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Wednesday March 15, 2006

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards – 285 steers, 250 heifers, 275 cows, 15 bulls, 60veal**

	Price Range	Top
Fancy fed steers	93.00-98.00	104.75
Fancy fed heifers	92.00-97.00	99.00
Cows	34.00-46.00	74.00
Bulls	42.00-52.00	84.75

Cows and bulls traded actively at strong prices. All classes of steers and heifers traded on a moderate demand at prices \$2.00 lower. Calves traded steady to last week.

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange, 530 stockers, 40 cows**

	Price Range	Top
Steers + 800	94.00-104.00	113.00
Steers 600-800	96.00-115.00	126.00
Heifers +700	94.00-100.00	103.75
Cows	24.00-34.00	39.00

Stockers sold under pressure. Cows traded at steady prices.

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

	Price Range	Average	Top Price
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers	89.25-95.00	92.59	98.60
Large Frame & Medium Frame Heifers	87.00-95.35	91.85	96.00
Cows	21.33-37.44	29.17	54.00
Bulls	30.23-47.41	38.94	54.00

Denfield Livestock – March 14, 2006

	Price Range
Choice Steers	95.00-100.00 top 104.75
Good Steers	88.00-93.00
Plain Steers	75.00-85.00
Choice Exotic Heifers	95.00-100.00
Good Heifers	86.00-91.00
Plain Heifers	70.00-80.00
Good Fed Cows	35.00-50.00
D1 & D2 Cows	30.00-40.00
D3 & D4 Cows	20.00-30.00
Good Beef Bulls	40.00-50.00
Good Stocker Strs- 700-800 lb	100.00-120.00
Good Stocker Hfrs- 700-800 lb	100.00-115.00
Good hol bull calves	175.00-295.00

Fed cattle traded on a good demand at steady prices on the fancy cattle with the second cut cattle trading under pressure. A good offering of cows sold active at strong prices. Stockers sold steady. Holstein bull calves sold strong.

Stocker sale at: **Keady Livestock- March 14, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
900-999	98.50-106.25	900+	85.50-100.75
800-899	99.50-113.25	800-899	104.00-105.00
700-799	114.50-127.00	700-799	103.00-111.00
600-699	127.00-136.00	600-699	118.00-125.00
500-599	129.50-146.00	500-599	118.00-129.00
400-499	129.00-151.00	400-499	123.00-133.00

Stocker Sale at : **D. H. Hickson Ltd. March 14, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
800-899	60.00-99.50	700-799	73.00-105.50
700-799	92.50-97.00	600-699	84.50-110.50
600-699	85.50-125.50	500-599	70.00-114.50
500-599	86.00-129.00	400-499	102.00-131.50
400-499	91.00-132.00		

Stocker sale at: **Ontario Stockyards, March 14, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
900-999	105.25-107.75	900+	80.00-98.00
800-899	105.50-118.00	800-899	101.00-109.00
700-799	108.00-124.75	700-799	101.50-122.00
600-699	123.00-139.00	600-699	102.00-124.50
500-599	124.00-140.00	500-599	116.00-126.00
400-499	146.00	400-499	101.00-121.00

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct cattle trade on Tuesday was quiet with trade expected to develop today.

Steers	Live	Flat rail	N/T
Heifers	Live	Flat rail	N/T

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

U.S. cash cattle trade was quiet this afternoon with cash business not expected until Thursday or Friday. Asking prices are firm at \$88.00-\$89.00 live and \$140.00 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)	145.93	134.38
Change: (from yesterday's close)	+0.40	-0.49
Current 5 day average:	147.20	136.16

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

Live Cattle		Feeder Cattle		Corn		Soybeans		Canadian \$	
\$/cwt US		\$/cwt US		\$/bu US ¢/bu		\$/bu US ¢/bu			
Apr	83.00 -0.10	Mar	103.87 +1.30	May	2.292 -2.4	May	5.842 -3.4	Spot	86.56 +0.14
Jun	78.75 +0.20	Apr	104.85 +1.47	July	2.394 -2.2	Jul	5.956 -3.2	Jun	86.75 +0.10
Aug	80.00 +0.02	May	105.55 +1.25	Sep	2.482 -2.0	Aug	6.004 -3.2	Sept	86.99 +0.10
Oct	84.02 +0.22	Aug	107.37 +1.30	Dec	2.592 -1.6	Sep	6.032 -2.0	Dec	87.23 +0.10

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