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Wednesday April 18, 2007

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

A grade steers 182.00-184.00
A grade heifers 181.00-183.00

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards – 500 steers & heifers, 250 cows, 20 bulls, 45 veal.**

	Price Range	Top
Fancy fed steers	105.00-110.00	111.00
Fancy fed heifers	105.00-110.00	111.50
Cows	40.00-53.00	86.00
Bulls	42.00-52.00	81.00

Cows and bulls traded actively at steady prices. Steers and heifers traded actively at mostly steady prices. Veal calves are steady to Monday.

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange, 1,000 stockers**

	Price Range	Top
Cows	42.00-53.00	71.00
Steers 800+	106.00-119.75	
Steers 600-800	111.00-120.00	
Steers 500-600	117.00-127.00	
Heifers 800+	101.00-111.50	
Heifers 600-800	104.50-114.00	

Cows sold strong at prices \$1.00-\$2.00 higher. Stockers sold on a steady market.

Denfield Livestock – April 17, 2007

	Price Range		Price Range
Good & Choice Steers	105.00-112.00	Good & Choice Heifers	104.00-113.50
Plain Steers	85.00-95.00	Plain Heifers	80.00-90.00
Good Fed Cows	45.00-60.00	Good Hol Bulls	40.00-48.00
D1 & D2 Cows	37.00-44.00	Good Beef Bulls	50.00-62.00
D3 & D4 Cows	30.00-35.00	Good Hol Bull Calves	\$150.00-\$225.00
Shells	20.00-30.00	Plainer Calves	\$75.00-\$150.00

Fed steers and heifers traded on a very strong demand at prices \$2.00 higher on the fancy cattle and fully steady on the good fed cattle. Cows traded strong at prices \$2.00-\$3.00 higher, stockers sold strong and Holstein bull calves sold actively at stronger prices.

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

	Price Range	Average	Top Price
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers	103.75-112.00	107.73	116.00
Large Frame & Medium Frame Heifers	100.58-109.05	104.84	115.50
Cows	33.28-51.10	42.96	80.00
Bulls- all weights	41.09-48.24	44.70	58.00

ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE

Stocker sale at **Keady Livestock – April 17, 2007**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
900-999	104.50-114.00	111.39	114.00	900+	87.00-104.00	94.20	106.75
800-899	105.50-114.00	111.40	116.00	800-899	104.00-111.00	107.39	111.00
700-799	108.00-118.25	114.31	124.00	700-799	99.25-115.50	106.88	115.50
600-699	118.25-131.00	124.48	132.50	600-699	105.50-124.00	115.53	124.00
500-599	122.00-136.50	132.18	145.50	500-599	112.00-124.50	121.09	124.50
400-499	126.50-140.50	135.83	140.50	400-499	100.00-123.00	115.56	126.50
399-	101.00-139.00	118.67	139.00	300-399	98.00-133.00	124.25	133.00

All classes sold on a strong demand with prices steady to slightly higher.

ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE SPECIAL SPRING SALES

Stocker sale at: **Ontario Stockyards – April 17, 2007** Vaccinated Stocker Sale

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
900-999	103.00-107.50	105.92	107.50	900+	88.50-100.00	93.73	102.00
800-899	102.50-115.75	110.21	125.00	800-899	100.00-114.75	108.59	114.75
700-799	110.75-128.00	119.93	128.00	700-799	110.00-120.75	114.52	120.75
600-699	120.00-130.00	127.07	143.00	600-699	109.25-120.00	114.68	125.50
500-599	120.00-144.50	135.52	144.50	500-599	111.00-129.50	121.04	129.50
400-499	110.00-138.00	128.94	145.00	400-499	113.00-129.00	121.99	129.00

All replacements sold actively at steady prices.

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct cattle trade on Tuesday was untested.

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 was quiet today with just a few bids evident. Business is expected to develop Thursday with asking prices at \$100.00 live and \$160.00 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)	N/A	N/A
Change: (from yesterday's close)	/	/
Current 5 day average:	N/A	N/A

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			
Apr	97.12 -0.52	Apr	107.27 -0.57	May	3.634 +10.2	May	7.154 -8.4	Spot	88.63 +0.11
Jun	92.82 -0.45	May	108.30 -1.05	Jul	3.752 +10.0	Jul	7.322 -9.0	Jun	88.77 +0.10
Aug	91.10 -0.27	Aug	111.27 -0.65	Sep	3.762 +5.6	Aug	7.394 -8.4	Sep	88.98 +0.09
Oct	94.92 -0.32	Sep	110.25 -0.45	Dec	3.814 +2.0	Nov	7.450 -9.6	Dec	89.20 +0.09

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