

Daily Market Information Report



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Friday March 31, 2006

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE PRICES

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

A grade steers Not reported

A grade heifers Not reported

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at **Brussels Livestock** : 1280 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
900-1000	100.00-103.00	103.00	800-900	103.00-106.35	106.35
800-900	95.25-108.75	116.00	700-800	85.00-112.00	112.00
700-800	108.50-124.25	128.00	600-700	99.00-119.00	119.00
600-700	102.00-140.00	140.00	500-600	111.50-130.00	130.00
500-600	115.50-140.25	150.50	400-500	117.00-130.00	130.00
400-500	116.00-136.00	146.00	300-400	124.00-132.00	142.00

Calves and yearlings sold on a steady market.

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

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Med. Frame Fed Steers	87.34-96.57	91.99	103.75
Large & Med. Frame Fed Heifers	64.92-93.28	86.64	97.50
Cows	22.06-34.65	27.94	59.00
Bulls	37.59-49.55	42.48	83.00

Stocker Sale: **Ontario Stockyards – March 30, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
1000+	66.04-87.50	87.50	800-899	86.50-105.00	105.00
900-999	81.00-99.00	100.50	700-799	96.50-116.75	116.75
800-899	98.50-108.00	110.00	600-699	94.00-117.50	121.75
700-799	111.50-124.75	125.50	500-599	110.00-127.50	133.00
600-699	110.00-135.75	135.75	400-499	118.00-133.50	135.00
500-599	116.00-145.50	163.00	300-399	123.00-131.00	131.00
400-499	116.50-152.00	163.00			

Stocker Sale: **Tri-county Cattle – March 30, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
1000+	102.75-106.35	900+	104.35-105.35
900-999	98.25-106.25	800-899	93.50-98.00
800-899	101.25-106.25	700-799	107.00-107.50
700-799	108.00-116.50		
500-599	120.00-130.75		

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade on Thursday saw very little trade with prices \$1.00 lower.

Steers	Live	86.60	Flat rail	141.50
Heifers	Live	84.25	Flat rail	N/T

U.S. TRADE (U.S funds)

U.S. cash cattle trade was at a standstill with business completed for the week.

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

QUEBEC ELECTRONIC AUCTION MARKET (F.O.B. the feedlot)

Week Ending March 30, 2006 **Price Range**

A1, A2 Steers & Heifers **161.00**

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	139.24	128.82
Change: (from yesterday's close)	-0.50	-0.18
Current 5 day average:	140.48	129.68

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	79.50 -1.50	Apr	101.47 -2.77	May	2.360 +8.2	May	5.714 -16.2	Spot	85.60 -0.55
Jun	74.35 -1.55	May	101.75 -2.65	July	2.472 +8.4	Jul	5.854 -15.4	Jun	85.79 -0.55
Aug	76.30 -1.30	Aug	104.10 -2.52	Sep	2.560 +8.0	Aug	5.902 -15.4	Sep	86.02 -0.55
Oct	79.75 -1.45	Sep	103.60 -2.50	Dec	2.680 +8.0	Sep	5.930 -15.4	Dec	86.26 -0.55

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