



Daily Market Information Report



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Monday February 2, 2009

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

A grade steers 166.00-173.00
A grade heifers 165.00-172.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at **Ontario Stockyards:** 115 veal

| | Price Range | Top Price |
|------------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Veal calves + 600 lbs | 74.50-100.00 | 119.00 |
| Veal calves 451-600 | 75.00-91.00 | 102.00 |

Veal calves sold on a steady market.

At Talbotville Livestock: Jan 31, 2009- 127 head

| | Price Range | Top |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------|
| Export Cows | 40.00-54.00 | 63.00 |
| Good Cows | 35.00-54.00 | |
| Good heavy bulls | 50.00-74.00 | |

Due to strong winter conditions, there were not enough fed cattle on offer to establish a market. Cows and bulls both traded strong.

At Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market: Jan 31, 2009

| | Price Range | Average | Top |
|-----------------------------|--------------|---------|--------|
| Cows | 38.00-60.00 | 45.41 | 84.50 |
| Bulls under 1600 lbs | 64.50-107.50 | 91.85 | 107.50 |
| Bulls over 1600 lbs | 40.00-66.50 | 54.80 | 66.50 |

Cows sold at prices \$2.00-\$3.00 easier. Bred cows traded with more interest.

Stocker Sale at: **Brussels Livestock, Jan 30, 2009**

| STEERS | Price Range | Avg | Top | HEIFERS | Price Range | Avg | Top |
|----------------|---------------|--------|--------|----------------|--------------|--------|--------|
| 1000+ | 85.50-100.00 | 90.37 | 101.00 | 900+ | 89.00-99.00 | 94.05 | 99.75 |
| 900-999 | 80.00-103.50 | 95.65 | 103.50 | 800-899 | 94.00-101.75 | 98.65 | 102.25 |
| 800-899 | 88.00-102.50 | 97.42 | 102.50 | 700-799 | 93.50-103.50 | 99.04 | 103.50 |
| 700-799 | 93.50-108.50 | 101.51 | 108.50 | 600-699 | 92.00-105.75 | 98.43 | 106.00 |
| 600-699 | 91.00-112.25 | 102.26 | 112.25 | 500-599 | 93.50-109.50 | 99.89 | 109.50 |
| 500-599 | 105.00-122.00 | 114.61 | 122.00 | 400-499 | 99.00-113.00 | 105.21 | 115.00 |
| 400-499 | 102.00-131.50 | 120.97 | 131.50 | 300-399 | 89.00-110.00 | 102.73 | 110.00 |
| 399- | 106.00-114.00 | 110.89 | 125.00 | | | | |

Stocker Sale at: **Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market, Jan 31, 2009**

| STEERS | Price Range | Avg | Top | HEIFERS | Price Range | Avg | Top |
|----------------|--------------|--------|--------|----------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| 600-699 | 92.00-105.00 | 98.96 | 105.00 | 600-699 | 61.00-96.00 | 87.86 | 96.00 |
| 500-599 | 83.00-115.50 | 106.29 | 115.50 | 500-599 | 58.00-99.00 | 88.75 | 99.00 |
| 400-499 | 56.00-122.00 | 91.54 | 122.00 | | | | |

Stockers sold steady.

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL SPRING SALE

Stocker Sale at: **D.H. Hickson Ltd (Hoards), Jan 30, 2009**

| STEERS | Price Range | Avg | Top | HEIFERS | Price Range | Avg | Top |
|----------------|--------------------|------------|------------|----------------|--------------------|------------|------------|
| 1000+ | 85.00-94.00 | 89.14 | 94.00 | 900+ | 83.00-96.00 | 88.35 | 96.00 |
| 900-999 | 82.50-102.75 | 95.42 | 102.75 | 800-899 | 82.00-104.00 | 100.20 | 104.00 |
| 800-899 | 85.00-105.50 | 100.47 | 105.50 | 700-799 | 81.00-104.00 | 97.48 | 104.00 |
| 700-799 | 83.00-110.00 | 105.00 | 110.00 | 600-699 | 74.00-107.50 | 101.93 | 107.50 |
| 600-699 | 99.50-111.50 | 107.52 | 111.50 | 500-599 | 87.00-112.50 | 101.91 | 112.50 |
| 500-599 | 99.00-133.50 | 114.92 | 133.50 | 400-499 | 90.00-125.00 | 109.70 | 125.00 |
| 400-499 | 107.00-136.00 | 128.24 | 136.00 | 300-399 | 100.00-115.00 | 112.00 | 115.00 |

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USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

| | Week Ending | Previous Week | Year Ago |
|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| | Jan 31, 2009 | | |
| Grand Total | 631,000 | 638,000 | 612,000 |

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

| | Steers | Heifers |
|---------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Jan 24, 2009 | 830 | 774 |
| Jan 19, 2008 | 869 | 815 |

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

| | Week Ending | YTD | % of Yr. Ago |
|--------------------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------|
| | Jan 24, 2009 | | |
| Grand Total | 68,408 | 195,468 | 115% |
| Alberta Slaughter | 49,547 | 140,606 | 122% |
| Ontario Slaughter | 10,730 | 30,333 | 98% |

LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

| | Week ending Jan 24, 09 | Week ending Jan 17, 09 | Year to Date |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ont to the US. | 3,970 | 3,384 | 11,502 |
| Steers & Heifers | 3,402 | 2,869 | 9,677 |
| Cows | 557 | 514 | 1,813 |
| Bulls | 11 | 1 | 12 |

CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

| Week Ending | AAA | AA |
|--------------------|------------|-----------|
| Jan 23, 2009 | 1.7641 | 1.7675 |
| Jan 16, 2009 | 1.7193 | 1.7153 |
| Jan 9, 2009 | 1.7039 | 1.6898 |

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

| | Choice | Select |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 600-900 | 600-900 |
| Cutout Values: (noon estimate) | 142.78 | 139.28 |
| Change: (from Friday's close) | +0.95 | +0.35 |
| Current 5 day average: | 145.47 | 141.11 |

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

US cash cattle trade is quiet today as buyers collect new show lists which are slightly smaller than last week. Late Friday afternoon trade developed in Texas which had remained at a standstill all week. Digging in their heels and holding out for higher cash worked in favor of the sellers this week as cattle traded at \$82.00 live which is fully steady to the previous week (all other states traded \$2.00 lower) Early asking prices are at \$85.00 live and \$135.00 dressed.

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

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures for today were as follows:

| Live Cattle | | | Feeder Cattle | | | Corn | | | Soybeans | | | Canadian \$ | | |
|--------------------|-------|-------|----------------------|-------|-------|-------------|-------|------|-----------------|-------|-------|--------------------|-------|-------|
| \$/cwt US | | | \$/cwt US | | | \$/bu US | | ¢/bu | \$/bu US | | ¢/bu | | | |
| Feb | 83.90 | +1.90 | Mar | 94.00 | +3.00 | Mar | 3.704 | -8.4 | Mar | 9.594 | -20.4 | Spot | 80.35 | -1.06 |
| Apr | 86.82 | +1.72 | Apr | 95.32 | +3.00 | May | 3.816 | -8.4 | May | 9.656 | -21.0 | Mar | 80.30 | -1.04 |
| Jun | 84.35 | +1.90 | May | 97.00 | +2.67 | Jul | 3.924 | -8.6 | Jul | 9.730 | -20.6 | Jun | 80.36 | -1.04 |
| Aug | 85.30 | +2.20 | Aug | 98.85 | +2.77 | Sep | 4.026 | -9.0 | Aug | 9.694 | -20.4 | Sep | 80.43 | -1.04 |
| Oct | 88.90 | +2.05 | Sep | 98.70 | +2.50 | Dec | 4.160 | -9.0 | Sep | 9.480 | -20.0 | Dec | 80.45 | -1.04 |
| Dec | 91.00 | +1.70 | Oct | 98.50 | +2.35 | Mar | 4.300 | -9.2 | Nov | 9.250 | -20.0 | Mar | 80.47 | -1.04 |

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