



Daily Market Information Report - Tuesday, December 23, 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 for today regardless of delivery date).

A Grade Steers	300.00-301.00
A Grade Heifers	299.00-300.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at **Brussels Livestock**: 50 Fed Cattle and 150 Cows

	Price Range	Top
Choice Steers & Heifers	179.00-185.00	
Second Cut Cattle	174.00-179.00	
Good Beef Cows	110.00-125.00	136.00
Export Cows	85.00-118.00	120.00

Fed steers and heifers sold on a steady market. Cows sold steady.

Today at **Ontario Livestock Exchange**: 91 Veal and 178 Cows

	Price Range	Top
Good quality Cows	102.00-117.00	140.00
Good Beef Veal	N/T	
Good Holstein Veal	150.00-165.00	
Medium Holstein Veal	140.00-150.00	
Plain Holstein Veal	130.00-140.00	
Heavy Holstein Veal	150.00-160.00	

Veal sold at slightly easier prices. Cows sold steady to Monday's higher market.

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

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
Cows	622	76.07-113.20	96.48	133.99
Bulls all weights	14	111.78-132.57	123.88	163.00
Veal calves over 600 lbs	51	176.49-196.33	183.64	207.00
Veal calves under 125 lbs	497	248.68-387.05	304.16	460.00

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

At **Aylmer Stockyards Inc.:** December 22, 2014 – 11 Veal, 93 Cows, 2 bulls, 16 Fed cattle

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Fed heifers, dairy cross 1000 lbs +	100.49-149.50	134.89	149.50
Cows	60.99-124.50	100.40	139.99
Veal calves over 600 lbs	167.99-173.99	171.59	173.99
Replacement Calves	\$125.00-\$480.00		\$560.00

Next sale December 31, 2014.

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	242.58	231.51
Change (from yesterday's close):	+3.22	-1.29
Current Five Day Average:	241.03	231.16

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade remained at a standstill with no bids on the table. Asking prices are reported at \$162.00 live in the south and \$253.00-\$255.00 dressed in the north. Business is going to have to develop early and quickly on Wednesday if trade is going to be completed before the Christmas Holiday.

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:	Live	N/T
	Rail	N/T

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 US						
Dec	161.85	+0.00	Jan	217.12	-3.37	Mar	4.140	+2.2	Jan	10.384	+0.2	Spot	86.09	+0.20
Feb	160.60	-0.22	Mar	215.27	-3.70	May	4.224	+2.2	Mar	10.456	+0.0	Dec	85.93	+0.20
Apr	159.62	-0.60	Apr	215.95	-3.10	Jul	4.284	+1.6	May	10.532	-0.2	Mar	85.75	+0.19
Jun	152.37	-0.67	May	216.27	-3.12	Sep	4.312	+2.0	Jul	10.586	-1.0	Jun	85.58	+0.19
Aug	150.67	-0.67	Aug	217.50	-3.37	Dec	4.370	+2.2	Aug	10.576	-1.0	Sep	85.46	+0.20
Oct	151.65	-1.15	Sep	216.47	-3.90	Mar	4.452	+2.0	Sep	10.382	-1.2	Dec	85.41	+0.20

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