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**Thursday February 2, 2006**

**ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE**

Prices are on a carcass weight basis, before grade and weight discounts.

**A grade steers** 168.00-171.00  
**A grade heifers** 168.00-171.00

**ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE**

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards –1400 replacement cattle**

STEERS			HEIFERS		
	Price Range	Top		Price Range	Top
900-999	116.00-118.00	118.00	800-899	106.25-111.25	112.50
800-899	114.75-120.75	122.25	700-799	100.00-120.00	120.00
700-799	114.00-125.75	127.50	600-699	105.50-123.50	124.25
600-699	120.50-137.50	137.50	500-599	115.00-129.00	131.00
500-599	129.50-142.00	148.50	400-499	119.50-136.00	140.00
400-499	144.00-148.75	150.00			

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange – 725 fed cattle, 550 cows, 250 stockers**

	Price Range	Top
Good fed steers	97.00-103.00	106.75
Good fed heifers	96.00-102.00	105.25
Cows	21.00-30.50	41.00
Holstein steers	55.00-84.25	
Stocker steers +700	96.00-124.00	
Lightweight steers	116.00-135.00	
Stocker heifers +700	95.00-116.00	
Lightweight heifers	103.00-135.00	

Ontario Auction Sales on **Wednesday** saw weighted prices for:

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	93.50-101.50	98.88	106.50
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	93.50-100.50	97.95	106.00
Cows	19.11-30.32	24.89	59.00
Bulls	34.58-55.09	45.25	83.00

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, February 1, 2006**

STEERS			HEIFERS		
	Price Range	Top		Price Range	Top
+1000	106.00-121.25	121.25	+900	105.75-111.00	111.00
900-999	103.00-122.00	124.75	800-899	104.50-112.50	112.50
800-899	106.00-124.75	124.75	500-599	97.00-124.50	124.50
500-599	115.50-140.25	140.25	400-499	110.00-120.00	120.00

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

Alberta direct trade on Wednesday saw moderate trade with prices \$2.00 to \$3.00 lower than last week.

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Live</b>	89.30-91.00	<b>Flat rail</b>	150.50-152.00
<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Live</b>	88.50-91.00	<b>Flat rail</b>	148.00-152.00

**U.S. TRADE (U.S funds)**

US cash cattle trade was moderate to active with prices \$3.00 to \$5.00 lower than last week,

<b>Choice and select steers and heifers:</b>	<b>Live</b>	91.00-92.50
	<b>Rail</b>	144.00-145.00

**U.S. BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES (U.S. funds)**

	<b>Choice 600-900</b>	<b>Select 600-900</b>
<b>Cutout Values:</b> (noon estimate)	150.77	138.50
<b>Change:</b> (from yesterday's close)	-1.39	-0.69
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	153.42	141.12

**CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE**

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

<b>Live Cattle</b>			<b>Feeder Cattle</b>			<b>Corn</b>		<b>Soybeans</b>		<b>Canadian \$</b>				
\$/cwt US			\$/cwt US			\$/bu US    ¢/bu		\$/bu US    ¢/bu						
<b>Feb</b>	92.60	-0.45	<b>Mar</b>	108.70	-0.57	<b>Mar</b>	2.204	+4.0	<b>Mar</b>	5.840	-4.4	<b>Spot</b>	87.40	-0.30
<b>Apr</b>	90.40	-0.52	<b>Apr</b>	109.67	-0.67	<b>May</b>	2.302	+3.6	<b>May</b>	5.966	+4.4	<b>Mar</b>	87.51	-0.28
<b>Jun</b>	84.45	-0.27	<b>May</b>	109.62	-1.00	<b>Jul</b>	2.392	+3.2	<b>Jul</b>	6.070	+4.0	<b>Jun</b>	87.74	-0.28
<b>Aug</b>	83.55	-0.42	<b>Aug</b>	109.95	-0.80	<b>Sep</b>	2.466	+3.0	<b>Aug</b>	6.104	+4.4	<b>Sep</b>	87.94	-0.28

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