

# LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTIONS

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## New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.  
Report Supplied By USDA  
Monday, September 23, 2002

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	Goats
MONDAY	317	257	454	1045	1148
LAST WEEK	373	146	316	848	1464
LAST YEAR	337	216	1008	1169	911

**CATTLE:** Compared to Thursday, slaughter cows sold fully steady to instances .50 higher on the bulk of the lean cow supply. Flesher cows sold firm to 1.00 higher in active trading. The quality of the supply was fairly good with buyers relatively active due in part to the better quality. Slaughter bulls sold weak to instances 1.00 lower on a light run. Slaughter cows made up approximately 54 percent of the run.

**SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING** Breakers 75-80 over 1400 lbs 40.00-43.25 35.00-38.00 Boners 80-85 over 1200 lbs 38.00-41.25 34.00-37.50 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 over 1200 lbs 35.00-38.00 33.00-34.75 Lean 88-90 over 1000 lbs 32.50-37.50 30.50-32.50 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 28.00-32.00 24.50-28.00

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1 1180-2105 lbs 45.75-52.50. Yield Grade 2 1325-1645 lbs 43.50-45.50, few low dressing 39.50-41.75, few lightweight 820-1020 lbs 40.00-43.00. Bullocks: Select 1-2 few 955-1230 lbs 44.00-45.00.

**CALVES:** Compared to Thursday, vealers sold 4.00-10.00 lower on a very light run and test. Holstein bulls returning to the farm sold with a sharply lower undertone on a fairly thin test, and only moderate bidding. The bulk of the Holstein heifers sold with a lower undertone as well as receipts were light, and bidding was only moderate on the plainer-type stock.

**VEALERS:** Standard and Good few 85-100 lbs 25.00-30.00. Utility few 65-85

lbs 11.00-20.00. RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls 95-115 lbs 85.00-125.00; 90 lbs 82.00-85.00; 80-85 lbs 57.00-70.00. Holstein heifers few 90-105 lbs 240.00-250.00, individual 590.00. Few Beef-type bulls 90-105 lbs 55.00-110.00. Individual beef-type heifer 110 lbs 50.00.

**SHEEP:** Compared to Thursday, slaughter lambs sold mostly steady on a good run and fairly active bidding. **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.

**HOGS:** Barrows and gilts steady to .75 lower with heavier weights trading with a firmer undertone, sows steady to 1.00 lower, boars fully steady on a very light run. **BARROWS AND GILTS:** 49-54% lean 205-250 lbs 27.25-30.75, 220-265 lbs 26.50-29.00, 45-50% lean 220-280 lbs 25.00-27.75, string 27.85, 40-45% lean 220-275 lbs 23.75-25.50, string 26.10, 280-360 lbs 20.00-23.50.

**SOWS:** 1-3 300-450 lbs 17.00-18.00, 450-650 lbs 18.00-19.00.

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

**GOATS:** Compared to last week, kids sold mixed on uneven demand, with a definite lower undertone on lower quality kids. The kid supply was much lighter when compared to the other classes, and demand suffered due to the low receipts. Yearlings sold fully steady to 6.00 higher on good demand. Nannies sold mixed, from 5.00 lower to 3.00 higher, as buyers were fairly selective on quality. Lighter wethers sold with a weaker undertone; with heavier, higher quality wethers trading sharply higher in active trading. Billies sold with a weaker undertone, even with the few fancy billies in the bulk, prices trended 2.00-3.00 lower. Kids: Selection 1 20-40 lbs few 34.00-44.00; 40-60 lbs 40.00-52.00; Selection 2 20-40 lbs 20.00-24.00; 40-60 lbs 38.00-44.00; 60-80 lbs 42.00-47.00. Selection 3 20-40 lbs 15.00-18.00. Yearlings: Selection 1 60-80 lbs 43.00-66.00; 80-100 lbs 58.00-78.00. Selection 2 60-80 lbs 36.00-42.00; 80-100

## Market At A Glance

Lancaster County Livestock Auction Averages  
(Price Per Hundredweight)

Week Ending Wednesday, September 25, 2002

NOTE: Averages do not include Thursday's sales because of early deadline.  
Supplied By Market Staff

	This Wk	Wk Ago	Yr Ago
Steers, Choice 2-3	65.25	65.00	67.85
Heifers, Choice 2-3	No Test	63.50	67.50
Cows, Breakers, 75-80% lean	42.00	42.00	45.00
Cows, Boners, 80-85% lean	38.50	37.75	43.00
Bulls, YG 1, ltd.	49.50	53.50	57.00
Hogs, 49-54% lean, Monday	28.00	28.00	42.65
Lambs, Choice/Prime 80-110 lb.	76.00	76.00	70.00

lbs 54.00-60.00. Selection 3 60-80 lbs 24.00-38.00. Does/Nannies: Selection 1 50-70 lbs 45.00-64.00; 70-100 lbs 62.00-72.00; 100-140 lbs 69.00-88.00. Selection 2 50-70 lbs 36.00-44.00; 70-100 lbs 45.00-58.00; 100-140 lbs few 68.00-72.00. Selection 3 50-70 lbs 27.00-38.00; 70-100 lbs 40.00-50.00; 100-140 lbs few 47.00-51.00. Wethers: 50-70 lbs 58.00-68.00; 70-100 lbs 70.00-94.00; 100-125 lbs 100.00-132.00. Bucks/Billies: Selection 1 70-100 lbs 60.00-88.00; 100-150 lbs 88.00-122.00; 150-250 lbs 122.00-146.00, fancy individual 156.00. Selection 2 70-100 lbs 46.00-62.00; 100-150 lbs few 70.00-74.00; 150-250 lbs few 90.00-100.00. Selection 3 70-100 lbs 46.00-55.00; 100-150 lbs 56.00-66.00.

Compared to Thursday, slaughter steers sold mostly steady to firm. The bulk of the supply on Monday included heavier cattle with more finish on them; and prices trended firm to .25 higher. Tuesday's run included more average finished steers, and bids were weaker due to the difference in quality. Buyers continue to actively pursue the top-end steers, with moderate bidding on the bulk of the run. Holstein steers sold with a weaker undertone on a thin run. The majority of the Holstein run was slightly under-finished, and buyer activity was fairly light. Slaughter heifers were in very short supply, therefore a trend was not established. Flesher cows sold firm to 1.00 higher, with lean cows trading steady to .50 higher. The supply was made up of a good run of lean cows, with the breaking and boning cow supply still fairly light. The supply included 48 percent steers, 7 percent heifers, 43 percent cows, and 2 percent bulls.

## Vintage Livestock Auction

Vintage, Pa.  
September 23-24, 2002  
Report Supplied By USDA

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats
THIS WEEK	809	862	0	1
LAST WEEK	807	848	0	0
LAST YEAR	800	896	0	1

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1220-1455 lbs 66.00-69.00, couple individuals 69.75-70.25. Choice 2-3 1140-1490 lbs 63.50-67.00, couple high dressing Yield Grade 1-2 up to 68.75, few

heavyweights 1500-1600 lbs 60.00-63.00, few Yield Grade 4 61.00-63.50. Select and low Choice 2-3 1150-1420 lbs 62.50-65.00. Few Select 1-3 1045-1420 lbs 61.75-63.35, with a few going back on feed 58.25-63.25.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** Few Choice 2-3 1350-1660 lbs 54.25-55.85. Select and low Choice 2-3 1365-1550 lbs 51.75-54.00. Select 1-2 1310-1430 lbs 50.00-52.75. **SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Select and low Choice 2-3 1215-1500 lbs 59.25-61.25. Heiferettes: Commercial to Choice 2-4 1270-1520 lbs 50.00-55.35.

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**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield grade 1 1480-1900 lbs 45.25-49.00. Yield grade 2 1185-1810 lbs 43.75-46.50, low dressing 2350 lbs 35.00.

**CALVES:** Compared to last Tuesday, vealers sold mostly 10.00-12.00 lower on a light test. Holstein bulls suitable for special-fed veal barns sold with a sharply lower undertone on light buyer activity. Holstein heifers sold mixed, although the bulk of the supply sold with a lower undertone. The supply included 69% in the state graded sale, with around 95 percent of the supply returned to feed.

**VEALERS:** Standard and Good 85-120 lbs 20.00-30.00. Utility 45-85 lbs 10.00-22.00. RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein Bulls 95-125 lbs 95.00-122.00; 90 lbs 57.00; 85 lbs 67.00; 80 lbs 40.00. Plainer-type bulls 95-115 lbs 50.00-92.00; 93 lbs 47.00; 90 lbs 40.00; 83 lbs 30.00-35.00. Holstein heifers 95-120 lbs 485.00-560.00; 84 lbs 275.00. Plainer-type heifers 90-105 lbs 460.00-465.00; 82-83 lbs 260.00-270.00; 73 lbs 165.00; 61 lbs 50.00.

Few beef-type bulls 75-115 lbs 110.00-125.00.

Few beef-type heifers 70-115 lbs 90.00-135.00, fancy individual 205.00.

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