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Tuesday August 2, 2005

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

Prices are on a carcass weight basis, before grade and weight discounts.

A grade steers 155.00-157.00
A grade heifers 154.00-155.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at **Brussels Livestock**, there were **645 fed cattle and 200 cows on offer**

	Price Range	Top
Choice steers & heifers	92.00-98.00	105.00
Second cut cattle	88.00-92.00	

Fed cattle sold steady.

Today at **Ontario Livestock Exchange**, there were **82 cows sold**

	Price Range
Good cows	32.00-48.00

Cows sold fully steady.

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

	Price Range	Average	Top Price
Cows	24.70-47.17	36.37	84.00
Veal calves -125	115.68-224.84	181.22	

At Talbotville Livestock: Saturday July 30, 2005 - 379 head

	Price Range	Top
Good & choice steers	84.50-98.00	106.75
Good & choice heifers	85.00-97.00	103.75
Cows	33.00-46.00	58.00
Bulls	38.00-55.00	

Stocker Sale: Brussel's Livestock, July 29, 2005

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
1000+	85.00-106.10	106.10	900+	88.50-96.00	101.00
900-999	96.00-107.50	107.50	800-899	93.00-108.00	113.75
800-899	73.00-109.00	111.75	700-799	91.50-102.00	103.00
700-799	97.00-119.00	119.00	600-699	98.50-118.25	118.25
600-699	105.00-126.00	126.00	500-599	106.00-120.50	120.50
500-599	103.00-128.50	137.00	400-499	96.00-119.00	120.00

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	STEERS	HEIFERS
July 23, 2005	820	743
July 24, 2004	823	751

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	Week Ending July 23, 2005	YTD	% of Yr. Ago
Grand Total	67,283	2,135,300	105%
Alberta Slaughter	43,976	1,438,431	100%
Ontario Slaughter	12,230	363,519	107%

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

	Week Ending July 30, 2005	Last Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	644,000	653,000	633,000

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

U.S. cash cattle trade is quiet today with little business expected until Thursday or Friday. Asking prices are generally 82-84 live and 132+ dressed.

Choice and select steers and heifers:	Live	N/T
	Rail	N/T

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	126.68	120.15
Change: (from yesterday's close)	+1.65	+1.39
Current 5 day average:	125.13	118.59

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were:

Live Cattle		Feeder Cattle		Corn		Soybeans		Canadian \$	
\$/cwt US		\$/cwt US		\$/bu US ¢/bu		\$/bu US ¢/bu			
Aug	81.72 -0.15	Aug	109.57 +0.25	Sep	2.324 +0.6	Aug	6.894 +16.4	Spot	82.22 +0.43
Oct	83.22 -0.42	Sep	108.30 +0.50	Dec	2.454 +1.2	Sep	6.944 +17.2	Sep	82.34 -0.40
Dec	85.55 -0.02	Oct	107.32 +0.17	Mar	2.526 +0.6	Nov	7.044 +17.0	Dec	82.57 -0.40
Feb	87.32 +0.15	Nov	105.15 +0.30	May	2.584 +1.4	Jan	7.084 +17.0	Mar	82.80 -0.40

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