



## Daily Market Information Report - Tuesday, December 31, 2013

The following information is collected from various sources and disseminated by Beef Farmers of Ontario.

*The Beef Farmers of Ontario office will be closed on Wednesday January 1, 2014. On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Staff at the Beef Farmers of Ontario, I would like to wish you a Happy New Year and all the best in 2014!*

### 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).

Prices reported for Monday, December 30, 2013

<b>A Grade Steers</b>	216.00-218.00
<b>A Grade Heifers</b>	215.00-217.00

### ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at **Brussels Livestock**: **150** Fed Cattle and **250** Cows

	Price Range	Top
<b>Choice Steers &amp; Heifers</b>	132.00-135.00	142.00
<b>Second Cut Cattle</b>	128.00-131.00	
<b>Good Beef Cows</b>	74.00-92.00	97.00
<b>Export Cows</b>	76.50-89.50	94.50

Fed steers and heifers sold on a strong active market at prices \$2.00-\$5.00 higher. Cows sold on an active market at higher prices.

Today at **Ontario Livestock Exchange**: **177** Veal and **215** Cows

	Price Range	Top
<b>Cows</b>	73.00-84.00	102.00
<b>Good Beef</b>	145.00-174.00	
<b>Good Holstein</b>	135.00-144.00	
<b>Medium Holstein</b>	120.00-135.00	
<b>Plain Holstein</b>	110.00-120.00	
<b>Heavy Holstein</b>	125.00-135.00	

Veal sold actively at stronger prices. Cull cows continue to sell at strong prices.

**At: Aylmer Stockyards Inc., December 30, 2013 – 15 veal, 257 cows, 4 bulls**

	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>Cows</b>	45.00-90.00	75.00	90.00
<b>Veal over 600 lbs</b>	90.00-135.00	126.60	135.00
<b>Replacement calves</b>	\$35.00-\$200.00		\$235.00

Cows sold on a very strong demand.

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

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>Cows</b>	867	53.58-85.14	71.85	95.00
<b>Bulls all weights</b>	17	72.00-89.76	83.87	105.00
<b>Veal Calves +600 lbs</b>	21	93.24-135.05	117.90	140.50
<b>Veal Calves Under 125 lbs</b>	650	75.20-154.80	125.81	180.00

To check out individual auction market results on the Ontario Beef website go to <http://www.ontariobeef.com/markets/market-reports.aspx>

**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):	200.84	196.06
<b>Change</b> (from yesterday's close):	+1.13	+0.60
<b>Current Five Day Average:</b>	197.44	191.96

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade remained untested with just a few bids reported at \$132.00 live and \$214.00 dressed. Asking prices are reported at \$136.00-\$137.00 live and \$216.00-\$218.00 dressed. Active trade is not expected to develop until after the New Year's Day holiday.

<b>Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:</b>	Live	N/T
	Rail	N/T

**CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE**

Final 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>	134.50	+0.10	<b>Jan</b>	166.70	-0.57	<b>Mar</b>	4.220	-1.4	<b>Jan</b>	13.124	-15.6	<b>Spot</b>	94.03	+0.05
<b>Feb</b>	134.62	-0.47	<b>Mar</b>	167.40	-0.55	<b>May</b>	4.302	-1.4	<b>Mar</b>	12.924	-16.2	<b>Mar</b>	93.92	+0.11
<b>Apr</b>	135.30	-0.45	<b>Apr</b>	168.10	-0.72	<b>Jul</b>	4.370	-1.6	<b>May</b>	12.770	-15.0	<b>Jun</b>	93.71	+0.10
<b>Jun</b>	129.42	-0.30	<b>May</b>	168.67	-0.50	<b>Sep</b>	4.434	-1.2	<b>Jun</b>	12.644	-14.2	<b>Sep</b>	93.51	+0.10
<b>Aug</b>	127.92	-0.27	<b>Aug</b>	170.30	-0.22	<b>Dec</b>	4.502	-0.6	<b>Aug</b>	12.344	-12.6	<b>Dec</b>	93.32	+0.11
<b>Oct</b>	131.10	+0.22	<b>Sep</b>	169.37	+0.00	<b>Mar</b>	4.610	-0.6	<b>Sep</b>	11.752	-12.4	<b>Mar</b>	93.12	+0.11