



Daily Market Information Report - Thursday, May 1, 2014

The following information is collected from various sources and disseminated by Beef Farmers of Ontario.

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

Prices reported for Wednesday April 30, 2014

A Grade Steers	254.00-257.00
A Grade Heifers	253.00-256.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at **Ontario Livestock Exchange**: 300 Fed Cattle, 600 Cows, 175 Stockers, & 30 veal

	Price Range	Top
Good Fed Steers	149.00-158.00	167.50
Good Fed Heifers	148.00-156.00	163.50
Good Cows	102.00-118.00	128.00
Steers +700 lbs	148.00-184.00	
Lightweight Steers	165.00-245.00	
Heifers +700 lbs	128.00-158.00	
Lightweight Heifers	140.00-195.00	

Cows sold on a stronger market. Fed steers and heifers sold on a good active trade at steady prices. Stockers sold on an active trade with light cattle selling higher.

Today at **Ontario Stockyards Inc**: 950 Stockers on offer.

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	151.50-162.00	156.67	162.00	900+	113.50-154.75	139.94	154.75
900-999	154.00-167.50	160.97	167.50	800-899	151.00-171.00	163.55	171.00
800-899	179.50-199.75	191.74	199.75	700-799	160.00-181.50	171.37	181.50
700-799	191.00-229.00	208.02	229.00	600-699	167.00-206.00	184.58	206.00
600-699	188.00-234.00	215.25	243.00	500-599	181.00-217.00	200.15	217.00
500-599	219.00-243.00	232.83	248.00	400-499	200.00-220.50	212.23	220.50
400-499	229.50-242.00	239.40	242.00	300-399	206.00-222.00	214.51	222.00
400-	220.00-245.00	235.06	245.00				

All replacement cattle are selling actively at strong prices. *Tuesday May 6th @ 11:00 am - Special Spring Vaccination Stocker Sale.*

Today at **Brussels Livestock**: 325 Veal

	Price Range	Top
Good beef calves	120.00-160.00	164.00
Good Holsteins	105.00-110.00	113.00
Heavy Holsteins	100.00-105.00	
Plain Holsteins	90.00-100.00	

Veal sold under pressure with Holstein calves selling \$2.00-\$3.00 lower and beef calves trading at \$3.00-\$5.00 less.

Today in **Warton at the Grey Bruce Livestock Co-op Sale: 347 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Heifers	Price Range
1000+	N/T	900+	N/T
900-999	N/T	800-899	170.00-200.00
800-899	N/T	700-799	172.50-185.00
700-799	199.50-218.75	600-699	179.50-200.25
600-699	205.00-232.25	500-599	193.00-213.25
500-599	210.00-230.50	400-499	212.00-217.00
400-499	230.00-241.00	300-399	N/T

Good strong sale with top quality cattle on offer.

At **Aylmer Stockyards Inc., April 30, 2014 – 15 fed cattle, 30 veal, 105 cows, & 4 bulls**

	Price Range	Avg	Top
Fed Heifers Dairy	103.49-134.00	122.70	134.00
Cows	63.00-122.99	99.29	122.99
Veal calves over 600 lbs	90.00-118.99	112.50	176.00
Replacement calves	\$150.00-\$425.00		\$445.00

Canner cows sold easier while replacement calves sold on a strong demand.

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

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	105	150.50-157.00	154.60	163.75
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	74	138.32-156.26	150.50	168.50
Cows	533	80.02-113.61	98.43	133.62
Bulls	44	104.00-130.85	117.44	145.00
Veal under 125 lbs	170	237.00-382.00	304.70	402.00

To check out individual auction market results on the Ontario Beef website go to <http://www.ontariobeef.com/markets/market-reports.aspx>

Stocker sale at **Ontario Livestock Exchange, April 30, 2014: 1,019 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	158.00-179.00	165.15	179.00	900+	156.00-163.00	160.75	163.00
900-999	168.00-183.50	174.26	183.50	800-899	164.00-166.00	164.91	166.00
800-899	177.00-186.00	180.25	186.00	500-599	183.00-213.00	202.82	213.00
600-699	207.00-234.00	228.00	234.00				

Feeder cattle sold on a good active trade at steady prices, with light grass cattle selling higher.

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL SPRING SALES

Stocker sale at **Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange, April 30, 2014 – 303 stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
800-899	126.00-180.00	151.25	180.00	700-799	133.00-166.00	152.62	166.00
700-799	158.00-198.00	175.05	198.00	600-699	158.00-187.00	166.77	191.00
600-699	168.00-223.00	191.80	234.00	500-599	134.00-197.00	168.80	197.00
500-599	173.00-244.00	204.15	247.00	400-499	152.00-236.00	180.42	236.00

Wednesday, May 28th – Spring Stocker Sale!

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	230.29	221.75
Change (from yesterday's close):	-2.81	-0.54
Current Five Day Average:	233.45	221.60

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

The Alberta direct trade on Wednesday was light with prices \$1.50 - \$2.00 higher, with good buyer interest reported.

Steers	Live	\$148.50	Flat Rail	\$246.50
Heifers	Live	N/T	Flat Rail	\$246.00 - \$246.50

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade is quiet with asking prices around \$147.00 plus in the South and \$237.00-\$238.00 in the North. Significant trade volume will probably be delayed until Friday.

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

Live Cattle			Feeder Cattle			Corn			Soybeans			Canadian \$		
Jun	139.25	+2.05	May	183.95	+2.75	May	5.032	-10.6	May	14.734	-57.2	Spot	91.19	-0.16
Aug	138.57	+2.50	Aug	190.47	+3.00	Jul	5.070	-12.0	Jul	14.610	-51.6	Jun	91.07	-0.19
Oct	142.55	+2.15	Sep	190.97	+3.00	Sep	5.024	-10.6	Aug	13.996	-41.0	Sep	90.87	-0.19
Dec	144.35	+2.37	Oct	190.97	+3.00	Dec	4.994	-9.6	Sep	12.812	-29.0	Dec	90.67	-0.19
Feb	145.42	+1.92	Nov	190.75	+3.00	Mar	5.074	-9.0	Nov	12.254	-21.2	Mar	90.47	-0.19
Apr	145.50	+1.67	Jan	187.25	+2.85	May	5.136	-8.6	Jan	12.310	-21.0	Jun	90.30	-0.19

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