

LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTIONS

Lancaster County Weekly Cattle

New Holland, Pa.
Report Supplied by USDA
Friday, April 25, 2003

	CATTLE	CALVES
THIS WEEK	3291	1288
LAST WEEK	2588	1257
LAST YEAR	3692	1614

Compared to last week, slaughter steers, Holstein steers and slaughter heifers sold 50 to mostly 1.00 higher, with some sales 1.50 higher. Slaughter cows closed mostly, recovering early week's loss. Slaughter bulls mostly steady, although not fully tested early in the week. Supply included 27 percent slaughter steers, 6 percent slaughter heifers, 30 percent cows, 5 percent bulls, with the balances feeder. The feeders include 365 in Tuesday's special sale and an estimated 400 for Friday's special sale.

Slaughter Steers: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1185-1460 lbs 78.00-81.85. Choice and Prime mostly 2 1200-1425 lbs 82.00-83.25. Choice 2-3, few 4 1160-1480 lbs 76.75-80.50. Choice 3-4 71.00-77.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1065-1470 lbs 74.75-77.50, few 1500-1660 lbs 67.50-72.00. Select 1-2 1100-1250 lbs 68.00-71.50.

Holstein Steers: High Choice and Prime 1-2 1275-1530 lbs 67.75-71.75. Choice 2-3 1175-1465 lbs 64.00-67.85. Select and low Choice 2-3 1230-1500 lbs 61.50-66.00. Select 1-2 1140-1600 lbs 55.00-62.00.

Slaughter Heifers: Choice 2-3 995-1350 lbs 73.50-78.85; couple Choice 2 1095-1465 lbs 79.00-83.00. Select and low Choice 1-3 1000-1275 lbs 71.50-74.00.

Slaughter Cows: Percent Lean, Weight, Bulk, Low Dressing, Breakers 70-75 Over 1400 lbs 45.25-50.00, 43.00-45.00. Boners 75-80 Over 1200 lbs 40.00-46.00, 38.00-40.50. Lean (Hi-Yield) 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 39.00-42.00, 36.00-39.00. Lean 85-90 Over 1000 lbs 34.00-39.00, 30.00-34.00. Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 32.00-36.00, 28.00-32.00.

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1 1230-2130 lbs 48.75-56.50, individual high dressing 1660 lbs 62.50. Yield grade 2 1100-1600 lbs 44.50-48.75, individual 2245 lbs 45.00.

Calves: Compared to Tuesday, Vealers steady to 5.00 higher. Holstein bull returned to farm steady to weak. Holstein heifers sharply lower. The PA Department of Ag graded 367 head of bulls for the graded sale, with an estimated 90 percent of the run going back on feed.

Veal Calves: Fancy Choice heifer 490 lbs 80.00; Standard and Utility 60-110 lbs 15.00-30.00, up to 40.00. Returning to Feed: Graded Number One Holstein Bulls 90-125 lbs 140.00-165.00, package 127.00; 80-85 lbs 142.00-150.00; few 75 lbs 75.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Bulls 90-115 lbs 120.00-142.00; two packages 83 lbs 130.00-132.00. Graded Standard package 74 lbs 80.00. Graded Utility 110 lbs 75.00; package 72 lbs 25.00. Holstein Bulls sold in the singles auction: 100-130 lbs 120.00-135.00. Graded Number One Holstein Heifers 90-120 lbs 240.00-320.00; few 80 lbs 235.00; few 75 lbs 145.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Heifers 90-105 lbs 230.00-240.00; package 84 lbs 280.00; package 72 lbs 145.00; few 65 lbs 145.00.

Going on Feed: Graded Number One Holstein Bulls 36 head 100-105 lbs 152.00-160.00; 135 head 80-120 lbs 130.00-147.00. 115 head Graded Number Two Holstein Bulls 90-120 lbs 120.00-143.00. Singles in ungraded sale 100-115 lbs 110.00-140.00, plainer type 85-115 lbs 70.00-110.00. Holstein Heifers 65-125 lbs 200.00-255.00. Plainer type 70-105 lbs 100.00-200.00.

Sheep and Lambs: Compared to Monday, slaughter lambs 15.00-25.00 higher. Slaughter ewes firm to 5.00 higher. All sheep and lambs are sold by the pound, with actual weights.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3 40-60 lbs 190.00-250.00; 60-80 lbs 120.00-168.00; 80-110 lbs 125.00-132.00.

Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good 1-3 100-200 lbs 30.00-45.00, few Yearlings 55.00-64.00.

Goats: Compared to Monday, all classes sold mostly steady. All goats are sold by the head, with the weights estimated.

Kids: Selection 1 20-40 lbs 40.00-50.00; 40-60 lbs 50.00-65.00; 60-80 lbs 65.00-70.00. Selection 2 20-40 lbs 30.00-50.00; 40-60 lbs 50.00-55.00; Selection 3 20-40 lbs 20.00-30.00.

Nannies: Selection 1 70-100 lbs 50.00-60.00. Selection 2 70-100 lbs 40.00-50.00.

Billies: Selection 1 70-100 lbs 65.00-90.00; 100-150 lbs 90.00-115.00; 150-250 lbs 110.00-132.00.

Indiana Livestock Auction
Homer City, Pa.
Thursday, April 24, 2003
Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE: 145. STEERS AND HEIFERS: STEADY TO 3.00 LOWER. COWS: STEADY TO 3.00 LOWER. BULLS: STEADY TO 3.00 LOWER.

STEERS: SELECT 1-2 67.00, 69.25. STANDARD 1-2 52.75, 54.50. HOLSTEIN STEERS: SELECT 1-2

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Market At A Glance

Lancaster County Livestock Auction Averages
(Price Per Hundredweight)
Week Ending Friday, April 25, 2003
Supplied By Market Staff

	This Wk	Wk Ago	Yr Ago
Steers, Choice 2-3	78.75	77.75	66.65
Heifers, Choice 2-3, few Prime	76.25	75.35	66.00
Cows, Breakers, 75-80% lean	46.25	45.25	44.50
Cows, Boners, 80-85% lean	42.00	40.50	42.50
Bulls, YG 1, ltd.	53.75	53.00	59.00
Hogs, 49-54% lean, Monday	35.85	33.50	30.20
Lambs, Choice/Prime 80-110 lb.	123.00	111.00	95.00

sharply lower as last week top graded bulls hit 200.00. The PA Department of Ag graded 474 head of bulls and heifers for the graded sale, with around 92 percent of the run going back on feed.

Veal Calves: Fancy Choice heifer 490 lbs 80.00; Standard and Utility 60-110 lbs 15.00-30.00, up to 40.00. Returning to Feed: Graded Number One Holstein Bulls 90-125 lbs 140.00-165.00, package 127.00; 80-85 lbs 142.00-150.00; few 75 lbs 75.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Bulls 90-115 lbs 120.00-142.00; two packages 83 lbs 130.00-132.00. Graded Standard package 74 lbs 80.00. Graded Utility 110 lbs 75.00; package 72 lbs 25.00. Holstein Bulls sold in the singles auction: 100-130 lbs 120.00-135.00. Graded Number One Holstein Heifers 90-120 lbs 240.00-320.00; few 80 lbs 235.00; few 75 lbs 145.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Heifers 90-105 lbs 230.00-240.00; package 84 lbs 280.00; package 72 lbs 145.00; few 65 lbs 145.00.

New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.
Thursday, April 24, 2003
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	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats
MONDAY	1400	577	396	328
LAST WEEK	1133	544	787	712
LAST YEAR	1351	588	367	178

Compared to Tuesday, slaughter steers sold .50 to 1.00 higher. Holstein steers not fully tested. Slaughter heifers 1.00-1.50 higher. Slaughter cows 1.00-2.00 higher, with full advance on fleshy types. Slaughter bulls mostly steady. Supply included 35 percent slaughter steers, 8 percent slaughter heifers, 38 percent cows, 7 percent bulls, with the balances feeders.

Slaughter Steers: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1220-1450 lbs 79.00-81.85. Choice 2-3, few 4 1140-1450 lbs 77.00-80.50; few Choice 2 1200-1350 lbs 81.50-83.25. Choice 3-4 1475-1530 lbs 74.75-77.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1100-1400 lbs 74.75-77.50; few 1500-1660 lbs 67.50-72.00. Select 1-2 1100-1250 lbs 68.00-71.50.

Holstein Steers: One lot High Choice and Prime 2-3 1445 lbs 67.75. Few Choice 2-3 1200-1525 lbs 64.00-66.25. Select and low

New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.
Report Supplied by USDA
Monday, April 21, 2003

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	Goats
MONDAY	292	155	516	1544	1450
LAST WEEK	467	197	1068	2312	2034
LAST YEAR	284	230	939	1231	1009

Compared to Thursday, slaughter cows sold mostly steady on a relatively light run. All classes of livestock on Monday were in fairly short supply, with the exception of the heavy sheep and goat runs. Around 121 head, or 41 percent, of the supply was made up of slaughter cows.

Slaughter Cows: Percent Lean Weight Bulk Low Dressing Breakers 75-80 Over 1400 lbs 44.00-48.00, 40.00-43.75. Boners 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 39.50-44.00, 36.75-40.25. Lean (Hi-Yield) 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 34.00-38.00, 31.50-35.25. Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 32.00-35.25 27.00-32.50.

Calves: Compared to Thursday, slaughter calves sold steady to firm. Holstein bull calves sold with a lower undertone. Holstein heifers were not tested due to the light run. Slaughter Calves: Few Utility 60-115 lbs 20.00-30.00. Returned to Feed: Holstein bulls 90-125 lbs 140.00-171.00. Plainer type bulls 90-125 lbs 130.00-150.00; 80 lbs 95.00-105.00. Few Holstein Heifers 80 lbs 210.00.

HOGS: Barrows and gilts fully 1.00 higher with the sow run including 98 head and 13 head of boars. BARROWS AND GILTS: 49-54% lean 220-270 lbs 34.00-36.35, fancy singles up to 37.75, small test 280-295 lbs 33.00-37.00.

Sheep and Lambs: Compared to Thursday, all weights of slaughter lambs sold with a higher undertone. Slaughter sheep also sold with a higher undertone due to the very good early week demand. Prices quoted below are by the hundred weight, with actual weights Slaughter Lambs: Choice, end Prime 2-3 few 20-30 lbs up to 205.00; light test 30-40 lbs 180.00-192.00; 40-60 lbs 140.00-190.00; 60-80 lbs 115.00-145.00; 80-100 lbs 110.00-128.00, few 82.00-100.00. Slaughter Sheep: Utility and Good 1-3 100-200 lbs 26.00-36.00, up to 46.00 at times.

Goats: Compared to last Monday, Kid goats sold steady to firm. The quality of all other classes have been very mixed over the past couple of weeks, therefore a trend was not fully established. However, a steady to firm undertone was noted as demand was fairly good even though the supply reached over 1450 head. All goats are sold on a per head basis, with estimated weights. Kids: Selection 1 40-60 lbs 49.00-63.00; 60-80 lbs 64.00-70.00. Selection 2 20-40 lbs 36.00-50.00; 40-60 lbs 50.00-64.00. Selection 3 20-40 lbs 30.00-38.00, under 20 lbs down to 15.00. Few Yearlings: Selection 1 60-80 lbs 64.00-68.00, 80-100 lbs 76.00-90.00. Selection 2 60-80 lbs 50.00-60.00. Nannies: Selection 1 70-100 lbs 52.00-68.00; 100-150 lbs 66.00-80.00. Selection 2 70-100 lbs 40.00-60.00; 100-150 lbs 60.00-70.00. Selection 3 50-70 lbs 25.00-40.00, 70-100 lbs 34.00-44.00. Billies: Selection 1 70-100 lbs 68.00-94.00; 100-150 lbs 92.00-114.00, 150-250 lbs 112.00-148.00. Selection 2 70-100 lbs 62.00-70.00; 100-150 lbs 74.00-98.00; 150-200 lbs 100.00-110.00. Selection 3 70-100 lbs 52.00-60.00. Wethers: Few 50-70 lbs 55.00-66.00; 70-100 lbs 74.00-88.00; 100-175 lbs 92.00-128.00, few fleisher 68.00-88.00.

Vintage Livestock Auction

Vintage, Pa.
April 21-22, 2003
Report Supplied by USDA

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats
THIS WEEK	1199	556	6	4
LAST WEEK	986	512	11	8
LAST YEAR	1358	733	2	0

Compared to Thursday, slaughter steers sold steady on Monday as the bulk of the supply was made up of average to light finished steers. However, as the quality increased on Tuesday, so did the bids, as prices were fully .50-1.00 higher. Receipts are once again starting to get light, as around 380 head went in the books for the two day run; with the lighter run probably the main contributor to the higher market on the 150 head on Tuesday. Holstein steers sold mostly a full 1.00 higher on both days as there continues to be a very well finished supply available. The slaughter heifer runs both days were too light to test. Slaughter cows sold weak to a 1.00 lower, with even more pressure applied to the breaking cows as they trended as much as 2.00 lower. The early week demand for the fleshy types is just not as strong as the late week demand, which is causing the cow market to roller coaster from week to week. The two-day supply included 376 head of steers, 59 head of heifers, 339 head of cows, 17 head of bulls, with 408 head of feeder cattle. Note: Averages expressed in the slaughter supply are from Tuesday only.

Slaughter Steers: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1185-1460 lbs 78.00-81.50, average 80.31, few fancy singles 82.00-83.00. Choice 2-3 1160-1495 lbs 76.75-80.25, average 78.41, few heavy 1510-1545 lbs 71.00-76.50, few Yield Grade 4 or full 74.75-77.25. Select and low Choice 2-3 1065-1470 lbs 75.00-77.50, average 76.04. Select 1-2 1175-1400 lbs 72.50-75.25, average 73.88.

Holstein Steers: High Choice and Prime 2-3 1275-1530 lbs 68.75-71.75, average 70.21. Choice 2-3 1175-1465 lbs 64.75-67.85, average 66.34. Select and low Choice 2-3 1250-1310 lbs 63.75-66.00, average 64.84. Select 1-2 1145-1305 lbs 60.00-62.00, average 61.25. Standard 1-2 1145-1225 lbs 52.00-56.50.

Slaughter Heifers: Few Choice 2-3 1065-1490 lbs 72.25-77.75, Yield Grade 4 68.00-72.25.

Slaughter Cows: Percent Lean Weight Bulk Low Dressing Breakers 75-80 Over 1400 lbs 42.75-46.00, 40.00-43.00, few 46.00-48.00. Boners 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 38.25-43.00, 37.00-40.00. Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-90 Over 1200 lbs 38.75-40.00. Lean 85-90 Over 1000 lbs 33.50-37.75. 29.50-33.00. Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 31.75-34.00, 26.50-31.50. Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1 1290-1985 lbs 48.75-54.00. Yield Grade 2 980-1675 lbs 42.00-49.50. Young individual 1080 lbs going on feed 62.00.

Calves: Compared to last Tuesday, veal calves sold mostly steady to firm. Holstein bull calves suitable for special-fed veal barns sold

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