

Virginia Livestock Auction Summary

Richmond, Va.
May 5, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA
NORTHERN VIRGINIA LIVESTOCK — Marshall, Rockingham, Shenandoah, Staunton Union and Winchester for Apr. 28-May 3. All prices per hundred pounds liveweight, except where noted.

FEEDER CATTLE: 2,469 head (913 steer, 33 Holstein steers, 965 heifers, 558 bulls).

FEEDER STEERS: Med./Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 89.00-104.00 few 95.00-114.00; 300-400 lb 85.00-107.00; 400-500 lb 85.00-100.00; 500-600 lb 81.00-100.50; 600-700 lb 81.00-92.00; 700-800 lb 70.00-86.50; 800-900 lb 73.75-76.50; 900-1000 lb 68.00-73.50; 1000-1100 lb 70.50; Med./Lge. 2: 300-400 lb 90.00-105.00 few 84.00-99.00; 400-500 lb 75.00-94.00; 500-600 lb 82.00-99.85 few 66.00; 600-700 lb 70.50-83.00; 700-800 lb 67.00-76.00; 800-900 lb 65.00-69.00; 900-1000 lb 66.50; 1000-1100 lb 61.50. Small 1: 300-400 lb 77.00-92.00; 400-500 lb 80.00-90.00; 500-600 lb 77.00-81.00 few 52.00; 600-700 lb 65.00-79.00; 700-800 lb 65.00-72.00; 800-900 lb 68.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Med./Lge. 2: 500-700 lb 69.00-66.00; 700-900 lb 55.00; 900-1100 lb 56.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Med./Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 89.00; 300-400 lb 75.00-89.75; 400-500 lb 70.50-88.50; 500-600 lb 71.50-89.00; 600-700 lb 68.00-80.00; 700-800 lb 65.00-75.50; 800-900 lb 64.50. Med./Lge. 2: 300-400 lb 76.50-87.00 few 64.50; 400-500 lb 68.50-82.00; 500-600 lb 64.00-83.00; 600-700 lb 64.00-76.50; 700-800 lb 56.50-66.50; 800-900 lb 60.00-63.00. Small 1: 300-400 lb 65.00-79.00; 400-500 lb 60.00-77.00; 500-600 lb 54.00-75.00 few 32.00-46.00; 600-700 lb 40.00; 700-800 lb 42.00-52.50.

BULLS: Med./Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 200-300 lb 87.00-111.00; 300-400 lb 84.00-99.50 few 90.00-107.00; 400-500 lb 80.00-94.50; 500-600 lb 77.00-87.00; 600-700 lb 64.50-79.50; 700-900 lb 55.00-66.50. Med./Lge. 2: 200-300 lb 79.00-85.00; 300-400 lb 74.00-88.00; 400-500 lb 71.00-85.00; 500-600 lb 73.00-84.00 few 65.00; 600-700 lb 65.00-71.50. Small 1: 300-400 lb 85.00 few 62.00; 400-500 lb 77.00-83.00 few 56.00; 500-600 lb 64.50-79.00.

SLAUGHTER COWS: 444 head. Breaking Utility and Commercial 2-4, 32.00-45.00; Cutter and Boning Utility 1-3, 31.25-43.00; Canner and Low Cutter 1-2, 26.00-36.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: 67 head. YG 1-2, 900-1300 lbs 40.25-52.00; 1300-1600 lbs 38.25-49.25 few 49-56.00; 1600 lbs and over 40.00-51.00 few 51.00-56.00.

COWS RETURNED TO FARMS: 103 head. 1200-1600 lbs: Large 1, bred, 500.00-700.00 per head. 825-1100 lbs: Mostly Medium 1, 4-8 years old, exposed to a bull 37.00-58.00 per cwt. 840-1205 lbs: Med./Lge. 1 few 2, 5 years to aged, bred 2-8 months, 375.00-665.00 per head; Med./Lge. 1, 6-10 yrs old, checked safe with calf, 575.00-700.00 per head; Med./Small 1, 8-12 yrs old 535.00-550.00 per head.

COWS WITH CALVES AT SIDE: 71 pairs. 850-1100 lbs: Mostly Med. 1, 5-12 years old with baby calves to 300 lb, 500.00-570.00 per pair. 900-1100 lbs: Mostly Med. 1, 5-10 years old with 110-319 lb calves, 590.00-750.00 per pair. 765-1477 lbs: Med./Lge. 1 few 2, 6 years old with 110-319 lb calves, 440.00-870.00

per pair; Med./Lge. 1, 4-8 years old with 400 lb calves 950.00 per pair; Large 1, first calf heifers with baby calves at side, 1000.00 per pair.

HEIFERS (Bred): 3 head. 1100 lbs: Large 1, 8-9 months bred, 745.00 per head.

BABY CALVES RETURNED TO FARMS: 120 head. Newborn to 4 Weeks 10.00-110.00 per head. Over 100 lbs 35.00-141.00 per cwt.

SHEEP: 222 head (81 lambs, 81 feeder lambs, 60 ewes). SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Spring Woolled: Choice and Prime 1-2, 80-110 lbs 108.25-124.00 few 100.00; 110-125 lbs 110.00. Old Crop Woolled: Choice and Prime 1-2, 110-130 lbs 91.50; Good and few Choice 1-2, 85 lbs 85.00.

FEEDER LAMBS: Spring Woolled: Med./Lge. 1-2, 40-60 lbs 100.00-111.00, 60-70 lbs 105.00, 70-85 lbs 107.50. SLAUGHTER EWES: Choice 2-4, 15.00-27.00; Utility and Good 1-3, 23.00-31.50; Cull and low Utility 1-2, 20.00.

Direct Slaughter Cattle Daily Market Review

St. Joseph, Mo.
May 7, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA

National Slaughter Cattle Review as of 2:00 p.m. Wednesday — Slaughter cattle demand was good and trading active across the Plains and Western Cornbelt. Compared to last week, live sales ranged from mostly 78.00 to 79.50, trending mostly steady to 1.50 higher. Dressed sales ranged from 124.00 to mostly 126.00 a mixed trend of 1.00 lower to mostly 1.00 higher.

Negotiated sales: Confirmed: 93,517; week ago: 12,670; year ago: 55,847. Week to Date: 117,490; week ago: 24,272; year ago: 89,533.

NEGOTIATED PRICES PAID for Domestic Slaughter Steers and Heifers (Information derived from the 5 area weighted average report.):

STEERS: LIVE BASIS: Over 80% Choice 78.00-80.00, avg 79.16; 65-80% Choice 78.00-79.85, avg 79.12; 35-65% Choice 76.50-79.60, avg 78.26; under 35% Choice 77.50-78.75, avg 78.28. Total all grades 76.50-80.00, avg 78.32. DRESSED BASIS: Over 80% Choice 127.00; 65-80% Choice 125.00-128.00, avg 126.77; 35-65% Choice 124.00-128.00, avg 125.28; under 35% Choice 127.00. Total all grades 124.00-128.00, avg 125.52.

HEIFERS: LIVE BASIS: Over 80% Choice 79.00; 65-80% Choice 78.00-79.50, avg 78.43; 35-65% Choice 77.00-79.60, avg 78.47; under 35% Choice 77.50-79.00, avg 78.07. Total all grades: 77.00-79.60, avg 78.46. DRESSED BASIS: Over 80% Choice 124.00-127.00; 65-80% Choice 124.00-126.50, avg. 125.71; 35-65% Choice 124.00-128.00, avg 125.40; under 35% Choice none. Total all

grades 124.00-128.00, avg 125.51.

FORMULA PURCHASES: Prices established so far today for previously slaughtered cattle: Beef Type: Domestic: Head count priced today - 16,900; weighted avg weight - 742 lbs; weighted avg net price - 123.81.

Covers transactions reported at 2:00 p.m. today. Comments and market conditions may include information gathered from voluntary sources. All prices, weights and head counts are only those gathered through the mandatory reporting system.

Tennessee Feeder Cattle Sales

Nashville, Tenn.
May 7, 2003

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Tennessee Weighted Average report for Tuesday, May 6, at Dickson and Cookeville. Receipts 486 calves and feeders (29 pct over 600 lbs). Trend: Feeder steers and heifers limited test steady. Average weights and average prices in parentheses.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 1-2: 17 head, 300-400 lb (358) 99.00-104.00 (101.26); 17 head, 400-500 lb (450) 89.00-104.00 (97.17); 11 head, 500-600 lb (553) 82.00-95.50 (87.73); 16 head, 600-700 lb (650) 75.00-82.00 (79.20). Med./Lge. 3: 8 head, 300-400 lb (346) 94.00-102.00 (98.20); 7 head 400-500 lb (455) 77.00-84.00 (82.07).

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1-2: 20 head, 300-400 lb (353) 84.00-97.00 (89.63); 24 head, 400-500 lb (453) 80.00-90.00 (84.08); 16 head, 500-600 lb (548) 73.00-82.50 (78.84); 19 head, 600-700 lb (623) 68.00-80.00 (74.48). Med./Lge. 3: 14 head, 300-400 lb (370) 81.00-89.00 (85.52); 10 head, 400-500 lb (432) 74.00-84.00 (79.75); 13 head, 500-600 lb (552) 74.00-79.50 (76.69).

FEEDER BULLS: Medium and Large 1-2: 22 head, 400-500 lb (453) 85.00-100.00 (91.52); 14 head, 500-600 lb (544) 76.00-89.00 (81.49); 12 head, 600-700 lb (632) 72.00-82.00 (78.38).



Tenn. Video Board Feeder Cattle Sale

Nashville, Tenn.
May 2, 2003

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WILSON BOARD SALE, May 1 — Receipts: 1850 head Cattle from Tenn., N.C., S.C. and Ga. Prices per hundred-weight. (Average weights and average prices in parentheses where indicated.)

FEEDER STEERS: Med./Lge. 1-2: 70 head, avg. 650 lbs, 84.30; 64 head, avg. 740 lbs, 77.50; 197 head, 775-790 lbs (780), 76.30-79.40 (77.62); 362 head, 825-835 lbs (828), 73.50-76.90 (75.40); 176

head, 860-880 lbs (872), 74.00-75.90 (75.22).

FEEDER HOLSTEIN STEERS: Lge. 3: 190 head, avg. 470 lbs 81.90.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Med./Lge. 1-2: 224 head, 670-685 (677), 75.75-76.80 (76.28); 63 head, avg. 725 lbs 76.50; 322 head, 750-790 lbs (773), 73.25-76.10 (74.83).

STEERS AND HEIFERS, MIXED LOADS: Med./Lge. 1-2: 64 head, avg. 775 lbs; steers 76.50, heifers 72.50. 62 head, avg. 800 lbs; steers 76.00, heifers 72.00. 32 steers, avg. 850 lbs 72.25; 23 heifers, avg. 775 lbs 68.25.

Weekly Meat Production Under Federal Inspection

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 2 — (USDA-NASS) — Total red meat production under federal inspection for the week ending Saturday, April 29, was estimated at 882.5 million lb, according to the USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service. This was 1.4 percent higher than a week ago and 3.3 percent lower than a year ago. Cumulative meat production for the year to date was 1.0 percent lower compared to the previous year.

MEAT PRODUCTION (million pounds) (excludes condemned)

Week Ending (1)	Beef	Calf/Veal	Pork (2)	Lamb/Mutton	Totals (3)
03-May-03	516.3	3.4	359.6	3.2	882.5
26-Apr-03	490.9	3.6	372.3	3.5	870.3
Change	5.2%	-5.6%	-3.4%	-8.6%	1.4%
04-May-02	516.9	3.5	372.2	4.5	912.6
Change	-3.0%	-2.9%	-3.4%	-28.9%	-3.3%
2003 YTD	8074.4	65.9	6645.2	67.2	15,362.9
2002 YTD	8238.1	62.7	6601.9	76.6	15,511.7
Change	-2.0%	5.2%	0.7%	-12.3%	-1.0%

1- Previous week estimates may be revised. Year ago data are actuals.

2- Excludes lard.

3- Totals may not add due to rounding. 2003 totals are subject to revision.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER (head)

Week Ending	Cattle	Calves/Vealers	Hogs	Sheep/Lambs
03-May-03	709,000	17,000	1,803,000	48,000
26-Apr-03	672,000	18,000	1,869,000	51,000
Change	5.5%	-5.6%	-3.5%	-5.9%
04-May-02	715,000	18,000	1,874,000	69,000
Change	-0.8%	-5.6%	-3.8%	-30.4%
2003 YTD	11,402,000	350,000	33,319,000	987,000
2002 YTD	11,602,000	323,000	33,269,000	1,103,000
Change	-1.7%	8.4%	0.1%	-10.5%

AVERAGE WEIGHTS (lbs.)

Week Ending	LIVE	Cattle	Calves/Vealers	Hogs	Sheep/Lamb
03-May-03	Estimate	1211	336	268	133
26-Apr-03	Estimate	1216	332	268	138
04-May-02	Actual	1223	322	267	132
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03-May-03	Estimate	732	206	200	67
26-Apr-03	Estimate	734	204	200	69
04-May-02	Actual	749	197	199	66

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL SLAUGHTERED BY CLASS

Wk Ending	CATTLE				HOGS		
	Steers	Heifers	Cows	Bulls/Stags	Barrows/Gilts	Sows	Boars/Stags
19-Apr-03	51.7%	29.5%	17.0%	1.8%	96.8%	3.0%	0.2%
20-Apr-02	48.8%	34.1%	15.3%	1.8%	96.5%	3.2%	0.3%

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