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Wednesday December 14, 2005

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

A grade steers 167.00-169.00
A grade heifers 167.00-169.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards – 450 steers, 275 heifers and 350 cows**

	Price Range	Top
Fancy fed steers	96.00-101.00	107.25
Fancy fed heifers	96.00-101.00	107.00
Cows	28.00-38.00	70.00
Bulls	32.00-42.00	56.00

Steers and heifers traded actively at steady prices. Cows and bulls traded actively at prices \$2-3 stronger. Veal calves were steady.

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

	Price Range	Average	Top Price
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers	91.00-104.00	97.92	114.50
Large Frame & Medium Frame Heifers	84.00-103.00	95.64	105.50
Cows	16.44-30.76	23.81	57.00
Bulls	26.09-34.05	30.88	35.50

Stocker Sale: **D.H. Hickson, December 13, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
600-699	74.00-132.00	132.00	600-699	68.00-113.00	113.00
500-599	67.00-138.50	138.50	500-599	61.00-116.00	116.00
400-499	75.00-140.00	140.00	400-499	60.00-119.50	119.50

Stocker Sale: **Keady Livestock, December 13, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
+1000	114.25-122.70	122.70	+900	105.00-115.00	115.00
800-899	100.00-120.25	120.25	800-899	91.00-115.00	115.00
700-799	107.00-122.75	127.00	700-799	84.00-113.00	113.00
600-699	113.00-134.00	138.50	600-699	101.00-121.25	121.25
500-599	115.50-142.00	142.00	500-599	98.50-124.25	124.25
400-499	117.00-138.00	138.00	400-499	106.00-129.00	129.00

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

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

Steers	Live	N/T	Flat rail	N/T
Heifers	Live	N/T	Flat rail	N/T

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

U.S. cash cattle trade turned active this afternoon with prices \$3-4 higher on a live weight basis and \$6-7 higher than last week.

Choice and select steers and heifers:	Live	93.00-95.00
	Rail	152.00-153.00

CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

	AAA	AA
Week ending December 3, 2005	1.7776	1.6593
Week ending November 26, 2005	1.7379	1.6477

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	158.18	146.25
Change: (from yesterday's close)	+0.73	+0.47
Current 5 day average:	155.30	144.32

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					
Dec	94.60	+0.87	Jan	114.82	+0.00	Dec	1.942	-1.2	Jan	5.924	-5.0	Spot	86.85	-0.09
Feb	96.87	+0.62	Mar	114.20	-0.12	Mar	2.072	-1.4	Mar	6.034	-4.6	Dec	86.85	-0.11
Apr	94.65	+0.00	Apr	113.35	+0.20	May	2.162	-1.4	May	6.112	-2.0	Mar	87.07	-0.11
Jun	87.35	+0.07	May	112.70	-0.20	July	2.246	-1.0	Jul	6.174	-1.0	Jun	87.28	-0.11

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