

LANCASTER COUNTY LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTIONS

New Holland Livestock Auction

New Holland, Pa.
Report Supplied By USDA
Monday, May 5, 2003

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	Goats
MONDAY	331	181	787	734	890
LAST WEEK	517	235	911	901	1238

Compared to Thursday's higher market, Breaking and Boning cows sold 1.00-2.00 lower. Lean slaughter cows sold steady to mostly 1.00 lower. Buyer demand remains light early in the week, which has been the case for several weeks, especially on the fleshy cows. All classes of cows were tested on the light 160 head run. Slaughter bulls sold with a firmer undertone on a good supply. The supply included 160 head of cows, 56 steers, 33 heifers, 58 bulls, with the balance of the Monday run made up of 57 head of feeders

Slaughter Cows: Percent Lean Weight Bulk Low Dressing Breakers 75-80 Over 1400 lbs 42.75-46.25 39.50-42.75 Boners 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 38.50-42.50 37.00-38.50 Lean (Hi-Yield) 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 37.75-40.00 34.50-38.50 Lean 85-90 Over 1000 lbs 34.50-38.50 31.50-34.75 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 29.50-31.00

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1 1060-2070 lbs 50.50-59.50, couple fancy high dressers 61.00-66.25, full 43.75-48.50. Yield Grade 2 1020-1610 lbs 48.00-51.50, low dressing 42.00. Individual Select 2 bullocks 1095 lbs 64.00.

Calves: Compared to Thursday, Holstein bull calves suitable for special-fed veal barns sold steady to nearly 15.00 higher. Planer-type bulls trended with a weaker undertone. There were not enough veal calves or Holstein heifers to test the market. Returning to Feed: Holstein Bulls 90-125 lbs 120.00-145.00; 80-85 lbs 115.00-125.00. Planer-type bulls 90-125 lbs 90.00-105.00. Weaker bulls 90-125 lbs 70.00-95.00 Holstein Heifers 110 lbs 200.00; 80-85 lbs 140.00-150.00; 75 lbs 120.00-130.00

HOGS: Barrows and gilts 200 lower, sows fully steady on 188 head run, boars 1.00 higher on a light 10 head run **BARROWS AND GILTS:** 49-54% lean 220-270 lbs 36.00-38.35, 275-290 lbs 36.50-38.00, large lot 37.50.

SOWS: 1-3 300-400 lbs 25.00-30.00, 400-500 lbs 26.00-31.00, 500-700 lbs 30.00-32.50.

BOARS: 300-700 lbs 10.00-11.00.

Sheep and Lambs: Compared to last Monday, slaughter lambs sold 1.00-1.10 higher, with the bulk of the increase noted on lambs weighing over 80 pounds. Slaughter sheep continue to sell firm, with buyer demand remaining good. Prices quoted below are by the hundred weight, with actual weights. Slaughter Lambs Choice, end Prime 2-3 few 30-40 lbs 177.00, 40-60 lbs 120.00-158.00, 60-80 lbs 122.00-142.00, 80-100 lbs 114.00-136.00; 100-125 lbs 102.00-126.00 Slaughter Sheep Utility and Good 1-3 100-225 lbs 30.00-48.00

Goats: Compared to last Monday, Kid goats sold 7.00-10.00 higher, with the Yearling supply remaining fairly light, therefore a trend was not established. Nannies sold 2.00-6.00 higher. Bill-

es sold sharply higher due to the very good buyer demand. Wethers sold 2.00-6.00 higher in active trading as well. The supply is beginning to lighten up a little as we near summer, with the demand holding about steady. All goats are sold on a per head basis, with estimated weights. Kids: Selection 1 20-40 lbs 42.00-62.00; 40-60 lbs 54.00-66.00. Selection 2 20-40 lbs 34.00-48.00, few under 20 lbs 17.00, Package 50 lbs 56.00. Selection 3 20-40 lbs 29.00-36.00, package of pigmies 19.00. Yearlings: Selection 1 few 60-80 lbs 74.00; 80-100 lbs 70.00-76.00. Selection 2 few 60-80 lbs 56.00-62.00. Nannies: Selection 1 70-100 lbs 60.00-74.00, 100-150 lbs 72.00-86.00. Selection 2 70-100 lbs 58.00-70.00. Billies: Selection 1 70-100 lbs 86.00-90.00; 100-150 lbs 98.00-108.00; 150-250 lbs 119.00-145.00, couple very heavy muscled 170.00-176.00. Selection 2 few 70-100 lbs 70.00-82.00, 100-150 lbs 86.00-94.00; 150-200 lbs 90.00-112.00, single 126.00. Selection 3 70-100 lbs 56.00-64.00; few 70-100 lbs 70.00-76.00. Wethers: 70-100 lbs 76.00-94.00; 100-175 lbs 98.00-108.00.

Vintage Livestock Auction

Vintage, Pa.
May 5-6, 2003

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	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats
THIS WEEK	737	524	0	3
LAST WEEK	689	659	7	5
LAST YEAR	817	734	0	0

Compared to Thursday, the bulk of the Choice slaughter steers sold steady. Buyer interest was very good on Monday on all grades as a firmer undertone was noted on the Choice and Prime cattle; with the lower quality grades trading up to 1.00 higher. Buyer participation was still relatively good on Tuesday, but the demand was not as great for the Select stock. There may be a heavy 15 cent discount on Select cattle in the packing house but it sure is not apparent in the sale barn as Select steers are bringing as much as 77.00; while Prime steers trade in the 80.00-83.00 range. Many local feeders have flat run out of feed, and most are opting to go ahead and send them to town as Select or low Choice cattle instead of paying to run more corn through them and have them still bring about the same money on the hoof with 1000-2000 more pounds on them. Holstein steers sold 1.00 to instances of 2.00 higher in the Choice supply. The slaughter heifer supply was light, and a trend was not established. Breaking and Boning cows sold a full 1.00 lower when compared to Thursday's active trade. Lean slaughter cows sold weak to 1.00 lower. While the early week markets may be lower, the demand for cows is still very good; especially late in the week when buyer attendance increases. The runs are lightening up in Lancaster County as more farmers head back to the fields to plant corn, and are turning their cows out on the green grass pastures. With the price of dressed beef remaining high, it only makes sense for cow plants to pay more for the fleshy cows as they can use the middle meat cuts out of their fleshy cows, in-

stead of grinding them. There were not enough slaughter bulls on offer to test the market. The two-day supply included 343 head of steers, 44 heifers, 323 cows, 15 bulls, with 12 head of feeder cattle.

Slaughter Steers: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1185-1485 lbs 80.00-83.25, few 84.00-85.00 singles on Monday Choice 2-3 1070-1485 lbs 77.25-80.50, Charolais and Limi-X's 78.75-81.50, heavyweights 1520-1560 lbs 74.75-76.75. Choice 2 on Monday 1260-1375 lbs 80.00-81.75. Choice 4 some full 1180-1485 lbs 74.25-77.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1125-1460 lbs 75.00-78.00. Select 1-2 1010-1420 lbs 72.50-76.75, heavier muscled up to 77.50. Few two-ways returning to feed 1200-1295 lbs 68.00-74.00.

Holstein Steers: Few High Choice and Prime 2-3 1330-1505 lbs 70.00-73.75. Choice 2-3 1225-1530 lbs 65.75-69.25, 1610 lb heavyweights 61.00-62.00. Primarily Select, few low Choice 2-3 1100-1515 lbs 59.50-62.25. Standard 1-2 includes some two-ways 1100-1575 lbs 48.25-56.00, few up to 58.50. Slaughter Heifers: Choice, few Prime 2-4 1070-1250 lbs 76.25-78.00. Couple very fancy high dressing Select 1-2 1180-1285 lbs 80.75-81.25.

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Market At A Glance

Lancaster County Livestock Auction Averages

(Price Per Hundredweight)

Week Ending Friday, May 9, 2003

Supplied By Market Staff

	This Wk	Wk Ago	Yr Ago
Steers, Choice 2-3	78.65	78.75	69.25
Heifers, Choice 2-3, few Prime	77.00	76.00	67.25
Cows, Breakers, 75-80% lean	46.00	45.75	47.25
Cows, Boners, 80-85% lean	42.00	41.50	42.85
Bulls, YG 1, ltd.	53.00	55.00	61.00
Hogs, 49-54% lean, Monday	37.20	39.25	30.95
Lambs, Choice/Prime 80-110 lb.	120.00	121.00	102.00

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	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats
MONDAY	1494	440	337	261
LAST WEEK	1305	504	214	194
LAST YEAR	1413	524	601	184

Compared to Tuesday, slaughter steers sold unevenly steady. However, the bulk of the run, especially a very good test of Choice steers, sold weak to .50 lower. There was some firmness noted at times on the high quality stock, but it was only on isolated sales. Live weights continue to be below normal, as most of the steers are weighing from 1100-1300 lbs; regardless of their finish. It's a shame to see some of the reputation cattle feeders in the county being forced to ship their steers to town because they have run out of feed. Most of the producers usually finish a high Choice or Prime steer that weighs from 1350-1450 lbs, which makes it easy for the buyers who are after the high quality stock. However, despite the feed situation, producers are still able to put some pretty good finish on them; and packers have grown a little more patient as they sit through a 700 head run looking to put two pot loads of the good kind together. Holstein steers sold 1.00-2.00 lower, and experienced their first set back in months. The quality of the Holstein supply was average to good, with only a few packages of hard finished steers which sold closer to steady. There were not enough slaughter heifers early in the week to trend the late week run. Breaking and Boning slaughter cows sold 1.00-2.00 higher, with the bulk of the increase on the 65-75 percent lean

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supply. Lean slaughter cows sold 50-100 higher. Buyer attendance and interest were both very good. Slaughter bulls sold with a weaker undertone when compared to the very light Tuesday run. The supply included 718 head of steers, 74 heifers, 432 cows, 90 bulls, with 180 head of feeder cattle.

Slaughter Steers: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1145-1450 lbs 79.00-81.50, singles up to 85.00. Choice 2-3 1090-1450 lbs 77.00-80.00, up to 80.75, Charolais and Limi-X's 77.00-81.00 with a couple 83.50-85.00 singles, few heavyweights 1500-1595 lbs 70.00-79.75. Few Choice 2 1440-1460 lbs 83.00-84.00. Choice 4 1075-1435 lbs 73.75-76.50. Select and low Choice 2-3 1110-1450 lbs 73.50-77.50, package 78.50. Select 1-2 1005-1475 lbs 72.00-77.00, heavier muscled up to 79.00, four packages 1085-1160 lbs going back on feed 72.50-75.00. Standard 1-2 includes some two-ways 1160-1430 lbs 65.00-70.25.

Holstein Steers: High Choice and Prime 2-3 1400-1560 lbs 69.00-71.50, couple 1600-1685 lb heavyweights 60.75-63.50, couple beef crosses 74.25-75.50. Choice 2-3 1200-1595 lbs 63.50-68.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1295-1555 lbs 60.25-65.25. Select 1-2 1260-1530 lbs 54.50-60.00. Standard 1-2 1080-1340 lbs 50.75-55.75.

Slaughter Heifers: Few high Choice and Prime 2-4 1100-1160 lbs 78.75-80.75. Choice 2-3 1050-1360 lbs 76.50-78.00, few Charolais and Limi-X's 74.00-77.00. Choice 4 1245-1330 lbs 75.50-76.25. Mostly Select, few low Choice 2-3 1000-1240 lbs 70.00-75.25.

Slaughter Cows: Percent Lean, Weight, Bulk, Low Dressing, Premium White 65-70, over 1600 lbs, 48.00-51.00. Breakers 70-75, over 1400 lbs, 45.00-48.75, 40.75-45.00. Boners 75-80, over 1200 lbs, 40.75-45.00, 38.00-41.00. Lean (Hi-Yield) 80-85, over 1200 lbs, 39.00-43.00, 35.00-39.75. Lean 85-90, over 1000 lbs, 35.00-39.00, 32.00-35.25. Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90, 750-1000 lbs.

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1 1030-2080 lbs 48.50-53.75, few higher dressing 55.25-61.75, full low dressing 44.50-50.00. Yield Grade 2 1100-2170 lbs 45.50-51.50, light weights 685-945 lbs 45.00-48.50. Bullocks: Couple Select 1-2 1205-1500 lbs 56.00-58.50.

Calves: Compared to Tuesday, a very light supply of veal calves sold 5.00-15.00 lower. Number One Holstein bull calves sold steady to 10.00 higher, with the Number Two supply trading mixed, from 5.00 higher to 5.00 lower. The PA Department of Ag graded 268 head of bulls for the graded sale, with an estimated 98 percent of the run going back on feed.

Veal Calves: Standard and Utility 60-110 lbs 15.00-30.00, weaker down to 11.00.

Going Into Veal Barns: Graded Number One Holstein Bulls 90-125 lbs 130.00-170.00; 85-90 lbs 127.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Bulls 90-120 lbs 127.00-140.00; 80-90 lbs 127.00. Graded Utility 70-110 lbs 30.00-60.00. Light test of Holstein Heifers 90-125 lbs 300.00-405.00.

Sheep and Lambs: Compared to Monday, all weights trended mostly steady on a very light run. All prices quoted below are from Monday's run.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice, end Prime 2-3 few 30-40 lbs 177.00; 40-60 lbs 120.00-158.00; 60-80 lbs 122.00-142.00; 80-100 lbs 114.00-136.00, 100-125 lbs 102.00-126.00.

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Goats: Compared to last Monday, all classes sold mostly steady on a very light run. All prices quoted below are carried over from Monday's report. All goats are sold on a per head basis, with estimated weights.

Kids: Selection 1 20-40 lbs 42.00-62.00, 40-60

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