

Daily Market Information Report

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Thursday Aug 3, 2006

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE PRICES

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

A grade steers As reported for Monday July 31, 2006- 154.00-155.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards – 500 replacement cattle.**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
900-999	97.00-109.50	899+	64.00-109.00
800-899	108.25-116.00	800-899	100.25-112.25
700-799	118.75-124.25	700-799	111.50-114.25
600-699	97.00-126.00	600-699	100.00-120.00
500-599	103.00-135.50	500-599	91.00-127.00
400-499	105.00-152.00	400-499	89.00-125.00
-400	130.00-150.00	300-399	112.50-130.00

Good quality replacement cattle sold steady to strong. Medium and plainer types sold actively at slightly lower prices.

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange – 175 fed cattle, 350 cows, 150 stockers**

	Price Range	Top
Good fed steers	91.00-98.25	101.00
Good fed heifers	87.00-96.00	100.00
Holstein steers	63.00-77.50	
Cows	41.00-57.00	78.00
Stocker steers +800	96.00-104.00	
Steers 600-800	105.00-119.00	
Steers 400-600	115.00-134.00	
Stocker heifers +700	100.00-111.25	
Heifers 500-700	108.00-123.00	
Lightweight heifers	112.00-126.00	

Fed steers and heifers sold at firm prices. Holstein steers sold steady. Cows sold strong on a good demand. Stockers traded steady.

Today at: **Brussels Livestock: 165 veal calves.**

	Price Range	Top
Veal: Good Hol	88.00-95.00	103.00
Good Beef	100.00-118.00	130.00
Med Hol	70.00-80.00	
Heavy Hol	75.00-90.00	

Veal sold on a good trade at prices \$2.00-\$5.00 higher.

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

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	88.50-94.50	92.64	95.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	83.00-92.75	89.58	97.00
Cows	36.50-57.50	47.96	78.00
Bulls	49.64-59.68	54.69	66.00

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade on Wednesday saw a moderate number of cattle trade at prices \$1.00 lower.

Steers Live 81.00-83.70 Flat rail 135.00-138.25
Heifers Live 81.00-83.00 Flat rail 135.00-138.35

U.S. TRADE (U.S funds)

US cash cattle trade was light to moderate with dressed prices \$2.00 higher and live prices up \$1.00 over last week.

Choice and select steers and heifers: Live \$80.00-81.00
Rail \$128.00

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

Cutout Values: (noon estimate) Choice 600-900 140.70 Select 600-900 126.67
Change: (from yesterday's close) +0.49 +1.23
Current 5 day average: 139.78 123.76

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						
Aug	82.87	-0.5	Aug	113.82	+0.65	Sep	2.450	-2.2	Aug	5.760	-5.6	Spot	88.88	+0.01
Oct	87.95	+0.37	Sep	114.00	+0.82	Dec	2.620	-2.2	Sep	5.814	-5.6	Sept	89.00	+0.08
Dec	88.25	+0.20	Oct	114.07	+0.67	Mar	2.760	-1.4	Nov	5.954	-5.6	Dec	89.28	+0.08
Feb	90.15	+0.30	Nov	112.65	+0.25	May	2.852	-2.0	Jan	6.072	-6.0	Mar	89.55	+0.08

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