

Kentucky Feeder Cattle Sales

Lexington, Ky.
July 9, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA

BLUE GRASS STOCKYARDS Daily Auction Report: Receipts: 2,239. Steer and heifer calves fully steady. Yearling steers and heifers 1.00 to 3.00 higher.

STEERS: Medium and Large 1: 300-350 ind 104.00, 350-400 lbs 101.00-109.00; 400-450 lbs 101.00-109.00, 450-500 lbs 98.50-107.50; 500-550 lbs 95.00-101.00, 550-600 lbs 92.00-98.50; 600-700 lb calves 84.50-91.00, 600-700 lb yearlings 88.00-91.75, including 38 head(blk-Charx) 693 lbs 88.90 & 21 head(mixed) 695 lbs 88.10; 700-800 lbs 81.00-89.00; 800-900 lbs 81.00-87.80, including 54 head(blk-Charx) 811 lbs 87.80 & 66 head(blk-Charx) 887 lbs 82.95; 900-1000 lbs 75.00-80.60, including 26 head(Chax) 903 lbs 80.60. Holsteins: Large 3: Few 500-600 lbs 65.00-73.75; 700-800 lbs 65.00-69.95, including 64 head 757 lbs 69.95; 49 head 998 lbs 66.70.

BULL CALVES: Medium and Large 1: 300-400 lbs 95.00-110.00; 400-500 lbs 92.00-102.00; 500-600 lbs 85.00-93.50; 600-700 lbs 77.00-81.00; 700-800 lbs 73.00-78.50; 800-900 lbs 68.00-70.00; 900-1000 lbs 59.00-67.25. Medium and Large 2 300-400 lbs 90.00-101.00; 400-500 lbs 86.00-93.50; 500-600 lbs 80.00-84.00;

600-700 lbs 74.00-77.00; 700-800 lbs 67.00-72.00; 800-900 lbs 64.00-70.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1: 300-400 lbs 88.00-96.00; 400-500 lbs 85.00-93.00; 500-600 lbs 84.00-89.50; 600-700 lbs 81.00-87.00; 700-800 lbs 78.00-82.95, including 63 head(mixed) 772 lbs 80.75 & 69 head(Chax-blk) 776 lbs 82.95; 800-900 lbs 77.50-82.60, including 56 head(blk) 811 lbs 82.60; 900-1000 lbs 76.00-77.00.

BABY CALVES: Beef 110.00-140.00; Dairybred 35.00-50.00.

Eastern Cornbelt Direct Feeder Cattle Weekly

Springfield, Ill.
July 3, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA

Eastern Cornbelt Direct Feeder Cattle Summary — Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio: Compared to last week, feeder cattle were steady to weak in a very light market test. Demand was very light. Trading was slow ahead of the holiday. Reported sales consisted of about 0% beef steers, 100% heifers and 0% Holstein steers. Approximately 100% of the cattle marketed this week weighed over 600 lbs. Confirmed sales 200 this week, 400 last week and 600 last year.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 1-2: no test
HOLSTEIN STEERS: no test
FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1-2: 675-750 lbs 81.50-82.00; load lot 850 lbs 73.75.

Prices are based FOB the farm unless otherwise indicated. Delivered prices include freight, commissions, and other expenses.

East Coast and North Central Veal Report

Des Moines, Iowa
July 9, 2003

Supplied By USDA

CARLOT VEAL CARCASS REPORT, July 7: Compared to trading last week: Northeast special fed veal trading 235.00-265.00, few small sales at higher levels on very good demand and very light offerings. North Central hide on 6.75-10.00 higher and hide off not tested on very good demand and very light offerings.

VEAL CARCASS, SPECIAL FED, HOT BASIS, FOB PRODUCTION POINTS: North Central 260 head. Hide-On, 240-300 lbs: 190.00-195.00. Northeast 250 head. Hide-Off, 215-275 lbs: 230.00-265.00.

CONTRACT INFORMATION: Hot Basis, Hide-Off — (As of July 2, 2003) — Contract calves slaughtered this week: 190.00-220.00. Packers base market 195.00-220.00. Future contracts offered: Firm Bottom 195.00-199.00, Firm Top 212.00- 215.00. Firm Bottom, 199.00, Split Half Top 209.00. Fixed 200.00.

• North Central - OH, IN, IL, MI & WI.

• Northeast - MA, MD, PA, NY, NJ, DE, CT & VT.

WEEKLY DISTRIBUTIVE, LESS THAN CARLOT, EAST COAST AREA VEAL CUTS TRADE, SPECIAL FED: Market for Tuesday, July 8 — Compared to last week: Distributive special fed veal cuts unsettled, mostly firm to higher on very good demand and very light offerings of fresh and cold storage cuts, due to reduced veal slaughter numbers with the U.S./Canada bor-

der being closed due to BSE.

Prices per CWT: Carcass, hide off 200-250 lb 285.00-325.00; Foresaddles 85-110 lb 210.00-260.00; Kasher Foresaddles 90-110 lb 195.00-280.00; Hindsaddles 85-115 lb 390.00-450.00; Loins, regular 17-25 lb 390.00-450.00; Loins, 4x4 trmd 12-18 lb 750.00-800.00; Hotel Racks, 8 rib 15-21 lb 650.00-835.00, 7 rib 14-20 lb 725.00-935.00, 6 rib 13-17 lb 825.00-1035.00; Chuck, square cut 36-47 lb 150-180.00; Shoulder, full 14-20 lb 185.00-225.00; Legs, double 70-90 lb 385-450.00, TBS 3-piece 24-32 lb 750-975.00, BHS heel-out 27-35 lb 695.00-775.00; Top Round, trmd, cap-off 8-10 lb 1050.00-1225.00; Breast 10-12 lb 90.00-115.00; Necks, bone-in 24-28 lb 150.00-185.00; Stew Meat, regular 210.00-325.00; Boneless Trimmings 75-80% lean 72.00-95.00; Heavy Nature Green Hides, per piece 40-41.50.

Shippensburg Produce Auction

Shippensburg, Pa.

Report Supplied by Auction
July 3, 4, 8, 2003

APPLES: 5.00-6.50 ½ BU.
APRICOTS: 9.00-18.00 8 QT. FLAT.
BEANS: GREEN 9.50-16.00 ½ BU.
CABBAGE: 7.00-8.00 ½ BU.
CUCUMBERS: 7.50-10.50 ½ BU.
LETTUCE: 5.50-7.00 ½ BU.
PEAS: 3.00-7.00 8 QT. FLAT.
POTATOES: +N2 2.50-4.00 BU.
RASPBERRIES: 12.00 12 PINT FLAT.
STRAWBERRIES: 8.00-18.00 8 QT. FLAT.
SWEET CORN: 2.50-3.00 DOZ.
TOMATOES: 8.00-15.00 10 LBS.
ZUCCHINI: 3.50-8.00 ½ BU.
NEXT WEEK'S SALE TUES., THURS., FRI., 9 A.M.

Five-Area Weekly Average Direct Slaughter Cattle
St. Joseph, Mo., July 7, 2003 — USDA Market News Service
Sales in Texas/Oklahoma; Kansas; Nebraska; Colorado; and Iowa/Minnesota Feedlots for
Week Ending Sunday, July 6, 2003

Confirmed Sales: 217,691; Week Ago: 185,838; Year Ago: 118,938

LIVE FOB BASIS SALES - Beef Breeds:

SLAUGHTER STEERS:

	Head Count	Weight Range	Price Range	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
Over 80% Choice	1,073	1150-1325	73.00-75.50	1,257	74.90
65-80% Choice	7,627	1165-1400	74.00-75.50	7,277	75.03
35-80% Choice	53,833	1078-1475	72.00-75.50	1,261	74.90
0-35% Choice	714	1175-1335	72.00-75.00	1,249	74.04
TOTAL all grades	63,247	1078-1475	72.00-75.50	1,262	74.90

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:

Over 80% Choice	588	1125-1230	74.00-75.50	1,184	74.67
65-80% Choice	5,967	1090-1300	74.00-75.50	1,172	74.96
35-65% Choice	43,161	1010-1325	72.00-75.50	1,142	74.89
0-35% Choice	709	1050-1260	72.00-75.00	1,111	74.65
TOTAL all grades	50,425	1010-1325	72.00-75.50	1,146	74.89

DRESSED DELIVERED BASIS SALES - Beef Breeds:

SLAUGHTER STEERS:

Over 80% Choice	1,182	693-873	117.00-120.00	825	119.05
65-80% Choice	9,830	734-867	117.00-121.00	814	119.56
35-65% Choice	19,354	697-892	117.00-123.50	816	119.57
0-35% Choice					
TOTAL all grades	30,366	693-892	117.00-123.50	816	119.55

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:

Over 80% Choice	722	693-762	116.00-120.00	730	119.59
65-80% Choice	7,239	675-820	118.00-121.00	736	119.74
35-65% Choice	20,288	651-822	116.00-121.00	732	119.60
0-35% Choice	75	749	119.00	749	119.00
TOTAL all grades	28,324	651-822	116.00-121.00	733	119.63

Weekly Weighted Averages:

	Head Count	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
Live Steer	63,247	1,262	74.90
Dressed Heifer	50,425	1,146	74.89
Dressed Steer	30,366	816	119.55
Dressed Heifer	28,324	733	119.63
Same Period Last Week:			
Live Steer	50,773	1,256	73.98
Live Heifer	46,086	1,151	73.91
Dressed Steer	29,040	817	117.11
Dressed Heifer	19,779	739	117.14
Same Period Last Year:			
Live Steer	39,205	1,286	63.62
Live Heifer	33,245	1,157	63.77
Dressed Steer	20,488	838	99.15
Dressed Heifer	12,423	767	99.01

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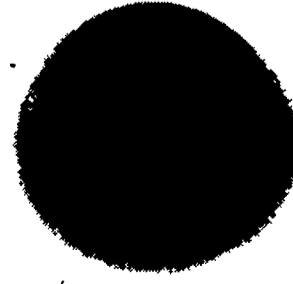


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