

Daily Market Information Report

The following information is collected from different sources and disseminated by the Ontario Cattlemen's Association.

Thursday January 4, 2007

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE PRICES

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

As reported for Wed Jan 3, 2007

A grade steers 152.00-156.00
A grade heifers 151.00-153.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards – 270 stockers.**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
800-899	74.00-99.00	107.00	700-799	79.00-95.00	95.00
700-799	102.00-114.00	114.00	600-699	93.00-110.50	110.50
600-699	100.25-115.75	117.75	500-599	107.00-114.00	114.00
500-599	99.00-134.00	134.00	400-499	95.00-114.00	128.50
400-499	110.00-136.00	138.50	300-399	98.00-124.00	124.00
399-	128.00-142.00	142.00			

A light run of replacements sold actively at prices steady to last week.

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange – 600 fed cattle, 550 cows, 200 stockers, 50 veal**

	Price Range	Top
Good fed steers	91.00-96.00	102.25
Good fed heifers	88.00-95.00	99.50
Holstein steers	65.00-79.00	85.00
Cows	32.00-44.00	54.50
Replacement Steers 800 +	97.00-104.00	
Replacement Heifers 700 lbs +	92.00-98.00	100.00

Cows sold at prices \$3.00-\$4.00 higher. Fed steers and heifers sold on a good active trade with prices \$2.00-\$3.00 higher. Holstein steers sold on a good firm note. Replacement cattle continued to meet a strong demand at firm to higher prices.

Today at: **Brussels Livestock: 190 veal**

	Price Range	Top
Veal: Good Beef	130.00-140.00	143.00
Good Hol	100.00-110.00	116.00
Med Hol	75.00-90.00	
Heavy Hol	70.00-80.00	
Plain Hol	60.00-70.00	

Good beef and good Holstein veal calves sold steady with all other classes trading at lower prices.

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

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	83.00-91.50	87.97	95.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	78.00-93.00	87.08	95.00
Cows	24.03-36.47	31.19	47.00
Bulls	37.00-43.00	39.31	43.00

ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, Jan 3, 2007**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
+1000	97.50-106.25	106.25	+900	83.00-98.75	93.65
900-999	84.00-105.00	105.00			
800-899	89.00-106.00	106.00			
700-799	75.00-102.00	102.00			
600-699	85.00-101.00	115.50			
500-599	95.50-123.00	123.00			

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade on Wednesday was light with prices steady to slightly higher than last week.

Steers	Live	86.45-88.70	Flat rail	145.00-145.80
Heifers	Live	N/T	Flat rail	N/T

U.S. TRADE (U.S funds)

US cash cattle trade remained at a standstill today, once again postponing active trade until Friday. Asking prices are \$92.00-\$93.00 live and \$145.00-\$148.00 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)	147.01	131.90
Change: (from yesterday's close)	+1.46	+1.14
Current 5 day average:	144.53	129.05

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						
							¢/bu		¢/bu					
Feb	92.22	-0.87	Jan	99.47	-0.37	Mar	3.622	-8.2	Jan	6.626	-6.4	Spot	84.95	-0.39
Apr	93.60	-0.67	Mar	98.60	-0.40	May	3.716	-8.2	Mar	6.754	-6.4	Mar	85.11	-0.41
Jun	88.85	-0.75	Apr	99.32	-0.10	Jul	3.772	-8.0	May	6.894	-6.2	Jun	85.35	-0.41
Aug	87.90	-0.37	May	100.12	-0.02	Sep	3.660	-5.4	Jul	7.006	-6.6	Sep	85.59	-0.41

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