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1175-1805 lbs 45.75-55.50, avg 49.54, high dressing 52.50-59.00. Yield Grade 2 1375-1900 lbs 43.25-48.00, avg 46.19, package of fed bulls 53.00-57.50, low dressing 885-1040 lbs 36.50-40.25.

CALVES: Compared to last Tuesday, veal calves sold steady to 5.00 lower. Holstein bulls suitable for special-fed veal barns sold near steady with instances firmer, especially on the Number Two bulls. Holstein heifers sold with a 10.00-20.00 higher in a light supply and active trading. The supply included 616 in the state graded sale, with around 88 percent of the supply returned to feed.

SLAUGHTER CALVES: Pen of Number Two Graded bulls 75 lbs 15.00. Standard and Utility 65-105 lbs 15.00-25.00, weaker 5.00-12.00. **RETURNED TO FARM:** Graded Number One Holstein Bulls 95-125 lbs mostly 142.00-147.00, two packages 125.00-127.00; package 90 lbs 117.00; package 85 lbs 112.00; package 80 lbs 102.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Bulls 95-125 lbs 126.00-141.00; couple packages 90 lbs 107.00-117.00; package 84 lbs 60.00; package 83 lbs 60.00. Graded Number One Holstein Heifers 95-125 lbs 385.00-420.00; package 83 lbs 325.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Bulls package 105 lbs 400.00; package 92 lbs 360.00; package 83 lbs 260.00; package 72 lbs 100.00; package 64 lbs 95.00.

New Holland Livestock Auction
New Holland, Pa.
Thursday, January 2, 2003
Report Supplied By USDA

☆☆Jan. 9 report not available because of early press deadline.☆☆

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats
THURSDAY	984	630	231	170
LAST WEEK	664	410	80	566
LAST YEAR	1514	1089	127	179

CATTLE: Compared to Tuesday, the bulk of the Choice slaughter steers sold fully 1.00 higher; with high Choice and Prime steers as much as 2.00 higher. Bidding was active from the start as buyers knew there were only around 250 head of steers on offer, and if they were going to get a load put together there was no time to waste. There in lied the problem though, as the quality was very mixed; the reputation steers that are usually rock hard Yield Grade 2's or 3's were coming through the chute as soggy Yield Grade 4's. Therefore, buyers had to really sort through the stock to get a uniform set.

Also, with all of the storms and moisture the area has seen the past few weeks, steers are starting to collect quite-a-bit of mud on them; to say nothing of the fill they are carrying. Holstein steers sold 1.00 to as much as 2.00 higher due to the very good demand. There were not a lot of fed heifers on Tuesday's market, however on a small comparison heifers did trend with a higher undertone. The heifer supply also included several head that will grade, but when the grader stamps a Prime or Choice quality grade on the carcass as it swings through the cooler, he will stamp a Yield Grade 4 or 5 right above it. Slaughter cows sold 1.00-2.00 higher, with Breaking cows as much as 3.00 higher. Cow carcass cutout values are leaps and bounds higher, which has kept a fire burning underneath the market. Cow buyer attendance was very good, and with a very attractive run on offer bids matched the supply hit for hit. When compared to Tuesday's very light bull run, slaughter bulls sold sharply higher. The supply included 27 percent steers, 4 percent heifers, 56 percent cows, 4 percent bulls, with the balance feeders.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1235-1470 lbs 76.25-78.75, avg 77.35. Choice 2-3 1120-1490 lbs 73.25-76.75, avg 74.92, full or muddy 72.00-73.00, few heavyweights 1500-1545 lbs 69.25-72.50, few high dressing Charolais and Angus crosses 79.00-81.50. Select and low Choice 2-3 1095-1495 lbs 71.75-74.75, avg 72.90. Select 1-2 1225-1470 lbs 70.00-71.50, avg 70.75, full 68.00, heavyweights 1520-1655 lbs 60.00-65.25. Standard 1-2 1070-1485 lbs 63.00-69.25, avg 66.69. **HOLSTEIN STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-3 1270-1580 lbs 60.75-65.75, avg 63.50. Choice 2-3 1310-1520 lbs 58.00-61.00, avg 59.86, heavyweights 1605-1675 53.25-60.00. Select and low Choice 1-3 1290-1565 lbs 55.00-59.00, avg 56.80. Select 1-2 1190-1370 lbs 53.50-56.00, avg 54.39. Standard 1-2 1200-1425 lbs 46.00-53.00, avg 50.13.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Couple High Choice and Prime 3-4 1055-1345 lbs 71.75-72.75, avg 72.25. Choice 2-3 1040-1295 lbs 69.00-70.50, avg 69.67, few high dressing Charolais crosses 70.75-79.00. Few Select and low Choice 2-3 1040-1420 lbs 67.00-67.50, avg 67.25.

SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 Over 1400 lbs 40.00-46.50 35.00-39.75 Boners 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 37.25-39.50 34.50-37.25 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 Over 1200 lbs 34.75-37.00 31.50-35.00 Lean 88-90 Over 1000 lbs 32.00-35.50 29.00-32.25 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 28.00-31.75 23.00-28.00 **SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1 1315-2285 lbs 45.00-55.50, 875 lb individual 51.00, with a fancy individual possibly returning to service 56.50. Yield Grade 2 1180-1600 41.50-43.00, low dressing or full 37.25-41.50. **CALVES:** Com-

pared to Monday, veal calves sold steady to 5.00 higher. Holstein bull calves returning to the farm sold 15.00-20.00 higher in active trading. Holstein heifers also sold sharply higher as the demand for heifers continue to increase. The supply included 432 head in the state graded sale, with around 80 percent of the graded run going back on feed.

VEAL CALVES: Standard and Utility 55-110 lbs 11.00-30.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Graded Number One Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 115.00-150.00; 90-92 lbs 107.00; 86-88 lbs 106.00; 80-84 lbs 102.00. Graded Number Two Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 100.00-120.00; 88-92 lbs 96.00-103.00; 80-86 lbs 105.00; 76-78 lbs 30.00. Holstein heifers 95-125 lbs 310.00-490.00; 90 lbs 290.00-300.00; 80-85 lbs 210.00-300.00; 65-75 lbs 115.00-180.00. Plainer-type heifers 95-125 lbs 200.00-300.00; 90 lbs 205.00-280.00; 80-85 lbs 160.00-220.00; 70-75 lbs 100.00-200.00. **SHEEP and LAMBS:** Compared to Monday, lambs sold with a higher undertone due to good buyer attendance and relatively active bidding.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice and Prime 2-3 60-70 lbs 120.00-126.00; 70-80 lbs 116.00-128.00; 80-90 lbs 112.00-117.00; 90-100 lbs 108.00-121.00; 100-120 lbs 89.00-120.00; 145-150 lbs 90.00-91.00. **SLAUGHTER EWES:** Good and Choice Yearlings 130-190 lbs 61.00-79.00. Good and Choice 2 year-olds 125-190 lbs 40.00-58.00, 215 lb individual 51.00. Sheep: 85 lb individual 40.00; 105-130 lbs 51.00-60.00; 140-170 lbs 48.00-55.00; 170-205 lbs mostly 38.00-55.00.

GOATS: Compared to Monday, all classes sold near steady on a very light test. All goats are sold on a per head basis, with estimated weights.

Kids: Selection 1 20-40 lbs 40.00-50.00; 40-70 lbs 55.00-70.00.

Selection 2 30-40 lbs 25.00-45.00; 40-70 lbs 45.00-55.00 Selection 3 20-40 lbs 18.00-40.00. Yearlings: Selection 1 50-80 lbs 45.00-70.00; 80-110 lbs 65.00-80.00. Selection 2 50-80 lbs 40.00-65.00. Selection 3 35-60 lbs 30.00-45.00.

Nannies: Selection 1 50-70 lbs 50.00-60.00; 70-100 lbs 62.00-75.00; 100-140 lbs 72.00-85.00. Selection 2 50-70 lbs 40.00-50.00; 70-100 lbs 46.00-64.00; 100-140 lbs 70.00-80.00.

Selection 3 50-70 lbs 26.00-40.00; 70-100 lbs 30.00-45.00.

Wethers: 70-100 lbs 85.00-91.00; 100-175 lbs 95.00.

Billies: Selection 1 100-150 lbs 101.00-137.00; 150-250 lbs 145.00-220.00.

Selection 2 70-100 lbs 50.00-65.00; 100-150 lbs 65.00-92.00; 150-250 lbs 115.00-130.00.

Selection 3 100-150 lbs 90.00-100.00.

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CORN TALK TO INCLUDE 2002 HYBRID REPORTS

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