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**Wednesday December 7, 2005**

## ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

**A grade steers** 169.00  
**A grade heifers** 168.00

## ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards – 530 steers, 360 heifers and 500 cows**

	Price Range	Top
<b>Fancy fed steers</b>	97.00-102.00	103.50
<b>Fancy fed heifers</b>	97.00-102.00	103.75
<b>Cows</b>	25.00-38.00	68.00
<b>Bulls</b>	30.00-40.00	85.00

All classes of steers and heifers traded actively at strong prices. Cows and bulls traded on a moderate demand at barely steady prices.

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange – 595 stockers**

	Price Range	Top
<b>Steers +800</b>	115.00-125.00	128.25
<b>Steers 600-800</b>	122.00-129.50	
<b>Heifers +700</b>	102.00-112.00	117.25
<b>Heifers 500-700</b>	113.00-126.00	
<b>Cows</b>	19.00-36.00	44.00

Shortkeep cattle sold actively at fully steady prices. A good offering of cows sold \$2-3 higher.

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

	Price Range	Average	Top Price
<b>Large &amp; Medium Frame Fed Steers</b>	94.25-102.75	98.60	108.00
<b>Large Frame &amp; Medium Frame Heifers</b>	86.90-102.59	96.98	105.00
<b>Cows</b>	15.33-28.20	22.04	48.50
<b>Bulls</b>	26.00-38.00	31.66	48.50

Stocker Sale: **D.H. Hickson, December 6, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
<b>600-699</b>	80.00-115.50	115.50	<b>600-699</b>	77.50-109.00	109.00
<b>500-599</b>	66.00-125.00	125.00	<b>500-599</b>	65.00-122.00	122.00
<b>400-499</b>	66.00-135.50	135.50	<b>400-499</b>	60.00-114.00	114.00

Stocker Sale: **Keady Livestock, December 6, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
<b>+1000</b>	119.10-121.00	121.00			
<b>900-999</b>	110.00-120.60	120.60			
<b>800-899</b>	109.00-119.75	119.75	<b>800-899</b>	88.50-114.00	114.00
<b>700-799</b>	114.50-121.50	121.50	<b>700-799</b>	81.00-102.50	111.00
<b>600-699</b>	102.00-134.50	139.50	<b>600-699</b>	82.50-114.25	120.50
<b>500-599</b>	116.00-141.50	141.50	<b>500-599</b>	90.75-118.50	124.00

**Sale: Denfield Livestock – December 6, 2005**

	Price Range
<b>Choice steers</b>	97.00-100.00
<b>Good steers</b>	92.00-97.00
<b>Plain steers</b>	75.00-85.00
<b>Choice exotic cross heifers</b>	95.00-100.00
<b>Good heifers</b>	90.00-95.00
<b>Plain heifers</b>	70.00-80.00
<b>Good cows</b>	35.00-45.00
<b>D1 &amp; D2 cows</b>	28.00-34.00
<b>D3 &amp; D4 cows</b>	20.00-25.00
<b>Good bulls</b>	35.00-40.00

The market traded on a good demand at steady prices. A large offering of cows traded actively with the good cows \$2-3 higher.

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

Alberta direct cattle trade on Tuesday saw no new trade to report.

<b>Steers</b>	Live	N/T	Flat rail	N/T
<b>Heifers</b>	Live	N/T	Flat rail	N/T

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

U.S. cash cattle trade was active in the south with just light trade in the north. Prices are generally \$1 lower than last week.

<b>Choice and select steers and heifers:</b>	Live	91.00-91.50
	Rail	143.00-146.00

**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>Cutout Values:</b> (noon estimate)	154.87	143.10
<b>Change:</b> (from yesterday's close)	+1.10	+0.38
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	151.53	140.99

**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>Dec</b>	92.75	+0.02	<b>Jan</b>	115.70	+0.37	<b>Dec</b>	1.870	-3.6	<b>Jan</b>	5.590	-5.0	<b>Spot</b>	86.37	-0.05
<b>Feb</b>	95.97	+0.50	<b>Mar</b>	115.05	+0.95	<b>Mar</b>	2.010	-3.2	<b>Mar</b>	5.674	-3.4	<b>Dec</b>	86.41	-0.10
<b>Apr</b>	94.42	+0.72	<b>Apr</b>	113.60	+1.27	<b>May</b>	2.094	-3.4	<b>May</b>	5.712	-4.2	<b>Mar</b>	86.62	-0.10
<b>Jun</b>	87.65	+0.50	<b>May</b>	113.00	+1.05	<b>July</b>	2.182	-2.6	<b>Jul</b>	5.770	-4.2	<b>Jun</b>	86.83	-0.10

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