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Friday March 27, 2009

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE PRICES

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

A grade steers	167.00-171.00
A grade heifers	166.00-170.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at: **Brussels Livestock** : 1,120 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	88.50-103.00	95.25	103.00	900+	97.50-104.20	101.76	104.25
900-999	96.50-107.50	104.01	107.50	800-899	92.00-101.75	95.99	102.75
800-899	103.50-110.50	107.74	110.50	700-799	95.00-109.00	104.78	109.00
700-799	104.00-116.50	108.57	118.75	600-699	99.00-116.00	107.83	116.00
600-699	108.00-120.50	115.59	125.50	500-599	107.00-123.00	114.79	128.50
500-599	106.50-132.25	120.65	132.25	400-499	112.00-124.50	117.78	129.00
400-499	109.00-120.50	124.31	138.00	300-399	124.00-125.00	124.27	125.00
399-	113.00-143.00	132.13	143.00	299-	112.00-126.00	116.67	126.00

Calves sold at prices \$2.00 higher while yearlings sold on fully steady market.

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

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	94.15-100.37	98.17	110.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	86.09-99.90	95.00	107.00
Cows	42.11-56.65	49.96	82.00
Bulls	55.06-70.27	62.37	73.00
Veal calves 600 lbs +	78.27-109.56	89.96	117.00
Veal calves 125 lbs & under	75.00-127.00	108.25	131.00

Stocker Sale at: **Brussels Livestock, March 26, 2009**- 109 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
400-499	121.00-137.00	126.15	137.00	400-499	113.00-122.00	117.79	122.00
399-	91.00-139.00	122.17	139.00	300-399	104.00-126.00	116.23	126.00

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, March 26, 2009** – 152 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
600-699	98.00-114.00	109.35	114.00	700-799	85.00-107.00	99.20	107.00
500-599	112.50-121.50	118.03	121.50	500-599	49.00-115.00	94.55	115.00

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc, March 26, 2009**- 1,270 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	88.50-100.00	93.48	100.00	900+	65.00-89.00	80.80	96.50
900-999	94.50-103.25	100.67	103.25	800-899	85.50-99.50	91.92	99.50
800-899	93.00-109.25	102.49	111.00	700-799	91.00-106.50	98.55	107.75
700-799	103.00-115.75	110.50	119.25	600-699	102.00-116.75	107.99	116.75
600-699	109.25-125.50	117.74	127.00	500-599	105.50-120.50	114.20	120.50
500-599	114.00-130.00	124.67	139.50	400-499	102.00-119.00	111.85	123.00
400-499	110.00-130.00	121.16	135.50	300-399	106.00-117.00	113.16	122.00
399-	95.00-137.00	124.77	137.00				

Stocker Sale at: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange, March 26, 2009-** 102 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
700-799	85.00-115.00	102.86	115.00	600-699	88.00-115.00	105.11	115.00
600-699	90.00-126.00	113.10	126.00	500-599	80.00-111.00	96.29	115.00
500-599	81.00-129.00	116.86	129.00				
400-499	90.00-138.00	115.29	144.00				
300-399	78.00-144.00	120.50	144.00				

QUEBEC ELECTRONIC AUCTION MARKET

Week Ending March 26, 2009 **Price Range**

A1, A2 Steers & Heifers 166.25-168.00

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade on Thursday was moderate with prices steady to last week.

Steers	Live	93.25	Flat rail	158.75-161.85
Heifers	Live	93.50-95.15	Flat rail	158.75-161.85

U.S. TRADE (U.S funds)

US cash cattle trade was moderate to active in the north with prices steady to last week. Southern trade has been very limited thanks to a late winter storm, which also resulted in the closure of 3 plants for today. The few sales reported in the south were at steady prices.

Choice and select steers and heifers:	Live	83.00
	Rail	133.00

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

	Choice	Select
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	133.30	134.13
Change: (from yesterday's close)	-1.02	-0.50
Current 5 day average:	134.65	134.04

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		\$/bu US ¢/bu			
Apr	84.32 +0.05	Apr	93.12 -0.30	May	3.870 -3.6	May	9.170 -27.0	Spot	80.83 -0.46
Jun	81.57 -0.27	May	94.30 -0.65	Jul	3.974 -3.6	Jul	9.152 -25.2	Jun	80.91 -0.45
Aug	82.52 -0.15	Aug	96.90 -0.55	Sep	4.070 -3.4	Aug	9.006 -23.2	Sep	81.05 -0.44
Oct	86.17 -0.12	Sep	97.72 -0.62	Dec	4.192 -3.4	Sep	8.716 -21.2	Dec	81.19 -0.45
Dec	88.72 -0.22	Oct	97.82 -0.55	Mar	4.320 -3.4	Nov	8.606 -19.6	Mar	81.29 -0.46
Feb	89.70 -0.50	Nov	98.20 -0.75	May	4.394 -2.4	Jan	8.714 -19.0	Jun	81.39 -0.47

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Upcoming Special Stocker Sales

Mar 28	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock	Bred Cows and Stockers.
Mar 31		Renfrew Pontiac Ltd	Stocker Sale
April 6	10:00 am	Brussels Livestock	Vaccinated calves & yearlings
Sponsored by Huron County Beef Producers.			
April 8	11:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Mkt	Stocker Sale
April 11	10:00 am	Brussels Livestock	Stocker sale in lieu of Good Friday
April 11	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock	Bred Cows and Stockers