

Daily Market Information Report - Wednesday, January 24, 2018

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, regardless of delivery date.

A Grade Steers 250.00-254.00 **A Grade Heifers** 249.00-253.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at Ontario Livestock Exchange: 403 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Тор
1000+	178.00-189.00		600-800	Not enough to	establish
800-1000	184.00-195.00			a market.	

Feeder cattle sold actively at slightly stronger prices.

Today at Ontario Stockyards Inc.: 101 fed steers & heifers, 231 Cows, & 10 Bulls

	Price Range	Тор
Fancy Fed Steers	146.00-151.00	157.50
Fancy Fed Heifers	146.00-151.00	153.50
Good Fed Steers & Heifers	140.00-145.00	
Aged & Med Fed Cattle	110.00-137.00	
Good Beef Cows	70.00-81.00	86.00
Good Dairy Cows	65.00-72.00	79.00
Export Cows	50.00-60.00	61.50
Bulls	80.00-89.00	97.50

Fed steers and heifers traded actively with prices \$1.00-\$2.00 cwt higher. Cull cows sold actively at prices about steady to slightly higher on the better kinds. Bulls sold on a steady trade. 500 stockers expected for Thursday's sale!

Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc., January 23, 2018- 172 Fed Cattle, 25 Veal, 3 Bull, 125 Cows & 115 Drop Calves

	Price Range	Тор		Price Range	Тор
Exotic steers	155.00-165.00	177.00	Good beef cows	75.00-85.00	
Choice steers	146.00-150.00		Good Holstein cows	65.00-75.00	
Good steers	140.00-145.00		D1 & D2 Cows	50.00-60.00	
Choice heifers	146.00-150.00		D3 & D4 Cows	40.00-50.00	
Good heifers	140.00-145.00		Choice drop calves	\$200.00-\$300.00/hd	\$400.00/hd
Good Holstein veal	150.00-170.00		Good drop calves	\$125.00-\$200.00/hd	
Plain & heavy veal	130.00-150.00		Plain & Newborns	\$50.00-\$110.00/hd	
Good beef bulls	86.00-100.00		Good Holstein bulls	78.50	

The fed cattle sold steady with exotics bringing a good premium. OTM's and second cut cattle sold under pressure at easier prices. Cull cows and bulls sold strong. Veal remains strong and selling steady to last week. Drop calves traded higher.

At Renfrew Pontiac Livestock Ltd.: January 23, 2018- 19 Replacement Calves, 51 Cows, 4 Bulls

	Price Range	Тор
Replacement Calves	80.00-130.00	180.00
Cows D1 & D2	90.00-96.00	100.00
Cows D3	75.00-85.00	
Cows D4	63.00-74.00	
Bulls	82.00-89.00	100.00
Cull cows sold steady.		

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

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Тор
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	47	111.27-151.88	130.97	163.50
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	36	133.50-148.00	145.48	148.00
Cows	552	52.72-72.74	62.22	107.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	7	76.14-87.28	82.67	90.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	14	82.39-91.46	87.02	103.00
Veal 600 lbs and over	329	128.00-185.00	166.37	193.00
Veal 125 & less	115	74.17-141.91	105.31	230.00

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: Community Livestock Exchange: January 23, 2018–167 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
600-699	150.00-210.00	195.59	210.00	500-599	110.00-194.99	183.20	194.99
500-599	172.99-239.99	208.40	239.99	400-499	150.00-206.00	193.90	206.00
400-499	169.99-242.49	220.40	242.49				
399-	200.00-220.99	213.89	220.99				

March 16, 2018 @ 11:00 am- Quinte Cattlemen's Association- Vaccinated stockers, farm fresh and catalogued!

Stocker sale at: Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: January 23, 2018–124 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
600-699	206.99-232.50	216.19	232.50	500-599	167.50-196.99	187.00	196.99
500-599	202.49-252.00	228.60	252.00				
400-499	150.00-232.50	204.70	256.00				

Stockers sold \$2.00-\$4.00 cwt higher.

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	207.68	200.91
Change (from yesterday's close):	+0.83	+0.75
Current Five Day Average:	205.55	200.06

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade was untested, but some scattered deals could surface this afternoon. Canfax reports: "Technical price levels have improved from the beginning of the week. There is a good chance scattered trade could develop by this afternoon. Given how strong basis levels have been processing margins are likely negative and packers are cutting back hours."

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

On the Fed Cattle Exchange online auction in the US this morning there was a total of 494 head (five lots) of fed cattle on offer, with just one lot bid on at \$123.75, but sellers passed. The other four lots had a minimum bid of \$125.00 with no buyers bidding. As a result, there were no sales.

On the cash cattle trade, bids surfaced at \$122.00 live and \$192.00-\$193.00 dressed in the north, down \$1.00-\$3.00 from last week's weighted average prices, but no business developed. Asking prices are holding firm at \$126.00-\$127.00 live in the south and \$200.00 plus dressed in the north. Agcenter.com reports: "Higher box prices, weather trauma and smaller show list are supportive of higher prices for fed cattle. Packers will see little reason to enter the market chasing prices upwards and with reduced needs for slaughter will lay low until later in the week."

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:

Live N/T Rail N/T

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

Live C	attle		Feede	er Cattle		Corn			Soyb	eans		Cana	dian \$	
Feb	125.42	+0.70	Jan	148.15	-0.47	Mar	3.564	+5.2	Mar	9.922	+6.0	Spot	81.16	+0.74
Apr	125.15	+0.35	Mar	146.40	-0.57	May	3.646	+5.0	May	10.036	+6.0	Mar	81.19	+0.72
Jun	116.47	+0.17	Apr	147.20	-0.52	Jul	3.730	+5.0	Jul	10.134	+5.6	Jun	81.28	+0.73
Aug	113.45	+0.12	May	147.12	-0.47	Sep	3.804	+4.6	Aug	10.154	+5.6	Sep	81.34	+0.73
Oct	114.32	+0.20	Aug	149.67	-0.52	Dec	3.894	+4.4	Sep	10.106	+5.4	Dec	81.40	+0.72
Dec	116.20	+0.20	Sep	149.90	-0.42	Mar	3.976	+3.6	Nov	10.074	+5.4	Mar	81.46	+0.72

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