

# Daily Market Information Report

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**Thursday March 19, 2009**

## ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE PRICES

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

Prices reported for Wednesday March 18, 2009

**A grade steers** 170.00-172.00  
**A grade heifers** 169.00-171.00

## ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange** – 450 fed cattle, 550 cows, 170 stockers, 50 Veal

	Price Range	Top
Good fed steers	100.00-108.00	112.25
Good fed heifers	99.00-104.00	106.50
Good Cows	48.00-59.00	87.50
Steers 800 lbs +	97.00-106.00	
Lightweight steers	103.00-125.00	
Heifers 700 lbs +	90.00-103.50	
Lightweight heifers	98.00-110.00	

Cows sold on an easier trade. Fed steers and heifers sold at prices \$1.00-\$2.00 higher. Stockers sold steady to Wednesday's stronger market.

Today at **Ontario Stockyards Inc:** 900 Stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
900-999	87.00-105.25	96.25	106.00	900+	95.00-98.25	95.83	98.50
800-899	105.75-109.75	107.40	110.00	800-899	90.00-103.25	98.45	103.25
700-799	105.00-115.25	109.44	117.75	700-799	100.00-111.00	105.47	111.00
600-699	108.00-125.00	117.86	128.00	600-699	101.00-111.00	106.47	113.00
500-599	113.00-128.50	122.70	138.00	500-599	107.00-117.00	112.31	117.00
400-499	113.00-134.00	124.42	136.00	400-499	106.50-120.50	115.09	120.50
399-	1193.00-134.50	126.51	134.50	300-399	95.00-121.00	107.82	120.50

A good active sale with prices steady.

Today at: **Brussels Livestock:** 230 veal

	Price Range	Top
Veal: Good Beef	100.00-110.00	139.00
Good Holsteins	85.00-95.00	100.00
Med Holsteins	70.00-80.00	
Heavy Holsteins	80.00-90.00	
Plain Holsteins	60.00-70.00	

Holstein veal calves sold \$2.00-\$5.00 higher than last week while beef veal traded fully steady.

Ontario Auction Sales on **Wednesday** saw weighted prices for:

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	98.00-105.50	101.82	106.75
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	91.44-104.36	100.72	106.25
Cows	42.96-57.40	49.64	72.00
Bulls	60.30-66.70	63.64	70.50
Veal 125 lbs and under	70.00-110.00	90.42	175.00

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange – March 11, 2009-** 873 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>+1000</b>	102.00-110.75	107.04	110.75	<b>900+</b>	102.75-104.25	103.55	105.00
<b>900-999</b>	104.25-111.50	108.70	111.50	<b>800-899</b>	97.00-102.00	100.20	102.00
<b>800-899</b>	95.00-112.00	104.00	115.00	<b>600-699</b>	95.00-105.00	101.00	105.00
<b>700-799</b>	104.00-114.00	109.40	114.00	<b>500-599</b>	105.00-107.00	105.96	107.00
<b>600-699</b>	106.50-116.50	113.08	116.50	<b>400-499</b>	108.00-110.00	108.67	110.00
<b>500-599</b>	114.50-118.50	116.94	118.50				
<b>400-499</b>	108.50-119.00	114.04	119.00				

**ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL SPRING SALES**

Stocker sale: **Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market: March 18, 2009-** 377 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>900-999</b>	99.00-112.50	108.94	112.50	<b>800-899</b>	92.00-108.50	100.88	108.50
<b>800-899</b>	89.00-114.75	1004.79	114.75	<b>700-799</b>	92.00-115.50	99.75	115.50
<b>700-799</b>	86.00-115.75	111.42	115.75	<b>600-699</b>	92.50-114.50	107.27	114.50
<b>600-699</b>	91.50-126.50	116.98	126.50	<b>500-599</b>	71.50-117.25	112.52	117.25
<b>500-599</b>	117.00-135.50	124.66	135.50	<b>400-499</b>	107.0-118.00	113.73	118.00
<b>400-499</b>	100.00-136.00	124.77	136.00				
<b>399-</b>	101.00-107.50	104.25	107.50				

Peterborough/Victoria County Sale- Vaccinated. All classes of stocker and feeder cattle sold actively from \$5.00-\$10.00 cwt higher.

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

Alberta direct trade on Wednesday was active with prices \$2.50-\$3.00 higher than last week.

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Live</b>	N/T	<b>Flat rail</b>	161.50
<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Live</b>	95.35	<b>Flat rail</b>	160.50-161.50

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

US packer buying interest in the north is improving as the day progresses as bids are at \$132.00-\$133.00 dressed with asking prices at \$133.00-\$135.00 dressed. We could see trade develop in the north before the day is out. The south however is seeing bids at \$80.00 live which is \$4.00 lower than asking prices. Little business is expected there until Friday.

<b>Choice and select steers and heifers:</b>	<b>Live</b>	N/T
	<b>Rail</b>	N/T

**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)	133.16	133.32
<b>Change:</b> (from yesterday's close)	-1.18	-0.82
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	135.46	134.82

**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			
<b>Apr</b>	84.75 +1.20	<b>Mar</b>	94.25 +1.17	<b>May</b>	3.964 +8.2	<b>May</b>	9.404 +25.4	<b>Spot</b>	80.78 +0.75
<b>Jun</b>	83.12 +1.72	<b>Apr</b>	94.30 +1.37	<b>Jul</b>	4.070 +8.4	<b>Jul</b>	9.400 +28.2	<b>Jun</b>	80.85 +0.74
<b>Aug</b>	84.22 +1.40	<b>May</b>	95.72 +1.67	<b>Sep</b>	4.162 +9.0	<b>Aug</b>	9.272 +31.2	<b>Sep</b>	80.96 +0.72
<b>Oct</b>	87.97 +1.40	<b>Aug</b>	98.90 +1.12	<b>Dec</b>	4.282 +9.4	<b>Sep</b>	9.026 +34.6	<b>Dec</b>	81.11 +0.70
<b>Dec</b>	90.45 +1.30	<b>Sep</b>	99.60 +0.90	<b>Mar</b>	4.392 +9.4	<b>Nov</b>	8.924 +36.4	<b>Mar</b>	81.22 +0.69
<b>Feb</b>	91.60 +1.25	<b>Oct</b>	99.90 +1.10	<b>May</b>	4.446 +8.6	<b>Jan</b>	9.014 +36.0	<b>Jun</b>	81.33 +0.68

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