

# LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTIONS

## New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.  
 Report Supplied By USDA  
 Monday, September 16, 2002  
 Cattle Calves Hogs Sheep Goats  
**MONDAY**  
 359 146 316 848 1464  
**LAST WEEK**  
 328 246 3151112½  
 60  
**LAST YEAR**  
 306 199 1051 370 831

**CATTLE:** Compared to Thursday, slaughter cows sold weak to .50 lower with only moderate trade activity. The supply continues to be made up of leaner type cows, with fatter cows few and far between. Slaughter bulls sold firm to 1.00 higher, with bidding especially active on the higher quality stock. Slaughter cows made up approximately 54 percent of the run.

**SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING** Breakers 75-80 over 1400 lbs 39.50-44.50 36.00-38.75 Boners 80-85 over 1200 lbs 36.50-40.25 35.00-36.50 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 over 1200 lbs 36.00-38.00 33.00-34.75 Lean 88-90 over 1000 lbs 31.50-36.75 29.50-32.00 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 30.00-31.75 24.50-30.00

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1 1215-2075 lbs 47.00-59.00. Yield Grade 2 1385-1815 lbs 45.00-47.25, few low dressing 1215-1615 lbs 42.00-46.50, individual 2970 lbs 30.00.

**CALVES:** Compared to Thursday, vealers sold mostly steady on a very thin test. Holstein bulls returning to the farm sold fully steady to instances sharply higher in active trading. Receipts were fairly light when compared to the runs over the last couple of weeks, therefore buyers were aggressively procuring the few available. Holstein heifers sold mostly steady to weak on a very light run and test.

**VEALERS:** Standard and Good few 85-115 lbs 30.00-35.00. Utility few 70-100 lbs 15.00-30.00. **RETURNED TO FARM:** Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 92.00-141.00, mostly 102.00-125.00; Few 90 lbs 87.00-115.00; 80-85 lbs 70.00-87.00. Holstein heifers few 80-135 lbs 200.00-340.00, individual 430.00.

**HOGS:** Barrows and gilts 3.00 to 5.00 higher in a very active trading, sows 3.00 to 5.00 higher in active trading, boars 1.00 to 2.00 lower on a lightest.

**BARROWS AND GILTS:** 49-54% lean 205-250 lbs 28.00-31.25, 220-265 lbs 25.00-28.75, 45-50% lean 220-280 lbs 25.50-28.00, 40-45% lean 220-275 lbs 21.00-25.00, 280-360 lbs 16.25-20.50.

**SOWS:** 1-3 300-400 lbs 15.00-17.00, 400-500 lbs 16.00-18.00, 500-650 lbs 18.00-20.00.

**BOARS:** few 300-700 lbs 6.00.

**SHEEP:** Compared to Thursday, slaughter lambs continue to hold steady on good runs. **SLAUGHTER LAMBS:** Choice and Prime 2-3 40-80 lbs

90.00-120.00; 90-120 lbs 70.00-82.00. **SLAUGHTER EWES:** Good and Choice Yearlings and 2 year-olds 35.00-50.00. Utility and Good 1-3 20.00-40.00.

**GOATS:** Compared to last week, kids and yearlings sold with a definite weaker undertone. The supply was made up of primarily nannies, Billies, and Wethers, with the exception of a few consignments of kids late in the sale. There was definitely pressure on the Nanny supply as well, as a sharply lower undertone was noted. However, Billies and Wethers sold with a firmer undertone on active trading and a good supply. Buyer activity and attendance was only moderate on all classes early, picking up mid-sale. Kids: Selection 1 20-40 lbs 25.00-46.00; 40-60 lbs 42.00-57.00; 60-80 lbs 57.00-65.00. Selection 2 20-40 lbs 20.00-36.00; 40-60 lbs 35.00-40.00; 60-80 lbs 42.00-47.00. Selection 3 20-40 lbs 18.00-22.00. Yearlings: Selection 1 60-80 lbs 42.00-62.00; 80-100 lbs 60.00-78.00. Selection 2 60-80 lbs 34.00-46.00; 80-100 lbs 46.00-54.00. Does/Nannies: Selection 1 50-70 lbs 50.00-61.00; 70-100 lbs 64.00-70.00; 100-140 lbs 70.00-94.00. Selection 2 50-70 lbs 34.00-44.00; 70-100 lbs 46.00-55.00; 100-140 lbs 54.00-70.00. Selection 3 50-70 lbs 26.00-86.00; 70-100 lbs 40.00-45.00. Wethers: 50-70 lbs 60.00-74.00; 70-100 lbs 77.00-88.00; 100-125 lbs 98.00-104.00. Bucks/Billies: Selection 1 70-100 lbs 64.00-95.00; 100-150 lbs 98.00-136.00; 150-250 lbs 118.00-154.00. Selection 2 70-100 lbs 49.00-68.00; 100-150 lbs few 58.00-70.00; 150-250 lbs 76.00-90.00. Selection 3 70-100 lbs 38.00-54.00; 100-150 lbs 53.00-66.00; 150-250 lbs 62.00-71.00.

## Vintage Livestock Auction

Vintage, Pa.  
 September 16-17, 2002  
 Report Supplied By USDA  
 Cattle Calves Sheep Goats

**THIS WEEK**  
 803 850 0 0  
**LAST WEEK**  
 802 871 13 3  
**LAST YEAR**  
 757 789 2 2

**CATTLE:** Compared to Thursday, the bulk of the slaughter steers sold steady to weak, with higher quality Choice and Prime steers trading with a firmer undertone. Bidding was moderate on the plainer type stock, picking up late on the fancier steers. Holstein steers sold with a weaker undertone on a light run. A slaughter heifer trend could not be established due to light receipts. Slaughter cows sold fully .50-1.00 lower on very light buyer attendance. The bulk of the cow run was made up of lean cows, where bidding was light. Slaughter bulls were also in very light supply, therefore a trend could not be established. The supply included 43 percent steers, 7 percent heifers, 45 percent cows, 3 percent bulls, with the balance feeders.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice

## Market At A Glance

Lancaster County Livestock Auction Averages  
 (Price Per Hundredweight)  
 Week Ending Friday, September 20, 2002  
 Supplied By Market Staff

	This Wk	Wk Ago	Yr Ago
Steers, Choice 2-3	65.00	64.75	68.75
Heifers, Choice 2-3	63.50	63.35	67.85
Cows, Breakers, 75-80% lean	42.00	42.50	49.00
Cows, Boners, 80-85% lean	37.75	37.50	45.50
Bulls, YG 1	53.50	53.00	57.75
Hogs, 49-54% lean, Monday	28.00	24.50	44.60
Lambs, Choice/Prime 80-110 lb.	76.00	76.00	78.00

and Prime 2-4 1250-1455 lbs 65.00-68.00, several individuals 68.00-70.25. Choice 2-3 1150-1430 lbs 63.25-66.00, few heavyweights 1490-1530 lbs 62.00-62.25, few full 62.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1150-1385 lbs 62.00-64.00. Select 1-3 few 1055-1350 lbs 59.75-63.25, few going back on feed 56.25-61.75.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** Choice 2-3 few 1350-1660 lbs 54.25-55.85. Select and low Choice 2-3 few 1365-1470 lbs 51.75-53.85. Select 1-2 few 1320-1430 lbs 50.50-52.75.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Choice 2-3 few 1230-1340 lbs 62.00-64.50, few individuals up to 66.25, couple Yield Grade 4 60.00. Heiferettes: Commercial to Choice 2-4 995-1020 lbs 56.75-61.00.

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**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield grade 1 1170-1790 lbs 46.75-49.50, individual 59.00. Yield grade 2 1390-2310 lbs 44.00-47.00, couple low dressing 42.25-44.00.

**CALVES:** Compared to last Tuesday, vealers sold fully steady to 2.00 higher on a very thin test. Holstein bulls suitable for

special-fed veal barns sold mostly 6.00-12.00 lower in only moderate trade activity. Holstein heifers sold with a sharply lower undertone on a light run. The supply included 69% in the state graded sale, with 94 percent of the supply returned to feed.

**VEALERS:** Standard and Good 85-120 lbs 30.00-42.00. Utility 45-85 lbs 10.00-32.00. **RETURNED TO FARM:** Holstein Bulls 95-125 lbs 114.00-137.00; 90 lbs 100.00; 85 lbs 90.00; 80 lbs 70.00. Plainer-type bulls 100-115 lbs 87.00-105.00; 90-95 lbs 60.00-72.00; 83 lbs 40.00-45.00. Holstein heifers 95-115 lbs 45.00-57.50; 83 lbs 37.00. Plainer-type heifers 93-105 lbs 44.00-46.00; 82-84 lbs 30.00-31.00; 73 lbs 135.00; 65 lbs 70.00.

**Beef-type heifers** 70-100 lbs 110.00-175.00, few up to 360.00.

## New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.  
 Thursday, September 19, 2002  
 Report Supplied By USDA  
 Cattle Calves Sheep Goats

**THURSDAY**  
 1224 670 318 176  
**LAST WEEK**  
 1180 623 372 132  
**LAST YEAR**  
 1161 709 478 202

**CATTLE:** Compared to Tuesday, slaughter steers sold fully .50 higher, with prices up to 1.00 higher on the top quality steers. Buyers were relatively active in procuring all grades, and very active in their pursuits to own the fancy ones. However, buyer interests lightened up late as loads were already full, which led to a few steers being bought a little cheaper than the bulk. Holstein steers sold with a higher undertone on a thin test. Holstein receipts remain fairly light, with Thursday's supply including several beef crosses which sold at a premium. There were not enough slaughter heifers for a market test.

Breaking and boning cows sold .50 to instances 1.00 higher in active trading. Lean cow demand continues to be as good as the supply, with prices trending fully .50 to 1.00 higher. Slaughter bulls sold steady to weak on a good run.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1235-1465 lbs 65.75-68.50, several individuals 68.00-70.75. Choice 2-3 1075-1415 lbs 63.50-67.00, high dressing Yield Grade 1-2 67.25-69.00, few heavyweights 1515-1630 lbs 62.00-63.25. Few Select and low Choice 2-3 1120-1310 lbs 62.25-64.50. Few Select 1-3 1180-1395 lbs 58.00-60.50.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** Choice, few Prime 2-3 1335-1520 lbs 54.75-57.00, few cross-breeds 57.00-59.75. Few Select and low Choice 2-3 1215-1490 lbs 52.75-54.85. Few Select 1-2 1135-1350 lbs 52.00-53.00, with a few going back on feed 46.00-51.25.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Choice 2 high dressing individual 1290 lbs 69.25. Heiferettes: Few Commercial to Choice 2-4 995-1100 lbs 52.00-57.25.

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**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1 1000-1705 lbs 49.25-57.75, couple 2040-2155 lbs 46.75-47.50. Yield grade 2 1045-1900 lbs 42.00-46.00, low dressing or lightweight 735-1195 lbs 39.50-46.00.

**CALVES:** Compared to Monday, vealers sold 4.00 to 10.00 lower on a light test in only moderate bidding. Holstein bulls

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