

Indiana Auction Feeder Cattle Sale

Homer City, Pa.
 Saturday, April 12, 2003
 Report Supplied By Auction
 SPRING FEEDER CALF SALE: 167 HEAD. PRICES PER CWT.
 FEEDER STEERS: 90 HEAD. 25.00-86.00, AVG. 65.10.
 FEEDER HEIFERS: 50 HEAD. 35.00-92.00, AVG. 71.62.
 FEEDER BULLS: 27 HEAD. 30.00-94.00, AVG. 53.75.

Kentucky Feeder Cattle Sales

Lexington, Ky.
 April 22, 2003
 Report Supplied By USDA
 BLUE GRASS STOCKYARDS Daily Auction Report: Est. Receipts: 3,400. Compared to Monday: Steer and heifer calves near steady. Yearling steers and heifers mostly steady. Holsteins mostly steady.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 1: 300-350 lbs 104.00-111.00, 350-400 lbs 102.50-107.00; 400-450 lbs 96.00-105.00, 450-500 lbs 94.00-104.00; 500-550 lbs 93.00-103.50, 550-600 lbs 88.00-99.75; 600-700 lb calves 78.00-85.00, 600-700 lb yearlings 85.00-92.00, including 80 head (mixed) 606 lbs 89.85; 700-800 lbs 76.00-82.80, including 65 head (blk-mixed) 754 lbs 82.20, 22 head(blk) 756 lbs fleshy 77.30, 40 head(mixed) 761 lbs 81.90, 84 head (bbwf) 764 lbs 82.80 & 58 head (mixed) 767 lbs 81.50; 800-900 lbs 72.00-80.50, including 61 head (bbwf) 807 lbs 80.50, 73 head (bbwf) 813 lbs 79.50, 23 head (blk-Charx) 825 lbs 77.25, 58 head (blk-Charx) 862 lbs 76.50 & 28 head(blk) 884 lbs fleshy 73.00; 900-1000 lbs 70.50-74.00, including 60 head(blk-mixed) 902 lbs 74.00. HOLSTEINS: Cpl 350 lbs 79.50; 400-500 lbs 68.00-76.00, including 24 head 415 lbs 74.75; 500-600 lbs 71.00-72.75; 6 head 688 lbs 66.25; 700-800 lbs 67.25-68.25; 800-900 lbs 63.25-65.00 including 60 head 893 lbs 64.20.

BULL CALVES: Medium and Large 1: 300-400 lbs 95.00-105.50; 400-500 lbs 90.00-100.00; 500-600 lbs 83.00-95.00; 600-700 lbs 76.00-85.00. Medium and Large 2: 300-400 lbs 91.00-101.00; 400-500 lbs 85.00-95.00; 500-600 lbs 84.00-88.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1: 300-400 lbs 90.00-97.00; 400-500 lbs 88.00-94.00; 500-600 lbs 78.00-90.00, including 51 head (mixed) 514 lbs 88.00; 600-700 lbs 73.50-82.00; 700-800 lbs 71.00-75.95, including 31 head (blk) 703 lbs 75.95; 22 head(blk) 807 lbs fleshy 70.00. Medium and Large 1-2: 33 head (mixed) 414 lbs 97.25. Medium and Large 2: 300-400 lbs 85.00-95.50; 400-500 lbs 78.00-87.00; 500-600 lbs 75.00-82.00; 600-700 lbs 66.00-72.50; 700-800 lbs 65.00-71.25.



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Oklahoma Feeder Cattle Weekly

Oklahoma City, OK
 April 23, 2003
 Report Supplied By USDA
 OKLAHOMA NATIONAL STOCKYARDS, Weekly Cattle Summary — Compared to last week: Feeder steers, heifers, and heavy stockers 1.00 to mostly 2.00 higher; exception 9 weight steers steady. Light stockers and calves steady. Demand good for all classes. Bulk of sales 800-900 lb steers and 725-850 lb heifers off wheat. Cattle performing very well on wheat and farmers marketing cattle some 2-3 weeks ahead of schedule.

Receipts this week 10,725; last week 9260; last year 7108. Supply consisted of 80% yearlings over 600 lbs; 16% calves and light yearlings; 4% cows and bulls. Heifers comprised 30% of feeder and calf supply.

Prices follow with weighted average weight and price in parenthesis.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 1: few 300-400 lbs (350 lbs) 114.50-120.00 (117.12); 450-500 lbs (482 lbs) 103.50-112.50 (106.82), fleshy 425 lbs 111.00, fleshy 450-475 lbs (466 lbs) 97.50-104.00 (102.29); 500-550 lbs (522 lbs) 96.00-101.50 (96.88), fleshy 500-575 lbs (550 lbs) 91.00-97.00 (94.11); 600-650 lbs (634 lbs) 86.50-94.25 (89.50); 650-700 lbs (664 lbs) 84.25-89.50 (87.18); 700-750 lbs (729 lbs) 80.50-86.75 (83.37); 750-800 lbs (771 lbs) 78.00-82.50 (80.22); 800-850 lbs (825 lbs) 75.25-80.50 (77.63); 850-900 lbs (878 lbs) 73.25-77.75 (75.17); 900-950 lbs (928 lbs) 71.75-74.00 (72.39); 950-1000 lbs (981 lbs) 69.00-72.50 (71.54); 1000-1050 lbs (1024 lbs) 69.75-70.75 (70.68). HOLSTEINS: Large 3: 550-600 lbs 70.25-70.50; 675-800 lbs 65.00-67.00; 900-1000 lbs 62.75-63.25.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1: 350-400 lbs (377 lbs) 98.50-107.00 (102.75); 400-450 lbs (426 lbs) 95.50-97.50 (96.53), fleshy 86.00-95.00 (93.05); 450-500 lbs (485 lbs) 91.00-95.50 (92.91), fleshy 90.00-93.00; 500-550 lbs (513 lbs) 86.00-94.00 (90.74), fleshy 84.00-86.00; 550-600 lbs (583 lbs) 82.00-87.00 (85.16), fleshy 80.00; 600-650 lbs (624 lbs) 81.25-86.00 (82.76); 650-700 lbs (671 lbs) 77.50-82.00 (79.54); 700-750 lbs (734 lbs) 74.25-79.00 (77.04); 750-800 lbs (770 lbs) 72.75-77.00 (74.56); 800-850 lbs (832 lbs) 70.00-72.75 (71.65); 850-900 lbs (862 lbs) 70.00-71.75 (70.23); few 925-985 lbs 67.75-68.75.

Delmarva Broiler/Fryer

ATLANTA, GA.
 April 23, 2003
 Report Supplied By USDA
 Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds remained generally light and unaggressive. Seller offerings were fully sufficient in handling current inquiry. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable.

Processing schedules were moderate to light. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 52 to 62 cents. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breasts were clearing satisfactorily. Bone-in breasts were ample. Leg items were fully adequate. Wings were in good balance to closely cleared.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER/FRYERS IN DELMARVA (000)

ESTIMATED ACTUAL AVG. WEIGHT ACTUAL AVG. WEIGHT
 04/23 04/21 04/21 04/16 04/14
 2,185 1,547 5.33 2,292 5.23

BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA BRANDED U.S. GRADE A RANGE 50-68 WEIGHTED AVERAGE 55.82 NO. OF BOXES 3,849
 5 of 8 plants reporting.

Eastern Corn Belt Direct Hogs

Des Moines, Iowa
 April 22, 2003
 Report Supplied By USDA
 EASTERN CORN BELT DIRECT DAILY HOGS, for Tuesday, Apr. 22, as of 1:30 p.m.
 CURRENT VOLUME TODAY, ACTUAL: PRODUCER SOLD: Negotiated 24,625; Other Market Formula 1,994; Swine or Pork Market Formula: 32,711; Other Purchase Arrangement: 14,876. PACKER SOLD (All purchase types): 745.

NEGOTIATED PURCHASES (including packer sold): BARROWS AND GILTS (Carcass Basis): 16,372 head. Compared to prior days close, 1.25 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: \$41.37 - 52.00, wtd. avg. \$48.13.
 5-Day Rolling Average Market Hog: 194.75 lb carcass, plant delivered (0.76 inch backfat, 6.60 sq.in. loin/2.20 inch loin depth). FFLI: 50.92%; price range \$43.85 - 54.45.

Purchase Volume by State of Origin: Alabama 1,090; Georgia 238; Illinois 22,591; Indiana 17,782; Kentucky 1,363; Maryland 260; Michigan 6,530; Mississippi 321; New York 549; North Carolina 5,203; Ohio 8,544; Pennsylvania 2,894; South Carolina 379; Tennessee 899; West Virginia 80; Wisconsin 3,150.

Five-Area Weekly Average Direct Slaughter Cattle

St. Joseph, Mo., Apr. 21, 2003 - USDA Market News Service
 Sales in Texas/Oklahoma; Kansas; Nebraska; Colorado; and Iowa/Minnesota Feedlots for Week Ending Sunday, April 20, 2003

Confirmed Sales: 136,334; Week Ago: 200,023; Year Ago: 133,982

LIVE FOB BASIS SALES - Beef Breeds: SLAUGHTER STEERS.

	Head Count	Weight Range	Price Range	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
Over 80% Choice	415	1225-1375	77.00-81.50	1,267	79.44
65-80% Choice	4,185	1185-1325	76.75-81.00	1,255	79.05
35-80% Choice	27,249	1050-1350	77.00-81.00	1,214	79.46
1-35% Choice	1,398	1140-1275	78.00-80.00	1,197	79.39
TOTAL all grades	33,247	1050-1375	76.75-81.50	1,219	79.40

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS

Over 80% Choice	275	1150-1200	78.00-79.00	1,180	78.53
65-80% Choice	4,656	1035-1250	76.00-81.00	1,129	79.27
35-65% Choice	19,420	1020-1300	77.50-81.00	1,104	79.46
1-35% Choice	1,233	1030-1130	79.00-80.00	1,066	79.34
TOTAL all grades	25,584	1020-1300	76.00-81.00	1,107	79.41

DRESSED DELIVERED BASIS SALES - Beef Breeds:

SLAUGHTER STEERS.

Over 80% Choice	442	682-850	127.00-129.00	735	127.53
65-80% Choice	6,045	692-921	124.50-130.00	805	126.85
35-65% Choice	17,888	699-889	124.00-130.00	782	126.50
1-35% Choice	153	713	129.00	713	129.00
TOTAL all grades	24,528	682-921	124.00-130.00	787	126.62

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:

Over 80% Choice	538	642-838	125.00-128.00	724	126.31
65-80% Choice	2,410	651-830	124.00-128.00	724	125.73
35-65% Choice	13,746	659-810	123.00-130.00	725	125.60
1-35% Choice	60	728-728	126.00-130.00	728	129.13
TOTAL all grades	16,754	642-838	123.00-130.00	725	125.66

Weekly Weighted Averages:

	Head Count	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
Live Steer	33,247	1,219	79.40
Dressed Heifer	25,584	1,107	79.41
Dressed Steer	24,528	787	126.62
Dressed Heifer	16,754	725	125.56
Same Period Last Week:			
Live Steer	66,717	1,210	80.26
Live Heifer	50,628	1,108	80.22
Dressed Steer	29,277	790	129.82
Dressed Heifer	18,903	720	129.44
Same Period Last Year:			
Live Steer	32,569	1,253	66.39
Live Heifer	29,001	1,140	66.49
Dressed Steer	29,337	826	106.03
Dressed Heifer	13,892	747	105.88

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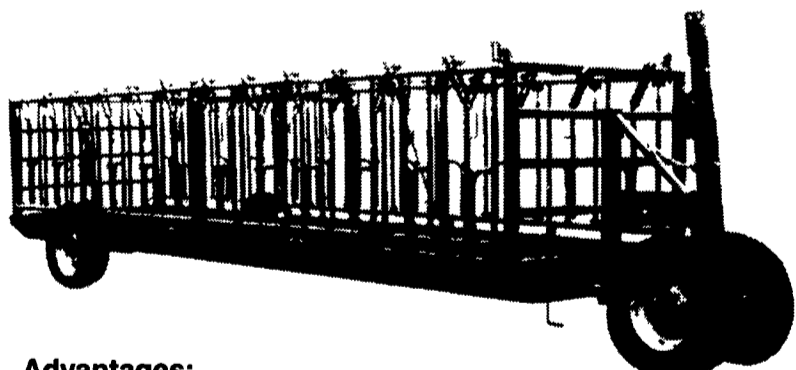
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