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Thursday Aug 31, 2006

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE PRICES

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

As reported for Wednesday Aug. 30, 2006

A grade steers 157.00-159.00
A grade heifers 157.00-158.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards –800 replacement cattle.**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
999+	97.00-108.25	108.25	899+	89.00-110.00	110.00
900-999	100.00-115.00	115.00	800-899	95.75-116.00	116.00
800-899	107.00-126.00	128.50	700-799	101.00-123.00	126.50
700-799	114.75-134.00	135.00	600-699	106.00-122.50	123.00
600-699	113.00-133.00	136.00	500-599	101.00-128.00	144.00
500-599	115.00-143.50	143.50	400-499	91.00-128.00	136.50
400-499	124.00-165.50	165.50			
-400	122.00-161.00	182.50			

Replacement cattle sold at strong prices.

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange – 400 fed cattle, 350 cows, 150 stockers, 50 veal**

	Price Range	Top
Good fed steers	90.00-94.00	104.25
Good fed heifers	89.50-93.00	95.50
Holstein steers	67.00-74.00	
Cows	30.00-43.50	60.00
Stocker steers +800	105.00-118.00	122.00
Steers 600-800	115.50-137.00	
Lightweight steers	128.00-168.00	
Stocker heifers +700	107.00-117.00	
Heifers 500-700	115.00-126.00	

Fed steers and heifers sold on a good demand at barely steady prices. Cows traded \$1.00 easier, Holstein steers were also easier. Stockers sold steady to yesterday's stronger market.

Today at: **Brussels Livestock: 140 veal calves.**

	Price Range	Top
Veal: Good Hol	90.00-100.00	105.00
Good Beef	105.00-120.00	138.00
Med Hol	75.00-85.00	
Heavy Hol	80.00-90.00	
Plain Hol	70.00-80.00	

Veal traded under pressure.

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

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	88.50-93.25	91.98	100.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	66.50-92.25	81.07	96.75
Cows	32.48-49.48	41.45	73.00
Bulls	49.90-61.12	53.45	79.50

ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, Aug 30, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
+1000	103.50-112.75	112.75	+900	103.00-105.25	105.25
900-999	108.00-114.50	116.50	800-899	103.00-106.75	106.75
700-799	112.75-120.50	120.50			

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade on Wednesday was moderate with prices \$1.00-\$2.00 higher than last Wednesday.

Steers Live	85.70-86.65	Flat rail	142.00-143.00
Heifers Live	86.45-86.90	Flat rail	143.00

U.S. TRADE (U.S funds)

US packer buying interest improved today but no actual business has taken place at the time of this report. It is possible that late day trade will develop but it will require higher packer bids which are \$4.00-\$6.00 lower than the asking prices of \$90.00-\$91.00 live and \$142.00-\$143.00 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)	145.61	135.44
Change: (from yesterday's close)	+0.14	-0.32
Current 5 day average:	145.88	135.72

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	90.22	+0.35	Aug	116.95	-0.15	Sep	2.320	+3.4	Sep	5.422	+0.2	Spot	90.54	+0.45
Oct	93.12	+0.20	Sep	116.37	-0.47	Dec	2.480	+3.2	Nov	5.556	+0.0	Sept	90.58	+0.42
Dec	92.70	-0.15	Oct	116.50	-0.65	Mar	2.626	+3.4	Jan	5.692	+0.2	Dec	90.84	+0.42
Feb	92.45	-0.22	Nov	116.32	-0.80	May	2.720	+3.0	Mar	5.800	-0.6	Mar	91.11	+0.42

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