



Weekly Market Information Report



Week Ending Thursday July 16, 2009

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.

A grade steers	154.00-165.00
A grade heifers	153.00-164.00

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	87.36-98.52	93.22	105.00	96.63
Medium Frame Steers +1250	88.49-96.67	92.95	98.25	96.77
Large & Medium Frame Steers + 1250	87.74-98.24	93.24	105.00	96.80
Large Frame Heifers + 1000	86.29-95.88	91.97	101.00	96.50
Medium Frame Heifers + 1000	82.73-97.10	89.61	98.50	96.25
Large & Medium Frame heifers + 1000	83.99-95.43	91.00	101.00	96.57
Cows- All Weights	41.97-57.83	50.04	81.00	49.46
Bulls- All Weights	58.36-70.96	64.56	86.00	62.41

STOCKERS-Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week Avg
1000+	790	93.78-98.66	96.53	104.00	95.71
900-999	285	98.11-104.78	101.87	109.75	100.29
800-899	306	107.17-112.94	109.93	116.00	109.18
700-799	149	108.51-116.10	113.49	120.50	112.48
600-699	91	105.13-120.87	111.35	130.00	116.73
500-599	89	102.86-129.07	117.52	142.00	121.12
400-499	47	101.45-125.17	116.23	139.00	118.09
-399	37	83.18-141.36	110.35	184.00	121.73

HEIFERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week Avg
+900	240	87.52-95.27	91.50	98.00	90.57
800-899	110	89.65-99.62	95.33	102.50	92.28
700-799	178	95.84-107.00	103.36	110.50	98.43
600-699	122	91.25-108.98	104.58	118.00	105.64
500-599	134	99.78-114.56	108.16	122.50	111.90
400-499	58	103.45-115.96	111.08	130.00	112.27
300-399	21	99.36-118.55	109.49	137.00	106.67
299-	5	52.00-102.80	84.60	110.00	131.64

At Talbotville Livestock: Saturday July 11, 2009- 197 head

	Price Range	Top
Good & Choice Steers	91.00-98.00	101.50
Good & Choice Heifers	92.00-97.00	
Good Cows	48.00-59.00	65.00
Export Cows	N/T	
Bulls	N/T	
Good Veal calves	82.00-89.00	

At Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market: July 11, 2009 - 35 cows, 6 bulls

	Price Range	Average	Top
Cows	31.50-62.00	50.80	62.00

At Denfield Livestock – July 14, 2009

	Price Range		Price Range
Choice steers	92.00-96.00	Choice exotic cross heifers	92.00-98.00
Good steers	85.00-90.00	Good heifers	85.00-90.00
Plain Steers	80.00-85.00	Plain heifers	75.00-80.00
Good fed cows	57.00-65.00	Good beef bulls	65.00-75.00
D1 & D2 cows	52.00-57.00	Good Holstein bulls	60.00-65.00
D3 & D4 cows	40.00-48.00	Good Holstein bull calves	100.00-180.00
Shells	30.00-40.00	Plain Holstein bull calves	10.00-80.00

At Renfrew Pontiac Livestock Ltd– July 14, 2009- 13 replacement calves, 3 bulls, 73 cows

	Price Range		Price Range
Replacement calves	60.00-105.00	Cows D1 & D2	52.00-64.50 66.00
Bulls	55.00-65.00	Cows D3	44.00-50.50
Bred cows-good x bred	N/T	Cows D4	36.00-42.50

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at: **Brussels Livestock, July 10, 2009: 673 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	96.50-99.50	97.24	99.75	900+	88.00-96.75	92.34	98.00
900-999	96.00-105.25	100.93	109.75	800-899	89.50-101.75	96.63	102.50
800-899	102.00-105.25	103.74	113.00	700-799	86.50-104.50	98.93	104.50
700-799	111.50-117.00	115.67	117.00	600-699	91.00-113.50	109.21	118.00
600-699	113.00-121.75	116.68	125.00	500-599	114.25-122.50	117.15	122.50
500-599	112.00-133.00	122.22	135.50	400-499	117.00-130.00	122.20	130.00
400-499	50.00-136.50	109.10	136.50				

Stocker sale at: **Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market- July 11, 2009: 52 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
700-799	99.50-105.00	103.90	105.00	900+	51.50-70.50	65.75	70.50
500-599	108.00-112.00	109.14	112.00	700-799	85.50-98.50	95.90	98.50
				600-699	89.00-101.50	99.71	101.50

Stocker sale: **Community Livestock Exchange-Hoards Station– July 14, 2009 – 93 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	60.00-94.50	81.80	94.50	600-699	93.50-112.00	107.50	112.00
700-799	92.00-116.50	104.66	116.50	500-599	85.50-108.50	100.56	108.50
600-699	85.00-115.00	99.62	115.50				

Stocker sale: **Keady Livestock Market – July 14, 2009- 396 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
900-999	106.60-109.35	107.84	109.35	600-699	92.00-110.75	107.00	110.75
800-899	110.00-116.00	112.72	116.00				
700-799	115.75-120.50	117.88	120.50				

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange – July 15, 2009**- 784 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
+1000	95.00-99.25	97.54	104.00	900+	92.00-96.75	94.56	96.75
900-999	97.50-103.50	101.22	103.50				

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, July 16, 2009** – 150 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	94.50-97.50	95.62	97.50	900+	81.50-96.00	87.93	96.00
900-999	82.00-96.50	91.83	96.50	800-899	91.00-100.00	95.64	100.00
800-899	101.00-110.00	105.77	110.00	700-799	89.00-105.50	98.53	106.50
500-599	100.00-142.00	122.50	142.00	600-699	73.00-96.00	88.33	96.00

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc, July 16, 2009**- 376 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	78.50-91.00	86.90	96.50	800-899	94.00-102.50	99.54	102.50
900-999	98.00-101.25	100.17	101.25	700-799	90.50-110.50	103.40	110.50
800-899	104.50-111.50	108.42	114.50	600-699	96.50-110.50	105.64	110.50
700-799	100.50-114.50	110.18	114.50	500-599	102.00-114.75	109.16	114.75
600-699	115.00-130.00	117.89	130.00	400-499	107.00-115.50	113.27	115.50
500-599	96.50-133.50	120.98	133.50				

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Week Ending **Thursday July 16, 2009**

Steers	Live	81.25-84.75	Flat rail	137.50-140.85
Heifers	Live	84.07	Flat rail	137.00-140.85

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

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Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers	Live	N/T
	Rail	130.00

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

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A1, A2 Steers	Price	151.00-155.25
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CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

Week Ending	AAA	AA
July 10, 2009	1.6851	1.6135
July 3, 2009	1.6923	1.5434
June 26, 2009	1.6903	1.5774

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Current 5 day average:	(Thurs) -137.73	(Thurs)-131.83

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

Week Ending	Previous Week	Year Ago
July 18, 2009		
Grand Total	627,000	687,000

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
July 11, 2009	843	764
July 4, 2009	836	767

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	Week Ending July 11, 2009	YTD	% of Yr. Ago
Grand Total	63,891	1,630,084	98%
Alberta Slaughter	50,658	1,201,520	104%
Ontario Slaughter	10,429	282,119	96%

LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending July 4, 09	Week ending June 27, 09	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ont to the US.	1,840	2,571	67,993
Steers & Heifers	1,551	2,399	54,873
Cows	255	172	12,598
Bulls	34	0	522

LIVE CATTLE-CANADA

IMPORTS		EXPORTS	
Jan 1 – April 30, 09		Jan 1 – July 4, 09	
Pure bred	521	Slaughter steers & heifers	275,310
Non-pure bred	15,414	Feeder steers & heifers	188,372
		Cows & Bulls	95,657

BEEF EXPORTS

	United States Jan 1– July 11, 09	Mexico Jan 1-April 30
Total	139,875 tonnes	11,452 tonnes

BEEF PRODUCTION

	Jan 1 – July 11, 09	Last Year Same Time	% Change
Fed	484,330 tonnes	472,902 tonnes	+2.4%
Non-fed	95,074 tonnes	121,938 tonnes	-22.0%

BEEF IMPORTS

	Jan 1 – July 4, 09	Last Year Same Time	% Change
United States	59,205 tonnes	58,375 tonnes	+1.4%
Non-NAFTA	33,929 tonnes	19,078 tonnes	+77.8%
Total	95,987 tonnes	78,342 tonnes	+22.5%

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					
Aug	86.37	+0.77	Aug	104.60	+0.70	Sep	3.222	+5.4	Aug	10.094	+33.4	Spot	89.66	+0.18
Oct	91.95	+0.52	Sep	104.72	+0.65	Dec	3.314	+6.2	Sep	9.484	+32.4	Sep	89.63	+0.14
Dec	90.35	+0.40	Oct	104.57	+0.72	Mar	3.452	+6.0	Nov	9.234	+33.4	Dec	89.66	+0.14
Feb	89.82	+0.65	Nov	104.50	+0.35	May	3.546	+6.0	Jan	9.312	+33.2	Mar	89.68	+0.12
Apr	90.90	+0.47	Jan	102.90	+0.40	Jul	3.642	+6.4	Mar	9.360	+31.4	Jun	89.70	+0.11
Jun	88.72	+0.45	Mar	102.50	+0.50	Sep	3.714	+5.2	May	9.364	+27.4	Sep	89.73	+0.13

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Comments for the week ending July 16, 2009

The fed cattle market sold under pressure following last week's stronger trade. There were 791 fed cattle sold through auction markets down 301 head from last week and 657 fewer than last year at this time. Steers sold from \$87.74-98.24 with an average price of \$93.24, down \$3.56. Heifers traded at \$83.99-95.43 averaging \$91.00 down \$5.54 from last week. Auction markets reported cattle sold under pressure with prices \$1.00-3.00 lower.

The market for slaughter cows held steady with last week. There were 1,768 slaughter cows sold through auction markets up 77 head. Cows traded from \$41.97-57.83 averaging \$50.04 up \$0.58. Auction markets reported active trade with prices steady to stronger.

The replacement cattle market saw active trade with 2,662 head sold through auction markets down 2.2% from last week but 11% more than last year at this time. Auction markets reported a good strong active trade with prices \$2-4 higher. Actual average prices saw a reversal from last week where yearling heifers sold higher than yearling steers. Both heifer and steer calves sold lower than last week, although steers saw more of a loss than the heifers.

Ontario railgrade prices were under pressure much like the finished cattle live pricing. Steers ranged from \$154-165 and heifers ranged from \$153-164 dressed. This week's average prices are \$2.50 lower than last week.

Alberta's fed cattle market saw sales under pressure again this week. Steers traded from \$81.25-84.75 live and \$137.50-140.85 flat rail. Heifers sold at \$84.07 live and \$137.00-140.85 flat rail.

U.S. cash cattle trade was not evident until late in the day on Thursday. Trade was not evident in the south and there was light trade in the north with prices \$1.00 lower as steers and heifers sold at \$130.00 dressed.

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