

LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTIONS

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New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.
Report Supplied By USDA
Monday, January 6, 2003

Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	Goats
MONDAY	289	233	478	657
LAST WEEK	386	327	526	400
LAST YEAR	198	158	874	448

CATTLE: Compared to Thursday, slaughter cows sold weak to 1.00 lower. Bidding was mixed, however only moderate for the bulk of the run. A fancy, but light test of slaughter bulls sold 2.00-3.00 higher in active trading. Nearly 62 percent of the run was made up of slaughter cows.

SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 Over 1400 lbs 39.00-44.00 36.00-39.00 Boners 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 37.00-39.00 34.25-37.25 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 Over 1200 lbs 34.25-36.25 31.00-34.00 Lean 88-90 Over 1000 lbs 31.00-34.75 28.00-31.25 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 27.50-30.00 24.00-28.00

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1050-1780 lbs 48.00-59.00, with a small lot of fancy bulls late 1285-1615 lbs 55.00-57.75 Yield grade 2 1080-1345 lbs 43.00-44.50, low dressing individual 37.00, few 850-970 lbs 41.50-49.00.

Bullocks: Few Select 1-2 1185-1230 lbs 65.00-66.00, individual 57.00.

CALVES: Compared to Thursday, veal calves sold 7.00-9.00 higher. Holstein bull calves returning to feed sold 5.00 to over 20.00 higher due to very good demand. Holstein heifers were not fully tested due to the light run.

SLAUGHTER CALVES: Utility and Good 55-125 lbs 20.00-37.00, few weaker 11.00-17.00.

RETURNING TO FEED: Holstein

bulls 95-125 lbs 120.00-172.00; 90 lbs 97.00-110.00. Plainer-type bulls 130-140 lbs 100.00-120.00; 95-125 lbs 100.00-120.00; 90 lbs 47.00-70.00; 80-85 lbs 50.00-53.00; Few Holstein heifers 105 lbs 270.00; 85-90 lbs 180.00-300.00; 75 lbs 150.00; 60 lbs 115.00.

HOGS: Barrows and gilts firm to .50 higher with instances 1.00 higher, sows steady to 2.00 higher, boars light run firm to 1.00 higher. **BARROWS AND GILTS:** 49-54% lean 215-270 lbs 33.00-34.75, 45-50% lean 220-280 lbs 31.00-32.75, 280-345 lbs 29.00-31.50, few 32.00-32.25, 40-45% lean 215-280 lbs 29.00-31.00, few 280-290 lbs 28.50-30.00.

SOWS: 1-3 300-400 lbs 20.00-22.00, 400-450 lbs 22.00-25.00, 450-500 lbs 24.00-27.00, 500-550 lbs 25.00-29.00, 550-700 lbs 28.00-31.00.

BOARS: 300-700 lbs 7.00-7.25.

SHEEP AND LAMBS: Compared to Thursday, a light test of slaughter lambs sold with a sharply higher undertone. Slaughter ewes were not well tested, although a higher undertone was noted. All classes of sheep and lambs are weighed and sold by the pound.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice and Prime 2-3 package 40 lbs 157.00; 40-50 lbs 112.00-148.00; 50-60 lbs 120.00-142.00; 60-70 lbs 124.00-150.00; 70-80 lbs 118.00-142.00; 80-90 lbs 120.00-128.00; 90-100 lbs 108.00-132.00; 100-120 lbs 100.00-132.00; 120-135 lbs 98.00-108.00.

SLAUGHTER EWES: Good and Choice Yearlings individual 115 lbs 90.00; individual 125 lbs 84.00; individual 140 lbs 63.00; individual 165 lbs 78.00. Ewes: 90-100 lbs 66.00-68.00; 120-140 lbs 50.00-68.00; 165-175 lbs 30.00-64.00; 225-240 lbs 40.00-44.00.

GOATS: Compared to last week, Kids sold mostly 8.00-10.00 higher. Yearlings sold 4.00-8.00 higher. Needless to say, demand was very good for both classes of small goats; although, the very attractive offering was supportive as well. Nannies

Market At A Glance

Lancaster County Livestock Auction Averages
(Price Per Hundredweight)

Week Ending Wednesday, January 8, 2003

NOTE: Due to early deadline, averages based on sales Monday and Tuesday
Supplied By Market Staff

	This Wk	Wk Ago	Yr Ago
Steers, Choice 2-3	75.00	74.40	69.00
Heifers, Choice 2-3, few Prime	71.50	70.50	67.50
Cows, Breakers, 75-80% lean	41.75	42.00	44.50
Cows, Boners, 80-85% lean	36.50	37.00	41.75
Bulls, YG 1, Ltd.	52.00	50.25	57.00
Hogs, 49-54% lean, Monday	33.85	33.25	36.35
Lambs, Choice/Prime 80-110 lb.	116.00	100.00	102.00

weighing over 100 lbs sold 2.00-6.00 lower, with light Nannies trending with a higher undertone. Billies sold weak to as much as 20.00 lower in very mixed bidding. A light test of Wethers sold 2.00-8.00 lower. All goats are sold on a per head basis, with estimated weights. Kids: Selection 1 20-40 lbs 46.00-66.00; 40-60 lbs 62.00-70.00; 60-80 lbs 74.00-76.00. Selection 2 20-40 lbs 34.00-48.00; 40-60 lbs 56.00-60.00. Yearlings: Selection 1 60-80 lbs 62.00-72.00; 80-100 lbs 70.00-80.00. Selection 2 60-80 lbs 52.00-66.00; 80-100 lbs 68.00-70.00. Selection 3 60-80 lbs 30.00-40.00. Does/Nannies: Selection 1 few 70-100 lbs 68.00; 100-140 lbs 76.00-88.00. Selection 2 50-70 lbs 55.00-66.00; 70-100 lbs 60.00-72.00; 100-140 lbs 68.00-78.00. Selection 3 50-70 lbs 40.00-54.00; 40.00-54.00; 70-100 lbs 47.00-60.00; 100-140 lbs 62.00-70.00. Wethers: 50-70 lbs 54.00-70.00; 70-100 lbs 78.00-90.00; 100-150 lbs 92.00-112.00. Bucks/Billies: Selection 1 70-100 lbs 74.00-88.00; 100-150 lbs 84.00-102.00; 150-250 lbs 100.00-144.00, individual 164.00, very fancy individual 187.00. Selection 2 100-150 lbs 64.00-81.00; 150-250 lbs 90.00-106.00. Selection 3 70-100 lbs 54.00-58.00; 100-150 lbs 50.00-72.00; 150-250 lbs 74.00-89.00.

Vintage Livestock Auction

Vintage, Pa.

January 6-7, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA

Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats
THIS WEEK	829	758	2
LAST WEEK	663	771	2
LAST YEAR	730	835	0

CATTLE: Compared to Thursday, slaughter steers sold steady to .50 higher; with the bulk of the increase on Monday's prices. The bulk of the run was made up of slightly over-finished stock, which was carrying some fill. However, buyers did not shy away from the weigh-ups as the bulk of the Choice steers still brought from mostly 74.00-76.00 in relatively active trading. Many producers are trying to hold their steers until later this winter as the February live cattle contract at the CME is currently above 80.00; which is expected to add continued support this winter. This seems logical, although when held too long the

fancy 1200-1300 lb steer turns into a 1400-1600 lbs overweight Yield Grade 4 or 5; which will no doubt be discounted. A small test of Holstein steers sold with a firmer undertone on Monday, with not enough on Tuesday for a market test. An attractive run of slaughter heifers sold nearly 1.00 higher on Monday, with Tuesday's light supply not tested.

Slaughter cows sold weak to .75 lower. Buyer attendance was good, but the trade never seemed to catch fire. Slaughter bulls sold steady to firm on a good run. The supply included 34 percent steers, 7 percent heifers, 54 percent cows, 5 percent bulls, with the balance feeders.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1305-1495 lbs 75.50-79.50, two day avg 77.28-78.00. Choice 2-3 1110-1500 lbs 73.00-77.50, two day avg 74.61-75.07, full 71.25-72.85, Yield Grade 4-5 69.25-72.75, heavyweights 1500-1595 lbs 68.50-74.00, high dressing Charolais crosses 76.50-80.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1140-1455 lbs 71.75-74.75, two day avg 72.76-73.39. Select 1-3 1135-1495 lbs 68.75-73.75, two day avg 71.98-72.16.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: One lot Prime 3 1530 lbs 62.50. Choice 2-3 1360-1545 lbs 57.75-61.75, couple heavy 1600-1625 lbs 53.75. Select 1-2 1295-1585 lbs 52.75-55.75.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice, few Prime 2-3 1075-1420 lbs 70.25-73.75. Select and low Choice 1-3 1000-1415 lbs 65.75-71.00.

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SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1

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