



# Weekly Market Information Report

## Week ending Thursday September 8, 2005



The following information is collected from various sources and disseminated by the Ontario Cattlemen's Association.

### ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

This is a summary for the **week** of rail grade prices on a carcass weight basis, before grade and weight discounts.

	Price Range	Last Week
<b>A grade steers</b>	N/A	158.00-160.00
<b>A grade heifers</b>	N/A	157.00-159.00

### ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Ontario auction sales this **week** saw weighted average price ranges for **FED CATTLE**

	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week avg.
Large Frame Steers +1250	86.67-95.46	91.37	108.00	92.38
Medium Frame Steers +1250	80.75-95.00	89.71	104.25	85.44
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	86.04-95.82	91.30	108.00	90.96
Large Frame Heifers +1000	80.00-94.32	89.39	101.25	89.85
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	76.10-93.37	87.49	104.25	79.99
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	78.77-94.31	88.83	104.25	88.18
Cows-all weights	23.93-43.22	33.51	108.00	33.47
Bulls-all weights	37.28-55.15	45.19	92.00	43.82

### **STOCKERS – Large & Medium Frame**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>1000+</b>	95.05-106.94	102.03	116.00
<b>900-999</b>	99.92-113.74	108.11	120.50
<b>800-899</b>	108.99-120.03	114.53	124.50
<b>700-799</b>	105.14-125.11	116.97	130.00
<b>600-699</b>	103.44-126.47	117.84	133.00
<b>500-599</b>	100.42-137.46	123.05	147.00
<b>400-499</b>	110.78-149.09	134.27	160.00

<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>900+</b>	87.31-103.17	96.13	118.25
<b>800-899</b>	94.97-111.99	104.95	115.35
<b>700-799</b>	95.56-112.94	106.69	119.25
<b>600-699</b>	89.69-114.55	105.82	127.75
<b>500-599</b>	89.28-117.58	106.40	123.00
<b>400-499</b>	98.73-127.84	115.95	149.00

**At Talbotville Livestock: Saturday September 3, 2005**

	Price Range	Top
Good & choice steers	84.00-98.00	115.00
Good & choice heifers	83.00-96.00	112.50
Cows	24.00-35.00	51.00
Bulls	37.00-46.00	

**Stocker Sale: Brussel's Livestock, Sept 2, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
1000+	98.50-108.75	110.50	900+	89.00-107.00	118.25
900-999	107.25-120.00	120.50	800-899	100.00-112.75	112.75
800-899	112.50-123.50	123.50	700-799	94.00-114.25	118.25
700-799	104.00-130.00	130.00	600-699	85.50-117.00	127.75
600-699	106.00-128.25	128.25	500-599	103.50-123.00	123.00
500-599	113.00-140.00	140.00	400-499	105.00-131.50	146.00
400-499	122.00-149.50	156.00			
-400	127.00-161.00	167.00			

**Stocker Sale: Keady Livestock Market, September 6, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
1000+	107.00-116.00	116.00	900+	98.00-108.50	108.50
900-999	105.00-114.60	115.00	800-899	104.00-115.35	115.35
800-899	113.50-121.75	124.50	700-799	104.50-119.25	119.25
700-799	118.00-130.00	130.00	600-699	103.25-119.50	119.50
600-699	118.50-126.50	131.00	500-599	95.00-118.50	118.50

Good quality stocker cattle sold on a moderate demand at steady prices.

**Sale at: Denfield Livestock – September 6, 2005**

	Price Range
Choice steers	95.00-100.00
Good steers	85.00-90.00
Plain steers	70.00-80.00
Choice exotic cross heifers	92.00-97.25
Good heifers	84.00-88.00
Plain heifers	60.00-70.00
Good fed cows	40.00-50.00
D1 & D2 cows	30.00-40.00
D3 & D4 cows	25.00-30.00
Good beef bulls	40.00-50.00

The market traded on a strong demand at steady prices on the fed cattle with the fancy cattle at premium prices. A good offering of stockers traded strong. Cows were fully steady to higher and holstein calves were higher.

**Stocker sale: Ontario Livestock Exchange, September 7, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
+1000	100.00-106.00	106.00	+900	99.00-100.00	100.00

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<b>900-999</b>	101.00-113.00	117.50	<b>800-899</b>	72.50-102.50	102.50
<b>700-799</b>	110.50-124.00	124.00			

Stocker sale: **Kawartha Lakes – September 7, 2005**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>+1000</b>	84.50-107.75	107.75	<b>+900</b>	74.00-103.00	103.00
<b>900-999</b>	69.00-114.00	114.00	<b>800-899</b>	78.00-109.75	109.75
<b>800-899</b>	113.00-124.00	124.00	<b>700-799</b>	80.00-111.50	111.50
<b>700-799</b>	99.25-129.75	129.75	<b>600-699</b>	84.00-117.00	117.00
<b>600-699</b>	100.00-129.00	129.00	<b>500-599</b>	96.00-112.00	112.00
<b>500-599</b>	79.00-140.00	140.00	<b>400-499</b>	103.00-121.75	121.75
<b>400-499</b>	90.00-151.00	151.00	<b>300-399</b>	108.50-130.00	130.00

Stocker sale: **Warton – September 8, 2005 - 1,119 yearling cattle**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>+1000</b>	111.25-114.50	115.50	<b>900-999</b>	101.50-109.25	109.50
<b>900-999</b>	108.25-112.50	117.50	<b>800-899</b>	98.00-113.00	113.50
<b>800-899</b>	105.00-120.50	121.00	<b>700-799</b>	107.25-115.50	116.75
<b>700-799</b>	107.50-117.50	127.00			

Good to strong sale with above average quality cattle in good condition

**QUEBEC STOCKER SALES**

**Sawyerville – September 1, 2005 – 780 head**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range		<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	
<b>+900</b>	82.00-116.00		<b>700-799</b>	60.00-127.00	
<b>800-899</b>	94.00-124.00		<b>600-699</b>	50.00-130.00	
<b>700-799</b>	60.00-132.00		<b>500-599</b>	50.00-132.00	
<b>600-699</b>	68.00-143.00		<b>400-499</b>	50.00-132.00	
<b>500-599</b>	60.00-152.00				
<b>400-499</b>	68.00-158.00				

**St. Isidore – September 2, 2005 – 1,165 head**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range		<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	
<b>+900</b>	80.00-123.00		<b>800-899</b>	64.00-114.00	
<b>800-899</b>	90.00-133.00		<b>700-799</b>	70.00-121.00	
<b>700-799</b>	70.00-143.00		<b>600-699</b>	60.00-132.00	
<b>600-699</b>	70.00-151.00		<b>500-599</b>	62.00-132.00	
<b>500-599</b>	70.00-156.00		<b>400-499</b>	80.00-138.00	
<b>400-499</b>	66.00-161.00				

**AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA**

	<b>STEERS</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>
<b>August 27, 2005</b>	831	773
<b>August 28, 2004</b>	824	756

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**FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL**

	Week Ending August 27, 2005	YTD	% of Yr. Ago
<b>Grand Total</b>	76,414	2,485,296	104%
<b>Alberta Slaughter</b>	51,901	1,673,053	99%
<b>Ontario Slaughter</b>	13,337	424,815	105%

**USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL**

	Week Ending Sept 3, 2005	Last Week	Year Ago
<b>Grand Total</b>	636,000	644,000	642,000

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

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<b>Steers</b>	<b>Live</b>	81.65-83.00	<b>Flat rail</b>	135.80-137.30
<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Live</b>	82.35-84.20	<b>Flat rail</b>	136.00-136.50

**CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUTOUT VALUE**

Week ending- September 2, 2005	AAA	AA
<b>Cutout value</b>	1.6189	1.5280
<b>Last week</b>	1.6148	1.5216

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

	Choice	Select
	<b>600-900</b>	<b>600-900</b>
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	134.62	123.70

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

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Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers:	<b>Live</b>	81.50
	<b>Rail</b>	128.00-129.00

**BEEF EXPORTS**

	United States Jan 2- Sept 3	Mexico Jan 1 - July 9
<b>Total</b>	237,711 tonnes	32,673 tonnes

**BEEF IMPORTS**

	Jan 1 - Aug 27	Last Year Same Time	% Change
<b>Total</b>	66,750 tonnes	52,674 tonnes	+26.7

**LIVE CATTLE**

<b>IMPORTS</b>		<b>EXPORTS</b>	
	Jan 1 - Aug 27		Jan 1 - Sept 3

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<b>Pure bred</b>	555	<b>Slaughter steers &amp; heifers</b>	53,524
<b>Non pure bred</b>	12,462	<b>Feeder steers &amp; heifers</b>	42,500

 **BEEF PRODUCTION**

	Jan 1 – Sept 3	Last Year Same Time	% Change
<b>Fed</b>	803,424 tonnes	805,102 tonnes	-0.2%
<b>Non-fed</b>	109,631 tonnes	89,725 tonnes	+22.2%

**CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE**

Closing 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	\$/bu US		¢/bu			
<b>Oct</b>	84.82	+1.37	<b>Sep</b>	114.57	+1.12	<b>Sep</b>	2.030	+0.2	<b>Sep</b>	5.804	-10.0	<b>Spot</b>	84.96	+0.34
<b>Dec</b>	87.80	+1.25	<b>Oct</b>	113.17	+1.02	<b>Dec</b>	2.160	-0.2	<b>Nov</b>	5.900	-10.4	<b>Sep</b>	84.96	+0.32
<b>Feb</b>	89.15	+0.77	<b>Nov</b>	112.42	+1.10	<b>Mar</b>	2.272	+0.0	<b>Jan</b>	5.986	-9.6	<b>Dec</b>	85.16	+0.32
<b>Apr</b>	87.50	+0.80	<b>Jan</b>	108.70	+1.07	<b>May</b>	2.340	+0.0	<b>Mar</b>	6.070	-9.4	<b>Mar</b>	85.38	+0.32



**Comments for the week ending September 8, 2005**

Finished cattle traded steady to a touch better this week than last. The volume of live finished steers and heifers sold through auction markets was 1,641. The average fed steer price was \$91.30 up \$0.34 and the average heifer price was \$88.83 up \$0.65 from last week. Auction markets reported fed cattle sold actively on a strong demand with prices steady.

Slaughter cows held steady with last week. There were 1,979 head sold through auction markets. This week's average price was \$33.51 up \$0.04 from last week. Auction markets reported cows sold on a good demand with prices fully steady.

The replacement cattle market was similar to finished cattle and cows seeing steady money. Total stockers sold was 6,470 down 0.4% from last week and 46% higher than last year at this time. Auction markets reported all classes of replacement cattle sold actively with prices steady to strong.

Direct to packer railgrade cattle prices were not established this week.

In Alberta, cattle trade was fairly slow all week with prices \$1-2 lower. Steers sold at \$81.65-83.00 live and

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\$135.80-137.30 flat rail. Heifers sold at \$82.35-84.20 live and \$136.00-136.50 flat rail.

U.S. cash cattle trade was fairly active late in the week with prices \$1 higher than last week. Steers and heifers sold at \$81.00 live and \$128.00-130.00 dressed.

Local beef trade was somewhat better than last week. Considering the time of year movement was reasonable. Some of the middle cuts are not moving well.