

Philadelphia Herbs

Philadelphia Terminal
 Prices as of March 12, 2003
 Report Supplied By USDA

MISC HERBS -ANISE 3/4 ctns CA 24s 12.00 -ARRUGUA 4/5 bucrs behd FI 24s 6.50-8.00 4 lb ctns CA Baby type 12.00 -BASIL ctns behd FI 15s 8.00-10.00 1 kg ctns behd IS 12s 11.00-13.00 -CELFRAC (CELERY ROOT) 15 lb lgs CA 15.00 -CHIVENTRO. 1 kg ctns behd IS 12s 13.00 -CILANTRO. 4/5 bucrs behd FI 30s 7.00-10.00 ctns approx 20 lbs TX 30s 15.00 ctns behd MX 60s 12.00 TX 30s 9.00 -DILL ctns behd TX 24s 9.00 crts behd FI 24s 8.00-9.00 ctns approx 20 lb TX 24s 13.00 -DRY FSCHALLOT 10 lb sks NI 7.00-8.00 mostly 7.50 -FEMON GRASS 30 lb ctns FI 30.00 -MARJORAM 1 kg ctns behd IS 12s 13.00 -MINT crts behd FI 12s 8.00 1 kg ctns behd IS 12s 13.00 -ORFEGANO 1 kg ctns behd IS 12s 13.00 -ROSEMARY 1 kg ctns behd IS 12s 13.00 -SAGE 1 kg ctns behd IS 12s 13.00 -TARRAGON 1 kg ctns behd IS 12s 17.00 -THYME 1 kg ctns behd IS 12s 13.00 -WATFRCFRESS ctns behd FI 12s 7.50 24s 11.50-12.00 mostly 12.00

East Fluid Milk And Cream Review

Madison, Wis.
 March 12, 2003

Report Supplied by USDA

Spot prices of class II cream, dollars per lb butterfat F.O.B producing plants Northeast 1.3594-1.4464 Delivered Equivalent Atlanta 1.3594-1.4681 mostly 1.3920-1.4138

PRICES OF CONDENSED SKIM, dollars per lb wet solids, F.O.B producing plants Northeast Class II, includes monthly formula prices. 9000-9800, Class III - spot prices - 7200-.8400

SPOT SHIPMENTS OF GRADE A MILK FLORIDA: This Week In 0, Out 0, Last Week In 0, Out 2; Last Year In 0, Out 30. SOUTHEAST STATES This week In 0, Out 0, last week In 0, Out 0, last year In 0, Out 0.

Milk production trends in the Eastern part of the country are reported to have basically plateaued this week. Reports of production increases were not as prevalent during the week, with some handlers even indicating slight decreases in re-

ceipts. Weather patterns in the Northeast were typical for this time of the year versus the adverse conditions of past weeks impacting everything from farm pickups, manufacturing schedules, and distribution logistics. Milk output in Florida and other Gulf Coastal states is seasonally strong, although holding basically steady. Florida's production was in check with demand, thus no milk was reported leaving or entering the state. Class I sales and demand are quite strong in Florida as the spring break tourist season begins. With the Easter holiday late in April this year, Florida bottlers anticipate that the spring break period will be stretching out over the next 4 - 6 weeks. Many bottlers are welcoming this longer, more manageable period, versus the tighter period of past years. Condensed skim markets are holding basically steady price wise with demand not overly aggressive. Cream markets are firm with prices and pricing differentials increasing. Many buyers that were accustomed to lower prices for readily available volumes of cream in recent weeks are finding that these offerings are no longer available. Cream supplies have tightened and prices are higher. Demand for cream from Class II buyers is sharply higher as they prepare for the upcoming Easter/Passover holiday. Cream cheese production is increasing seasonally. Ice cream production is also heavier, building stocks for future needs. Churning schedules remains seasonally active, although surplus cream offerings to local and out of area butter operations have tightened.

Southern & Eastern Direct Feeder Pigs

Columbia, S.C.
 March 7, 2003

Report Supplied by USDA

Southern And Eastern US Direct FOB Feeder Pig Report: Weekly summary of prices FOB farm basis, week ended Mar 7. Receipts 45,201; last week 58,203. Compared to last week: Early weaned pigs steady to firm, 40-50 pound feeder pigs ranged steady to 1.00 per head higher. Demand moderate for moderate offerings. Receipts include 35,490 head shipped to Iowa and Central US. Also, receipts include and estimated 36% formulated prices. Prices per head

EARLY WEANED PIGS, 10 LB BASIS, Estimated 50-54% lean value 1.01

size 250 head or less 2.105 head, 29.07-32.52 wtd avg 30.50, lot size 250-750 5.445 head, 26.21-32.26, wtd avg price 29.81, lot size 750 or more 14.455 head, 24.66-31.19, wtd avg price 29.53. Total composite 22,005 head, 24.66-32.52, wtd avg. price 29.72

PIGS, 40 LB BASIS, Estimated 50-54% lean value: Lot size 250-750 lb: 2,000 head, 47.50-49.25, wtd. avg. price 48.14

PIGS, 45 LB BASIS, Estimated 50-54% lean value, Lot size 750 or more. 19,020 head, 48.50-50.91, wtd. avg price 49.22.

PIGS, 50 LB BASIS, Estimated 50-54% lean value: Lot size 250 head or less: 200 head, 55.00; lot size 250-750. 950 head, 44.00-48.00, wtd. avg price 46.32, lot size 750 or more. 1,026 head, 46.51. Total composite. 2,176 head, 44.00-55.00, wtd avg price 47.21

Prices quoted on per head basis picked up at sellers farms in NC, SC, GA, TN, KY, AL, MS, AR, MO, TX, OK, KS, IN, OH, MI, CO, UT, and WY.

Prices do not include freight or brokers fees. Many lots of 40-60 lb pigs sold with a 25-40 per lb slide. Also, some lots of early weaned pigs have a 1.00 per lb sliding valued adjusted from a 10 lb basis. Early weaned pigs under 19 days old.

Estimated lean value is projected to base slaughter weights with normal confinement feeding conditions. This report does not cover any trades which include profit/loss share agreements or any other form of shared or retained ownership agreement

Eastern Corn Belt Direct Feeder Pig Weekly

Springfield, Ill.
 March 7, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA

Eastern Corn Belt Direct Feeder Pig Weekly Summary (includes pig prices on negotiated, contract and formula basis) — FEEDER PIGS Total receipts this week 15,113, negotiated 4,570; last week 15,628 SFW 10 lb pigs were 50 lower. Feeder pigs were not fully established. Trading activity was slow for moderate offerings.

FOB Eastern Cornbelt - Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan. Receipts: 10,583, last week 11,448.

EARLY WEANED PIGS: 10 LB BASIS, estimated 50-54% lean value: Lot size under 250: 125 head, 29.56; lot size 250-750: 6,332 head, 26.21-32.52, wtd avg price 29.67; 750 or more. 3,100 head, 24.66-26.00, wtd avg. price 25.14. Total composite: 9,557 head, 24.66-32.52, wtd avg. price 28.20.

PIGS, 50 LB BASIS, estimated 50-54% lean value. Lot size 750 or more: 1,026 head, 46.51

FOB prices quoted on per head basis "picked up" at sellers farm; prices do not include freight.

NEGOTIATED PURCHASES (including packer sold) BARROWS AND GH TS (Carcass Basis) 14,874 head Compared to prior days close, firm to 50 higher. Base Market Hog, 185 lb Carcass Basis, Plant Delivered (-0.9-1.1 inch backfat, 6 sq. in. loin/2.0 depth): Base Price Range \$39.25 - 49.32, wtd. avg. \$46.81.

5-Day Rolling Average Market Hog. 194.98 lb carcass, plant delivered (0.76 inch backfat, 6.66 sq.in. loin/2.22 inch loin depth). FFLI: 50.96%; price range \$43.25-53.19

Purchase Volume by State of Origin: Alabama 718, Georgia 1,355; Illinois 20,279; Indiana 18,473; Kentucky 1,422; Maryland 505; Michigan 6,374; Mississippi 708; New York 550; North Carolina 6,336; Ohio 7,741; Pennsylvania 3,594; South Carolina 629, Tennessee 822; Virginia 89; West Virginia 110; Wisconsin 1,981

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Friend's Stockyard

Accident, Md.
 Report Supplied by Auction
 Monday, March 10, 2003

STOCK STEERS AND BULLS 200-500 lbs. 55.00-84.00

STOCK HEIFERS: 200-500 lbs. 51.00-72.50.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Good to Choice 70.00-75.00, medium to good 66.00-67.50, heavy Choice over 1450 lbs. 55.00-65.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: heavy Choice 52.00-61.75, light 39.00-57.00

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Good to Choice 70.00-75.50, Medium to Good 60.00-68.50.

BULLS: heavy 41.00-52.00, light 40.00-56.00.

COWS Utility (Holsteins) 37.00-44.00, Commercial to Good 31.00-36.50, cull cows 31.00 and down

VFAIS Good to Choice 50.00-75.00, Med. to Good 50.00-67.00.

BOB CALVES 40.00 and down.

HOLSTEIN BULL CALVES, RETURN TO FARM. 90-120 lbs up to 150.00, HOLSTEIN HEIFER CALVES, RETURN TO FARM. 90-120 lbs. up to 350.00. BEEF X CALVES return to farm up to 160.00

HOGS, top quality, up to 38.50. SOWS, up to 27.00.

LAMBS, Choice up to 100.00.

GOATS: Choice up to 68.00

Livestock prices are all given per hundred weights.

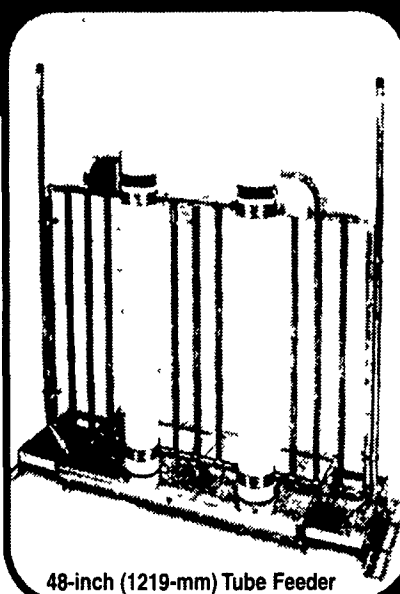
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