National Weekly Lamb Report Des Moines, Iowa

April 8, 2003 Report Supplied By USDA

NATIONAL WEEKLY LAMB RE-PORT for week ending Monday, April 7: SLAUGHTERED LAMB PRIOR WEEK: From Forward Contracts: Domestic 0; Imported 0, From Formula Arrangements: Domestic 24,237 head; Imported: 1,053.

SLAUGHTERED PACKER OWNED SHEEP: DOMESTIC: 5,136 head; 63-112 lbs (avg. 78 lbs); dressing 50.0-50.0% (avg. 50.0%); Choice or better 98.2%. IM-PORTED: None.

FORWARD CONTRACT PUR-CHASES: No trade reported.

FORMULA PURCHASES: DOMES-TIC: 2,023 head, 49-65 lbs, avg. 63.6 lbs; 182.05-195.00, wtd. avg. price 189.14. 12,142 head, 65-75 lbs, avg. 69.5 lbs; 182.75-206.00, wtd. avg. price 188.64. 10,635 head; 75-89 lbs (avg. 77.3 lbs; 178.00-196.00, wtd. avg. price 188.50. 1,053 head, 63-72 lbs, avg. 65.9 lbs; 181.03-188.21, wtd. avg. price 185.97.

IMPORTED: 1,053 head, 63-72 lbs, avg. 65.9 lbs; 181.03-188.21, wtd. avg. price 185.97.

Midwest Daily Livestock Summary

Amarillo, Texas April 9, 2003 Report Supplied By USDA

In the five area direct slaughter cattle trade, both live and dressed sales were mostly 1.00 higher. STEERS: LIVE BASIS: over 80% Choice 79.50- 80.00, wtd. avg. 79.85; 65-80% Choice 80.00-81.50, wtd. avg. 81.02; 35-65% Choice 79.00-81.25, wtd. avg. 80.25. DRESSED BASIS: over 80% Choice 130.00-131.00, wtd. avg. 130.33; 65-80% Choice 128.00-131.00, wtd. avg. price 130.50; 35-65% Choice 127.00-131.00, wtd. avg. price 129.58. SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: LIVE BASIS: over 80% Choice 81.25; 65-80% Choice 80.00-81.25, wtd. avg. 80.48; 35-65% Choice 79.00-81.00, wtd. avg. 80.24. DRESSED BASIS: over 80% Choice 129.00-130.00, wtd. avg. 129.57; 65-80% Choice 129.00-132.00, wtd. avg. price 130.73; 35-65% Choice 129.00-132.00, wtd. avg.

At the So. St. Paul terminal market, slaughter steers and heifers sold mostly steady while Sioux Falls was 1.00-3.00 higher. Steers: Choice 2-4 1195-1450 lbs 79.00-82.50, few 83.00-83.10. Heifers: Choice 2-3, 1200-1335 lbs 79.00-82.50, few

Estimated daily cattle slaughter under federal inspection week to date totals through Wednesday estimated at 375,000 head compared to 376,000 last week and 374,000 a year ago.

CME Futures Closes for Live Cattle: April 78.07, up 30; May 75.05, up 07; June 71.92, up 15.

Slaughter cows at South St. Paul sold steady to firm, instances 2.00 higher. Premium White 70-75 percent lean over 1200 lbs 47.00-51.00, high dressing 51.00-54.00. Breakers 70-80 percent lean over 1100 lbs 45.00-48,00, high dressing 48.00-51.00. Boners 80-85 percent lean over 1050 lbs 42.00-45.00, high dressing 45.00-47.75 Lean 85-90 percent lean 40.00-43.50, high dressing 43.50-44.00.

Barrows and gilts at terminal markets on Wednesday sold .50 higher. 220-270 lb 47-51% lean barrows and gilts bought 33.50-34.50, few 35.00. The National direct trade prices are based on 185 lbs hog carcass with 0.9-1.1 inch back fat and 6 inch square loin/2.0 inch depth plant delivered. National direct trade closed steady with prices ranging 41.50-52.99, wtd. avg. price 47.44. Iowa-So. Minnesota

direct trade trended .50 higher with prices ranging from 41.50-52.99, wtd. avg. price 47.45. The Western Cornbelt closed steady to firm at 41.50-52.99, wtd. avg. price 47.35. The Eastern Cornbelt prices were .50 lower at 41.50- 51.01, wtd. avg.

Hog slaughter under federal inspection week to date through Wednesday estimated at 1,125,000 head compared to 1,115,000 a week ago and 1,139,000 a year ago.

CME Future Closes for Lean Hogs: April 49.90, down 32; May 55.60, down 95; June 58.57, down 52.

Slaughter lambs traded steady at So. St. Paul, MN. Shorn: Choice, end Prime 115-145 lbs 93.00-95.00. Wooled: Choice, end Prime 2-3 125-145 lbs 88.00-90.00.

Sheep and lamb slaughter under federal inspection week to date through Wednesday estimated at 40,000 head compared to 38,000 a week ago and 36,000 a year ago.

Tennessee Graded Goat and Sheep Sale Nashville, Tenn.

April 4, 2003 Report Supplied By USDA

Tennessee Livestock Producers Graded Goat and Sheep Sale at Thompson Station, Friday, Mar. 28. Receipts: 777 head (571 goats, 206 sheep); last sale 510. Goats sold per head or per hundred weight, actual or estimated.

GOATS: SLAUGHTER CLASSES: KIDS: Selection 1: 25-35 lb few 134.00: 35-65 lb 121.00-125.00. Selection 2: 25-35 1b 123.00-126.00; 35-50 lb 111.00-115.00, 51-65 lb 103.00-113.00; 66-85 lb 86.50-101.00. Selection 3: 25-35 lb 111.00; 36-50 lb 100.00-107.00; 51-65 lb 96.50-102.00. YEARLINGS: Selection 2-3: Not reported. BUCKS/BILLIES: All wgts. 65.00-74.25. NANNIES/DOES: All wgts. 59.00-55.00.

KIDS: FEEDERS: Selection 3: 22-46 lb 70.50-126.00.

REPLACEMENT GOATS: NANNIES/DOES: Per head; weights estimated. Not reported. PAIRS AND TRIOS: Not reported. BILLIES/BUCKS: Not reported.

SHEEP: SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Not reported. BARBADOES AND KATAH-DIN: Not reported. SLAUGHTER EWES: Utility and Good, all wgts 35.00-46.50. SLAUGHTER RAMS: All wgts. 51.50.

Kentucky Feeder Cattle Sales

Lexington, Ky. April 7, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA **BLUE GRASS STOCKYARDS Daily** Auction Report: Actual Receipts: 3,567. Compared to Monday: Steer and heifer calves firm to 2.00 higher. Yearling steers and heifers firm to 1.00 higher. Holsteins firm to 2.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS: Med./Lge. 1: few 300-350 lbs 100.00-110.00, few 350-400 lbs 100.00-107.00: 400-450 lbs 94.00-107.00. 450-500 lbs 92.00-106.50, including 33 head(Limx-Charx) 475 lbs 102.75; 500-550 lbs 88.00-104.50, 550-600 lbs 86.00-99.40, including 39 head(bbwf) 559 lbs 99.40, 28 head(Limx-Charx) 562 lbs 93.25 & 33 head(blk) 585 lbs 96.25; 600-700 lb caives 75.00-83.50, 600-700 lb yearlings 82.00-94.25, including 20 head(Charx) 634 lbs 89.50; 700-800 lbs 74.00-81.80, including 29 head(blk) 712 lbs 81.40, 33 head(bbwf) 731 lbs 81.65 & 23 head(blk-Charx) 774 lbs 78.95; 800-900 lbs 72.00-78.30, including 37 head (Charx) 816 lbs 76.50, 70 head(bbwf) 843 lbs 78.30, 20 head(blk) 847 lbs 77.70, 43 head(blk-Charx) 849 lbs 77.50, 22 head(bbwf) 850 lbs fleshy 72.00, 65 head (blk-Charx) 863 lbs 75.95 & 54 head(Charx-blk) 877 lbs 77.25; few 900-1000 lbs 71.50; few 1000-1100 lbs 68.25-70.25. HOLSTEINS: 9 head 471 lbs 74.50; 31 head 595 lbs 72.20; 16 head 662 lbs 68.00; 70 head 744 lbs 69.00; 13 head 802 lbs 63.75; 3 head 982 lbs fleshy 48.00; 51 head 1041 lbs 59.10; 5 head 1119 lbs

BULL CALVES: Med./Lge. 1: 300-400 lbs 95.00-105.00; 400-500 lbs 85.00- 99.00 few to 103.00; 500-600 ibs 84.00-93.00; 600-700 lbs 74.00-82.00; 700-800 lbs 65.00-72.00. Med./Lge. 2: 300-400 lbs 87.50-98.00; 400-500 lbs 84.00-93.00; 500-600 lbs 76.00-84.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Med./Lge. 1: 300-400 lbs 86.00-97.00; 400-500 lbs 79.50- 94.00; 500-600 lbs 75.00-85.20 fleshy 73.00-74.00, including 20 head(Charx) 583 lbs 85.20 & 65 head(mixed) 588 lbs 84.00; 600-700 lbs 71.75-80.80, including 20 head(Charxblk) 615 lbs 80.80, 22 head(blk-Charx) 620 lbs 79.80 & 91 head (mixed) 643 lbs 77.40; 700-800 lbs 69.00-74.50; 800-900 lbs 68.00-73.00. Med./Lge. 2: 300-400 lbs 80.00-93.50 small pkg thin 97.50; 400-500 ibs 76.00-86.50; 500-600 lbs 70.00-78.00; 600-700 lbs 68.00-74.00.

BABY CALVES: Beef 125.00-135.00.

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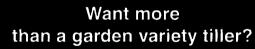
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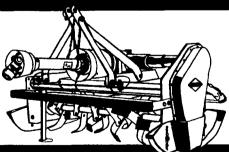
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