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**Wednesday, April 24, 2013**

## ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

<b>A grade steers</b>	195.00-197.00
<b>A grade heifers</b>	194.00-196.00

## ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange – 1,061** stockers

	Price Range	Top
<b>Steers 1000+</b>	124.00-130.00	133.00
<b>Steers 800-1000</b>	120.00-128.50	
<b>Steers 600-800</b>	130.00-144.50	
<b>Heifers 800+</b>	108.00-116.00	
<b>Heifers 600-800</b>	120.00-130.00	

Good quality feeder cattle sold on a steady basis while medium quality feeders traded under pressure.

Today at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc – 200** fed cattle, **360** cows, **25** bulls, **15** veal

	Price Range	Top
<b>Fancy fed steers</b>	115.00-120.00	124.00
<b>Fancy fed heifers</b>	115.00-120.00	124.75
<b>Good Cows</b>	62.00-72.00	80.50
<b>Export Cows</b>	58.00-69.00	75.00
<b>Bulls</b>	72.00-82.00	90.50

Cows and bulls sold actively at strong prices. Choice steers and heifers traded actively at strong to higher prices. Veal sold steady to Monday. There are 700 stockers expected for Thursday's sale. May 14 @ 11:00 am - Special Spring Stocker Sale featuring vaccinated calves and yearlings.

At **Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc. – April 23, 2013- 622** cattle

	Price Range	Top		Price Range	Top
<b>Choice steers</b>	120.00-125.00	132.25	<b>Choice heifers</b>	118.00-122.00	126.50
<b>Good steers</b>	115.00-119.00		<b>Good heifers</b>	114.00-118.00	
<b>Good beef cows</b>	60.00-70.00		<b>Good Hol veal</b>	92.00-96.00	
<b>Good Hol cows</b>	65.00-70.00		<b>Plain and heavy veal</b>	80.00-90.00	
<b>D1 &amp; D2 cows</b>	50.00-60.00		<b>Choice drop calves</b>	\$200.00-\$250.00	
<b>D3 &amp; D4 cows</b>	40.00-50.00		<b>Good drop calves</b>	\$150.00-\$200.00	
<b>Good beef bulls</b>	70.00-89.00		<b>Plain and newborn</b>	\$100.00-\$150.00	
<b>Good Hol bulls</b>	75.00-81.00				

Fed cattle sold \$2.00 stronger with a large volume of good quality cattle on offer. Veal sold steady to last week's market. Cull cows and bulls traded steady to slightly higher on good cows. Drop calves sold strong and steady to last week. April 27<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00 am- Stocker and Bred Cow Sale.

At **Renfrew Pontiac Livestock- April 23, 2013- 18** Replacement calves, **78** cows, **21** bulls

	Price Range	Top
<b>Replacement calves</b>	\$80.00-\$130.00	\$210.00
<b>Export cows (Holstein)</b>	70.00-75.00	
<b>Cows D1 &amp; D2</b>	70.00-77.00	83.00
<b>Cows D3</b>	66.00-70.00	
<b>Cows D4</b>	60.00-65.00	
<b>Bulls</b>	92.00-94.00	104.00

Cows sold on a steady market.

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

	Volume	Price Range	Avg	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	85	110.15-119.89	115.96	133.25
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	136	111.00-121.0	117.58	127.75
Cows	658	52.76-77.05	65.04	99.50
Bulls	41	80.27-110.13	94.84	138.00
Veal 600 lbs +	285	83.00-105.00	94.77	133.50
Veal under 125 lbs	71	71.62-128.66	109.73	180.00

Stocker sale at: **Community Livestock Exchange – April 23, 2013 – 162** stockers

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg.	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg.	Top
<b>700-799</b>	82.00-134.50	119.50	134.50	<b>600-699</b>	70.00-133.00	114.19	133.00
<b>600-699</b>	85.00-142.00	131.00	142.00	<b>500-599</b>	81.00-137.99	122.60	137.99
<b>500-599</b>	91.00-158.50	139.80	158.50	<b>400-499</b>	95.00-145.50	129.70	145.50
<b>4000-499</b>	138.99-160.00	150.09	160.00	<b>300-399</b>	121.00-131.00	124.10	130.00

May 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 11:00 am- Quinte Cattlemen's Special Stocker Sale.

Stocker sale at: **Keady Livestock Market – April 23, 2013- 899** stockers

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg.	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg.	Top
<b>900-999</b>	112.00-125.50	120.67	126.50	<b>900+</b>	70.50-106.00	85.50	106.00
<b>800-899</b>	126.00-134.50	132.08	164.50	<b>800-899</b>	118.00-125.50	122.78	125.50
<b>700-799</b>	129.00-152.75	143.10	152.75	<b>700-799</b>	112.50-124.25	120.37	124.50
<b>600-699</b>	129.00-156.50	149.41	170.00	<b>600-699</b>	120.00-141.00	131.52	147.00
<b>500-599</b>	151.00-166.00	161.29	166.00	<b>500-599</b>	125.00-154.00	138.63	154.00
<b>400-499</b>	155.00-183.00	170.45	183.00	<b>400-499</b>	146.00-160.00	155.00	160.00
<b>399-</b>	141.00-155.00	150.21	155.00	<b>300-399</b>	141.00-150.00	147.00	150.00

All weights and classes of stockers sold on a strong demand at fully steady prices. April 26th @ 9:00 am – Special Spring Vaccinated Stocker Sale.

Stocker sale at: **Renfrew Pontiac Livestock Ltd. – April 23, 2013 – 156** stockers

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range
<b>800-899</b>	121.00-124.00	<b>800-899</b>	116.00-121.00
<b>700-799</b>	124.00-131.00	<b>700-799</b>	121.00-126.00
<b>600-699</b>	132.00-154.00	<b>600-699</b>	126.00-134.00
<b>500-599</b>	154.00-161.00	<b>500-599</b>	134.00-140.00
<b>400-499</b>	161.00-174.00	<b>400-499</b>	140.00-150.00
		<b>300-399</b>	140.00-160.00

Stockers traded at prices \$3.00-\$6.00 cwt higher.

Stocker sale at: [Maple Hill Auctions Ltd, April 22, 2013 - 336 stockers](#)

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	114.25-121.00	119.04	121.00	900	100.00-110.00	106.05	110.00
800-899	125.25-127.00	125.65	127.00	800-899	117.25-122.00	120.57	122.00
700-799	119.00-132.75	126.57	132.75	700-799	117.00-124.00	119.48	124.00

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

	Choice	Select
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	191.30	185.02
Change: (from yesterday's close)	-0.11	+1.24
Current 5 day average:	190.88	183.96

### ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade on Tuesday remained untested with business expected to develop today. This week's offering is smaller in volume with higher prices anticipated.

Steers	Live	N/T	Flat rail	N/T
Heifers	Live	N/T	Flat rail	N/T

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade remained at a standstill as sellers resisted lower bids of \$123.00-\$124.00 live and \$197.50 dressed. Asking prices are firm today at \$128.00 live and \$205.00 dressed following some strength in the cattle futures today. Active trade is not expected before Thursday at the earliest

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					
Apr	126.95	+0.72	Apr	133.75	+0.00	May	6.394	+1.0	May	14.040	-15.6	Spot	97.52	+0.08
Jun	122.07	+1.25	May	141.10	+1.50	Jul	6.182	+4.2	Jul	13.452	-13.2	Jun	97.39	+0.09
Aug	122.90	+1.27	Aug	150.62	+2.50	Sep	5.466	+4.2	Aug	12.854	-13.2	Sep	97.20	+0.10
Oct	126.37	+1.32	Sep	152.67	+2.40	Dec	5.280	+5.2	Sep	12.260	-10.4	Dec	97.00	+0.09
Dec	127.47	+1.22	Oct	154.40	+2.27	Mar	5.390	+5.4	Nov	11.936	-2.4	Mar	96.82	+0.09
Feb	128.40	+1.20	Nov	154.97	+2.17	May	5.470	+5.4	Jan	12.016	-2.2	Jun	96.63	+0.09

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**Canadian Planting Intentions:** released by Stats Canada - April 24, 2013 8:30 am

### March intentions of principal field crop areas

	2011 (final)	2012 (final)	March 2013 (intentions)	2011 to 2012	2012 to March 2013
	thousands of acres			% change	
Total wheat <sup>1</sup>	21,483	23,706	26,618	10.3	12.3
Spring wheat	15,734	16,939	19,375	7.7	14.4
Durum wheat	4,011	4,680	5,105	16.7	9.1
Winter wheat <sup>2</sup>	1,739	2,088	2,138	20.1	2.4
Canola	18,990	21,531	19,133	13.4	-11.1
Barley	6,589	7,405	7,240	12.4	-2.2
Soybeans	3,582	4,153	4,294	7.8	3.4
Corn for grain	3,192	3,544	3,813	11.0	7.6
Summerfallow	11,763	4,485	3,522	-61.9	-21.5
Dry field peas	2,437	3,340	3,430	37.1	2.7
Oats	3,244	2,854	3,379	-12.0	18.4
Lentils	2,558	2,515	2,063	-1.7	-18.0
Flaxseed	740	980	1,240	32.5	26.5

1. Total wheat is the sum of winter wheat, spring wheat and durum wheat.

2. The area remaining after winterkill.

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