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ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

A grade steers **Prices reported for Tuesday Aug 14: \$160.00**

Today at the Ontario Stockyards –625 steers & heifers, 450 cows, 30 bulls and 40 veal.

	Price Range	Top
Fancy fed steers	92.00-97.00	101.00
Fancy fed heifers	92.00-97.00	108.50
Cows	40.00-50.00	81.00
Bulls	50.00-60.00	88.50

Fed steers and heifers sold actively at prices steady to strong from last week. Cows sold barely steady to lower prices and bulls traded steady.

Today at the Ontario Livestock Exchange, 500 stockers

	Price Range	Top
Steers + 800	105.00-117.00	125.00
Steers 600-800	117.00-122.00	130.00
Heifers +700	103.00-108.00	111.50
Cows	34.00-48.50	

Shortkeep steers and heifers sold actively at higher prices. Cows traded steady.

Denfield Livestock – Aug 15, 2006

	Price Range		Price Range
Good & Choice Steers	92.00-102.00 top 106.00	Good & Choice Heifers	90.00-100.00
Plain Steers	75.00-85.00	Plain Heifers	75.00-85.00
Good Beef Bulls	55.00-60.00	Good Beef Cows	45.00-50.00 top 55.50
D1 & D2 Cows	35.00-45.00	D3 & D4 Cows	25.00-30.00

Fed steers and heifers traded on a good demand at strong prices on the fancy and good fed cattle. A large offering of cows sold at strong prices. A large offering of Holstein bull calves sold at higher prices recovering from the week's decline. A light run of stockers sold strong.

Ontario auction sales on Tuesday saw weighted prices for:

	Price Range	Average	Top Price
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers	93.00-97.50	95.07	102.00
Large Frame & Medium Frame Heifers	90.50-98.00	94.27	103.75
Cows	31.42-46.80	39.07	65.00
Bulls	48.31-66.64	56.07	85.00

ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE

Stocker sale at: **Keady Livestock- Aug 15, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
900-999	111.75	900+	103.25-106.00
800-899	109.00-118.50	800-899	109.00-117.00
700-799	125.00-127.50	700-799	106.00-125.00
500-599	136.00-144.50	600-699	106.00-127.00
400-499	157.25-159.50	500-599	104.00-125.00

All replacements sold on a good demand at steady prices.

Stocker Sale at : **D. H. Hickson Ltd. Aug 15, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
900-999	95.00-109.75	900+	91.50-101.00
800-899	101.50-108.00	800-899	88.00-110.00
700-799	81.00-122.00	700-799	92.50-117.50
600-699	73.00-133.00	600-699	74.00-118.50
500-599	110.00-149.50	500-599	101.50-131.00
400-499	123.00-150.50	400-499	88.00-134.00

ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE- SPECIAL FALL SALES.

Stocker Sale at: **Algoma Co-operative Livestock Sales, Thessalon Sales Yard: 865 hd**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
1000+	99.00-116.00	900+	113.00-114.00
900-1000	113.00-125.50	800-900	106.50-120.00
800-900	111.00-129.25	700-800	114.00-124.00
700-800	118.50-129.50	600-700	111.50-124.00
600-700	116.50-141.75	Under 600	104.00-129.00
500-600	119.50-126.50		

A strong sale with active bidding on all classes.

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct cattle trade on Tuesday saw no new trade to report. Business is expected to develop today.

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

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

US cash cattle trade remained quiet today with business expected Thursday. Asking prices remain firm at \$88.00-\$89.00 live and \$141.00 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)	151.97	139.51

Change: (from yesterday's close)
Current 5 day average:

+0.39
149.24

+0.16
137.76

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	87.92	+0.17	Aug	115.67	+0.05	Sep	2.214	-0.4	Sep	5.522	-4.2	Spot	89.51	+0.45
Oct	91.80	+0.10	Sep	115.92	-0.15	Dec	2.380	-0.4	Nov	5.650	-4.2	Sept	89.58	+0.45
Dec	90.95	+0.52	Oct	116.82	+0.20	Mar	2.524	-0.6	Jan	5.776	-4.2	Dec	89.84	+0.44
Feb	90.50	+0.22	Nov	116.45	+0.55	May	2.260	-1.0	Mar	5.870	-4.4	Mar	90.11	+0.44

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