

LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTIONS

Some markets not available because of the holiday

New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.
Report Supplied By USDA
Monday, October 14, 2002

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	Goats
MONDAY	369	255	696	813	1225
LAST WEEK	315	271	552	865	1356
LAST YEAR	351	221	1236	600	1167

CATTLE Compared to Thursday lean slaughter cows sold mostly steady to firm on a good run and fairly active bidding. Fleisher cows sold with a firmer undertone on a light test. There was a small test of Boning cows that sold up to 50 higher, but Breaking cows made up a very small portion of the run. Buyer attendance remains relatively light early in the week with demand surprisingly good considering the small turnout. Slaughter bulls sold steady to firm early, with a small run of bulls late trading steady to 300 higher. Demand was very good Monday on the bulls, especially the higher dressing types. Slaughter cows made up around 45 percent of the run.

SLAUGHTER COWS PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 over 1200 lbs 41 25-44 00 37 75-41 25 Boners 80-85 over 1200 lbs 38 75-41 25 35 00-37 75 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 over 1200 lbs 37 25-38 25 32 75-35 00 Lean 88-90 over 1000 lbs 32 00-37 50 29 50-32 00 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 28 00-32 00 25 00-28 00

SLAUGHTER BULLS Yield Grade 1 1215-2025 lbs 45 00-50 50, few highdressing bulls late 51 00-55 50 Yield Grade 2 1080-1310 lbs 44 00-45 00, few low dressing 41 00-44 00 Bullocks Few low Select 815-955 lbs 48 00-53 50

CALVES Compared to Thursday, Utility veal calves sold fully steady, with not enough better type vealers for a market test. Holstein bull calves going back to the farm sold sharply lower in very light trading. Holstein heifers sold with a higher undertone on a very light test. There have not been enough large slaughter calves recently for a market test.

SLAUGHTER CALVES Choice 335-390 lbs 60 00-64 00, few individual 74 00 Good and Choice 340-430 lbs 33 00-38 00, 585 lb individual 43 00

VEALERS Utility few 70-115 lbs 11 00-25 00 RETURNED TO FARM Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 92 00-110 00, 90 lbs 65 00-70 00, 85 lbs 42 00-60 00, 75 lbs 28 00-30 00 Holstein heifers few 105 lbs 400 00-590 00 80-85 lbs 210 00-310 00, 75 lbs 105 00 Individual beef-type bull 95 lbs 40 00 Individual beef-type heifer 60 lbs 140 00

HOGS Barrows and gilts fully 100 to 300 higher, sows fully steady to firm on a good run, boars fully steady. BARROWS AND GILTS 49-54% lean 220-260 lbs 34 75-37 75 few 38 00-38 25 230-265 lbs 32 50 35 25, string late 35 75, 45-50% lean 220-280 lbs 32 00-34 25, 40-45% lean 230-290 lbs 30 00-32 75, 290-370 lbs 25 25-29 00

SOWS 1-3 400-500 lbs 22 00-24 00, 500-650 lbs 23 00-25 00

BOARS 300-400 lbs 17 00-22 00 300-700 lbs 7 00-8 00

SHEEP Compared to Thursday, slaughter lambs sold fully 500 higher on a good run and very active bidding, with slaughter ewes trading 500-1000 higher. Bidding was very active from the get-go with buyers not letting the lower tone of the earlier goat market spill over into the sheep ring.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3 40-80 lbs 100 00-135 00, 90-120 lbs 80 00-90 00

SLAUGHTER EWES Good and Choice Yearlings and 2 year-olds 45 00-55 00 Utility and Good 1-3 30 00-45 00

GOATS Compared to last week, Kids sold weak to 300 lower on a fairly light test. The Kid supply was much lighter than last week, with buyer activity only moderate due to the short run. Yearlings sold mostly weak to 400 lower. Nannies sold mixed in very sporadic bidding, with a generally lower undertone on the bulk of the run. The top was never realized due to the lack of the higher quality Nannies, this stood true for most of the classes as there was a noticeable drop in quality when compared to the past few weeks. Wethers sold 400-1000 lower with quality taking on most of the blame. There were a few good Wethers in the mix, but the majority of the run was rather plain. Billies sold mostly weak to instances sharply lower as the bigger groups of meaty Billies are still hard to come by.

Selection 1 20-40 lbs few 46 00-50 00, pkg 60 lbs 56 00 Selection 2 20-40 lbs 24 00-38 00, 40-60 lbs 40 00-44 00 Selection 3 20-40 lbs 16 00-27 00 Yearlings Selection 1 60-80 lbs 52 00-64 00, 80-100 lbs 66 00-72 00 Selection 2 60-80 lbs 44 00-54 00, 80-100 lbs 57 00-60 00 Selection 3 60-80 lbs 28 00-44 00, 80-100 lbs 44 00-50 00 Does/Nannies Selection 1 50-70 lbs 46 00-60 00, 70-100 lbs 60 00-70 00, Few 100-140 lbs 74 00-80 00 Selection 2 few 50-70 lbs 49 00, 70-100 lbs 45 00-56 00 few 100-140 lbs 62 00-64 00 Selection 3 50-70 lbs 31 00-46 00, 70-100 lbs 36 00-40 00 Wethers 50-70 lbs 48 00-70 00, 70-100 lbs 70 00-98 00, 100-125 lbs 86 00-106 00, full 71 00 Bucks/Billies Selection 1 70-100 lbs 54 00-72 00, 100-150 lbs 74 00-90 00, 150-250 lbs 108 00-134 00 Selection 2 70-100 lbs 52 00-66 00, 100-150 lbs 66 00-79 00 Selection 3 70-100 lbs 42 00-58 00, few 100-150 lbs 50 00-62 00, few 150-250 lbs 60 00-76 00

Vintage Livestock Auction

Vintage, Pa.
October 15, 2002
Report Supplied By USDA

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats
THIS WEEK	703	898	7	5
LAST WEEK	842	782	6	0
LAST YEAR	1087	790	8	0

CATTLE Compared to Thursday, the bulk of the slaughter steers sold fully 100 higher. Buyer interest in the higher quality steers definitely increased, especially after Thursday's light interest in the High Choice and Prime steers. A firmer futures Board, along with pack-

Market At A Glance

Lancaster County Livestock Auction Averages
(Price Per Hundredweight)
Week Ending Friday, October 18, 2002
Supplied By Market Staff

	This Wk	Wk Ago	Yr Ago
Steers, Choice 2-3	66.25	65.15	67.25
Heifers, Choice 2-3	64.85	64.25	66.25
Cows, Breakers, 75-80% lean	43.50	42.00	44.50
Cows, Boners, 80-85% lean	39.50	38.50	32.85
Bulls, YG 1, Ltd.	49.00	49.50	60.00
Hogs, 49-54% lean, Monday	35.00	33.00	35.50
Lambs, Choice/Prime 80-110 lb.	85.00	71.00	62.00

ers already gearing up for the quickly approaching holiday season brought a bearish attitude back into the finished market. Tuesday's supply was fairly light, although what was on offer was mostly higher quality stock with buyers not showing a lot of interest in the over or under-finished supply like they did on Thursday. There were not enough finished Holsteins on hand for a market test as the majority of the very light run either went back on feed or would have been graded Standard. The fat slaughter heifer supply increased much to the buyers' satisfaction, with a higher undertone noted on the run. The quality of the heifers on offer was fairly impressive, with very few of them over-finished or aged. Compared to Monday, lean slaughter cows sold mostly steady on a good run. Breaking and Boning cows sold weak to instances 50 lower on a light test. Cow prices continue to fluctuate on both sides of steady, with buyer attendance usually the deciding factor. There was a very light run of slaughter bulls, and a trend was not established. The supply included 39 percent steers, 6 percent heifers, 53 percent cows, 1 percent bulls, and 1 percent feeders.

SLAUGHTER STEERS High Choice and Prime 2-4 1265-1515 lbs 66 00-69 25, couple up to 71 00 Choice 2-3 1200-1430 lbs 63 75-68 00, Yield Grade 4 58 75-61 50, heavyweights 1535-1640 lbs 59 00-62 75 Few Select and low Choice 2-3 1300-1435 lbs 62 10-64 50 Few Select 1-3 1395-1470 lbs 58 00-61 75, couple heavyweights 1610-1690 lbs 53 00-56 25

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS Couple High Choice and Prime 3-4 1275-1280 lbs 66 75-67 50 Few Choice 2-3 1150-1340 lbs 63 00-65 50 Few Select and low Choice 2-3 1170-1265 lbs 61 25-62 75 Heiferettes Few Commercial to Choice 2-4 1100-1350 lbs 55 50-55 75

SLAUGHTER COWS PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 Over 1400 lbs 40 75-43 50 37 50-41 00 Boners 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 38 00-40 25 35 00-38 00 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 Over 1200 lbs 37 00-38 50 32 25-36 00 Lean 88-90 Over 1000 lbs 32 00-37 25 28 00-32 00 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 27 25-31 50 24 25-27 50

SLAUGHTER BULLS Few Yield grade 1

1685-1960 lbs 45 50-46 25, high dressing individual 54 25 Few Yield Grade 2 1570-1785 lbs 43 75-44 50 couple low dressers 37 25

CAIVES Compared to last Tuesday veal calves sold mostly steady to 500 higher in fairly active bidding, as a few more veal calf buyers were on hand for Tuesday's auction. Holstein bull calves suitable for special-fed veal barns sold sharply lower due to an increase in the supply. Heavy rains and cool weather are forecasted for Tuesday night, with buyers less aggressive knowing the storm will have an adverse effect on their calves. Also, the supply was much heavier than the demand, which brought bids down to kick off the week. Holstein heifers also sold with a lower undertone as spillover pressure from the bull buyers lowered bids. The supply included 725 in the state graded sale, with around 91 percent of the supply returned to feed. VEALERS Standard and Good 85-115 lbs 25 00-35 00 Utility 45-85 lbs 12 00-25 00 RETURNED TO FARM Holstein Bulls 95-125 lbs 82 00-115 00 mostly 87 00-92 00, 90 lbs 60 00, 85 lbs 45 00 52 00, 80 lbs 40 00, Planner-type bulls 95-115 lbs 52 00-92 00, 90 lbs 40 00, 83-84 lbs 35 00 Holstein heifers 92-115 lbs 44 00-52 00, 85 lbs 365 00, 70 lbs 80 00 Planner-type heifers 93-105 lbs 485 00, 83 lbs 390 00-395 00, 74 lbs 85 00, 64 lbs 30 00 Beef-type heifers 110 lbs 155 00, 90-95 lbs 120 00-145 00, 80-85 lbs 105 00-130 00, 70 lbs 110 00

New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.
Thursday, October 17, 2002
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	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats
THURSDAY	1633	628	170	230
LAST WEEK	1202	671	247	524
LAST YEAR	1409	686	278	237

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