



# Daily Market Information Report



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**Monday December 18, 2006**

## ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

**A grade steers** 148.00-150.00  
**A grade heifers** 147.00-148.00

## ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at **Ontario Stockyards: 85** veal calves

	Price Range	Top Price
<b>Veal calves + 600 lbs</b>	76.00-100.00	113.50
<b>Veal calves 451-600 lbs</b>	71.00-94.50	116.00

Veal traded under pressure at lower prices.

**At Talbotville Livestock: Dec 16, 2006- 464 head.**

	Price Range	Top
<b>Good &amp; choice steers</b>	82.00-91.00	93.75
<b>Good &amp; choice heifers</b>	78.00-87.50	92.50
<b>Cows</b>	27.00-37.50	66.50
<b>Bulls (good heavy bologna bulls)</b>	33.00-44.50	
<b>Veal</b>	70.00-88.50	

Fed steers and heifers followed the week's trend at lower prices. Cows sold steady and strong, bull traded steady and a light run of veal sold at lower prices.

## ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE

Stocker sale at: **Brussels Livestock, Dec 15, 2006-** 1,856 stockers

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>1000+</b>	88.50-99.75	99.75	<b>900+</b>	85.00-96.25	102.50
<b>900-999</b>	95.50-101.50	102.50	<b>800-899</b>	92.00-103.00	107.00
<b>800-899</b>	90.00-111.00	112.75	<b>700-799</b>	92.50-105.50	106.00
<b>700-799</b>	92.00-110.50	120.00	<b>600-699</b>	90.00-109.00	119.00
<b>600-699</b>	99.50-124.00	124.00	<b>500-599</b>	90.00-113.00	121.00
<b>500-599</b>	96.00-126.00	129.50	<b>400-499</b>	89.00-108.00	113.00
<b>400-499</b>	101.00-121.00	121.00	<b>300-399</b>	88.00-105.00	121.00
<b>300-399</b>	78.00-108.00	121.00			

## ONTARIO BRED COWS

**Ontario Stockyards Inc- Dec 15, 2006** 357 cows, 9 cow/calf pairs, 8 bulls

	Exotic and Exotic X	British and British X
<b>Top quality bred cows</b>	\$900.00-1200.00	\$800.00-950.00
<b>Avg quality bred cows</b>	\$650.00-900.00	\$400.00-650.00
<b>Top quality cow/calf pairs</b>	\$900.00-1100.00	\$800.00-1000.00
<b>Avg quality cow/calf pairs</b>	\$800.00-900.00	\$600.00-800.00

Top quality cows and cow/calf pairs sold very strong, all others sold steady.

### LIVE CATTLE IMPORTS-ONTARIO

Live slaughter cattle imported from the U.S. into Ontario	Week ending Dec 9, 06 0	Week ending Dec 2, 06 0	Year to date. 7,335
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### AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
Dec 9, 2006	851	786
Dec 10, 2005	853	791

### FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	Week Ending Dec 9, 2006	YTD	% of Yr. Ago
Grand Total	62,627	3,146,020	90%
Alberta Slaughter	39,249	2,000,293	87%
Ontario Slaughter	13,037	640,086	103%

### USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

	Week Ending Dec 16, 2006	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	645,000	643,000	635,000

### PROVINCIAL SLAUGHTER

	Nov 2006	Nov 2005
Steers	4,419	5,788
Heifers	3,491	3,813
Cows	2,527	2,622
Bulls	1,022	962

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

US cash cattle trade remained quiet today with business not expected before Wednesday at the earliest. Asking prices are \$87.00 live and \$140.00 dressed.

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

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	144.19	127.68
Change: (from yesterday's close)+0.1	-0.47	+1.39
Current 5 day average:	143.41	125.32

### 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 US					
Dec	86.25	+0.42		Jan	100.00	+1.27		Mar	3.656	-3.2		Jan	6.480	-9.4	Spot	86.38	+0.00
Feb	90.47	+0.97		Mar	97.60	+0.75		May	3.736	-3.2		Mar	6.630	-9.2	Dec	86.39	+0.01
Apr	92.30	+0.97		Apr	99.05	+0.75		Jul	3.796	-3.6		May	6.756	-10.0	Mar	86.61	+0.01
Jun	88.37	+0.67		May	100.15	+1.47		Sep	3.670	-1.0		Jul	6.874	-8.4	Jun	86.88	+0.01

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