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61.00-66.50, avg 63.22, heavy 1600-1640 lbs 60.25-62.85. Choice 2-3 1290-1555 lbs 58.00-60.50, avg 59.38, heavy package 1630 lbs 58.75. Select and low Choice 1-3 1320-1595 lbs 54.25-58.00, avg 56.90. Select 1-2 1190-1580 lbs 52.75-57.50, avg 53.94. Standard 1-2 1250-1330 lbs 49.25-51.50, avg 50.58.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1335-1450 lbs 72.00-76.75, avg 73.88, individual 79.25. Choice 2-3 1060-1250 lbs 71.50-73.75, avg 72.38. Couple Select and low Choice 1-3 1085-1110 70.00. Heiferettes: Couple Commercial to Choice 2-4 1165-1460 lbs 67.00. **SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers** 75-80 Over 1400 lbs 39.50-44.00 35.75-39.50 Boners 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 36.25-39.00 33.50-36.50 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 Over 1200 lbs 34.75-36.75 31.00-34.50 Lean 88-90 Over 1000 lbs 31.25-34.75 27.00-31.25 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 27.25-30.25 24.00-27.00 **SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1 1205-2090 lbs 46.00-52.50, high dressing up to 55.50. Yield Grade 2 1100-1790 43.00-47.00, couple 2155-2560 lbs 41.75- 43.50. **CALVES:** Compared to Monday, veal calves sold with a firmer undertone on a fairly light test. Holstein bull calves returning to the farm sold sharply higher in very active bidding, and good buyer attendance. Holstein heifers sold sharply higher due to very good buyer demand. The supply included 368 head in the state graded sale, with around 89 percent of the graded run going back on feed.

**VEAL CALVES:** Standard and Utility 60-90 lbs 11.00-25.00, 195 lb individual 60.00.

**RETURNED TO FARM:** Graded Number One Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 139.00-167.00; 90-92 lbs 122.00; 86-88 lbs 117.00; few 80-84 lbs 110.00. Graded Number Two Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 110.00-130.00; 88-92 lbs 120.00; 80-86 lbs 111.00. Graded Utility Holstein bulls 100-110 lbs 65.00; 90-98 lbs 30.00. Few bulls sold in the singles sale 140-170 lbs 55.00-70.00, with a fancy individual 97.00. Holstein heifers 95-125 lbs 41.00-52.00; 90 lbs 32.00-48.50; 85 lbs 29.00- 39.00; 80 lbs 32.00; 75 lbs 23.00-26.00; 70 lbs 19.00; 65 lbs 14.00. Plainer type heifers 95-125 lbs 27.50-39.50; 90 lbs 26.00-30.00; 85 lbs 16.00-30.00; 75 lbs 14.00-19.50; 70 lbs 8.00-14.00; 60-65 lbs 7.00-9.50. Cross bred beef heifer calves 105 lbs 14.00; 90 lbs 12.50. **SHEEP and LAMBS:** Compared to Monday, all classes sold mostly steady. **SLAUGHTER LAMBS:** Choice and Prime 2-3 couple 22 lbs 100.00; 60-70 lbs 116.00-124.00; package 74 lbs 116.00; 80-90 lbs 104.00-122.00; 90-105 lbs 108.00-112.00;

120-145 lbs 90.00-104.00, package 82.00; package 165 lbs 90.00. **SLAUGHTER EWES:** Good and Choice Yearlings 100-160 lbs 82.00-84.00; individual 185 lbs 56.00; individual 210 lbs 64.00. Good and Choice 2 Year Olds fancy package 149 lbs 58.00; individual 170 lbs 42.00; package 200 lbs 52.00; individual 280 lbs 40.00. Ewes: couple 105 lbs 66.00; 120-170 lbs 44.00-56.00, 180-250 lbs 44.00-48.00, few 52.00-55.00. **GOATS:** Compared to Monday, all classes of goats sold mixed, although mostly steady for the bulk of the run. All goats are sold on a per head basis, with estimated weights.

**Kids:** Selection 1 few 20-40 lbs 50.00-60.00. Selection 2 20-40 lbs 32.00-40.00 Selection 3 20-40 lbs 22.00-30.00.

**Yearlings:** Selection 1 60-80 lbs 60.00-70.00; few 80-100 lbs 72.00-82.00.

**Selection 2 60-80 lbs 54.00-64.00. Selection 3 few 60-80 lbs 38.00-40.00. Does/Nannies:** Selection 1 50-70 lbs 62.00-68.00; 70-100 lbs 60.00-74.00; 100-150 lbs 72.00-80.00, full 50.00. Selection 2 70-100 lbs 100-150 lbs 60.00-72.00. Selection 3 50-70 lbs 32.00-52.00; 70-100 lbs 50.00-70.00. Wethers: Few 50-70 lbs 58.00-70.00; 70-100 lbs 72.00-90.00; few 100-150 lbs 92.00-100.00.

**Bucks/Billies:** Selection 1 70-100 lbs 72.00-76.00; 100-150 lbs 78.00-94.00, individual 112.00 150-250 lbs 106.00-144.00, few 148.00-156.00.

**Selection 2 70-100 lbs 56.00-70.00; 100-150 lbs 60.00-80.00; 150-250 lbs 84.00-117.00. Selection 3 70-100 lbs 48.00-58.00; 100-150 lbs 60.00-70.00; 150-250 lbs 82.00-90.00.**

**Lancaster County Weekly Cattle**

New Holland, Pa.  
Report Supplied By USDA  
Friday, January 17, 2003

	CATTLE	CALVES
THIS WEEK	2538	1639
LAST WEEK	2550	1728
LAST YEAR	2415	1620

Compared to last week, slaughter steers sold fully 100 higher to open the trading period, only to trend fully 50-100 lower to close it out. The quality of the supply this week fluctuated more than usual, and with the various finish came mixed buyer activity. It was pretty simple though, if they had the right finish and they were the right weight, they went in the 800 pen. The Western direct feed yards moved the bulk of their steers at mostly 800 this week, which is 2.00 higher than the previous trading period. Luckily, the Western feeders were able to get it done before news broke that several vials of bubonic plague were missing from a college lab. This news caused the Board to crash on Wednesday, with near limit down losses in all livestock pits. However, even a plague scare cannot slow the red meat train down as boxed beef cutout values continue to sky rocket, with gains from 6.00 to over 7.00 this week. Holstein steers sold with a firmer undertone this week, although the supply remains light. Well-finished

Holsteins are trading in the 64.00-67.00 range, which keeps improving each week. Slaughter heifer runs were tight as well, with firmer undertones noted throughout the week. Slaughter cows sold mostly steady to 1.00 lower. There was no outstanding news this week that greatly affected the cow market. Cow carcass cutout values gained less than 50 for the week, and had little effect on the market. Buyer attendance was good this week, and the supply continues to be heavy as over 1100 cows went through the Lancaster county sale barns. Slaughter bulls sold mostly steady to 3.00 lower. This week's reported supply included 27 percent steers, 6 percent heifers, 44 percent cows, 8 percent bulls, with the balance feeders.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1130-1495 lbs 77.00-82.00, Yield Grade 4-5 74.85-77.00. Choice 2-3 1120-1495 lbs 74.00-78.50, Yield Grade 4 70.50-73.50, heavy 1510-1615 lbs 68.75-74.25 with a package of Yield Grade 4-5 64.75, high dressing Charolais-X's 74.50-77.25. Select and low Choice 2-3 165- 1495 lbs 72.75-76.00, heavy 1525-1580 lbs 68.00-70.50, with a few high dressing Yield Grade 1-2 76.00-81.75 Select 1-2 1025-1495 lbs 68.75-72.50, avg 71.25, heavy 1625-1655 lbs 66.75-69.00, with a couple 940-980 lb packages going back on feed 71.00-72.00.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-3 1290-1565 lbs 61.00-66.50, couple 70.00 early in the week, heavy 1600-1700 lbs 55.25-62.85 Choice 2-3 1290-1570 lbs 57.00-60.50, heavy package 1630 lbs 58.75 Select and low Choice 1-3 1320-1595 lbs 54.25-58.00 Select 1-2 1140-1590 lbs 52.75-57.50 Standard 1-2 1250-1330 lbs 49.25-51.50

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1020-1450 lbs 72.00-77.50, individual 79.25 Choice 2-3 1060-1345 lbs 70.00-73.75 Couple Select and low Choice 1-3 1085-1110 70.00 Heiferettes: Couple Commercial to Choice 2-4 1165-1460 lbs 67.00

**SLAUGHTER COWS PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers** 75-80 Over 1400 lbs 38.50-44.00 34.00-39.50 Boners 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 35.00-39.75 32.75-36.75 Lean (High-Yield) 85-88 Over 1200 lbs 33.75-36.75 30.00-34.50 Lean 88-90 Over 1000 lbs 31.00-34.75 27.00-31.25 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 27.00-30.25 23.50-28.00 **SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1 1020-2090 lbs 43.50-54.25, high dressing up to 55.50 Yield Grade 2 1100-1790 43.00-47.25, couple low dressing 2155- 2560 lbs 41.75-43.50 Bullocks: Few Select 1-2 1065-1460 lbs 60.00-60.50, couple 69.00-71.50

**CALF SUMMARY:** Compared to last week, slaughter calves sold firm to 10.00 higher. Slaughter buyers are not able to procure calves near as effortlessly as accustomed to as several feeders are showing interest in owning the Utility calves. Holstein bull calves suitable for special feed veal barns sold sharply higher this week. Buyer demand, attendance, and activity were all excellent for the entirety of the week. However, many producers are trying to pencil out paying 140.00-170.00 for 90-125 lb calves when the finished market is only 185.00. Holstein heifers also sold sharply higher this week, as bids are above 500.00 for the fancy stock. The state graded runs in Lancaster County remain fairly strong as nearly 1000 head were sold through the two graded sales this week.

**SLAUGHTER CALVES:** Choice individual 180 lbs 102.00, individual 260 lbs 87.00, individual 365 lbs 75.00, individual 410 lbs 93.00. Standard and Utility 60-90 lbs 11.00-25.00, weaker 10.00-15.00

**CALVES RETURNING TO FEED:** Monday- Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 120.00-140.00 Plainer-type bulls 95-125 lbs 92.00-122.00, 90 lbs 85.00-95.00 Weaker bulls 95-125 lbs 75.00-87.00, 90 lbs 50.00-75.00, 80 lbs 60.00-70.00 Few Holstein heifers 90 lbs 280.00-41.00, 85 lbs 250.00-280.00, 75 lbs 160.00

**Tuesday- Graded Number One Holstein Bulls:** 95-125 lbs 127.00-170.00, package 90 lbs 125.00, package 85 lbs 130.00, package 80 lbs 112.00 Graded Number Two Holstein Bulls 95-125 lbs 112.00-145.00, couple packages 90 lbs 130.00-135.00, couple packages 83 lbs 60.00-67.00 Graded Number One Holstein Heifers 95-120 lbs 335.00-455.00, package 83 lbs 330.00, pack-

age 74 lbs 215.00 Graded Number Two Holstein Heifers 90-105 lbs 345.00-400.00, package 83 lbs 255.00, package 73 lbs 140.00

**Thursday- Graded Number One Holstein bulls:** 95-125 lbs 139.00-167.00, 90-92 lbs 122.00; 86-88 lbs 117.00, few 80-84 lbs 110.00 Graded Number Two Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 110.00-130.00, 88-92 lbs 120.00, 80-86 lbs 111.00 Graded Utility Holstein bulls 100-110 lbs 65.00, 90-98 lbs 30.00 Few bulls sold in the singles sale 140-170 lbs 55.00-70.00, with a fancy individual 97.00 Holstein heifers 95-125 lbs 41.00-52.00, 80 lbs 32.00-48.50, 85 lbs 29.00- 39.00, 80 lbs 32.00, 75 lbs 23.00-26.00, 70 lbs 19.00, 65 lbs 14.00 Plainer type heifers 95-125 lbs 27.50-39.50, 90 lbs 26.00-30.00, 85 lbs 16.00-30.00, 75 lbs 14.00-19.50, 70 lbs 8.00-14.00, 60-65 lbs 7.00-9.50

Cross bred beef heifer calves 105 lbs 140.00, 90 lbs 125.00

**Pennsylvania Livestock Auction**

Waynesburg, Pa.  
Thursday, Jan. 16, 2003

Report Supplied By Auction

**Cattle. STOCK COWS** 34 50-47 00 **SLAUGHTER COWS** Utility & Commercial 35 00-42 20, Boner & Boning Utility 31 00-36 00, Cutter & Boning Utility 28 00-34 00, Canner & Low Cutter 28 00-32 00, Shells 29 00 & down

**BULLS YIELD GRADE 1** 1500#-2000# 39 00-50 00, **YIELD GRADE 2** 1000#-1400# 38 00-51 00

**FEEDER STEERS M & L** 1 300-500# 80 00-89 00 250-280# 80 00-94 00, M 600-900# 55 00-85 00 **HEIFERS M & L** 1 300-500# 68 00-74 00, L 1 400-650# 60 00-75 00

**BULLS M & L** 1 300-620# 70 00-90 00 **CALVES** Veal Prime 70 00-85 00, Choice 60 00-84 00, Good 35 00-70 00, Farm Calves #1 Holstein Bulls 90-120# Few 35 00-115 00; #2 Holstein Bulls 80-100# Few 10 00-50 00, Beef - Bull & Hfrs/Hd 50 00-34 00

**HOGS, Barrows & Gilts** #1-2 210-255# 35 00-44 00, #2-3 255-280# 32 00-44 00, Sows #1-3 300-500# 17 00-35 00, Feeder Pigs 1-3 15-20# 5 00-17 00/Hd 1-3 25-35# 10 00-21 00/Hd

**LAMBS:** High Choice 80-100# 65 00-100 00, Choice 40-75# 60 00-128 00; Feeder Lambs Good 50 00-95 00, Sheep 26 00-47 00, Fat Sheep 30 00 and down

**GOATS** Large 45 00-125 00/Hd, Medium 30 00-70 00/Hd, Small 10 00-30 00/Hd **HORSES** Horses 20 00-52 00, Ponies 20 00-48 00

**Indiana Livestock Auction**

Homer City, Pa.  
Thursday, January 16, 2003

Report Supplied By PDA

**CATTLE** 125 STEERS STEADY TO 5 00 HIGHER COWS STEADY TO 2 00 HIGHER STEERS CHOICE 1-3 1185/1365 LBS 73 50, 78 50 SELECT 1-2 64 00, 70 25 STANDARD 1-2 52 50, 56 00

**HOLSTEIN STEERS** CHOICE 2-3 1760 LBS ONE AT 59 00 SELECT 1-2 51 00, 55 50 STANDARD 1-2 46 00, 48 00 HEIFERS CHOICE 1-3 1310 LBS ONE AT 75 00 SELECT 1-2 65 25, 68 00 STANDARD 1-2 47 00, 53 00

**COWS BREAKERS** 75-80% LEAN 34 00, 46 00 **BONERS** 80-85% LEAN 35 00, 39 00 **LEAN 85-90%** LEAN 30 00, 35 50 **SHELLS** 29 50 AND DOWN

**BULLS YIELD GRADE 1** 1230 LBS ONE AT 56 25 YG2 1250/2355 LBS 36 75, 44 00 **HEIFERS** M-1 380/515, 68 00, 72 00

**CALVES** 88, STANDARD & GOOD 80/115 LBS 25 00, 45 00 **UTILITY** 65/80 LBS 20 00, 22 50 **FARM CALVES** HOLSTEIN BULLS STEADY TO 10 00 HIGHER NO 1 BULLS 90/125 LBS 95 00, 130 00 **COUPLE** TO 140 00 NO 2 BULLS 85/105 LBS 60 00, 90 00 **HOLSTEIN HEIFERS** NO 1 HEIFERS 90/110 LBS 350 00, 385 00 NO 2 80/95 LBS 100 00, 240 00 **BEFF CROSS BULLS AND HEIFERS** 85/125 LBS 112 50, 142 50

**HOGS** 46 BARROW & GILTS STEADY TO 5 00 HIGHER 49-54% LEAN 230/260 LBS 43 75, 46 50 40-45% LEAN 220/250 LBS 39 75, 42 50 40-45% LEAN 245/270 LBS 36 50, 37 75 **SOWS** US 1-3 498 LBS ONE AT 26 00 **MEDIUM** 310 ONE AT 16 00 **BOARS** 360/590, 75 00, 13 75

**FEEDER PIGS** 10 1-3 80/85 LBS 18 00, 20 00 **SHEEP** SI LAMBS NO MARKET TEST **GOATS** NO MARKET TEST

**Greencastle Livestock**

Greencastle, Pa.  
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Thursday, Jan. 16, 2003

**CATTLE:** 206. **COWS:** 2.50-3.50 LOWER. **BULLS:** 1.50 LOWER. **STEERS:** CHOICE 1-3 1290 & 1305 LBS. **COUPLE,** 73.00 & 74.25.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** CHOICE 2-3 ONE 1455 LBS. 57.00. **SELECT 1-2 FEW** 45.50, 48.00. **ONE STANDARD 1-2 ONE** 40.75.

**COWS:** BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 33.25, 40.75, MOSTLY 34.75, 39.25, ONE AT 42.75, AVERAGE 37.10 **BONERS** 80-85% LEAN 29.75, 38.50, BULK OF SALES 36.75, 37.00, AVERAGE 34.45. **LEAN 85-90% LEAN** 27.75, 36.50 MOSTLY 29.00, 34.50, AVERAGE 30.85. **SHELLS** 27.50 AND DOWN

**BULLS, YIELD GRADE 1 FEW** 1275/1855 LBS 46.25, 50.25 **YG 2** 1275/1910 LBS. 42.50, 45.00

**FEEDER CATTLE:** STEERS: M & L2, ONE 610, 57.00, FEW 740/800, 62.00, 63.00; L3, ONE 915, 44.00.

**HEIFERS:** M2, ONE 860, 55.00 **BULLS:** M&L1, FEW 540/685, 58.00, 60.00.

**CALVES:** 287. **STANDARD & GOOD** 70/115 LBS. 32.50, 45.00. **UTILITY** 55/105 LBS. 10.00, 32.50. **FARM CALVES:** HOLSTEIN BULLS STEADY TO STRONG. NO 1 BULLS 90/125 LBS. 110.00, 162.50, MOSTLY 120.00, 150.00, 80/90, 70.00, 90.00 NO. 2 BULLS 80/120 LBS 50.00, 117.50. **HOLSTEIN HEIFERS** NO. 1 HFRS. 90/100 LBS. FEW 305.00, 470.00. NO. 2 75/100 LBS. 140.00, 300.00.

**HOGS, 7. 40-45% LEAN** FEW 225/290 LBS. 25.00, 29.00. **US 1-3 FEW** 460/605 LBS. 23.00, 26.00. **BOARS:** 780 & 285, **COUPLE** 4 50 & 12.00.

**FEEDER 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, Jan. 16, 2003

**RETURN TO FARM CALF:** 100.00-455.00

**GOOD VEAL:** 60.00-99.00.

**COMMON VEAL:** 15.00-59.00.

**CHOICE STEERS:** 75.00-80.00.

**SELECT STEERS:** 65.00-74.00.

**COMMON STEERS:** 53.00-62.00

**COMMERCIAL COWS:** 37.00-43 00.

**CANNERS/CUTTERS:** 30.00-38.00.

**SHELLS:** 23.00 TO 30.00.

**CHOICE HEIFERS:** 70.00-74.00.

**SELECT HEIFERS:** 62.00-68.00.

**COMMON HEIFERS:** 48 00-61.00.

**GOOD FEEDERS:** 65.00-70.00

**COMMON FEEDERS:** 40.00-64.00

**BULLS:** 40.00-48.00

**Greencastle Hay**

Greencastle, Pa.  
Report Supplied By Auction  
January 16, 2003

**HAY:** 34 LOADS STRAW, 3 LOADS MISCELLANEOUS, 1 LOAD TOTAL LOADS: 38 ALFALFA, 140 00-230.00. **MIX HAY:** 77 50-185 00 **STRAW:** 87 50, 1 40/BALE. **WOOD:** 25.00/LOAD.

**Organic Farming Conference Jan. 25**

**NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. —** Holistic farm management, transitioning to organic production, an introduction to organic farming practices, sustainable farm-worker housing and more than a dozen other presentations will be featured at the annual Northeast Organic Farming Association of New Jersey Winter Conference, Jan. 25 here at the Cook Campus Center.

The daylong conference, "Greener Fields: Growing Value on the Farm," draws speakers and attendees from throughout the Mid-Atlantic. The conference, which emphasizes sustain-

able and organic approaches to production, will also address topics as varied as compost, crop rotation, culinary herbs, and conserving water on-farm.

This year features several presentations for farmers considering converting to organic practices and information for those who are new to production agriculture. In the morning, Olga Wickerhauser, the new NJAES sustainable agriculture coordinator, will cover "Fundamentals of Sustainable Organic Agriculture," and Phil Metzger, project coordinator for the Central New York Resource Conservation and Development board and a trainee in the Allan Savory Center's Holistic Management Certified Educator program will offer an "Introduction to Holistic Management," an integrated planning process that emphasizes organizing land-based enterprises to be profitable and environmentally and socially sound.

In the afternoon, Bob Muth, a second-generation South Jersey vegetable grower, will describe his firsthand experience transitioning a working farm to organic production.

More specialized sessions for those starting, expanding, or diversifying a farm enterprise include "The Profitable Small-Scale Dairy," by Ken and Julie Bechtold, cheesemakers at Stoney Croft Farm in northern New Jersey, and "Managing a Successful CSA," by Mike Baki of Genesis Biodynamic Farm near Blairstown.

Pesticide recertification credits will be available for many sessions.