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the bunks hard Wednesday before the storm moved in, leading to a lot of the supply in fairly full conditions. Other than the weigh-ups, the quality of the run was very good. There were not enough Holstein steers or slaughter heifers in Tuesday's run to test the market late in the week. Slaughter cows sold weak to 1.00 lower as bidding was only moderate. Buyer attendance was fairly light as the road conditions kept a few of them at home. Slaughter bulls sold sharply higher when compared to Tuesday's very light run. The supply included 49 percent steers, 6 percent heifers, 25 percent cows, 30 percent bulls, with the balance feeders.

SLAUGHTER STEERS High Choice and Prime 2-4 1270-1430 lbs 74.00-76.25 Choice 2-3 1125-1490 lbs 72.50-74.75, late and full 72.00-73.75, few high dressing Charolais-X 74.50-76.50, Yield Grade 4-5 68.00-70.75 Select and low Choice 2-3 1150-1445 lbs 70.50-72.25 Select 1-3 1045-1430 lbs 68.75-70.00, with a few going back on feed 70.00-73.50

HOLSTEIN STEERS High Choice and Prime 2-3 1425-1525 lbs 60.75-63.00 Choice 2-3 1310-1480 lbs 59.25-61.60 Few Select and low Choice 1-3 1405-1540 lbs 52.00-55.70 Few heavy Select 1-2 1590-1650 lbs 49.75-51.75

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS High Choice and Prime 2-4 1150-1270 lbs 71.50-72.25 Pkg Choice 4-5 1480 lbs 66.75

SLAUGHTER COWS PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 Over 1400 lbs 39.00-43.25 35.00-39.00 Boners 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 36.00-39.25 32.25-35.50 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 Over 1200 lbs 34.50-36.25 33.00-35.00 Lean 88-90 Over 1000 lbs 31.50-34.25 28.00-31.50 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 26.00-30.50 23.50-26.25

SLAUGHTER BULLS Yield Grade 1 1205-1980 lbs 47.00-58.50 CALVES Compared to Monday, there were not enough kill calves on hand for a market test. Holstein bull calves returning to the farm sold sharply higher in very active bidding, and on very light receipts. There were not enough heifers on hand for a market test, although a lower undertone was noted. The supply included 193 head in the state graded sale, with around 94 percent of the graded run going back on feed.

VEALERS Utility 45-80 lbs 11.00-27.00, one lot in the graded sale 29.00 RETURNED TO FARM Graded Number One Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 115.00-150.00, 86-92 lbs 60.00-62.00, package 82 lbs 51.00 Graded Number Two

Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 65.00-120.00, 80-92 lbs 47.00-50.00. Graded Utility Holstein bulls 90-110 lbs 51.00-55.00, package 84 lbs 43.00 Few Holstein heifers 95-105 lbs 240.00-255.00, few 90 lbs 230.00-260.00, few 80 lbs 150.00 Plainer-type heifers 100-115 lbs 150.00-190.00, 90 lbs 140.00-190.00, 70-75 lbs 110.00-140.00

SHEEP and GOATS Due to the heavy snows that fell Thursday morning both sheep and goat receipts were very light. Therefore, a market was not established and all prices quoted below are from Monday's auction.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3 50-70 lbs 120.00-150.00, 90-120 lbs 100.00-130.00

SLAUGHTER FWES Good and Choice Yearlings and 2 year-olds 45.00-55.00 Utility and Good 1-3 30.00-45.00

Kids Selection 1 20-40 lbs 50.00-52.00, 40-60 lbs 62.00-64.00

Selection 2 20-40 lbs 30.00-36.00 Selection 3 20-40 lbs 20.00-24.00 Yearlings Selection 1 60-80 lbs 56.00-70.00, 80-100 lbs 70.00-84.00 Selection 2 60-80 lbs 54.00-58.00

Selection 3 60-80 lbs 46.00-48.00

Does/Nannies Selection 1 50-70 lbs 62.00-68.00, 70-100 lbs 68.00-78.00, 100-140 lbs 82.00-92.00 Selection 2 50-70 lbs 58.00-60.00, 70-100 lbs 58.00-68.00, 100-140 lbs 82.00-88.00 Selection 3 50-70 lbs 48.00-52.00 Wethers 50-70 lbs 62.00-78.00, 70-100 lbs 74.00-90.00, 100-200 lbs 100.00-112.00

Bucks/Billies Selection 1 70-100 lbs 68.00-84.00, fancy package late 94.00, 100-150 lbs 88.00-110.00, 150-250 lbs 118.00-164.00, fancy individual late 180.00 Selection 2 70-100 lbs 68.00-80.00, 100-150 lbs 80.00-88.00, 150-250 lbs 92.00-126.00 Selection 3 70-100 lbs 54.00-60.00, 100-150 lbs 68.00-80.00

Lancaster County Weekly Cattle

New Holland, Pa.
Report Supplied By USDA
Friday, December 6, 2002

	CATTLE	CALVES
THIS WEEK	1899	1504
LAST WEEK	2015	1417
LAST YEAR	2325	1738

Compared to last week, slaughter steers sold steady to weak early with closing prices as much as 1.00 higher. Steer receipts failed to break 200 head the first two days of the week,

however Thursday receipts were well over 500 head. The opening day of deer season was partly to blame for the light early week receipts, although this time of year historically means lower numbers as old crop supplies are about cleaned up. A major snowstorm moved into Lancaster County on Thursday morning, dumping several inches by late afternoon, and even though the snow was piled high local producers forged their way into town to get in on the current hot market. On the good late week run, bidding was fairly active even though cattle were relatively full. Despite the weigh-ups buyers are still actively procuring steers as supplies are expected to get light this winter. Light numbers, combined with a 73.00 direct market last week out west, and live cattle contracts at the CME moving above 79.00 Thursday, one could easily say its lined up to be a wild winter. The fed Holstein and heifer supply this week was very light, and a trend was not established, although the heifer and Holstein supply did include some well finished stock. Slaughter cows were strapped onto a roller coaster this week, although once the dust settled prices trended weak to 2.00 lower. There was a little fire under the cow market on Tuesday, but was quickly extinguished by the heavy snow on Thursday. Slaughter bulls sold as much as 3.00 lower to open the trading week, however trended sharply higher late in the week on a run that included over 90 head. This week's reported supply included 35 percent steers, 8 percent heifers, 43 percent cows, 7 percent bulls, with the balance feeders. **SLAUGHTER STEERS** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1270-1480 lbs 74.00-77.00 Choice 2-3 1125-1490 lbs 71.75-74.75, full 69.75-73.75, high dressing Charolais-X 74.50-76.50, Yield Grade 4-5 68.00-70.75, heavyweights 1505-1575 lbs 66.00-71.00 early in the week. Select and low Choice 2-3 1150-1465 lbs 70.25-72.75 Select 1-3 1045-1430 lbs 68.75-71.25, with a few going back on feed 70.00-73.50

HOLSTEIN STEERS High Choice and Prime 2-3 1425-1525 lbs 60.75-63.00 Choice 2-3 1310-1480 lbs 59.25-61.60 Few Select and low Choice 1-3 1405-1540 lbs 52.00-55.70 Few heavy Select 1-2 1590-1650 lbs 49.75-51.75

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SLAUGHTER BULLS Yield Grade 1 1130-2240 lbs 44.00-53.50 late in the week up to 58.50 few high dressers early in the week 54.00-55.75 with an individual up to 61.75 Yield Grade 2 1735 2270 lbs 42.25-46.25 low dressing 2700 lb Hereford 35.25

CALVES Compared to last week, veal calves sold about steady. Holstein bull calves returning to feed kicked off the week 10.00 higher, then hit a glitch on Tuesday as they trended sharply lower. However on a very light run late in the week prices trended sharply higher. Bids did exceed 150.00 for bulls this week, as buyers are actively trying to fill their immediate needs. Holstein heifer receipts were light for the second consecutive week, although trended with a higher undertone early, with the snowstorm late taking its effect on heifer numbers. Even though receipts were hampered on all classes late in the week, there were still plenty of calves around early as Tuesday's supply included nearly 1000 head. **VEALERS** Standard and Good 90-115 lbs 30.00-35.00, few up to 40.00 Utility 45-95 lbs 15.00-25.00, weaker 10.00-15.00 CALVES RETURNING TO THE FARM

Monday - Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 105.00-129.00, few 90 lbs 90.00-105.00, few 80-85 lbs 82.00 Plainer-type bulls 95-110 lbs 70.00-85.00, few 85 lbs 45.00, few 70 lbs 30.00 Few Holstein heifers 95-105 lbs 300.00-400.00, 90 lbs 440.00-480.00, 80 lbs 290.00, 70-75 lbs 180.00, 60-65 lbs 110.00-160.00

Tuesday - Graded Number One Holstein Bulls 100-125 lbs 122.00-143.00, couple lots 95 lbs 115.00-120.00, couple lots 90-91 lbs 113.00-120.00, lot 85 lbs 95.00, package 80 lbs 75.00 Graded Number Two Holstein bulls 100-115 lbs 100.00-112.00, couple lots 95 lbs 70.00-72.00 couple lots 92 lbs 65.00-77.00, couple lots 90 lbs 52.00-60.00 Plainer-type Holstein bulls sold individually 130-150 lbs 55.00-60.00, 105-125 lbs 40.00-70.00, few 90 lbs 60.00, few 75-80 lbs 45.00-70.00 Few Beef bulls 95-100 lbs 120.00-135.00 Graded Number One Holstein Heifers 95-115 lbs 350.00-425.00, package 81 lbs 235.00 Graded Number Two Holstein Heifers package 110 lbs 385.00, package 91 lbs 310.00, 82-85 lbs 200.00-225.00, package 73 lbs 110.00 Plainer-type Holstein heifers sold individually 95-120 lbs 200.00-400.00, 90 lbs 200.00-250.00, 80-85 lbs 175.00-225.00, 75 lbs 120.00-125.00

Thursday - Graded Number One Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 115.00-150.00, 86-92 lbs 60.00-62.00, package 82 lbs 51.00 Graded Number Two Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 65.00-120.00, 80-92 lbs 47.00-50.00 Graded Utility Holstein bulls 90-110 lbs 51.00-55.00, package 84 lbs 43.00 Few Holstein heifers 95-105 lbs 240.00-255.00, few 90 lbs 230.00-260.00, few 80 lbs 150.00 Plainer-type heifers 100-115 lbs 150.00-190.00, 90 lbs 140.00-190.00, 70-75 lbs 110.00-140.00

Greencastle Livestock

Greencastle, Pa.
Report Supplied by PIDA
Thursday, Dec. 5, 2002
CATTI 68
COWS BREAKERS 75% 80% LEAN (FFW) 36.25, 38.00 BONERS 80-85% LEAN 32.25 37.25 LEAN 85-90% LEAN 29.50 37.75 BULK OF SALES 30.00, 36.25 SHELLS 28.50 AND DOWN
CALVES 158 STANDARD & GOOD 70/110 LBS 30.00, 44.00 UTILITY 55/95 LBS 12.50 27.50 FARM CALVES HOLSTEIN BULLS NO 1 BULLS 95/125 LBS 85.00 112.50 80/90, 45.00 70.00 NO 2 BULLS 80/120 LBS 45.00 75.00 HOLSTEIN HEIFERS FFW NO 2 65/80 LBS 50.00 100.00 ONE 115 170.00 BEFF CROSS BULLS AND HEIFERS 95/100 LBS 11.00 130.00 135.00 HOGS 0 NO MARKET TEST
FFEDER PIGS 0 NO MARKET TEST
SHEEP 0 NO MARKET TEST
GOATS 0 NO MARKET TEST

Jersey Shore Livestock Market, Inc.

Jersey Shore, Pa.
Report Supplied By Auction
Thursday, Dec. 5, 2002
RETURN TO FARM CALF 50.00 310.00
GOOD VEAL 30.00-49.00
COMMON VEAL 10.00-29.00
CHOICE STEERS 60.00-72.00
SELECT STEERS 65.00-69.00
COMMON STEERS 47.00-64.00
COMMERCIAL COWS 35.00-41.75
CANNERS/CUTTERS 28.00-37.00
SHELLS 23.00 TO 27.00
CHOICE HEIFERS 66.00-70.00
SELECT HEIFERS 63.00-65.00
COMMON HEIFERS 43.00-62.00
GOOD FEEDERS 60.00-64.00
COMMON FEEDERS 45.00-59.00
BULLS 41.00-50.00
GOOD HOGS 25.00

Kentucky Feeder Cattle Sales

Lexington, Ky.
Dec. 3, 2002
Report Supplied By USDA
Blue Grass Stockyards Auction CATTI F Receipts 3,583 Steer and heifer calves near steady with quality not as attractive. Yearling steers and heifers steady. Holstein loads 4.00 higher, others steady.
FEEDER STEERS Medium and Large 1 few 300-350 lbs 100-113.00 350-400 lb 95-103.50, 400-450 lb 85.95 50 450 500 lb 83-92.00, 500 50 lb 80 88.00 550 600 lb 79-87.00, 600-700 lb 75-86.50 fleshy 74-76.00 700-800 lb 76-86.10, 800 900 lb 78-85.60, including 135 head (bbwf) 809 lb 85.60 and 68 head 865 lb 83.40 900 1000 lb 75-82.90 including 25 head (blk) 916 lb 82.90
BULL CALVES Medium and Large 1 300-400 lb 91-102.00 400-500 lb 78.90 00 500-600 lb 72-84.00, 600 700 lb 70.77 00 700-800 lb 67-73.00
FEEDER HEIFERS Medium and Large 1 300 400 lb 80-95.00 400-500 lb 73-85.00 500 600 lb 71.50 80.00 600 700 lb 70.78 00 700 800 lb 70-78.60 800-900 lb 70.77 00

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