East Coast and North Central Veal Report

Des Moines, Iowa July 28, 2003 Supplied By USDA

CARLOT VEAL CARCASS REPORT: Compared to trading last week: Northeast special fed veal traded sharply higher, mostly 255.00-290.00, few lots at higher levels on very good demand and very light offerings. North Central hide on sharply higher and hide off not tested on very good demand and very light offer-

VEAL CARCASS, SPECIAL FED, HOT BASIS, FOB PRODUCTION POINTS: North Central 390 head. Hide-On, 240-300 lbs: 218.00-260.00. Northeast 390 head. Hide-Off, 215-275 lbs: Few spot sales, 255.00-300.00.

CONTRACT INFORMATION: Hot Basis, Hide-Off — (As of July 30, 2003) — Contract calves slaughtered this week: 200.00-250.00, few at higher and lower levels. Packers base market 210.00-250.00. Future Contracts offered: Firm Bottom 205.00-210.00, Firm Top 220.00-225.00. Firm Bottom 208.00, Split Half Top 218.00. Fixed 210.00.

• North Central - OH, IN, II, 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 29 - Compared to last week: Distributive special fed veal cuts mostly firm to h igher with exception to trimmings and hides steady to weak on very good demand and light offerings. Continued reduced yeal slaughter numbers with U.S./Canada border being closed due to BSE.

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Prices per CWT: Carcass, hide off 200-250 lb 260.00-345.00: Foresaddles 85-110 lb 210.00-275.00: Kosher Foresaddles 90-110 lb 250.00-285.00: Hindsaddles 85-115 lb 390.00-450.00; Loins, regular 17-25 lb 390.00-450.00; Loins, 4x4 trmd 12-18 lb 750.00-825.00; Hotel Racks, 8 rib 15-21 lb 725.00-825.00, 7 rib 14-20 lb 775.00-925.00, 6 rib 13-17 lb 825.00-1125.00; Chuck, square cut 36-47 ib 160-195.00; Shoulder, full 14-20 lb 185.00-225.00; Legs, double 70-90 lb 390-450.00, TBS 3-piece 24-32 lb 850-975.00, BHS heel-out 27-35 lb 695.00-800.00; Top Round, trmd, cap-off 8-10 lb 1100.00-1350.00; Breast 10-12 lb 90.00-125.00; Necks, bone-in 24-28 lb 150.00-200.00; Stew Meat, regular 225.00-375.00; Boneless Trimmings 72-80% lean 70.00-95.00; Heavy Nature Green Hides, per piece 40-41.50.

Oklahoma Feeder Cattle Weekly

Oklahoma City, OK July 30, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA OKLAHOMA NATIONAL STOCK-YARDS, Weekly Cattle Summary -Compared to last week: Feeder steers and heifers 1.00-2.00 higher. Steer calves steady. Heifer calves steady to 3.00 lower. Demand very good for feeders, as well as heavy weight calves and stockers. Demand moderate for light weight calves as hot dry temperatures continue. A large area of the state in drought conditions with a shortage of 9-12 inches of rainfall for the year. A more bullish atmosphere in the cattle market after a 3.00-4.00 raise in slaughter cattle last week, 4 consecutive plus days in the cattle futures and a firm move in boxed beef prices.

Receipts this week 14,575; last week 11.967; last year 8009. Supply consisted of 72% over 600 lbs; 23% calves; 5% cows and bulls. Heifers comprised 42% of feeder & calf supply.

Prices follow with weighted average weight and price in parenthesis.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 1: CALVES: 350-400 lbs (385 lbs) 114.50-119.00 (115.93); 400-500 lbs (450 lbs) 105.00-112.50 (109.27); 500-550 lbs (526 lbs) 96.25-107.00 (103.42); 550-600 lbs (577 lbs) 93.00-102.25 (98.21); 600-650 lbs (614 lbs) 94.00-100.00 (97.05); 650-700 lbs (681 lbs) 88.50-98.50 (92.22). YEAR-LINGS: 550-600 lbs (574 lbs) 102.50-103.50 (103.29); 600-650 lbs (624 lbs) 96.50-102.75 (98.37); 650- 700 lbs 93.50-97.75 (97.06); 700-750 lbs (718 lbs) 93.00-96.75 (94.54); 750-800 lbs (777 lbs) 89.25-94.00 (91.83); 800-850 lbs (826 lbs) 87.50- 90.50 (88.80); 850-900 lbs (863 lbs) 84.00-89.50 (87.28); 900-950 lbs (930 lbs) 83.25-85.00 (83.79); 950-1000 lbs (970 lbs) 81.50-83.00 (82.26).

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1: CALVES: 400-450 lbs (429 lbs) 91.00-97.00 (95.42); 450-500 lbs (480 lbs) 87.25-93.50 (90.19); 500- 550 lbs (518 lbs) 87.00-94.00 (91.36); 550-600 lbs (557 lbs) 88.50-94.75 (92.82); 600-650 lbs (609 lbs) 87.50-92.25 (89.67); 650-700 lbs (85.31). YEARLINGS: 550-600 lbs (577 lbs) 94.00-94.75 (94.42); 600-650 lbs (619 lbs) 90.25-95.25 (91.98); 650-700 lbs (674 lbs) 88.50-92.00 (90.34); 700-750 lbs (720 lbs) 88.50-89.50 (89.03); 750-800 lbs (767 lbs) 85.00- 89.00 (87.28); 800-850 lbs (810 lbs) 83.00-83.35 (83.08).

North Carolina Livestock Sales

July 23, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA MOUNT AIRY LIVESTOCK AUCTION: CATTLE and CALVES: 859, last week 1024. Slaughter cows were steady; bulls were mostly steady. Feeder cattle were mostly steady. Slaughter cows and bulls 22 percent. Replacement pairs and feeder cows 5 percent. Feeder steers and bulls under 600 lbs 33 percent, over 600 lbs 9 percent. Feeder heifers under 600 lbs 26 percent, over 600 lbs 4 percent.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breakers 75-80 percent lean 850 lbs and up 42.00-46.00, high dressing 46.50-51.50; Boners 80-85 percent 850 lbs and up 39.50-45.50, high dressing 46.50-53.00; Lean 85-90 percent 850 lbs and up 34.00-39.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 and 2, 1000-1500 lbs 50.00-59.50; 1500 lbs and up 55.00-61.00, high dressing 67.00.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 1 and 2: 200-250 lbs 114.00-128.00; 250-300 lbs 116.00-129.00; 300-350 lbs 102.00-114.00; 350-400 lbs 95.00-108.00; 400-450 lbs 95.00-105.00; 450-500 lbs 90.50-98.00; 500-550 lbs 87.50-97.50; 600-700 lbs 82.50-89.00: 700-800 lbs 76.00-83.50; 800-900 lbs 82.50. Small 1 and 2: 300-400 lbs 80.00-87.00. Medium and Large 3: 350-400 lbs 80.00-87.00. Holsteins: Large 200-300 lbs 67.00-73.00; 300-400 lbs 65.00-71.50; 500-600 lbs 58.00-64.00; 700-800 lbs 56.50-58.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1 and 2: 250-300 lbs 91.00-98.50; 300-350 lbs 89.00-95.00; 350-400 lbs 84.50-93.00; 400-450 lbs 83.50- 89.00; 450-500 lbs 83.00-89.00; 500-550 lbs 82.00-88.50; 550-600 lbs 79.00-85.00; 600-700 lbs 79.00-85.50; 800-900 lbs 72 50-76 00 Small 1 and 2: 300-400 lbs 75.00-78.50; 400-500 lbs 78.50-84.00. Medium and Large 3: 400-450 lbs 68.00-78.00; 550-600 lbs 68.00-72.00; 600-700 lbs 60.00-67.00.

FEEDER BULLS: Medium and Large 1 and 2: 400-500 lbs 83.00-89.00; 500-600 lbs 80.50-84.00; 600-700 lbs 75.00-79 00; 700-800 lbs 72.00- 74.50. Small 1 and 2 400-500 lbs 75.00-80.00; 500-600 lbs 74.00-82.00.

FEEDER COWS: Small 1: 660-795 lbs middle age cows 37.00-40.00

STOCK COWS: Medium 1: 1025-1250 lbs middle age cows bred 7-8 months 440,00-570.00 per head. Small 1: 825-1000 lbs middle age cows bred 2-8 months 295.00-430.00 per head.

COWS/CALF PAIRS: Medium 1: 975-1250 lbs middle age cows with calves

125-400 lbs 410.00-730.00 per pair. BABY CALVES, per head: Large Holsteins 60.00-100.00, Small Holsteins 35.00-57.50.

GOATS, per head: Slaughter and Replacement Classes: Kids: Selection 1: under 20 lbs 22.50-25.00, 40-60 lbs 40.00-57.50; Selection 2: under 20 lbs 15.00-20.00. Does/Nannies: Selection 1: 70-100 lbs 55.00-70.00. Bucks/Billies: Selection 1 100-150 lbs 87.50-132.50.

National Weekly Lamb Report

Des Moines, Îowa July 29, 2003

Report Supplied By USDA

NATIONAL WEEKLY LAMB RE-PORT for week ending Monday, July 28: SLAUGHTERED LAMB PRIOR WEEK: From Forward Contracts: Domestic 0; Imported 0. From Formula Arrangements: Domestic 17,057 head; Im-

SLAUGHTERED PACKER OWNED SHEEP: DOMESTIC: 2.217 head, 52-69 lbs, avg. 65 lbs; dressing 50%; Choice 97.9%. IMPORTED: None.

FORWARD CONTRACT PUR-CHASES: No trade reported.

FORMULA PURCHASES: DOMES-TIC: 3,982 head, 49-65 lbs, avg. 61.3 lbs; 173.69-188.28, wtd. avg. price 180.13. 11,020 head, 65-75 lbs, avg. 71.9 lbs, 170.00-190.00, wtd. avg. price 179.38 1,071 head, 75-82 lbs, avg. 76.6 lbs; 170.00-183.23, wtd. avg. price 180 56. 625 head, 85-89 lbs, avg. 89 lbs; 173.81-182.17, wtd avg price 181.70. IMPORTED None reported

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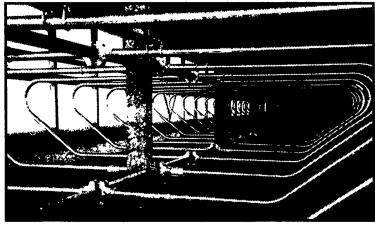
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