

# 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, January 20, 2003

|           | Cattle | Calves | Hogs | Sheep | Goats |
|-----------|--------|--------|------|-------|-------|
| MONDAY    | 307    | 260    | 951  | 662   | 879   |
| LAST WEEK | 465    | 259    | 1138 | 1073  | 2136  |
| LAST YEAR | 207    | 199    | 617  | 516   | 1098  |

Slaughter cows sold mostly steady to firm, with instances of 50 higher. Slaughter bulls sold with a higher undertone on a very light run. Nearly 47 percent of the run was comprised of slaughter cows.

**SLAUGHTER COWS, PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING** Breakers 75-80 Over 1400 lbs 39.75-42.50, 36.50-39.00 few up to 44.00 Boners 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 36.25-39.25 33.50-36.75 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 Over 1200 lbs 34.50-36.75 32.00-34.50 Lean 88-90 Over 1000 lbs 31.75-34.50 28.50-31.75 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 28.00-31.00 25.00-29.75

**SLAUGHTER BULLS, Yield Grade 1-2** 1170-2285 lbs 47.25-53.00, high dressing single 56.50, few 1095-1255 lbs possible returning to feed 46.75-50.75. Bullocks: Individual Select 2 1755 lbs 47.25.

**SHEEP and LAMBS:** Compared to late last week, all classes sold about steady as another good test of 80-90 lb lambs came through the ring. All sheep and lambs are sold with actual weights by the pound. **SLAUGHTER LAMBS:** Choice, few Prime 2-3 35-40 lbs 98.00-125.00; 40-50 lbs 98.00-126.00; 50-60 lbs 106.00-123.00; 60-70 lbs 116.00-130.00; 70-80 lbs 110.00-122.00; 80-90 lbs 110.00-114.00; 90-100 lbs 106.00-114.00, 100-110 lbs 98.00-110.00; 120-125 lbs 90.00-100.00; 155-170 lbs 70.00-79.00, 255 lb individual 50.00.

**SLAUGHTER SHEEP, Good and Choice** Yearlings and Two Year Olds 90-105 lbs 57.00-60.00, package 145 lbs 77.00, few 155 lbs 50.00, few 170 lbs 54.00. Ewes: 20-180 lbs mostly 44.00-56.00, few plainer 30.00-38.00, with an 80 lbs package at 51.00; few 225-230 lbs 34.00.

**HOGS** Barrows and gilts firm to 2.00 higher, sows fully 1.00 to 3.00 lower, boars steady to 75 higher. **BARROWS AND GILTS** 49.54% lean 220-285 lbs 34.00-37.25, 290-320 lbs 34.25-37.00, 45-50% lean 220-280 lbs 32.00-34.25, 290-320 lbs 29.75-32.75, 40-45% lean 220-275 lbs 30.50-33.25, few 300-350 lbs 27.75-30.25.

**SOWS** 1-3 under 400 lbs 18.00-20.00, 400-500 lbs 19.00-23.00, over 500 lbs 22.00-24.25

**BOARS** 300-700 lbs 7.00-8.00

**GOATS** Compared to last week, Kid goats were not well tested due to the thin run. Yearlings sold 2.00-4.00 higher due to very good demand. As a matter of fact, all small goats were in very good demand and bidding was active through the entirety of the sale. Nannies sold steady to 4.00 lower in a mixed test. Billies sold mixed as well, although mostly steady. Wethers sold 1.00 to 6.00 higher in active trading. The quality of the entire run was very mixed, with mostly lower quality goats on offer. However, due to the light receipts, buyers had no choice but to procure the lesser quality stock to try and fill their orders. All goats are sold on a per head basis, with estimated weights: Kids: Selection 1 20-40 lbs 52.00-58.00; package 50 lbs 68.00. Selection 2 20-40 lbs 34.00-42.00. Selection 3 20-40 lbs 28.00-32.00. Yearlings: Selection 1 60-80 lbs 60.00-72.00; 80-100 lbs 70.00-86.00. Selection 2 60-80 lbs 52.00-62.00; package 85 lbs 72.00. Selection 3 few 60-80 lbs 42.00-50.00. Nannies: Selection 1 100-140 lbs 68.00-80.00. Selection 2 50-70 lbs 48.00-56.00; 70-100 lbs 60.00-64.00; 100-140 lbs 62.00-70.00. Selection 3 50-70 lbs 36.00-50.00; 70-100 lbs 46.00-57.00. Billies: Selection 1 70-100 lbs 70.00-90.00; few 100-150 lbs 100.00-105.00; good test of 150-250 lbs 100.00-152.00, with a fancy single at 172.00. Selection 2 70-100 lbs 50.00-72.00; 100-150 lbs 70.00-88.00; 150-250 lbs 86.00-104.00, with a single at 122.00. Selection 3 few 70-100 lbs 38.00-44.00; few 100-150 lbs 44.00-50.00. Wethers: Few 50-70 lbs 62.00-74.00; 70-100 lbs 80.00-91.00; few 100-150 lbs 92.00-130.00.

Note: Prices quoted below include Tuesday's run only as Monday was a federal holiday. According to private sources, Monday's sale was very active with buyers snatching steers up very quickly, even the lesser quality stock.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1275-1480 lbs 77.75-81.00, average 79.69. Choice 2-3 1255-1490 lbs 75.25-78.25, average 76.93, heavy 1530-1550 lbs 69.25-72.50, high dressing Charolais-X's 77.75-81.50, few high dressing Yield Grade 1-2 75.75-79.75, full and Yield Grade 4 72.00-75.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1195-1460 lb 73.75-76.75, average 75.14. Select 1-3 1020-1490 lbs 70.00-74.25, average 71.75, few heavy 1535-1540 lbs 72.75-73.00. Few Standard 1-2 1140-1210 lbs 63.50-69.00, average 66.33.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** Individual Prime 3 1415 lbs 65.50. Individual low Choice 2 1565 lbs 59.75. Several Select and low Choice 2-3 heavyweights 1600-1770 lbs 52.75-57.75.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Couple Choice 2-3 1145-1175 lbs 73.00-75.25, with a couple Yield Grade 4-5 66.75-69.50.

**Vintage Livestock Auction**  
Vintage, Pa.  
January 20-21, 2003  
Report Supplied By USDA

|           | Cattle | Calves | Sheep | Goats |
|-----------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| THIS WEEK | 776    | 772    | 1     | 0     |
| LAST WEEK | 703    | 749    | 0     | 1     |
| LAST YEAR | 724    | 898    | 1     | 0     |

Compared to Thursday, slaughter steers sold 50-1.00 higher on a run that included around 245 head. Prices continue to remain pretty firm at the Vintage Sales Stables, not slipping much off 80.00 for the right kind. Of course, the stock that was over-finished or too heavy took a small hit. Bidding was fairly active throughout the sale, especially since buyers were not able to pick and choose due to the light numbers, therefore, if they were close they went on the

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**CALVES** Compared to last Tuesday, veal calves sold 5.00-8.00 lower. Holstein bull calves suitable for special-fed veal barns sold mostly 2.00-20.00 lower. Buyer attendance was good, but the market never seemed to get any fire under it. Holstein heifer calves sold steady to 30.00 higher, with most of the increase in the Number Two graded pens. The supply included 627 in the state graded sale, with around 86 percent of the supply returned to feed.

**SLAUGHTER CALVES:** Standard and Utility 70-105 lbs 15.00-27.00. **RETURNED TO FARM:** Graded Number One Holstein Bulls 95-125 lbs 115.00-157.00; package 90 lbs 122.00; package 85 lbs 127.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Bulls 95-125 lbs 110.00-128.00; package 92 lbs 92.00; package 90 lbs 89.00; couple packages 84 lbs 40.00-50.00. Beef-type bulls 115 lbs 127.00; 75 lbs 75.00.

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Beef-type heifers 95-100 lbs 145.00-170.00; 70-80 lbs 50.00-95.00.

## Market At A Glance

Lancaster County Livestock Auction Averages  
(Price Per Hundredweight)  
Week Ending Friday, January 24, 2003  
Supplied By Market Staff

|                                | This Wk | Wk Ago | Yr Ago |
|--------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|
| Steers, Choice 2-3             | 77.25   | 76.10  | 70.50  |
| Heifers, Choice 2-3, few Prime | 73.50   | 73.00  | 67.30  |
| Cows, Breakers, 75-80% lean    | 44.25   | 41.75  | 42.00  |
| Cows, Boners, 80-85% lean      | 39.25   | 36.50  | 41.00  |
| Bulls, YG 1, ltd.              | 51.10   | 51.25  | 59.00  |
| Hogs, 49-54% lean, Monday      | 35.65   | 34.25  | 39.85  |
| Lambs, Choice/Prime 80-110 lb. | 106.00  | 113.00 | 82.50  |

truck Slaughter Holstein steers and beef heifers were not tested due to the light Tuesday run. Slaughter cows sold firm to .50 higher, with instances from 50-1.00 higher. Buyer attendance and activity were both very good. The quality of the run was also very good with quite a few fleshier-type cows on offer, which drew good attention. On a very light test, slaughter bulls trended with a weaker undertone. The supply included 31 percent steers, 8 percent heifers, 55 percent cows, 2 percent bulls, with the balance feeders.

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