



# Weekly Market Information Report

## Week ending Thursday September 15, 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>	157.00-163.00	N/A
<b>A grade heifers</b>	156.00-162.00	N/A

### 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	87.02-96.43	92.53	109.00	91.37
Medium Frame Steers +1250	83.08-96.80	91.05	104.25	89.71
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	85.93-96.92	92.45	109.00	91.30
Large Frame Heifers +1000	77.04-95.69	89.18	105.25	89.39
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	70.50-90.85	84.49	99.50	87.49
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	73.96-95.60	88.27	105.25	88.83
Cows-all weights	24.03-44.50	34.10	124.00	33.51
Bulls-all weights	37.87-54.19	45.83	103.50	45.19

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

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>1000+</b>	98.00-108.77	104.51	118.25
<b>900-999</b>	103.57-116.14	110.86	121.25
<b>800-899</b>	106.41-123.15	115.47	128.00
<b>700-799</b>	110.26-129.17	121.61	136.00
<b>600-699</b>	107.78-130.79	121.63	139.50
<b>500-599</b>	108.61-138.90	126.21	155.00
<b>400-499</b>	108.51-150.82	130.85	159.00

<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>900+</b>	76.34-98.84	90.04	111.00
<b>800-899</b>	98.44-111.15	105.46	117.00
<b>700-799</b>	100.76-116.45	109.22	126.75
<b>600-699</b>	94.85-120.41	110.07	130.00
<b>500-599</b>	99.06-122.62	112.40	139.00
<b>400-499</b>	90.49-127.51	112.85	136.00

**At Talbotville Livestock: Saturday September 10, 2005**

	Price Range	Top
Good & choice steers	83.00-98.00	112.00
Good & choice heifers	82.00-98.00	104.75
Cows	22.50-41.00	55.00
Bulls	40.00-55.00	

**Stocker Sale: Brussel's Livestock, Sept 10, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
1000+	82.00-105.25	113.00	900+	83.50-106.00	106.00
900-999	101.00-114.25	114.25	800-899	95.00-108.25	110.75
800-899	110.00-123.75	123.75	700-799	98.50-114.50	116.50
700-799	114.25-129.50	135.00	600-699	87.50-117.50	128.50
600-699	112.00-130.00	130.00	500-599	107.50-127.75	127.75
500-599	123.25-141.50	144.00	400-499	101.00-124.00	132.00
400-499	120.00-146.00	147.50			

**Stocker Sale: Leo's Livestock, Sept 11, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
700-799	107.00-128.00	128.00	600-699	85.00-115.50	115.50
600-699	107.00-132.00	136.00	500-599	97.00-123.00	127.50
500-599	109.00-139.50	140.00	400-499	86.00-135.00	136.00
400-499	108.00-145.00	147.00	300-399	101.00-130.00	132.00

**Stocker Sale: Little Current, Sept 9, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
1000+	94.50	800-1000	108.00-115.00
800-1000	105.00-126.00	600-800	95.00-123.00
600-800	100.00-137.00	400-600	109.00-131.00
400-600	104.00-153.00		

**Stocker Sale: Tricounty Cattle, Sept 12, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
1000+	115.00-116.00	116.00	800-899	112.75-117.00	117.00
900-999	106.75-117.00	119.75	700-799	114.60-126.75	126.75
800-899	119.00-120.10	125.50	600-699	129.25-130.00	130.00
700-799	122.50-128.00	128.00			
600-699	139.00-139.50	139.50			

**Stocker Sale: Keady Livestock Market, September 13, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
900-999	109.75-119.50	121.25			
800-899	106.25-127.50	127.50	800-899	97.00-112.75	114.00
700-799	118.00-132.25	132.25	700-799	110.00-119.75	119.75
600-699	109.00-133.50	133.50	600-699	103.00-126.00	126.00
500-599	98.00-140.00	155.00	500-599	107.00-125.00	126.00

All classes of stocker cattle sold on a moderate demand at steady prices

**Sale at: Denfield Livestock – September 13, 2005**

	Price Range	
Choice steers	95.00-100.00	
Good steers	87.00-92.00	
Plain steers	82.00-87.00	
Choice exotic cross heifers	92.00-97.00	
Good heifers	85.00-90.00	
Plain heifers	80.00-85.00	
Good fed cows	40.00-45.00	
D1 & D2 cows	30.00-40.00	
Good beef bulls	35.00-45.00	
The market traded steady on all classes with fancy cattle bringing a premium. Cows sold strong.		

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, September 14, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
+1000	103.00-109.25	112.25	+900	100.00-106.00	106.00
900-999	103.50-111.00	117.25	800-899	96.50-104.50	106.25

**AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA**

	STEERS	HEIFERS
September 3, 2005	837	773
September 4, 2004	835	760

**FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL**

	Week Ending Sept 3, 2005	YTD	% of Yr. Ago
Grand Total	74,096	2,559,392	104%
Alberta Slaughter	49,421	1,722,474	99%
Ontario Slaughter	13,128	437,943	104%

**USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL**

	Week Ending Sept 10, 2005	Last Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	577,000	636,000	541,000

**CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUTOUT VALUE**

Week ending-September 9, 2005	AAA	AA
Cutout value	1.6149	1.5130
Last week	1.6189	1.5280

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

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<b>Steers</b>	<b>Live</b>	82.50-86.00	<b>Flat rail</b>	139.00-142.00
<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Live</b>	83.75-85.55	<b>Flat rail</b>	140.00-142.00

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

	<b>Choice</b>	<b>Select</b>
	<b>600-900</b>	<b>600-900</b>
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	137.99	126.89

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

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Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers:	<b>Live</b>	85.00-88.00
	<b>Rail</b>	135.00-138.00

**BEEF EXPORTS**

	United States Jan 2– Sept 10	Mexico Jan 1 – July23
<b>Total</b>	244,494 tonnes	32,673 tonnes

**BEEF IMPORTS**

	Jan 1 – Sept 3	Last Year Same Time	% Change
<b>Total</b>	67,845 tonnes	54,615 tonnes	+24.2

**LIVE CATTLE**

IMPORTS		EXPORTS	
	Jan 1 – Sept 3		Jan 1 – Sept 10
<b>Pure bred</b>	555	<b>Slaughter steers &amp; heifers</b>	63,831
<b>Non pure bred</b>	12,462	<b>Feeder steers &amp; heifers</b>	49,848

**BEEF PRODUCTION**

	Jan 1 – Sept 10	Last Year Same Time	% Change
<b>Fed</b>	824,527 tonnes	824,824 tonnes	+0.0%
<b>Non-fed</b>	113,122 tonnes	92,198 tonnes	+22.7%

**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					
<b>Oct</b>	86.07	-0.30	<b>Sep</b>	114.87	-0.50	<b>Dec</b>	2.062	-0.2	<b>Nov</b>	5.712	+2.4	<b>Spot</b>	84.80	+0.45			
<b>Dec</b>	88.27	-0.62	<b>Oct</b>	112.92	-0.70	<b>Mar</b>	2.186	-0.2	<b>Jan</b>	5.800	+2.2	<b>Sep</b>	84.80	+0.46			
<b>Feb</b>	89.40	-0.50	<b>Nov</b>	112.35	-0.57	<b>May</b>	2.260	-0.2	<b>Mar</b>	5.872	+1.6	<b>Dec</b>	85.01	+0.46			
<b>Apr</b>	87.27	-0.32	<b>Jan</b>	109.07	-0.50	<b>July</b>	2.320	+0.0	<b>May</b>	5.912	+0.6	<b>Mar</b>	85.24	+0.46			

**Comments for the week ending [September 15, 2005](#)**

Finished cattle traded stronger this week. The volume of live finished steers and heifers sold

through auction markets was 1,931. The average fed steer price was \$92.41 up \$1.11 and the average heifer price was \$88.27 down \$0.56 from last week. Auction markets reported fed cattle sold actively on a stronger market with prices \$1-2 higher.

Slaughter cows regained some strength in the market place. There were 2,084 head sold through auction markets. This week's average price was \$34.39 up \$0.88 from last week. Auction markets reported cows sold actively with prices fully steady to \$2 higher.

Replacement cattle continued to bring strong prices. Total stockers sold was 8,215 up 27% from last week and 46% higher than last year at this time. Auction markets reported all classes of replacement cattle sold actively with prices fully steady to strong.

Direct to packer railgrade cattle prices were \$1 higher than two weeks ago. Steers sold at \$157.00-163.00 and heifers were \$156.00-162.00 dressed.

In Alberta, cattle trade was moderately active with prices steady to \$1 higher. Steers sold at \$82.50-86.00 live and \$139.00-142.00 flat rail. Heifers sold at \$83.75-85.55 live and \$140.00-142.00 flat rail.

U.S. cash cattle trade was active mid week with prices \$4-6 higher than last week. Steers and heifers sold at \$85.00-88.00 live and \$135.00-138.00 dressed.

Local beef trade was strong with good movement of meat particularly the end cuts. The middle cuts are starting to clean up. Strips are sold about one month ahead.