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Monday, February 25, 2013

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

A grade steers	201.00-204.00
A grade heifers	200.00-203.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at **Ontario Stockyards Inc:** **119** veal on offer

	Price Range	Top
Veal calves + 600 lbs	86.50-105.50	153.50
Veal calves 451-600 lbs	85.00-100.00	

Veal sold on a steady market.

At Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market: February 23, 2013 – 163 cows, 6 bulls

	Price Range	Average	Top
Cows	40.00-85.00	63.51	85.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	83.00-91.00	87.45	91.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	77.50-88.520	82.47	88.50

Cows continue on a steady trade similar to previous week's activity. March 2nd @ 2:00 pm- Bred Cow Sale.

March 20th @11:00 am- Peterborough/Victoria Cattlemen's Stocker Sale March 30th @ 2:00 pm- All Beef Breed Bull Sale.

Stocker sale at: **Brussels Livestock, February 22, 2013 – 882 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	102.00-118.00	111.39	118.00	900+	113.00-119.00	116.33	119.00
900-999	120.00-132.75	125.63	138.00	800-899	110.00-125.75	120.17	125.75
800-899	126.00-138.00	130.43	138.00	700-799	104.00-119.00	112.75	128.00
700-799	111.0-142.50	130.02	142.50	600-699	114.00-125.00	121.64	125.00
600-699	122.00-164.50	145.48	164.50	500-599	96.00-130.00	119.18	139.50
500-599	126.00-161.50	149.83	161.50	400-499	113.00-135.00	127.57	146.00
400-499	114.00-158.50	138.32	158.50	300-399	114.00-144.00	122.29	144.00
399-	147.00-171.00	159.71	171.00				

Calves sold on an active trade at prices \$3.00-\$5.00 higher while yearlings sold on a strong demand with prices \$2.00-\$3.00 higher.

Stocker sale at: **Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Mkt, February 23, 2013 – 223 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
800-899	127.00-136.00	134.30	136.00	700-799	116.00-126.25	122.96	126.25
700-799	107.50-143.00	126.77	143.00	600-699	95.00-137.00	126.33	137.00
600-699	122.99-155.99	140.06	155.99	500-599	105.00-144.00	133.82	144.00
500-599	95.00-168.00	137.39	168.00	400-499	97.50-150.98	131.73	150.98
400-499	90.00-166.00	146.98	166.00	300-399	102.50-150.00	139.89	150.00
399-	92.50-165.98	149.93	165.98				

Stockers moved well with good buyer interest.

ONTARIO BRED COW SALES

Ontario Stockyards Inc, February 22, 2013- 200 Bred cows, 6 Cow calf pairs

	Exotic and Exotic X	British and British X
Top quality bred cows	\$1300-\$1575	\$1000-\$1250
Avg quality bred cows	\$1100-\$1300	\$900-\$1000
Avg quality cow/calf pairs	\$1150-\$1300	

A medium to good quality selection of cows sold actively to 32 separate buyers.

Brussels Livestock, February 22, 2012- 45 Bred cows

	Exotic and Exotic X	British and British X
Avg quality bred cows	\$1100-\$1300	\$850-\$1150

Bred cows sold on a good active trade.

LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending Feb 9, 2013	Week ending Feb 2, 2013	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ont to the US.	3,547	3,639	23,588
Steers & Heifers	436	478	2,773
Cows	2,585	2,609	17,834
Bulls	526	552	2,981

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
Feb 16, 2013	889	821
Feb 18, 2012	879	820

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	Week Ending February 16, 2013	YTD	% change of Week Ago	% change of Yr. Ago
Grand Total	49,234	325,073	+1%	-12%
Western Slaughter	38,490	248,937	+4%	-8%
Eastern Slaughter	10,744	76,136	-10%	-23%

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

	Week Ending February 23, 2013	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	573,000	596,000	587,000

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

	Choice	Select
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	183.25	180.29
change: (from yesterday's close)	+0.36	+0.10
Current 5 day average:	182.39	180.44

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

U.S. cash cattle trade late Friday afternoon was light to moderate with prices up to \$2.00 higher. Sales in the south were at \$125.00 live while business in the north was from \$196.00-\$199.00 dressed. The U.S.D.A. Mandatory Price Report shows steers weekly weighted price at \$123.82 up from \$122.79 the previous week, while dressed steers averaged \$197.15 last week, up from \$195.86 the previous week. Today the market is quiet as show list distribution was completed. Some parts of the states are currently waiting out another severe winter storm which will delay business for at least today in those areas. This week's offering is reported as smaller than last week in volume in all states except Texas, which has more cattle this week. Early asking prices are around \$127.00 plus live and \$202.00 plus dressed.

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

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	126.95	+0.60	Mar	140.80	-0.45	Mar	6.934	+3.2	Mar	14.512	-10.0	Spot	97.45	-0.31
Apr	128.42	+0.20	Apr	143.70	-0.07	May	6.854	+1.2	May	14.352	-8.4	Mar	97.38	-0.31
Jun	124.15	-0.32	May	146.95	-0.17	Jul	6.714	-0.2	Jul	14.220	-7.0	Jun	97.20	-0.30
Aug	125.27	-0.07	Aug	154.15	-0.12	Sep	5.720	-1.0	Aug	13.814	-8.0	Sep	97.02	-0.29
Oct	129.90	+0.10	Sept	156.00	+0.00	Dec	5.502	-2.4	Sep	13.116	-6.2	Dec	96.83	-0.30
Sec	131.30	+0.15	Oct	157.15	+0.07	Mar	5.606	-2.4	Nov	12.654	-1.2	Mar	96.62	-0.29

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