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ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at: **Brussels Livestock – 1,215 fed cattle and 275 cows sold.**

	Price Range	Top
Choice steers & heifers	94.00-97.00	104.50
Second cut cattle	90.00-94.00	

Fed steers and heifers sold under pressure.

Today at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange–275 cows, 300 veal**

	Price Range	Top
Cows	26.00-38.00	45.00
Veal: Good Hol	102.00-110.00	
Good Beef	120.00-138.00	
Med Hol	85.00-95.00	
Plain Hol	70.00-80.00	
Heavy Hol	85.00-105.00	

Cows sold at prices \$1.00 to \$2.00 higher. Veal sold barely steady with plainer types selling \$2.00 to \$3.00 lower.

Today at: **Keady Livestock : 464 stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Heifers	Price Range
900-1000	109.50-112.25	800-900	100.50-103.50
800-900	114.00-114.25	700-800	100.50-107.00
700-800	115.50-130.00	600-700	113.00-118.50
600-700	118.00-138.00	500-600	99.00-121.00
500-600	128.00-148.75	400-500	98.00-129.00
400-500	134.00-141.00		

All classes of stocker and replacement cattle sold on good demand at steady prices.

Ontario auction sales on **Monday** saw weighted prices for:

	Price Range	Average	Top Price
Cows	22.22-32.98	27.31	47.00
Veal calves +600	75.21-106.79	94.05	128.00
Veal calves -125	114.05-293.58	210.39	327.00

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

U.S. cash cattle trade is quiet today with business not expected until the second half of the week. Asking prices remain firm at \$90.00 - \$91.00 live and \$144.00 dressed.

Choice and select steers and heifers:	Live	N/T
	Rail	N/T

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	148.98	138.67
Change: (from yesterday's close)	+0.03	+0.16
Current 5 day average:	161.64	140.75

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were:

Live Cattle			Feeder Cattle			Corn			Soybeans			Canadian \$	
\$/cwt US			\$/cwt US			\$/bu US		¢/bu	\$/bu US		¢/bu		
Apr	84.77	-0.92	Mar	104.70	-1.25	Mar	2.21	-2.0	Mar	5.780	-9.0	Spot	N/A
Jun	80.37	-0.90	Apr	106.20	-0.75	May	2.304	-2.2	May	5.900	-10.4	Mar	86.97 -0.74
Aug	81.42	-0.67	May	107.40	-0.47	July	2.406	-2.2	Jul	6.014	-10.0	Jun	87.22 -0.73
Oct	84.77	-0.40	Aug	108.37	-0.52	Sep	2.482	-1.0	Aug	6.050	-11.0	Sep	87.46 -0.72

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