



Daily Market Information Report



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Tuesday Dec 29, 2009

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

A grade steers 141.00-143.00
A grade heifers 140.00-142.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at: **Brussels Livestock** – 278 fed cattle, 149 cows.

| | Price Range | Top |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------|
| Choice steers & heifers | 83.00-86.00 | 89.00 |
| Second cut cattle | 78.00-83.00 | |
| Good Beef Cows | 36.00-43.00 | 44.00 |
| Export Cows | 37.00-43.00 | 45.00 |

Fed cattle sold on a strong active trade at prices \$2.00 higher. Cows sold on a strong active trade.

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange**- 218 veal, 300 Cows

| | Price Range | Top Price |
|------------------|---------------|-----------|
| Cows | 34.00-42.00 | 69.50 |
| Good Beef | 115.00-128.00 | 140.00 |
| Good Hol | 92.00-106.00 | |
| Med Hol | 85.00-90.00 | |
| Plain Hol | 78.00-85.00 | |
| Heavy Hol | 82.00-92.00 | |

Veal traded actively on a steady market. At time of reporting, cows are trading steady.

At **Ontario Stockyards Inc, Monday Dec 28, 2009: 105 veal**

| | Price Range | Top Price | Avg |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------|-------|
| Veal calves + 600 lbs | 80.00-105.00 | 119.50 | 91.62 |
| Veal calves 451-600 lbs | 74.00-99.00 | 103.00 | 81.54 |

Good fed Holstein veal calves and beef veal calves traded steady.

Ontario auction sales on **Monday** saw weighted prices for:

| | Price Range | Average | Top Price |
|---------------------------|--------------|---------|-----------|
| Cows | 26.76-40.60 | 33.11 | 47.00 |
| Bulls- all weights | 41.67-60.34 | 51.72 | 83.00 |
| Veal calves -125 | 36.45-88.80 | 66.96 | 185.00 |
| Veal calves 600+ | 77.15-102.64 | 88.95 | 119.50 |

Stocker sale at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, Dec 23, 2009 – 258 stockers**

| STEERS | Price Range | Avg | Top | HEIFERS | Price Range | Avg | Top |
|----------------|-------------|-------|-------|----------------|--------------|-------|--------|
| 1000+ | 85.00-92.75 | 89.56 | 97.00 | 900+ | 80.00-86.50 | 82.88 | 86.50 |
| 900-999 | 88.50-95.75 | 93.65 | 95.75 | 600-699 | 70.00-705.00 | 78.50 | 105.00 |
| 700-799 | 95.00-98.00 | 97.06 | 98.00 | | | | |

CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

| Week Ending | AAA | AA |
|--------------|--------|--------|
| Dec 18, 2009 | 1.4297 | 1.4437 |
| Dec 11, 2009 | 1.4306 | 1.4372 |
| Dec 4, 2009 | 1.4333 | 1.4375 |

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

| | Steers | Heifers |
|--------------|---------------|----------------|
| Dec 19, 2009 | 855 | 804 |
| Dec 13, 2008 | 839 | 793 |

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

| | Week Ending | YTD | % of Yr. Ago |
|--------------------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------|
| | Dec 19, 2009 | | |
| Grand Total | 64,610 | 3,051,791 | 99% |
| Alberta Slaughter | 49,380 | 2,292,503 | 106% |
| Ontario Slaughter | 11,367 | 533,370 | 98% |

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

| | Week Ending | Previous Week | Year Ago |
|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| | Dec 26, 2009 | | |
| Grand Total | 465,000 | 623,000 | 450,000 |

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

| | Choice | Select |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cutout Values: (noon estimate) | 139.47 | 133.71 |
| Change: (from Friday's close) | +0.43 | +1.23 |
| Current 5 day average: | 138.61 | 131.38 |

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

| | | | |
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| Week Ending Thursday Dec 24, 2009 | | | |
| Steers | Live | 75.00-79.00 | Flat rail 130.50-130.85 |
| Heifers | Live | 77.10 | Flat rail 127.50-130.85 |

QUEBEC ELECTRONIC AUCTION MARKET (F.O.B. the feedlot)

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| Week Ending Thursday Dec 24, 2009 | Price |
| A1, A2 Steers | 135.00-136.50 |

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

U.S. cash cattle trade is quiet with little business expected before Wednesday at the earliest. Asking prices are at \$85.00-\$86.00 live and \$135.00 dressed.

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| 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 | | | |
| Dec | 84.22 +0.55 | Jan | 94.97 -0.55 | Mar | 4.170 +1.0 | Jan | 10.380 +9.0 | Spot | 95.87 -0.04 |
| Feb | 85.12 -0.25 | Mar | 94.72 -0.22 | May | 4.270 +1.0 | Mar | 10.470 +9.0 | Mar | 95.86 -0.03 |
| Apr | 88.85 +0.00 | Apr | 96.15 -0.30 | Jul | 4.354 +0.6 | May | 10.524 +8.6 | Jun | 95.85 -0.02 |
| Jun | 86.45 -0.05 | May | 97.10 -0.17 | Sep | 4.396 -0.2 | Jul | 10.570 +8.2 | Sep | 95.83 -0.02 |
| Aug | 86.57 -0.02 | Aug | 98.80 -0.20 | Dec | 4.452 -0.4 | Aug | 10.524 +8.2 | Dec | 95.77 +0.00 |
| Oct | 89.15 -0.22 | Sep | 98.20 +0.00 | Mar | 4.542 -0.6 | Sep | 10.340 +7.0 | Mar | 95.70 +0.03 |

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