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lbs 22.00-30.00. Holstein Heifers 90- 125 lbs mostly 300.00-530.00; 80-90 lba 120.00-230.00. Plainer-type heifers 90-125 lbs 105.00-166.00; 80-90 lbs 85.00-105.00. Weaker heifers 70-100 lbs 30.00- 70.00. Beef-type heifers and bulls 70-100 lbs 70.00-125.00.

Sheep and Lambs: Compared to last Monday, unable to establish a trend due to a very light run. However, comparable weight groups sold steady to weak

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3 30-40 lbs 102.00-117.00, fancy 140.00-205.00; 40-50 lbs 80.00-98.00, fancy 135.00-145.00; 50-60 lbs 105.00- 120.00, fancy 140.00-150.00; 60-70 lbs 94.00-108.00, few fancy 122.00-125.00; 70-80 lbs 96.00-108.00, package 112.00; 80-90 lbs 97.00-107.00; 90-100 lbs 94.00-100.00; 100-125 lbs 90.00-101.00. Good 2-4 30-40 lbs 66.00-72.00; 50-60 lbs 75.00-92.00.

Slaughter Sheep: Utility and Good 1-3 year lings 75-150 lbs 56.00-70.00; 100- 150 lbs 46.00-58.00.

Slaughter Goats: Compared to last Monday, unable to establish a trend due to a very light run. All goats are sold by the head, with estimated weights.

Kids: Selection 2 few 20-40 lbs 42.00-48.00. Selection 3 few 20-40 lbs 23.00-34.00, few 40-60 lbs 36.00- 40.00.

Yearlings: Selection 2 few 60-80 lbs 63.00-68.00.

Nannies: Selection 3 few 50-70 lbs 49.00-50.00; few 70-100 lbs 56.00- 70.00.

Billies: Selection 2 few 70-100 lbs 69.00-80.00; 150-250 lbs 84.00- 102.00.

Wethers: Individual 50-70 lbs 70.00; few 100-175 lbs 98.00-116.00.

Lancaster County **Weekly Cattle** New Holland, Pa

Report Supplied By USDA Friday, July 25, 2003					
				CATTLE	CALVES
			THIS WEEK	2171	2014
LAST WEEK	2228	2230			
LAST YEAR	2138	2643			

Compared to last week's closing prices, slaughter steers opened up the week trading with a weaker undertone only to trade 1.00-2.00 higher late in the week. However, there were a lot of national factors that were supportive of the local market at the end of the week that the Tuesday run was not able to lean on. For instance, the Western feeders moved the bulk of their live steers a full 3.00 higher this week from 76.00-78.00. The Board was also extremely supportive by weeks end as the current July contract gained 3.00 over Wednesday and Thurs-

day due to two consecutive limit-up railies; to close at 78.30. The chairs surrounding the ring at the New Holland auction on Thursday should have had seatbelts as trading was very active on a very nice run of high Choice and Prime cattle. It was a few months ago when fat cattle prices in Lancaster County set all time records as prices were reported as high as 90.00, and just when you think the summer slump is finally going to set in, prices spike sharply higher again. At the Thursday run packages of high Choice and Prime steers were bringing from 83.00-85.00; with fancy singles up to 88.00. Needless-to-say, farmer feeders are once again looking at very healthy profits. Holstein steers sold with a weaker tone early in the week, with late week prices 1.00 higher. Slaughter heifers were hard to come by this week, with a trend never established. Slaughter cows sold as much as 3.00 lower through mid-week, with cow prices on Thursday 2.00-3.00 higher. Slaughter bulls followed the same path, trending weaker until Thursday, when prices were 2.00 higher. The reported supply this week in Lancaster included 815 head of slaughter steers 74 head of slaughter heifers, 1032 head of slaughter cows, 143 head of slaughter bulls, and 107 head of feeder cattle.

Slaughter Steers: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1105-1490 lbs 82.00-85.60, early in the week 80.00-83.50, outstanding singles late in the week 86.00-88.00. Choice 2-3 1060-1490 lbs 77.25-82.25, majority 79.00-81.50, higher yielding Charolais and Limi-crosses 81.00-85.10, couple heavyweights 1520-1555 lbs 75.00- 79.75. Higher yielding Choice 1-2 1200-1430 lbs 82.25-86.50. Choice 4 1160- 1485 lbs 72.00-75.00, few 77.25. Select and low Choice 2-3 1055-1395 lbs 75.25-78.50, up to 80.50 late in the week. Select 1-2 1000-1495 lbs 71.00 76.00.

Holstein Steers: High Choice and Prime 2-3 1255-1585 lbs 70.25-76.00, mostly 71.50-74.50, fancy individuals 75.75-77.25. Choice 2-3 1200-1575 lbs 67.00-71.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1125-1380 lbs 65.50-68.00. Select 1-2 1115-1510 lbs 61.00-66.00.

Slaughter Heifers: Few High Choice and Prime 2-4 1020-1450 lbs 80.00-80.50, couple Yield Grade 4-5 74.25-75.00. Choice 2-3 1020-1360 lbs 75.75-79.50.

Slaughter Cows: Percent Lean, Weight, Bulk, Low Dressing. Premium White, 65-70, over 1600 lbs, 52.00-57.00, 48.75-53.00. Breakers, 70-75, over 1400 lbs, 46.50-53.25, 43.00-48.50. Boners, 75-80, over 1200 lbs, 42.50-49.00, 40.00-44.25. Lean (Hi-Yield), 80-85, over 1200 lbs, 40.50-46.50, 40.25-42.75. Lean, 85-90, over 1000 lbs, 37.50-43.50, 34.00-39.75. Lean (Lightwgt). 85-90, 750-100 lbs, 35.00-38.50, 30.00-35.00.

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1, few 2 1100-2260 lbs 51.75-60.00, high dressing 1530-2050 lbs 60.75-67.50. Yield Grade 2 1105-2170 lbs 47.50-53.50.

Calf Summary: Compared to last week's clos ing prices, slaughter calves sold steady to weak Holstein bull calves suitable for special-fed yeal barns sold lower for the week; with the majority of the decline noted on the middle weight (95-115 lbs) bull calves as they dropped as much as 50.00. Graded Number 3 bull calf prices have leveled off for the most part since their addition earlier in the month, as the bulk of the Number 3's are bringing kill prices. Holstein heifer calves sold steady to firm early in the week, and held their momentum through late week as prices reached 530.00. Northeast veal profits remain very good, with local feeders reporting dressed prices as high as 300.00. The PA Department of Agriculture graded 1267 head of heifer and bull calves at the two graded sales in Lancaster County this week, compared to 1391 last week.

Veal Calves: Standard and Utility 60-125 lbs mostly 20.00-38.00, weaker down to 11.00.

Calves Going Into Special-fed Veal Barns Monday- Holstein Bulls 90-125 ibs 125.00-165.00. Plainer-type Holstein Bulls 90-125 lbs 100.00-137.00. Weaker Holstein Buils 90-125 lbs 60.00-100.00; 80-90 lbs 40.00-80.00. Few Holstein Heifers 95-125 lbs 290.00-460.00; couple 70-80 lbs 200.00-210.00. Few Plainer type Heifers 75-80 lbs 140.00-150.00.

Tuesday- Graded Number One Holstein Bulls 120-125 Ibs 140.00-145.00; 95-115 Ibs 157.00-170.00; 80-90 lbs 80.00-125.00, package 80 lbs 40.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Bulls 90-125 lbs 120.00-150.00; 90 lbs 70.00-105.00, few 80-85 lbs 40.00. Graded Number Three Holstein Bulls 80-115 lbs 22.00-30.00 Graded Number One Holstein Heifers 95-115 lbs 425.00-460.00; 80-95 lbs 400.00-455.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Heifers package 90-115 lbs 350.00-400.00; 80-90 lbs 130.00-200.00; few packages 60-75 lbs 90.00-95.00. Few Beef-type Heifers and Bulls 70-120 lbs 65.00-140.00.

Thursday- Graded Number One Holstein Bulls 120-125 lbs 125.00; 95-115 lbs 137.00-147.00; 85-95 lbs 50.00-90.00; one package 80-85 lbs 27.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Bulls 120-125 lbs 80.00; 90-115 lbs 110.00-130.00 package 95 lbs 80.00; 80-95 lbs 30.00-45.00. Graded Number Three Holstein Bulls 100-130 lbs 62.00; 75-100 lbs 22.00-30.00. Holstein Heifers 90-125 lbs mostly 300.00-530.00; 80-90 lbs 120.00-230.00. Plainer-type heifers 90-125 lbs 105.00-160.00; 80-90 lbs 85.00-105.00. Weaker heifers 70-100 lbs 30.00-70.00. Beef-type heifers and bulls 70-100 lbs 70.00-125.00.

CALVES: Veal Prime 70.00-85.00; Choice 60.00-84.00; Good 35.00-70.00; Farm Calves #1 Holstein Bulls 90-120# Few 35.00-150.00; #2 Holstein Bulls 80-100# Few 10.00-50.00; Beef --- Bull & Hfrs./Hd. 35.00-90.00.

HOGS: Barrows & Gilts #1-2 210-255# 37.50-42.00; #2-3 255-280# 39.00-41.00; Sows #1-3 300-500# 30.00-34.00; Feeder Pigs 1-3 15-20# 5.00-22.00/Hd. 1-3 25-35# 10.00-23.00/ Hd.

LAMBS: High Choice 80-100# 77.00-102.00; Choice 40-75# 75.00-97.00; Feeder Lambs Good 50.00-98.00; Sheep 10.00-48.00; Fat Sheep 25.00 and down.

GOATS: Large 45.00-100.00/Hd.; Medium 30.00-67.00/Hd.; Small 10.00-30.00/Hd. HORSES: Horses 19.00-51.50; Ponies

20.00-48.00.

Indiana **Livestock Auction** Homer City, Pa.

Thursday, July 24, 2003 Report Supplied By PDA CATTLE: 146. STEERS AND HEIFERS STEADY, COWS STEADY,

STEERS: CHOICE 1-3 1270/1378 LBS. 78.75-80.00. SELECT 1-2 ONE AT 68.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: HI CHOICE PRIME 2-3 1422 LBS. ONE AT 74.00. CHOICE 2-3 1315/1565 LBS. 66.25-69.00. SELECT 1-2

56.00-63.75. STANDARD 1-2 52.50-54.50. HEIFERS: CHOICE 1-3 1150 & 1286 LBS.

79.25 & 81.00. SELECT 1-2 ONE AT 70.00. STANDARD 1-2 50.00-58.75.

COWS: BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 46.00-54.00. BONERS 80-85% LEAN 42.50-46.75. LEAN 85-90% LEAN 34.50-43.75. SHELLS 34.00 AND DOWN.

BULLS: YG 1 1520/1902 LBS. 51.25-54.50, ONE ÅT 64.00. YG 2 1100 & 1138 LBS. 46.00 &

FEEDER CATTLE: HEIFERS: FEW M & L-1 320/598 LBS, 67,50-76,00.

CALVES: 90. STANDARD & GOOD 70/120 LBS. 20.00-37.50. UTILITY 58/85 LBS. 5.00-18.00. FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS 40.00 TO 45.00. NO. 1 BULLS 90/125 LBS. 70.00-85.00. NO. 2 BULLS 80/125 LBS 52.00-70.00. NO. 1 HEIFERS 108 & 112 LBS. 260.00 & 330.00. NO. 2 HEIFERS 88/130 LBS. 135.00-150.00. BEEF CROSS BULLS AND HEIFERS 94/116 LBS. 117.50-135.00.

HOGS: 20. 45-50% LEAN 240/280 LBS. 42.00-43.75. 40-45% LEAN 240/360 LBS. 37.00-41.50. US 1-3 338 LBS. ONE AT 28.00. 1-3 270/415 LBS. 21.50-25.50. BOARS: 408/450 LBS. 10.00-11.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 15. 1-3 50/55 LBS. 30.00-31.00, 1-3 60/ LBS, 35.00-40.00, SHEEP: NO MARKET TEST.

GOATS: 21. KIDS: SELECTION 1 40 LBS. ONE AT 47.50. SELECTION 2 20/40 LBS 22.50-30.00. SELECTION 3 20/40 LBS.

Jersey Shore Livestock Market, Inc.

Jersey Shore, Pa. Report Supplied By Auction Thursday, July 24, 2003 RETURN TO FARM CALF. 100-460 GOOD VEAL: 60.00-99.00. COMMON VEAL: 10 00-59 00. CHOICE STEERS: 74.00-77.00. SELECT STEERS: 70.00-75.00. COMMON STEERS: 58.00-69.00. COMMERCIAL COWS. 45 00-53 00 **CANNERS/CUTTERS: 37 00-47 00** SHELLS 28 00-36.00. CHOICE HEIFERS NONE **SELECT HEIFERS 65.00-73 00** COMMON HEIFERS. 45 00-64 00 GOOD FEEDERS 70 00-102 00.

COMMON FEEDERS 54 00-69 00. BULLS.

47 00-59.00. SOWS NONE. LAMBS NONE

Greencastle Livestock

Greencastic, Pa. Report Supplied by PDA Thursday, July 24, 2003

CATTLE: 202. HOLSTEIN STEERS CHOICE 2-3 ONE 1185 LBS. 70.25. SELECT 1-2 FEW 58.50-61.25. STANDARD 1-2 FEW 42.00-54.50.

COWS: BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 45.00-49.25, COUPLE HIGH-YIELDING, 51 25 & 55.25, AVERAGE 48.35. BONERS 80-85% LEAN 41.50-49.00, MOSTLY 43.75-47.75, AVERAGE 45.40. LEAN 85-90% LEAN 35.00-45.50, MOSTLY 36.75-42.00, AV-ERAGE 39.40. SHELLS 34.75 AND DOWN.

BULLS. YIELD GRADE 1 FEW 1290/2170 LBS. 54.25-61.75. YIELD GRADE 2 850/1570 LBS. 45.00-53.75, AVERAGE 51.45.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: M & L-2 ONE AT 665 LBS. 60.00, 945/1030 LBS. 52.50-63.00. HEIFERS: L-2 ONE AT 695 LBS 66.00, M & L-3 ONE AT 545 LBS. 40.00, FEW 665/715 LBS. 47.00-59.00, L-3 HOLSTEIN ONE AT 275 LBS. 81.00. BULLS: M & L-3 FEW 630/635 LBS. 46:00-47:00.

CALVES: 329. STANDARD & GOOD FEW 75/110 LBS. 22.00-30.00. UTILITY 60/95 LBS. 5.00-20.00. FARM CALVES: NO. 1 BULLS 90/125 LBS. 100.00-147.50, MOSTLY 110.00-140.00, AVERAGE 126.00. NO. 2 BULLS 80/125 LBS. 30.00-90.00. HOLSTEIN HEIFERS: NO. 1 80/115 LBS. FEW 300.00-420.00. NO. 2 70/85 LBS. 100.00-250.00. BEEF CROSS BULLS AND HEIFERS 85/165 LBS. 40.00-115.00.

HOGS: 4. 49-54% LEAN FEW LIGHT-WEIGHT. 45-50% LEAN 190/215 LBS. 32.00-35.00 US 1-3 ONE AT 485 LBS. 29.00.

FEEDER PIGS: NO MARKET TEST. SHEEP: NO MARKET TEST.

GOATS: 3. KIDS: SELECTION 2 UNDER 20 LBS. 14.00. NANNIES: COUPLE 50/70 LBS. 35.00 & 49 00.

Greencastle Hay

Greencastle, Pa.

Report Supplied By Auction

Thursday, July 24, 2003

HAY: 5 loads. TOTAL: 5. MIX HAY: 35.00-95.00.

Red Meat Production In June Monthly Record

Washington, D. C. July 18, 2003 Report Supplied By USDA/NASS Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.95 billion pounds in June, a new record high for the month, up 4 percent from the 3.81 billion pounds produced in June 2002. in June 2002.

June 2002 contained 20 weekdays and 5 Sat-urdays June 2003 contained 21 weekdays and 4 Saturdays

BEEF production, at 2.39 billion pounds, was 4 percent above the previous year and was a monthly record high. Cattle slaughter totaled 3.25 million head, up 6 percent from June 2002 The average live weight was down 19 pounds from the previous year, at 1,217 pounds.

VEAL production totaled 150 million pounds, 2 percent above June a year ago Calf slaughter totaled 74,000 head, down 3 percent from June 2002 The average live weight was 17 pounds above last year, at 336 pounds.

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January to June 2003 commercial red meat production was 23 0 billion pounds, up slightly from 2002 Accumulated beef production was down slightly from last year, yeal was up 5 per-cent, pork was up slightly from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 11 per-



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Pennsylvania **Livestock Auction**

Waynesburg, Pa. Thursday, July 24, 2003 Report Supplied By Auction CATTLE: STOCK COWS: 41.50-54.50. SLAUGHTER COWS: Utility & Commercial 42.00-54.00; Boner & Boning Utility 36.00-48.50; Cutter & Boning Utility 35.00-43 00; Canner & Low Cutter 35.00-40.50; Shells 30.00 & down.

600-900# 55.00-88.00

68.00-84.00, L 1 400-650# 60.00-82.00 BULLS. M & L 1 300-620# 70.00-94 00

BULLS YIELD GRADE 1500#-2000# 51.00-63.00; YIELD GRADE 2 1000#-1400# 38.00-70 00. FEEDER STEERS: M & L 1 300-500# 80.00-100.00. 250-280# 80 00-102 00, M

HEIFERS: M 1 & L 1 300-500#

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