

# Daily Market Information Report

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**Thursday December 17, 2009**

## ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE PRICES

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

Prices reported for Wed Dec 16, 2009

**A grade steers** 131.00-135.00  
**A grade heifers** 130.00-134.00

## ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange** –430 fed cattle, 790 cows, 260 stockers, 50 veal

	Price Range	Top
Good fed steers	79.00-85.75	97.00
Good fed heifers	78.00-82.75	95.00
Good Cows	37.00-44.00	52.00
Steers 700+	86.00-94.00	
Lightweight steers	104.00-127.00	
Heifers 700+	77.00-83.50	
Lightweight heifers	96.00-122.00	

Cows sold on a good steady trade. Fed steers and heifers traded at prices \$1.00-\$2.00 higher. Stockers sold on a steady market.

Today at **Ontario Stockyards Inc-** 1,650 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	87.50	87.50	87.50	900+	69.00-87.00	78.63	87.00
900-999	82.50-89.00	85.75	96.00	800-899	77.50-86.00	82.77	91.50
800-899	92.00-104.00	97.27	104.00	700-799	85.25-91.00	88.92	91.00
700-799	95.50-106.00	101.77	106.00	600-699	85.00-97.50	90.68	110.50
600-699	99.75-111.25	106.93	113.00	500-599	92.00-107.00	98.71	120.00
500-599	104.00-123.75	114.16	125.00	400-499	86.25-111.00	100.88	119.00
400-499	109.00-126.00	115.10	141.00	300-399	80.00-93.00	86.06	120.00
399-	103.50-110.00	106.73	119.00				

Replacement cattle sold on a steady market.

Today at: **Brussels Livestock:** 290 veal

	Price Range	Top
Veal: Good Beef calves	95.00-120.00	125.00
Good Holsteins	80.00-90.00	92.50
Med Holsteins	70.00-80.00	
Heavy Holsteins	75.00-85.00	

Veal sold on a strong active trade with beef calves selling steady and Holstein veal calves \$2.00-\$3.00 lower.

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

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	75.75-82.00	79.13	85.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	77.50-82.50	80.72	84.75
Cows	28.71-42.81	35.09	69.00
Bulls	42.15-51.69	46.93	63.50
Veal 125 lbs and under	50.00-96.00	74.75	100.00

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange –Dec 16, 2009 – 487 stockers**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>+1000</b>	86.00-94.50	90.94	94.50	<b>900+</b>	80.50-85.75	83.90	85.75
<b>900-999</b>	83.50-91.50	88.85	91.50	<b>800-899</b>	82.00-86.00	83.82	87.50
<b>800-899</b>	90.00-98.50	95.29	98.50	<b>600-699</b>	86.00-96.00	89.75	96.00
<b>700-799</b>	86.00-106.00	95.00	106.00	<b>500-599</b>	63.00-103.00	95.47	103.00
<b>600-699</b>	92.25-101.50	95.57	101.50	<b>400-499</b>	58.00-95.50	89.25	95.50
<b>400-499</b>	101.00-117.50	114.96	117.50				
<b>399-</b>	88.00-91.50	90.45	91.50				

**ONTARIO BRED COW SALES**

**Kawartha Lakes Coop Auction Market, Dec 16, 2009- 100 head**

	<b>Exotic and Exotic X</b>	<b>British and British X</b>
<b>Top quality bred cows</b>	\$800-\$950	\$650-\$800
<b>Avg quality bred cows</b>	\$650-\$750	\$500-\$650
<b>Top quality cow/calf pairs</b>	N/T	N/T
<b>Avg quality cow/calf pairs</b>	\$850-\$1000	\$650-\$800

Cows sold on a selective demand at slightly easier prices.

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

Alberta direct trade on Wednesday was very light with heifers steady to last week. Moderate trade was expected late Wednesday with prices not yet reported.

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Live</b>	N/T	<b>Flat rail</b>	N/T
<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Live</b>	75.35	<b>Flat rail</b>	N/T

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

US cash cattle trade was very light in scattered parts of the north with prices steady to last week, but for the most part the country was quiet. Asking prices are at \$82.00-\$83.00 live and \$130.00 plus dressed.

<b>Choice and select steers and heifers:</b>	<b>Live</b>	81.00
	<b>Rail</b>	127.00-128.00

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

	<b>Choice 600-900</b>	<b>Select 600-900</b>
<b>Cutout Values:</b> (noon estimate)	139.43	130.76
<b>Change:</b> (from yesterday's close)	+0.49	-0.04
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	137.43	130.30

**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			
<b>Dec</b>	81.42 -0.70	<b>Jan</b>	93.97 +1.12	<b>Mar</b>	3.970 -13.2	<b>Jan</b>	10.220 -37.4	<b>Spot</b>	93.47 -0.62
<b>Feb</b>	84.55 -0.35	<b>Mar</b>	94.17 +0.85	<b>May</b>	4.076 -13.2	<b>Mar</b>	10.300 -37.0	<b>Mar</b>	93.44 -0.63
<b>Apr</b>	87.77 -0.25	<b>Apr</b>	95.90 +0.80	<b>Jul</b>	4.166 -12.6	<b>May</b>	10.364 -36.4	<b>Jun</b>	93.42 -0.63
<b>Jun</b>	85.47 +0.00	<b>May</b>	96.70 +0.70	<b>Sep</b>	4.226 -12.6	<b>Jul</b>	10.416 -35.2	<b>Sep</b>	93.39 -0.63
<b>Aug</b>	85.40 -0.15	<b>Aug</b>	98.90 +0.40	<b>Dec</b>	4.296 -12.4	<b>Aug</b>	10.372 -34.2	<b>Dec</b>	93.32 -0.66
<b>Oct</b>	88.40 -0.05	<b>Sep</b>	98.10 +0.05	<b>Mar</b>	4.400 -12.2	<b>Sep</b>	10.174 -32.0	<b>Mar</b>	93.23 -0.69

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