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**Wednesday Dec 6, 2006**

**ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE**

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

**A grade steers** 153.00-155.00  
**A grade heifers** 152.00-153.00

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards – 560steers & heifers, 340 cows, 30 bulls, 50 veal.**

	Price Range	Top
<b>Fancy fed steers</b>	88.00-90.50	
<b>Fancy fed heifers</b>	88.00-93.00	94.00
<b>Cows</b>	33.00-40.00	70.00
<b>Bulls</b>	34.00-45.00	75.00

Cows traded steady to stronger, bulls held firm. Steers and heifers traded moderately at prices barely steady to \$1.00 lower. Calves are steady to Monday.

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange, 700 stockers**

	Price Range
<b>Steers 800+</b>	101.00-110.00 tip 112.00
<b>Steers 600-800</b>	104.00-116.75
<b>Lightweight Steers</b>	113.00-128.00
<b>Heifers 700+</b>	98.00-107.00
<b>Heifers 500-700</b>	98.00-103.00
<b>Lightweight Heifers</b>	100.00-106.00
<b>Cows</b>	29.00-35.50

Stockers traded on a steady market. Cows also traded steady.

**Denfield Livestock – Dec 5, 2006**

	Price Range		Price Range
<b>Good &amp; Choice Steers</b>	87.00-96.00	<b>Good &amp; Choice Heifers</b>	85.00-95.00
<b>Plain Steers</b>	70.00-80.00	<b>Plain Heifers</b>	65.00-75.00
<b>Good Beef Bulls</b>	40.00-54.00	<b>Good Fed Cows</b>	40.00-50.00
<b>Good Hol Bulls</b>	35.00-40.00	<b>D1 &amp; D2 Cows</b>	32.00-38.00
<b>Hol Bull Calves</b>	\$100.00-\$225.00	<b>D3 &amp; D4 Cows</b>	25.00-30.00
<b>Steers 500-600 lbs</b>	110.00-133.00	<b>Yearling Steers 800-1000</b>	95.00-110.00
<b>Heifers 500-600 lbs</b>	105.00-123.00	<b>Yearling Heifers 800-1000</b>	90.00-102.00
<b>Steers 600-700 lbs</b>	95.00-110.00	<b>Good Bred Cows</b>	\$600.00-\$900.00
<b>Heifers 600-700 lbs</b>	90.00-105.00	<b>Cow/Calf Pairs</b>	\$800.00-\$1000.00

All classes of fed steers and heifers traded on a good demand. Cows sold active at stronger prices. Bred cows sold steady according to quality, light stockers were steady, heavier stockers a little easier and Holstein bull calves sold strong at prices \$50.00-\$75.00 / head higher.

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

	Price Range	Average	Top Price
<b>Large &amp; Medium Frame Fed Steers</b>	86.00-92.25	89.12	96.00
<b>Large Frame &amp; Medium Frame Heifers</b>	83.58-92.18	88.96	97.00
<b>Cows</b>	22.61-36.45	29.68	51.50
<b>Bulls- all weights</b>	30.18-42.50	37.49	59.50

## ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE

Stocker sale at: **Keady Livestock- Dec 5, 2006-** 473 stockers

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>900-999</b>	104.00-109.50	109.50	<b>900-</b>	97.25-102.25	102.25
<b>800-899</b>	104.75-111.25	111.25	<b>800-899</b>	86.00-103.25	103.25
<b>700-799</b>	80.00-105.00	105.00	<b>700-799</b>	84.00-105.50	105.50
<b>600-699</b>	113.00-128.00	128.00	<b>600-699</b>	97.00-108.00	108.00
<b>500-599</b>	129.00-138.00	138.00	<b>500-599</b>	98.50-114.00	118.00
<b>400-499</b>	131.00-140.00	144.00	<b>400-499</b>	98.00-138.00	138.00
<b>399-</b>	140.00-149.00	149.00	<b>300-399</b>	110.00-129.00	134.00

A light run of stockers sold on a good demand with fully steady prices.

Stocker sale at: **D.H. Hickson Ltd , Dec 5, 2006-** 326 stockers

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>700-799</b>	90.00-111.50	111.50	<b>600-699</b>	57.00-108.00	108.00
<b>600-699</b>	73.00-114.50	114.50	<b>500-599</b>	70.00-123.50	123.50
<b>500-599</b>	87.00-133.00	133.00	<b>400-499</b>	70.00-128.50	128.50
<b>400-499</b>	74.00-144.00	144.00			

## ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct cattle trade on Tuesday was light with prices steady to last week.

<b>Steers</b>	Live	85.25	Flat rail	N/T
<b>Heifers</b>	Live	N/T	Flat rail	141.00

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

US cash cattle trade was quiet again today. With Monday and Tuesday's increase in kills and the fact that some packers were short bought, many expected to see trade develop today. However, kills were reduced back today and packers have delayed trade until Thursday or Friday. Asking prices remain firm at \$88.00-\$89.00 live and \$138.00-\$140.00 dressed.

<b>Choice and select steers and heifers:</b>	Live	N/T
	Rail	N/T

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

	<b>Choice</b>	<b>Select</b>
	<b>600-900</b>	<b>600-900</b>
<b>Cutout Values:</b> (noon estimate)	142.81	126.43
<b>Change:</b> (from yesterday's close)	+0.21	-0.12
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	141.37	126.70

## CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

<b>Live Cattle</b>		<b>Feeder Cattle</b>		<b>Corn</b>		<b>Soybeans</b>		<b>Canadian \$</b>	
\$/cwt US		\$/cwt US		\$/bu US    ¢/bu		\$/bu US    ¢/bu			
<b>Dec</b>	86.35    -0.15	<b>Jan</b>	99.07    +0.87	<b>Dec</b>	3.530    -13.2	<b>Jan</b>	6.542    -10.0	<b>Spot</b>	87.08    -0.55
<b>Feb</b>	89.42    -0.15	<b>Mar</b>	98.55    +0.85	<b>Mar</b>	3.660    -12.0	<b>Mar</b>	6.682    -9.4	<b>Dec</b>	87.09    -0.59
<b>Apr</b>	90.55    -0.15	<b>Apr</b>	99.10    +0.80	<b>May</b>	3.714    -12.2	<b>May</b>	6.772    -10.2	<b>Mar</b>	87.32    -0.60
<b>Jun</b>	87.42    -0.37	<b>May</b>	99.75    +0.92	<b>Jul</b>	3.760    -11.4	<b>Jul</b>	6.866    -9.0	<b>Jun</b>	87.59    -0.60

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