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Thursday October 6, 2005

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

A grade steers Unestablished

A grade heifers Unestablished

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange - 500 fed cattle, 520 cows & 300 stockers**

	Price Range	Top
Good fed steers	93.00-103.75	111.00
Good fed heifers	91.00-103.00	
Cows	27.00-42.00	52.00
Holstein steers	65.00-81.50	
Stocker steers +700	101.00-111.00	
Lightweight steers	115.00-148.00	
Stocker heifers +600	91.00-103.50	110.00
Lightweight heifers	113.00-137.00	145.00

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards – 1,125 replacement cattle**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
800-899	99.00-123.50	123.50	700-799	104.00-120.50	120.50
700-799	111.50-126.00	126.00	600-699	95.50-115.00	116.75
600-699	111.00-129.00	129.00	500-599	106.00-124.50	129.00
500-599	106.50-136.00	145.00	400-499	107.00-124.50	124.50
400-499	105.00-141.00	156.00	300-399	100.00-121.00	124.00

A medium quality offering of replacements sold barely steady to \$5 lower.

Ontario Auction Sales on Wednesday saw weighted prices for:

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	85.00-95.25	91.61	103.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	82.50-96.75	91.84	102.50
Cows	19.87-39.38	31.53	70.50
Bulls	36.00-59.50	43.32	80.00

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, October 5, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
+1000	101.25-112.75	119.50	+900	94.50-110.75	115.25
900-999	107.25-119.50	124.00	800-899	113.00-117.25	117.25
800-899	108.50-117.00	124.50			

Stocker sale: **Kawartha Lakes, October 5, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
+1000	67.00-107.50	107.50	+900	68.00-110.00	110.00
900-999	92.50-124.25	124.25	800-899	84.50-108.75	108.75
800-899	103.00-129.00	129.00	700-799	70.00-115.00	115.00
700-799	93.00-125.00	125.00	600-699	85.00-124.50	124.50
600-699	108.00-135.00	135.00	500-599	104.00-126.00	126.00
500-599	120.00-145.00	145.00	400-499	106.50-126.00	126.00
400-499	116.50-166.00	166.00			

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade on Wednesday was light with prices \$1-3 lower.

Steers	Live	82.65-87.00	Flat rail	141.50-143.00
Heifers	Live	83.40-84.80	Flat rail	N/T

U.S. TRADE (U.S funds)

U.S. cash cattle trade was untested. There is still a spread of \$6 between asking prices and bids. Reports indicate that packers are likely short bought.

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

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	142.73	130.47
Change: (from yesterday's close)	-0.24	+0.08
Current 5 day average:	139.86	127.80

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				
Oct	89.72	-0.57	Oct	117.57	+0.47	Dec	2.042	-0.4	Nov	5.650	+1.4	Spot	84.61	+0.04		
Dec	90.77	-0.27	Nov	116.27	+0.40	Mar	2.170	-0.6	Jan	5.770	+2.0	Dec	84.80	+0.07		
Feb	92.37	-0.15	Jan	113.32	+0.12	May	2.250	-0.4	Mar	5.830	+0.2	Mar	85.04	+0.07		
Apr	89.15	-0.20	Mar	108.85	+0.65	Jul	2.320	-0.4	May	5.884	+0.2	May	85.29	+0.07		

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