



# Weekly Market Information Report



Week Ending Thursday October 11, 2007

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.

|                        |               |
|------------------------|---------------|
| <b>A grade steers</b>  | 135.00-140.00 |
| <b>A grade heifers</b> | 134.00-138.00 |

## ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Ontario auction sales this week saw weighted average price ranges for

### **FED CATTLE**

|                                     | <b>Price Range</b> | <b>Average</b> | <b>Top</b> | <b>Last week Avg</b> |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|------------|----------------------|
| Large Frame Steers +1250            | 73.72-80.76        | 76.97          | 86.00      | 82.47                |
| Medium Frame Steers +1250           | 70.55-78.49        | 75.60          | 81.00      | 81.60                |
| Large & Medium Frame Steers + 1250  | 73.42-80.06        | 76.82          | 86.00      | 81.74                |
| Large Frame Heifers + 1000          | 71.83-80.89        | 76.86          | 83.50      | 81.34                |
| Medium Frame Heifers + 1000         | 58.18-81.08        | 74.57          | 83.50      | 77.34                |
| Large & Medium Frame heifers + 1000 | 70.58-80.94        | 76.70          | 83.50      | 80.25                |
| Cows- All Weights                   | 21.88-36.78        | 29.82          | 66.00      | 32.28                |
| Bulls- All Weights                  | 38.45-50.76        | 44.88          | 70.00      | 47.18                |

### **STOCKERS-Large and Medium Frame**

| <b>STEERS</b>  | <b>Volume</b> | <b>Price Range</b> | <b>Average</b> | <b>Top</b> | <b>Last week Avg</b> |
|----------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|------------|----------------------|
| <b>1000+</b>   | 1,038         | 91.70-99.15        | 96.07          | 104.60     | 96.05                |
| <b>900-999</b> | 1,582         | 97.46-102.82       | 100.18         | 107.85     | 102.80               |
| <b>800-899</b> | 456           | 95.76-103.38       | 99.33          | 110.35     | 102.84               |
| <b>700-799</b> | 404           | 77.78-99.52        | 91.44          | 110.85     | 100.53               |
| <b>600-699</b> | 772           | 82.52-107.24       | 97.25          | 115.00     | 103.77               |
| <b>500-599</b> | 1,084         | 84.00-117.75       | 106.69         | 126.00     | 110.11               |
| <b>400-499</b> | 766           | 96.22-126.86       | 114.28         | 138.00     | 117.20               |
| <b>-399</b>    | 331           | 104.22-134.21      | 120.01         | 145.00     | 119.52               |

| <b>HEIFERS</b> | <b>Volume</b> | <b>Price Range</b> | <b>Average</b> | <b>Top</b> | <b>Last week Avg</b> |
|----------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|------------|----------------------|
| <b>900+</b>    | 558           | 80.89-88.43        | 84.24          | 92.25      | 84.31                |
| <b>800-899</b> | 356           | 81.66-92.03        | 87.62          | 94.50      | 94.34                |
| <b>700-799</b> | 374           | 78.28-91.92        | 85.18          | 97.00      | 94.80                |
| <b>600-699</b> | 312           | 79.91-93.80        | 88.53          | 106.00     | 94.84                |
| <b>500-599</b> | 852           | 91.13-110.47       | 100.71         | 126.00     | 95.83                |
| <b>400-499</b> | 586           | 88.63-112.76       | 102.94         | 120.00     | 103.75               |
| <b>300-399</b> | 266           | 97.68-114.97       | 106.88         | 132.00     | 105.36               |
| <b>-299</b>    | 42            | 88.21-111.24       | 102.31         | 127.50     | 106.84               |

### **At Talbotville Livestock: Oct 6, 2007**

|                     | <b>Price Range</b> | <b>Top</b> |
|---------------------|--------------------|------------|
| <b>Good steers</b>  | 79.00-84.50        | 95.00      |
| <b>Good heifers</b> | 77.00-82.00        | 87.00      |
| <b>Good Cows</b>    | 31.00-39.50        | 57.50      |
| <b>Bulls</b>        | 42.00-51.50        |            |

**At Denfield Livestock – Oct 9, 2007**

|                         | Price Range |                                  | Price Range  |
|-------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Good fed Steers</b>  | 74.00-81.25 | <b>Good fed heifers</b>          | 74.00-80.00  |
| <b>Plain Steers</b>     | 70.00-75.00 | <b>Plain heifers</b>             | 70.00-74.00  |
| <b>Good Fed Cows</b>    | 40.00-45.00 | <b>Good beef bulls</b>           | 40.00-50.00  |
| <b>D1 &amp; D2 cows</b> | 34.00-40.00 | <b>Good Holstein Bulls</b>       | 35.00-40.00  |
| <b>D3 &amp; D4 cows</b> | 20.00-30.00 | <b>Good Holstein Bull Calves</b> | 75.00-170.00 |

**ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE**

Stocker Sale at: **Brussels Livestock, Oct 5, 2007**

| <b>STEERS</b>  | Price Range   | Avg    | Top    | <b>HEIFERS</b> | Price Range   | Avg    | Top    |
|----------------|---------------|--------|--------|----------------|---------------|--------|--------|
| <b>1000+</b>   | 79.75-92.75   | 88.26  | 97.00  | <b>900+</b>    | 84.00-90.00   | 87.41  | 92.25  |
| <b>900-999</b> | 89.28-97.75   | 95.04  | 100.50 | <b>800-899</b> | 84.50-94.50   | 89.30  | 94.50  |
| <b>800-899</b> | 90.00-103.00  | 94.66  | 103.00 | <b>700-799</b> | 81.00-92.50   | 86.59  | 94.50  |
| <b>700-799</b> | 89.50-104.00  | 96.05  | 105.25 | <b>600-699</b> | 80.00-93.25   | 97.35  | 99.00  |
| <b>600-699</b> | 92.00-110.00  | 101.46 | 114.00 | <b>500-599</b> | 90.00-108.50  | 98.11  | 126.00 |
| <b>500-599</b> | 96.00-116.00  | 106.52 | 122.00 | <b>400-499</b> | 96.00-119.00  | 108.85 | 119.00 |
| <b>400-499</b> | 102.75-123.50 | 114.24 | 131.50 | <b>300-399</b> | 103.00-122.00 | 111.50 | 122.00 |
| <b>399-</b>    | 101.00-134.00 | 121.50 | 134.00 |                |               |        |        |

Stocker Sale at: **Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange, Oct 8, 07**

| <b>STEERS</b>  | Price Range  | Avg    | Top    | <b>HEIFERS</b> | Price Range  | Avg   | Top    |
|----------------|--------------|--------|--------|----------------|--------------|-------|--------|
| <b>600-699</b> | 98.00-109.00 | 105.04 | 109.00 | <b>500-599</b> | 80.00-103.00 | 92.77 | 103.00 |
| <b>500-599</b> | 85.00-106.00 | 97.45  | 111.00 | <b>400-499</b> | 78.00-99.00  | 93.25 | 102.00 |
| <b>400-499</b> | 88.00-116.00 | 103.50 | 123.00 | <b>300-399</b> | 75.00-105.00 | 88.00 | 105.00 |
| <b>399-</b>    | 82.00-124.00 | 103.00 | 124.00 |                |              |       |        |

Stocker Sale at: **D.H. Hickson Ltd (Hoards) - Oct 9, 2007**

| <b>STEERS</b>  | Price Range  | Avg    | Top    | <b>HEIFERS</b> | Price Range  | Avg   | Top    |
|----------------|--------------|--------|--------|----------------|--------------|-------|--------|
| <b>600-699</b> | 67.50-102.50 | 90.63  | 102.50 | <b>600-699</b> | 70.00-93.00  | 82.50 | 93.00  |
| <b>500-599</b> | 65.00-115.50 | 101.98 | 115.50 | <b>500-599</b> | 78.50-101.00 | 91.18 | 101.00 |
| <b>400-499</b> | 86.00-129.00 | 113.52 | 129.00 | <b>400-499</b> | 67.00-104.50 | 94.32 | 104.50 |

Stocker sale at **Keady Livestock – Oct 9, 2007**

| <b>STEERS</b>  | Price Range   | Avg    | Top    | <b>HEIFERS</b> | Price Range   | Avg    | Top    |
|----------------|---------------|--------|--------|----------------|---------------|--------|--------|
| <b>1000+</b>   | 89.50-93.85   | 93.07  | 93.85  | <b>900+</b>    | 85.85-88.00   | 86.20  | 89.50  |
| <b>900-999</b> | 95.50-100.10  | 97.88  | 100.10 | <b>800-899</b> | 82.75-92.75   | 90.06  | 92.75  |
| <b>800-899</b> | 103.25-106.25 | 104.42 | 106.25 | <b>700-799</b> | 86.00-92.75   | 90.07  | 92.75  |
| <b>700-799</b> | 98.50-103.50  | 101.43 | 103.50 | <b>600-699</b> | 81.00-94.00   | 87.84  | 94.00  |
| <b>600-699</b> | 100.50-113.00 | 106.53 | 115.00 | <b>500-599</b> | 84.50-100.00  | 93.48  | 101.00 |
| <b>500-599</b> | 102.00-126.00 | 115.06 | 126.00 | <b>400-499</b> | 100.00-114.00 | 105.91 | 114.00 |
| <b>400-499</b> | 113.00-124.00 | 118.87 | 130.00 |                |               |        |        |

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, Oct 10, 07**

| <b>STEERS</b>  | Price Range | Avg   | Top   | <b>HEIFERS</b> | Price Range | Avg   | Top   |
|----------------|-------------|-------|-------|----------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| <b>+1000</b>   | 85.50-95.50 | 91.23 | 95.50 | <b>+900</b>    | 83.75-89.50 | 86.28 | 90.75 |
| <b>900-999</b> | 90.00-96.75 | 93.29 | 99.00 | <b>800-899</b> | 70.00-91.25 | 85.83 | 91.25 |
| <b>800-899</b> | 87.00-96.00 | 90.27 | 96.00 | <b>700-799</b> | 87.50-94.00 | 89.33 | 94.00 |
| <b>700-799</b> | 81.50-96.00 | 91.05 | 96.00 |                |             |       |       |

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Stockyards** - Oct 11, 2007

| <b>STEERS</b>  | Price Range   | Avg    | Top    | <b>HEIFERS</b> | Price Range   | Avg    | Top    |
|----------------|---------------|--------|--------|----------------|---------------|--------|--------|
| <b>1000+</b>   | 51.50-83.50   | 69.48  | 83.50  | <b>900+</b>    | 59.00-78.00   | 65.30  | 78.00  |
| <b>900-999</b> | 84.25-88.00   | 85.83  | 88.00  | <b>800-899</b> | 68.25-94.25   | 80.26  | 94.25  |
| <b>800-899</b> | 83.75-91.00   | 87.69  | 94.00  | <b>700-799</b> | 79.25-93.75   | 85.33  | 96.75  |
| <b>700-799</b> | 90.50-99.00   | 94.62  | 99.00  | <b>600-699</b> | 84.50-96.50   | 89.12  | 98.00  |
| <b>600-699</b> | 84.25-100.00  | 91.69  | 101.50 | <b>500-599</b> | 83.00-99.50   | 89.07  | 104.00 |
| <b>500-599</b> | 93.00-110.00  | 102.80 | 118.00 | <b>400-499</b> | 92.00-117.00  | 107.05 | 117.00 |
| <b>400-499</b> | 101.00-127.00 | 113.05 | 135.50 | <b>300-399</b> | 105.00-123.00 | 114.07 | 125.00 |
| <b>399-</b>    | 108.00-129.00 | 114.75 | 129.00 |                |               |        |        |

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange** – Oct 11, 2007

| <b>STEERS</b>  | Price Range   | Avg    | Top    | <b>HEIFERS</b> | Price Range  | Avg   | Top    |
|----------------|---------------|--------|--------|----------------|--------------|-------|--------|
| <b>700-799</b> | 78.50-84.00   | 82.55  | 84.00  | <b>500-599</b> | 82.00-95.50  | 91.17 | 103.00 |
| <b>600-699</b> | 86.50-100.00  | 93.00  | 100.00 | <b>400-499</b> | 91.00-105.00 | 99.20 | 105.00 |
| <b>500-599</b> | 103.00-107.00 | 104.83 | 107.00 |                |              |       |        |
| <b>400-499</b> | 100.00-116.00 | 108.11 | 126.00 |                |              |       |        |
| <b>399-</b>    | 78.00-115.00  | 104.00 | 115.00 |                |              |       |        |

Stocker Sale at: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange** – Oct 11, 2007

| <b>STEERS</b>  | Price Range  | Avg    | Top    | <b>HEIFERS</b> | Price Range | Avg   | Top    |
|----------------|--------------|--------|--------|----------------|-------------|-------|--------|
| <b>700-799</b> | 61.00-92.00  | 76.08  | 98.00  | <b>600-699</b> | 82.00-93.00 | 88.70 | 98.00  |
| <b>600-699</b> | 69.00-98.00  | 86.35  | 98.00  | <b>500-599</b> | 79.00-97.00 | 88.36 | 102.00 |
| <b>500-599</b> | 89.00-109.00 | 98.33  | 109.00 | <b>400-499</b> | 74.00-99.00 | 86.77 | 103.00 |
| <b>400-499</b> | 93.00-125.00 | 111.45 | 125.00 |                |             |       |        |
| <b>399-</b>    | 93.00-136.00 | 120.94 | 136.00 |                |             |       |        |

Stocker Sale at: **Tri-County Cattle Co.** – Oct 11, 2007

| <b>STEERS</b>  | Price Range | Avg   | Top   | <b>HEIFERS</b> | Price Range | Avg   | Top   |
|----------------|-------------|-------|-------|----------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| <b>1000+</b>   | 90.50-93.75 | 92.71 | 93.75 | <b>900+</b>    | 82.25-92.25 | 88.42 | 92.25 |
| <b>900-999</b> | 87.50-93.50 | 91.08 | 94.25 | <b>800-899</b> | 85.00-94.00 | 91.13 | 94.00 |
| <b>800-899</b> |             |       |       | <b>700-799</b> | 89.00-90.50 | 90.00 | 90.50 |

**ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE- SPECIAL FALL STOCKER SALE**

Stocker Sale at: **Cargill Auction Market, Oct 5, 07**

| <b>STEERS</b>  | Price Range  | <b>HEIFERS</b> | Price Range  | Top |
|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-----|
| <b>1000+</b>   | 92.00-99.00  | <b>900+</b>    | 85.00-102.00 |     |
| <b>900-999</b> | 97.00-107.00 | <b>800-899</b> | 90.00-105.50 |     |
|                |              | <b>700-799</b> | 90.00-98.00  |     |

Stocker Sale at: **Keady Livestock Market, Oct 5, 07-** yearlings- overnight stand

| <b>STEERS</b>  | Price Range   | Avg    | Top    | <b>HEIFERS</b> | Price Range | Avg   | Top   |
|----------------|---------------|--------|--------|----------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| <b>1000+</b>   | 100.00-104.60 | 102.63 | 104.60 | <b>900+</b>    | 87.00-92.00 | 88.48 | 92.00 |
| <b>900-999</b> | 102.85-107.20 | 104.74 | 107.85 | <b>800-899</b> | 90.00-92.25 | 91.25 | 92.25 |
| <b>800-899</b> | 107.00-110.35 | 108.17 | 110.35 | <b>700-799</b> | 91.50       | 91.50 | 91.50 |
| <b>700-799</b> | 110.85        | 110.85 | 110.85 |                |             |       |       |

Stocker Sale at: **Temiskaming Livestock Sales, Oct 5, 2007**

| <b>STEERS</b>  | Price Range   | Avg    | Top    | <b>HEIFERS</b> | Price Range  | Avg   | Top    |
|----------------|---------------|--------|--------|----------------|--------------|-------|--------|
| <b>700-799</b> | 70.50-98.00   | 87.18  | 99.00  | <b>800-899</b> | 76.00-80.00  | 77.00 | 81.00  |
| <b>600-699</b> | 92.00-111.00  | 103.86 | 115.00 | <b>700-799</b> | 80.50-82.00  | 81.22 | 82.00  |
| <b>500-599</b> | 107.00-126.00 | 118.52 | 126.00 | <b>600-699</b> | 80.00-90.00  | 86.27 | 90.00  |
| <b>400-499</b> | 107.00-138.00 | 123.36 | 138.00 | <b>500-599</b> | 94.00-105.00 | 99.18 | 105.00 |

|      |               |        |        |         |               |        |        |
|------|---------------|--------|--------|---------|---------------|--------|--------|
| 399- | 120.00-138.00 | 126.68 | 138.00 | 400-499 | 85.50-102.50  | 96.41  | 118.00 |
|      |               |        |        | 300-399 | 108.50-116.50 | 113.49 | 116.50 |
|      |               |        |        | 299-    | 105.00-116.00 | 113.80 | 116.00 |

Stocker Sale at: **Rainy River Cattlemen's Assoc, Oct 6, 2007**

| STEERS  | Price Range  | Avg    | Top    | HEIFERS | Price Range   | Avg    | Top    |
|---------|--------------|--------|--------|---------|---------------|--------|--------|
| 1000+   | 54.00-81.50  | 66.50  | 81.50  | 700-799 | 50.00-87.00   | 78.87  | 87.00  |
| 900-999 | 60.00-90.50  | 84.11  | 90.50  | 600-699 | 63.00-91.00   | 81.17  | 91.00  |
| 800-899 | 80.00-96.00  | 89.72  | 96.00  | 500-599 | 70.00-117.00  | 93.81  | 121.00 |
| 700-799 | 61.00-99.00  | 89.33  | 99.00  | 400-499 | 74.00-120.00  | 100.89 | 120.00 |
| 600-699 | 70.00-111.00 | 96.13  | 111.00 | 300-399 | 84.00-121.00  | 102.33 | 121.00 |
| 500-599 | 64.00-119.25 | 103.88 | 119.25 | 299-    | 100.00-127.50 | 113.75 | 127.50 |
| 400-499 | 74.00-126.00 | 108.32 | 126.00 |         |               |        |        |
| 399-    | 80.00-132.00 | 114.37 | 132.00 |         |               |        |        |

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

Week Ending **Thursday October 11, 2007**

|         |      |             |           |               |
|---------|------|-------------|-----------|---------------|
| Steers  | Live | 78.90-80.20 | Flat rail | 132.50-132.70 |
| Heifers | Live | 78.50-79.50 | Flat rail | N/A           |

**QUEBEC ELECTRONIC AUCTION MARKET** (F.O.B. the feedlot)

Week Ending **Thursday October 11, 2007**

Price Range

A1, A2 Steers & Heifers N/T

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

Week Ending **Thursday October 11, 2007**

|   |      |                      |
|---|------|----------------------|
| Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers | Live | N/T                  |
|   | Rail | N/T (Friday- 142.00) |

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

|                        | Choice  | Select  |
|------------------------|---------|---------|
|                        | 600-900 | 600-900 |
| Current 5 day average: | 145.51  | 135.46  |

**AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA**

|             | Steers | Heifers |
|-------------|--------|---------|
| Oct 6, 2007 | 867    | 807     |
| Oct 7, 2006 | 872    | 799     |

**FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL**

|                   | Week Ending | YTD       | % of Yr. Ago |
|-------------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|
|                   | Oct 6, 2007 |           |              |
| Grand Total       | 59,926      | 2,493,063 | 97%          |
| Alberta Slaughter | 40,593      | 1,679,786 | 103%         |
| Ontario Slaughter | 11,300      | 473,954   | 91%          |

**USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL**

|             | Week Ending  | Previous Week | Year Ago |
|-------------|--------------|---------------|----------|
|             | Oct 13, 2007 |               |          |
| Grand Total | 639,000      | 672,000       | 621,000  |

**LIVE CATTLE IMPORTS-ONTARIO**

Week ending Sept 29, 07    Week ending Sept 22, 07    Year to date.

|   |   |   |       |
|---|---|---|-------|
| Live slaughter cattle imported from the U.S. into Ontario | 0 | 0 | 5,053 |
|---|---|---|-------|

**LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO**

|   |                         |                         |               |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| Live slaughter cattle exported from Ontario to the U.S. | Week ending Sept 29, 07 | Week ending Sept 22, 07 | Year to date. |
|   | 1,631                   | 1,067                   | 68,378        |

**BEEF EXPORTS**

|              |               |                 |
|--------------|---------------|-----------------|
|              | United States | Mexico          |
|              | Jan 1 – Oct 6 | Jan 1 – July 21 |
| <b>Total</b> | 207,796       | 21,784          |

**LIVE CATTLE IMPORTS EXPORTS**

|                      |                 |                                       |               |
|----------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|
|                      | Jan 1 – July 31 |                                       | Jan 1 – Oct 6 |
| <b>Pure bred</b>     | 8,736           | <b>Slaughter steers &amp; heifers</b> | 579,127       |
| <b>Non pure bred</b> | 27,327          | <b>Feeder steers &amp; heifers</b>    | 324,633       |

**BEEF PRODUCTION**

|                |                |                     |          |
|----------------|----------------|---------------------|----------|
|                | Jan 1 – Oct 6  | Last Year Same Time | % Change |
| <b>Fed</b>     | 717,589 tonnes | 750,093 tonnes      | -4.3%    |
| <b>Non-fed</b> | 174,337 tonnes | 168,244 tonnes      | +3.6%    |

**BEEF IMPORTS**

|                  |                 |                     |          |
|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------|
|                  | Jan 1 – Sept 29 | Last Year Same Time | % Change |
| <b>U.S.</b>      | 73,984 tonnes   | 59,896 tonnes       | +23.5%   |
| <b>Non-NAFTA</b> | 42,221 tonnes   | 33,591 tonnes       | +25.7%   |
| <b>Total</b>     | 120,176 tonnes  | 94,905 tonnes       | +26.6%   |

**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>         | 94.45    -0.22 | <b>Oct</b>           | 113.37    -0.97 | <b>Dec</b>       | 3.510    +7.2 | <b>Nov</b>       | 9.766    -4.6  | <b>Spot</b>        | 102.73    +0.26 |
| <b>Dec</b>         | 97.22    -0.55 | <b>Nov</b>           | 113.47    -1.00 | <b>Mar</b>       | 3.676    +7.0 | <b>Jan</b>       | 9.952    -5.6  | <b>Dec</b>         | 102.77    +0.27 |
| <b>Feb</b>         | 99.40    -0.17 | <b>Jan</b>           | 113.90    -0.82 | <b>May</b>       | 3.782    +7.4 | <b>Mar</b>       | 10.076    -3.0 | <b>Mar</b>         | 102.78    +0.26 |
| <b>Apr</b>         | 99.52    -0.22 | <b>Mar</b>           | 113.35    -0.52 | <b>Jul</b>       | 3.876    +7.6 | <b>May</b>       | 10.120    -1.0 | <b>Jun</b>         | 102.79    +0.25 |

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**Special Fall Sales- Upcoming Week**

|        |          |  |             |   |
|--------|----------|--|-------------|---|
| Oct 13 | 10:00 am | Thessalon- Algoma Co-op Livestock Sale                             | 600         | Calves  |
| Oct 13 | 11:00 am | Denfield Livestock   |             | Bred Cows, Calves, Yearlings                      |
| Oct 14 | 1:00 pm  | Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Mkt                                   |             | Purebred Sale: Charolais                          |
|        |          |  |             | Autumn Fest-Back to the Basics!                   |
| Oct 16 | 11:00 am | Ontario Stockyards Inc   |             | Vaccinated Calves- Ottawa Valley & Renfrew Calves |
| Oct 17 | 11:00 am | Kawartha Lake Co-op Auction Mkt                                    | 1,100       | Angus & X-Bred Stockers                           |
| Oct 18 | 10:00 am | Warton- Grey Bruce Livestock Co-op                                 | 1,000       | Calves  |
| Oct 19 | 12:00 pm | Temiskaming Livestock Market                                       | 1,000       | Calves- Vacc & Non-vacc                           |
| Oct 20 | 9:00 am  | Keady Livestock Market   | 1,200-1,500 | Bruce Peninsula Calf Assoc                        |
|        |          | Members only- Mainly Charolais-Vaccinated-Presorted & Age Verified |             |   |
| Oct 20 | 10:00 am | Ottawa Livestock Exchange  | 1,000-1,200 | Stockers and Yearlings                            |

**Comments for the week ending October 11, 2007**

All sectors of the market continued on a downward trend this week with prices under pressure and volumes holding steady. The strong Canadian dollar, high feed prices and a large volume of ready cattle are all factors which are affecting our industry.

The number of live finished steers and heifers sold through auction markets was 1,293, up 203 from last week. The average fed steer price was \$76.82 down \$4.92 from last week and \$14.23 lower than last year at this time. Heifers averaged \$76.70 down \$3.55 from last week and \$14.94 lower than last year at this time. Auction markets reported the market as under pressure with a dull demand. Prices were reported as \$2.00-\$3.00 lower right across the board.

The volume of slaughter cows sold through auction markets was 1,725 up 107 from last week. The average price was \$29.82 down \$2.46 from last week and \$4.75 lower than last year at this time. Auction markets reported that cows sold on an active trade with prices steady to \$3.00 lower.

There were 9,779 replacements sold through auction markets, down 149 from last week and 406 less than last year at this time. Auction markets reported all weights and classes of replacements as trading under pressure. Prices were reported as ranging from barely steady to \$8.00 lower.

Ontario railgrade prices averaged \$3.25 lower than last week. Steers traded at \$135.00-\$140.00 dressed while heifers sold \$134.00-\$138.00.

Alberta's fed cattle market was sluggish on Wednesday with prices lower than last week. Trade on Thursday was extremely light with prices steady. Steers traded \$78.90-\$80.20 live and \$132.50-\$132.70 flat rail. Heifers were reported at \$78.50-\$79.50 live.

U.S. cash cattle trade was active in the north with nearly steady prices as steers and heifers sold \$142.00 dressed. Business in the south at time of reporting, was untested. Asking prices are \$98.00 live with barely steady sale prices anticipated.