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Friday, January 4, 2013

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE PRICES

Prices are on a carcass weight basis, before grade and weight discounts (price for today, regardless of delivery date)

A grade steers 200.00-205.00
A grade heifers 199.00-204.00

Today at: **Brussels Livestock – 573** stockers on offer.

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	137.00-143.50	142.34	143.50	900+	122.75-131.50	127.42	131.50
900-999	138.00-146.00	142.85	146.00	800-899	122.00-135.00	128.89	135.00
800-899	132.50-148.50	144.13	148.50	700-799	118.00-139.00	133.85	139.00
700-799	129.00-146.00	140.85	146.00	600-699	119.00-127.00	124.20	135.00
600-699	134.00-158.00	147.57	158.00	500-599	119.00-140.00	128.07	140.00
500-599	131.00-150.00	141.51	150.00	400-499	133.00-155.00	141.50	155.00
400-499	135.00-155.00	140.81	177.00	300-399	130.00-153.00	139.50	153.00
399-	117.00-162.00	140.88	162.00				

Calves traded at steady prices while yearlings sold at prices \$2.00-\$3.00 stronger.

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

	Volume	Price Range	Avg	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	62	103.52-126.15	119.66	129.25
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	81	116.00-129.25	123.14	129.25
Cows	1,270	54.87-68.69	62.22	94.50
Bulls	28	68.09-84.14	75.65	91.50
Veal calves 600 lbs +	184	85.88-114.58	98.34	166.00
Veal calves 125 lbs & under	230	55.00-112.00	97.25	118.00

Stocker Sale at: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange, January 3, 2013– 62** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
600-699	92.00-120.00	106.25	134.00	500-599	113.00-118.00	114.00	118.00
500-599	105.00-129.00	118.33	135.00	400-499	105.00-130.00	115.33	130.00
399-	80.00-115.00	103.00	115.00				

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc, January 3, 2013– 100** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
800-899	114.50-134.00	127.45	134.00	700-799	105.00-125.50	113.05	125.50
700-799	141.50-149.00	145.17	149.00	600-699	130.00-137.75	135.71	137.75
600-699	151.75-160.00	157.08	160.00	500-599	135.00-141.00	139.25	141.00
500-599	140.00-158.00	150.63	158.00	400-499	145.00-150.00	146.24	150.00
399-	147.00-155.00	150.97	165.00				

The light run of replacements sold fully steady to last year's close!

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

Week Ending	Price	Change from last week
Thursday January 3, 2013		
A1, A2 Steers	203.25-205.00	+4.91

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

The Alberta direct trade was light with prices generally \$0.50 lower. Heifers have been reported at \$118.00 live but many producers refused to sell cattle at lower prices. A moderate offering will be carried over to next week.

Steers	Live	N/A	Flat rail	N/A
Heifers	Live	118.00	Flat rail	N/A

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

U.S. cash cattle trade is seeing some light trade surface in parts of the north at \$205.00 dressed, up \$3.00 from last week, however many sellers are passing the \$205.00 bids and holding out for better prices of \$207.00 dressed. The south remains untested with no bids on the table at this time. Asking prices are at \$130.00-\$132.00 live and \$207.00 dressed. It appears that business will be going late into the evening.

Choice and select steers and heifers:	Live	N/T
	Rail	205.00

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	194.82	182.15
Change: (from yesterday's close)	-0.09	-1.13
Current 5 day average:	194.15	181.35

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					
Feb	132.95	-0.90	Jan	153.17	+0.82	Mar	6.802	-9.0	Jan	13.890	-14.0	Spot	101.33	+0.04
Apr	136.77	-0.55	Mar	156.32	+1.42	May	6.806	-10.2	Mar	13.672	-19.2	Mar	101.17	+0.04
Jun	131.92	-0.20	Apr	157.87	+0.70	Jul	6.746	-11.6	May	13.584	-19.6	Jun	100.95	+0.04
Aug	131.75	-0.15	May	159.55	+0.57	Sep	5.944	-15.0	Jul	13.550	-21.4	Sep	100.71	+0.04
Oct	135.00	-0.42	Aug	163.77	+0.42	Dec	5.716	-15.6	Aug	13.370	-19.2	Dec	100.45	+0.04
Dec	136.30	+0.25	Sep	164.15	+0.67	Mar	5.820	-15.2	Sep	13.044	-17.4	Mar	100.18	+0.04

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