69.00-71.50, CHOICE 2-4 67.00-69.00.
 CALVES: 118 HEAD, GOOD SLAUGHTER 90-120 LBS. 50.00-62.00; HOLSTEIN BULLS RETURNING TO FARM, STEADY ON BETTER QUALITY. +N1 94-115 LBS. 140.00-157.00, 82-92 LBS. 127.00-145.00; +N2 94-115 LBS. 112.00-135.00, 80-92 LBS. 80.00-120.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS 20.00-50.00 HIGHER. +N2 90-115 LBS. 520.00-595.00, +N2 290.00-490.00; BEEF X BULLS AND HEIFERS 80-110 LBS. 127.00-160.00, 1 146 LBS. AT 125.00, 1 174 LBS. AT 112.00.
 BUTCHER HOGS: 53 HEAD. +N1 AND 2 240-270 LBS. 30.75-31.75, 10 HEAD 280 LBS. AT 30.00, +N1 AND 3 250-300 LBS. 27.00-28.00, +N2 AND 3 DOWN TO 22.25.
 SOWS: 22 HEAD. 300-450 LBS. 24.00-28.00, 450-600 LBS. 28.00-30.25, 600-750 LBS. 30.00-32.00.
 STOCK CATTLE: 147 HEAD. STEERS MED. AND LARGE FRAME 300-500 LBS. TO 92.00, 500-700 LBS. 80.00-87.00, 700-900 LBS. 61.00-71.00, 900-1050 LBS. TO 66.00.
 HEIFERS: MED. AND LARGE FRAME 200-400 LBS. 79.00-95.00, 400-600 LBS. 74.00-88.00, 600-800 LBS. 62.00-75.00, 800-1000 LBS. TO 67.50.
 BULLS: MED. AND LARGE FRAME 200-400 LBS. 91.00-114.00, 400-500 LBS. 87.00-100.00, 500-700 LBS. 70.00-82.00.
 SHEEP: 54 HEAD 25.00-39.00, FEW 40.00-48.00, 2 YEAR-OLDS 50.00-64.00.
 LAMBS: 22 HEAD. CHOICE SPRING 30-50 LBS. 106.00-121.00, 50-80 LBS. 105.00-109.00, 100-115 LBS. 91.00-95.00, WOOLED 90-110 LBS. 80.00-82.00.
 GOATS: 44 HEAD. LARGE BRED

NANNIES 70.00-89.00, MED. AND LARGE BILLIES AND WETHERS 40.00-86.00, KIDS 20.00-39.00.

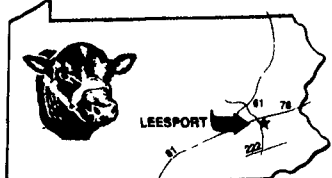
PIGS AND SHOATS: 34 HEAD. BY THE HEAD, 20-35 LBS. 20.00-29.00, 40-50 LBS. TO 34.00, 2 LARGE GILTS 160.00 EACH; BY THE LB. 100-130 LBS. 42.00-49.00, 170-200 LBS 25.00-29.00.
 BOARS: 300-500 LBS. 13.50.

Belleville Livestock Auction

Belleville, Pa.
 April 3, 2002
 Report Supplied By USDA
 CATTLE 347...(PDA)..(Supply included 247 cows and heifers in the Dairy sale)..Compared with last week's sale...cows steady.
 HOLSTEIN STEERS: one Standard 1-2 47.75.
 COWS: few Breakers 75-80% lean 40.00-43.00, Boners 80-85% lean 38.75-43.75, Lean 85-90% lean 36.25-42.75 with one 44.50. Shells 33.50 and down.
 BULLS: one Yield Grade 1 1710 lbs 57.75, few Yield Grade 2 1060-1510 lbs 51.50-56.00.
 FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: Medium and Large 3 550-690 lbs 47.00-59.50, 650-845 lbs 56.00-68.00; HEIFERS: one Medium 2 805 lbs 51.00, few Medium and Large 3 485-655 lbs 46.50-53.50; BULLS: Medium and Large 3 385-485 lbs 60.00, 640-690 lbs 50.00-54.50.
 CALVES 83...VEALERS: Standard and Good 75-100 lbs 40.00-57.00, Utility 60-90 lbs 9.00-32.00. FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls 20.00 to 25.00 higher..No 1 Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs 135.00-165.00, 80-85 lbs 132.00, 137.00, No 2 80-125 lbs 80.00-132.00; few No 2 Holstein heifers 80-100 lbs 170.00-227.00.
 HOGS 5...BARROWS AND GILTS: few 40-45% lean 285-290 lbs 25.50-26.75.
 FEEDER PIGS 150...1-3 30-50 lbs 19.00-44.00, Utility 30-70 lbs 10.00-22.00 per cwt.
 SHEEP 14...SLAUGHTER LAMBS: couple Choice 15 & 20 lbs 95.00-132.00, 45 lbs 127.00, one 145 lbs 60.00, one Good 50 lbs 50.00. SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 10.00-49.00.
 GOATS 30...(All sold by the head). One Large Billy 78.00, one Medium 45.00, Large Nannies 50.00-68.00, Medium 30.00-65.00, Large Kids 20.00-36.00, Small 10.00-15.00.
 DAIRY COWS: 750.00-1650.00, bred heifers to 1750.00. — per head.

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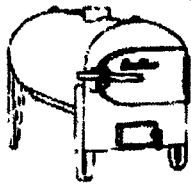
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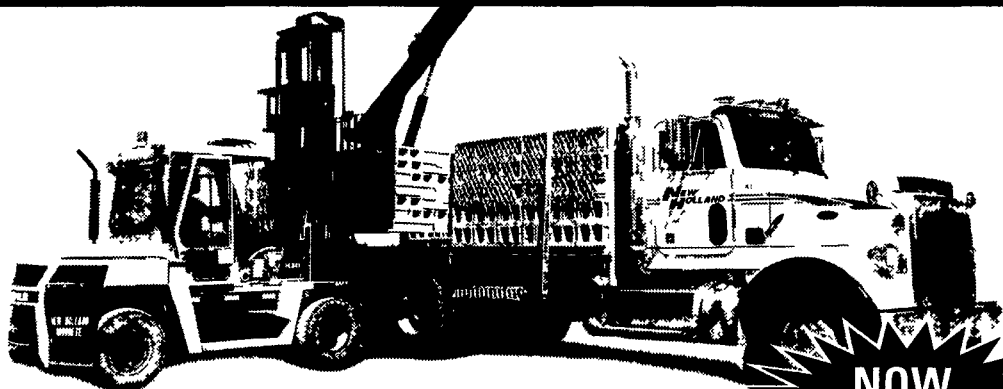
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