

# Daily Market Information Report

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**Thursday March 26, 2009**

## ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE PRICES

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

Prices reported for Wednesday March 25, 2009

**A grade steers** 167.00-172.00  
**A grade heifers** 166.00-171.00

## ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange** – 480 fed cattle, 550 cows, 140 stockers, 50 Veal

	Price Range	Top
Good fed steers	97.00-104.00	110.00
Good fed heifers	96.00-102.75	106.25
Good Cows	49.00-62.00	82.00
Steers 700 lbs +	93.00-114.00	
Lightweight steers	108.00-121.50	
Heifers 700 lbs +	93.00-107.00	
Lightweight heifers	94.00-115.00	

Cows sold on a strong demand at prices \$1.00-\$2.00 higher. Fed steers and heifers traded \$1.00-\$2.00 lower than last week. Stockers traded on a steady market.

Today at **Ontario Stockyards Inc:** 1,275 Stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	94.00-100.00	97.94	100.00	900+	69.00-96.50	90.50	96.50
900-999	99.00-103.00	101.74	103.25	800-899	87.25-99.50	91.64	99.50
800-899	98.00-111.00	106.07	111.00	700-799	99.00-107.75	103.40	107.75
700-799	105.50-115.75	111.52	119.25	600-699	103.50-116.75	109.47	116.75
600-699	116.50-125.50	119.96	127.00	500-599	106.50-120.50	115.62	120.50
500-599	122.50-139.50	128.38	139.50	400-499	108.00-123.00	116.58	123.00
400-499	129.00-135.50	132.46	135.50	300-399	106.00-122.00	114.85	122.00
399-	123.00-137.00	130.42	137.00				

Replacement cattle traded actively at fully steady prices.

Today at: **Brussels Livestock:** 225 veal

	Price Range	Top
Veal: Good Beef	90.00-110.00	120.00
Good Holsteins	80.00-85.00	87.00
Med Holsteins	70.00-80.00	
Heavy Holsteins	70.00-80.00	
Plain Holsteins	60.00-70.00	

Holstein veal calves sold steady while beef veal traded \$5.00-\$10.00 lower than last week.

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

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	91.99-100.41	97.34	104.50
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	95.61-102.87	98.86	107.00
Cows	41.70-55.79	48.23	67.00
Bulls	56.75-67.73	61.92	87.50
Veal 125 lbs and under	90.00-130.00	109.42	190.00

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange – March 25, 2009-** 1,341 stockers

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>+1000</b>	103.25-109.25	106.85	109.50	<b>900+</b>	98.00-103.75	100.39	103.75
<b>900-999</b>	107.00-110.00	108.74	112.50	<b>800-899</b>	93.00-100.00	95.80	100.00
<b>800-899</b>	104.00-110.25	109.48	110.25	<b>600-699</b>	85.00-100.50	95.33	100.50
<b>700-799</b>	102.00-108.00	104.40	108.00	<b>500-599</b>	88.00-105.00	96.33	105.00
<b>600-699</b>	125.00-132.25	128.38	132.25				
<b>500-599</b>	129.25-132.50	131.36	132.50				

Stocker sale: **Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange – March 25, 2009-** 221 stockers

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>800-899</b>	101.00-114.00	106.78	114.00	<b>700-799</b>	85.00-110.00	101.51	110.00
<b>700-799</b>	110.00-118.00	114.00	118.00	<b>600-699</b>	105.00-116.00	109.57	124.00
<b>600-699</b>	110.00-130.00	119.92	130.00	<b>500-599</b>	100.00-118.00	107.85	119.00
<b>500-599</b>	115.00-135.00	122.76	135.00	<b>400-499</b>	112.00-126.00	117.07	126.00
<b>400-499</b>	127.00-139.00	131.90	139.00	<b>300-399</b>	117.00-124.00	121.20	124.00

### ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

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

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Live</b>	93.40	<b>Flat rail</b>	161.50
<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Live</b>	91.35-95.45	<b>Flat rail</b>	161.50

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

US cash cattle trade remained untested today with bids at \$81.00-\$82.00 live and \$131.00-\$133.00 dressed. Asking prices are at \$85.00-\$86.00 live and \$136.00 dressed. Business is not expected until Friday.

<b>Choice and select steers and heifers:</b>	<b>Live</b>	N/T
	<b>Rail</b>	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)	134.88	134.80
<b>Change:</b> (from yesterday's close)	-0.51	-0.19
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	134.41	133.78

### 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>Apr</b>	84.27 -0.35	<b>Mar</b>	93.40 -0.35	<b>May</b>	3.906 +5.0	<b>May</b>	9.440 -7.0	<b>Spot</b>	81.29 +0.23
<b>Jun</b>	81.85 -0.62	<b>Apr</b>	93.42 -0.80	<b>Jul</b>	4.012 +5.0	<b>Jul</b>	9.404 -5.4	<b>Jun</b>	81.36 +0.26
<b>Aug</b>	82.67 -0.65	<b>May</b>	94.95 -0.42	<b>Sep</b>	4.104 +5.2	<b>Aug</b>	9.240 -3.0	<b>Sep</b>	81.49 +0.26
<b>Oct</b>	86.30 -0.82	<b>Aug</b>	97.45 -0.87	<b>Dec</b>	4.226 +5.2	<b>Sep</b>	8.930 -2.0	<b>Dec</b>	81.64 +0.26
<b>Dec</b>	88.95 -0.60	<b>Sep</b>	98.35 -0.87	<b>Mar</b>	4.354 +5.6	<b>Nov</b>	8.804 +0.4	<b>Mar</b>	81.75 +0.26
<b>Feb</b>	90.20 -0.65	<b>Oct</b>	98.37 -0.85	<b>May</b>	4.420 +6.0	<b>Jan</b>	8.904 +0.4	<b>Jun</b>	81.86 +0.26

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