

Eastern Cornbelt Direct Sheep Weekly Summary

Springfield, Ill.
February 14, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA

Eastern Cornbelt Direct Sheep Weekly Report (includes lambs sold in IL., IN., OH., MI.) — Compared to last week, slaughter lambs over 100 lbs were mostly steady, instances 1.00 lower. Lambs under 80 lbs were 2.50-3.50 higher. Ewes were 4.00 higher on the utility to good grades. Cull ewes were unevenly steady. Goats were steady. Demand was moderate to good. Trading was moderate. Carlot lamb carcasses were mostly 2.00 to 4.00 higher on weights over 40 lbs. Carlot lamb carcasses under 40 lbs were 5.00 lower. Confirmed sales this week about 63% slaughter lambs, 37% ewes and an additional 700 head of goats. Total sheep and lambs sales 1000, last week 1000 and year ago 750.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice 2-3 100-130 lbs 85.00-90.00, few up to 95.00; 50-80 lbs 107.00-115.00.

SLAUGHTER EWES: Utility to Good 1-3: 45.00-50.00; Cull to Utility: few 35.00-40.00, few up to 45.00.

SLAUGHTER GOATS (cwt.): Kids: Selection 2: 20-40 lbs 92.00-102.00; 40-60 lbs 90.00-92.00. Selection 3: 20-60 lbs 50.00-57.00. Yearlings: Selection 2: 70-90 lbs 57.00-62.00. Does/Nannies and Bucks/Billies: Selection 2-3: 80-125 lbs 45.00-50.00.

This report covers sheep and lambs sold direct off the farm through local country stations. Note: receipts do not cover total movement in the area.

National Sheep Summary

San Angelo, Texas
February 18, 2003

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At midwest market centers slaughter lambs and slaughter ewes steady to 2.00 higher; feeder lambs steady. No test at New Holland, PA due to the weather. At San Angelo, TX slaughter lambs steady; slaughter ewes firm; feeder lambs firm. Estimated receipts 7,000 head for today.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice and Prime 2-3 90-150 lbs: San Angelo: shorn and woolled 85.00-95.50; few 96.00-97.00. Midwest: shorn 88.00-94.00; woolled 86.00-91.75. New Holland: no test. Virginia: 107.00-112.00.

SLAUGHTER EWES: San Angelo: Good and Choice 2-4 35.00-41.00; Good 2-3 45.00-56.00; Utility and Good 1-3 51.00-59.00; Utility 1-2 42.00-52.00; few Cull and Utility 1-2 30.00-42.00. Midwest: Utility and Good 1-3 33.00-47.00; Cull 1 23.00-39.00. New Holland: no test. Billings: no test. Virginia: no test.

FEEDER LAMBS: Medium and Large 1-2: San Angelo: 70-90 lbs 92.00-97.00; new crop 40-60 lbs 110.00-113.00; 60-80 lbs 103.00-110.00, set 115.00; 80-90 lbs 100.00-109.50; 90-100 lbs 103.50-107.00. Midwest: 55 lbs 120.00; 60-80 lbs 95.00-105.00; 80-100 lbs 85.00-99.00. Virginia: 60-70 lbs 116.00. Billings: no test.

REPLACEMENT EWES: Medium and Large 1-2: San Angelo: mixed age 115-145 lbs 62.00-69.00 cwt. Billings: no test.

Tennessee Graded Goat and Sheep Sale

Nashville, Tenn.
February 14, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA

Tennessee Livestock Producers Graded Goat and Sheep Sale at Thompson Station, Friday, Feb. 14. Receipts: 407 head (370 goats, 37 sheep); last sale 584. Goats sold per head or per hundred weight, actual or estimated.

GOATS: SLAUGHTER CLASSES:
KIDS: Selection 1: 50-65 lb few 114.50-114.75; 65-85 lb few 102.00. Selection 2: 35-50 lb 110-115.00, 51-65 lb 106.25-108.25, 66-85 lb few 98-100.00, 90-105 lb 80-92.00. Selection 3: 25-35 lb few 99.50; 36-50 lb 98.50-104.00; 51-65 lb 98-100.75; 66-85 lb 88.50-95.75. **YEARLINGS:** Selection 2-3: 50-90 lb 82-88.50. **BUCKS/BILLIES:** All wgt. 71.75-75.00. **NANNIES/DOES:** All wgt. 55.00-71.50 mostly 55-60.00. **KIDS: FEEDERS:** Selection 3: 25-50 lb 80-87.00.

REPLACEMENT GOATS:
NANNIES/DOES: Selection 1-2: Per head; weights estimated. Small 65-75 lb few 49-50.00. Selection 3: few 41-50.00; Medium 75-90 lb 60-75.00. Large 90 lb/up Boer and Boer cross 76-94.00, mostly 80-91.00. **PAIRS AND TRIOS:** Selection 2: not well tested. **BILLIES/BUCKS:** Selection 1-2: Per head. 100-200 lb Boer or Boer cross few 83-165.00.

SHEEP: SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Good and Choice 60-80 lb not well tested on all weights. Barbadoes and Katahdin: 14 head Barbadoes rams 53 lb 99.50/cwt.

Five-Area Weekly Average Direct Slaughter Cattle

St. Joseph, Mo., February 17, 2003 — USDA Market News Service

Sales in Texas/Oklahoma; Kansas; Nebraska; Colorado; and Iowa/Minnesota Feedlots for Week Ending Sunday, February 16, 2001

Confirmed Sales: 122,534, Week Ago: 156,529; Year Ago: 183,493

LIVE FOB BASIS SALES - Beef Breeds:

SLAUGHTER STEERS	Head Count	Weight Range	Price Range	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
Over 80% Choice	2,691	1200-1450	75 50-78 00	1,377	76 44
65-80% Choice	4,793	1025-1475	75 75-79 00	1,362	77 34
35-65% Choice	15,381	1095-1400	76 00-80 00	1,252	78 61
1-35% Choice	745	1240-1300	78 00-79 00	1,268	78 89
TOTAL all grades	23,610	1025-1475	75.50-80.00	1,289	78.11

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS	Head Count	Weight Range	Price Range	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
Over 80% Choice	2,210	1200-1490	75 50-78 00	1,304	77 38
65-80% Choice	8,441	1100-1400	75 00-80 00	1,256	77 19
35-65% Choice	20,637	1000-1300	76 00-80 00	1,121	78 67
1-35% Choice					
TOTAL all grades	31,288	1,000-1,450	75.00-80.00	1,170	78.18

DRESSED DELIVERED BASIS SALES - Beef Breeds:

SLAUGHTER STEERS	Head Count	Weight Range	Price Range	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
Over 80% Choice	1,909	799-945	120 00-123 00	854	122.10
65-80% Choice	13,444	625-930	119 00-125 00	851	122.52
35-65% Choice	9,920	674-889	120 00-124 00	829	122.34
1-35% Choice	154	788-860	121 00-122 00	845	121.21
TOTAL all grades	25,427	625-945	119.00-125.00	843	122.41

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS	Head Count	Weight Range	Price Range	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
Over 80% Choice	2,337	709-860	121 00-123 00	802	122.11
65-80% Choice	11,123	680-884	120 00-124 50	798	122.39
35-65% Choice	9,749	651-900	120 00-123 00	777	122.22
1-35% Choice	223	819-830	122 00-123 00	821	122.20
TOTAL all grades	23,431	651-900	120.00-124.50	790	122.29

Weekly Weighted Averages	Head Count	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
Live Steer	23,610	1,289	78 11
Live Heifer	31,288	1,170	78 18
Dressed Steer	25,427	843	122 41
Dressed Heifer	23,431	790	122 29
Same Period Last Week:			
Live Steer	54,804	1,255	81 41
Live Heifer	54,986	1,143	81 55
Dressed Steer	23,269	836	126 19
Dressed Heifer	14,354	789	125 95
Same Period Last Year:			
Live Steer	44,327	1,273	71 91
Live Heifer	42,215	1,169	72 02
Dressed Steer	31,353	845	113 98
Dressed Heifer	37,026	783	113 83

National Weekly Lamb Report

Des Moines, Iowa
February 17, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA

NATIONAL WEEKLY LAMB REPORT for week ending Monday, Feb. 17: **SLAUGHTERED LAMB PRIOR WEEK:** From Forward Contracts: Domestic 310; Imported 0. From Formula Arrangements: Domestic 17,973 head; Imported: 1,778

SLAUGHTERED PACKER OWNED SHEEP: DOMESTIC: 102 head, 65-65 lbs (avg. 65 lbs); dressing 50.0-50.0%, avg. 50.0%; Choice or better 100.0%. **IMPORTED:** None.

FORWARD CONTRACT PURCHASES: No trade reported.

FORMULA PURCHASES: DOMESTIC: 1,174 head, 50-65 lbs (avg. 62.6 lbs) 167.45-178.78, wtd. avg. price 173.19; 5,574 head, 66-74 lbs (avg. 70.6 lbs) 166.03-182.96, wtd. avg. price 174.52; 11,366 head, 75-86 lbs (avg. 76.8 lbs) 165.95-176.00 (160.01).

IMPORTED: 2,255 head, 69-78 lbs (avg. 72.8 lbs) 151.05-167.34, wtd. avg. price 159.14.

Belleville Livestock Auction

Belleville, Pa.
February 19, 2003

Report Supplied By Auction

CATTLE 242...(PDA)...(Supply included 176 Dairy cows and heifers in the dairy sale)...cows active, mostly 1.00 higher with good demand.

COWS: Breakers 75-80% lean 42.00-45.25, average 43.58, Boners 80-85% lean 37.00-43.00, average 40.50. Lean 85-90% lean 33 00-38 00, high dressing to 40 75, average 36.96. Shells 30.00 and down.

BUILLS: one Yield Grade 1 1475 lbs 48.75.

CALVES 72...VEALERS: Standard and Good 70-100 lbs 28.00-35.00, average 30.67, Utility 55-120 lbs 15.00-24.00, average 19.00. **FARM CALVES:** No 1 Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs 122.50-142.50, average 131.33, 80-90 lbs 95.00-120.00, average 107.50, No 2 80-120 lbs 85.00-122.50, weaker calves to 50.00, average 101.55; No 2 Holstein heifers 70-100 lbs 135.00-200.00.

HOGS 44...BARROWS AND GILTS: 40-45% lean 160-185 lbs 10.00, 75-125 lbs 5.00. **FEEDER PIGS 84...1-3 25-30 lbs 7.00-15.00, 30-65 lbs 15.00-21.00. — per head.**

SHEEP 1...NO MARKET TEST!

GOATS 1...NO MARKET TEST!

DAIRY COWS: 875.00-1700.00 per head.

ANNUAL WINTER DAIRY NUTRITION CONFERENCE

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* **Dr. Walt Kennet - The Old Mill**

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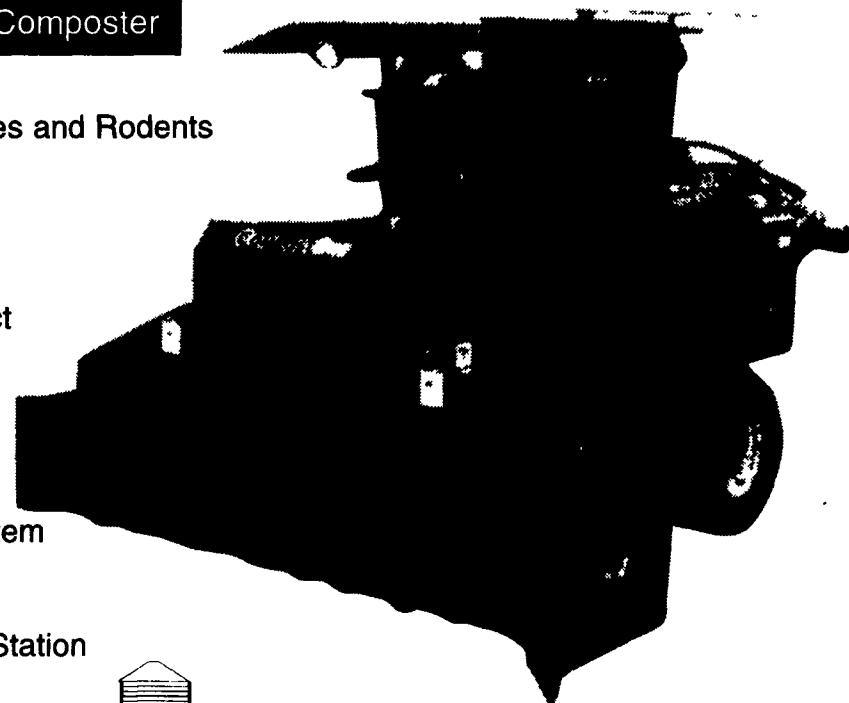
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