



Daily Market Information Report



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Monday March 30, 2009

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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 **Ontario Stockyards:** 87 veal

	Price Range	Top Price
Veal calves + 600 lbs	82.00-105.00	128.50
Veal calves 451-600 lbs	70.00-98.50	107.00

Dairy veal calves traded at steady prices while beef and common veal calves sold under pressure.

At Talbotville Livestock: Sat March 28, 2009- 207 head

	Price Range	Top
Good & Choice Steers	97.00-102.00	No fancies
Good & Choice Heifers	97.00-101.00	No fancies
Good Cows	47.00-61.00	67.00
Export Cows	46.00-55.00	
Good heavy bologna bulls	55.00-67.00	
Good veal calves (no choice on offer)	75.00-90.00	

Fed steers and heifers sold at prices \$1.00-\$2.00 lower than the previous week, following the week's trend. Cows sold on a stronger market while bulls traded steady and strong. Good veal sold on a good steady market with no choice calves on offer.

At Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market: March 28, 2009- 83 cows

	Price Range	Average	Top
Cows	32.50-69.00	50.57	88.00
Bulls 1600 lbs & over	57.28-69.28	64.72	69.50

Cull cows traded \$1.00 stronger. Selling April 4th- 4 complete herd dispersals.

Stocker Sale at: **Brussels Livestock, March 27, 2009-** 1,101 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	88.50-103.00	95.25	103.00	900+	97.50-104.25	101.76	104.25
900-999	96.50-107.50	104.01	107.50	800-899	89.50-98.00	93.98	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	109.00-130.50	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

Stocker Sale at: **Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market, March 28, 2009-** 156 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
700-799	79.00-107.50	94.75	107.50	600-699	78.00-104.50	96.41	104.50
600-699	84.50-112.50	101.70	112.50	500-599	78.00-117.00	104.21	117.00
500-599	98.00-126.00	112.61	126.00	400-499	95.00-110.00	104.12	110.00
400-499	104.00-118.50	115.88	118.50	300-399	107.50-113.00	109.33	113.00

Stockers sold on a steady market.

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL SPRING SALES

Stocker sales at: **Denfield Livestock, March 28, 2009** – 163 stockers.

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
800-899	95.00-109.00	800-899	90.00-105.00
700-799	95.00-110.00	700-799	90.00-108.00
600-699	95.00-120.00	600-699	95.00-110.00
500-599	100.00-130.00	500-599	100.00-110.00

A good active trade at strong prices.

ONTARIO BRED COWS

Denfield Livestock, Sat March 28, 2008- 18 head

	Exotic and Exotic X	British and British X
Avg quality bred cows	\$700.00-\$900.00	N/T
Top quality cow/calf pairs	\$800.00-\$1300.00	N/T
Avg quality cow/calf pairs	\$600.00-\$800.00	N/T

Good active trade according to quality.

.LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO(USDA is expected to update these figures this week)

	Week ending Mar 7, 09	Week ending Feb 28, 09	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ont to the US.	2,337	2,110	29,58
Steers & Heifers	1,661	1,259	23,954
Cows	684	811	5,403
Bulls	32	40	191

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
Mar 21, 2009	838	782
Mar 15, 2008	849	806

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	Week Ending	YTD	% of Yr. Ago
	Mar 21, 2009		
Grand Total	60,407	680,398	103%
Alberta Slaughter	42,478	477,585	106%
Ontario Slaughter	10,933	116,450	94%

CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

Week Ending	AAA	AA
March 13, 2009	1.8017	1.7689
March 6, 2009	1.7598	1.7426
Feb 27, 2009	1.7103	1.7111

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

	Choice	Select
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	133.95	134.04
Change: (from Friday's close)	+0.37	-0.13
Current 5 day average:	134.73	134.33

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

	Week Ending	Previous Week	Year Ago
	Mar 21, 2009		
Grand Total	581,000	615,000	617,000

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

US cash cattle trade was steady to \$1.00 higher late Friday afternoon with sales at \$83.00-\$84.00 live and \$133.00-\$134.00 dressed. Today consisted of show list distribution. This week's offering is larger in Texas and Colorado and smaller in Nebraska and Kansas. Early asking prices are at \$86.00 plus live and \$136.00 plus 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			
Apr	82.82	-1.50	Mar	92.20	-0.92	May	3.862	-0.6	May	9.044	-12.4	Spot	79.11	-1.72
Jun	80.07	-1.50	Apr	93.05	-1.25	Jul	3.966	-0.6	Jul	9.020	-13.2	Jun	79.14	-1.77
Aug	81.02	-1.50	May	95.85	-1.05	Sep	4.060	-1.0	Aug	8.860	-14.6	Sep	79.26	-1.79
Oct	84.82	-1.35	Aug	96.77	-0.95	Dec	4.182	-1.0	Sep	8.544	-17.2	Dec	79.39	-1.80
Dec	87.35	-1.37	Sep	97.05	-0.77	Mar	4.296	-2.2	Nov	8.420	-18.6	Mar	79.47	-1.82
Feb	88.60	-1.10	Oct	97.05	-1.15	May	4.380	-1.4	Jan	8.524	-19.0	Jun	79.57	-1.82

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