

The following information is collected from various sources and disseminated by the Ontario Cattlemen's Association.

Tuesday December 22, 2009

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

Prices reported for Monday December 21, 2009

A grade steers 136.00
A grade heifers 135.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at: **Brussels Livestock – 177 fed cattle, 225 cows.**

	Price Range	Top
Choice steers & heifers	82.00-85.00	85.50
Second cut cattle	79.00-82.00	
Good Beef Cows	36.00-44.00	54.00
Export Cows	38.00-44.00	57.00

Fed steers and heifers traded at prices \$3.00 higher. Cows sold at prices \$1.00-\$2.00 higher.

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange- 220 veal, 450 Cows**

	Price Range	Top Price
Cows	36.00-43.00	48.00
Good Beef Veal	120.00-142.00	
Good Hol Veal	88.00-95.00	104.00
Med Hol	82.00-88.00	
Plain Hol	72.00-78.00	
Heavy Hol	78.00-85.00	

Veal sold at prices \$2.00-\$3.00 higher. Cows sold on a steady market.

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

	Price Range	Average	Top Price
Cows	25.97-41.29	32.55	59.50
Bulls- all weights	38.63-63.70	48.52	7.00
Veal calves 600+	66.47-104.86	85.69	131.00
Veal calves -125	39.29-90.28	69.51	230.00

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

	Choice	Select
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	138.66	131.14
Change: (from Friday's close)	+0.21	+0.09
Current 5 day average:	138.61	130.89

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

U.S. cash cattle trade is active this afternoon in Kansas with prices \$1.00 higher than last week. Light trade in Nebraska is \$1.00-\$2.00 higher. Elsewhere in the US bids are reported at \$81.00-\$82.00 live and \$128.00-\$129.00 dressed. Asking prices are holding firm at \$84.00 live and \$132.00 dressed.

Choice and select steers and heifers:

Live	82.00
Rail	130.00

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures for today were as follows:

Live Cattle			Feeder Cattle			Corn		Soybeans		Canadian \$				
\$/cwt US			\$/cwt US			\$/bu US	¢/bu	\$/bu US	¢/bu					
Dec	81.95	-0.27	Jan	94.42	-0.12	Mar	3.986	-1.2	Jan	9.910	-10.0	Spot	94.74	+0.52
Feb	84.67	-0.90	Mar	94.25	-0.37	May	4.092	-1.4	Mar	9.984	-10.0	Mar	94.73	+0.50
Apr	87.92	-0.57	Apr	95.80	-0.12	Jul	4.186	-1.0	May	10.042	-10.2	Jun	94.73	+0.51
Jun	85.45	-0.45	May	96.55	-0.27	Sep	4.250	-0.4	Jul	10.082	-10.4	Sep	94.69	+0.51
Aug	85.55	-0.42	Aug	98.70	-0.05	Dec	4.312	-0.6	Aug	10.050	-10.4	Dec	94.61	+0.51
Oct	88.52	-0.17	Sep	98.20	+0.00	Mar	4.414	-0.6	Sep	9.882	-8.6	Mar	94.49	+0.47

Ontario Cattlemen's Association, 130 Malcolm Rd., Guelph, ON N1K 1B1 Phone: (519) 824-0334 Fax: (519) 824-1930 or
email: mktinfo@cattle.guelph.on.ca