

Daily Market Information Report - Wednesday, March 7, 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 254.00-256.00 **A Grade Heifers** 253.00-255.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at Ontario Livestock Exchange: 543 Stockers

 Steers
 Price Range
 Top
 Heifers
 Price Range
 Top

 1000+
 169.00-182.00
 800+
 166.50-171.50

 800-1000
 174.00-189.00

 600-800
 202.00-225.00

Feeders sold on a steady market.

Today at Ontario Stockyards Inc.: 128 fed steers & heifers, 212 Cows, & 16 Bulls, 18 Veal

| | Price Range | Тор |
|-----------------------|---------------|--------|
| Fancy Fed Steers | 151.00-156.00 | 165.50 |
| Fancy Fed Heifers | 151.00-156.00 | 160.00 |
| Good Fed Steers | 145.00-150.00 | |
| Good Fed Heifers | 145.00-150.00 | |
| Aged & Med Fed Cattle | 117.00-136.00 | |
| Good Beef Cows | 76.00-85.00 | 86.50 |
| Good Dairy Cows | 66.00-78.00 | 79.00 |
| Export Cows | 58.00-68.00 | 70.00 |
| Bulls | 87.00-105.00 | 107.50 |

Steers and heifers traded on a selective demand with prices steady on the better quality lots, with other kinds trading under pressure. Cows traded actively with prices mostly steady while bulls sold higher. Veal was steady to Monday. 400 stockers expected for Thursday's sale! March 27th @ 11:00 am- Special Spring All Vaccinated Stocker Sale!

Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc., March 6, 2018- 257 Fed Cattle, 40 Veal, 2 Bulls, 62 Cows & 94 Drop Calves

| | Price Range | Тор | | Price Range | Top |
|----------------------------|---------------|--------|---------------------------|----------------------|--------|
| Choice steers | 150.00-155.00 | 174.00 | Good beef cows | 75.00-85.00 | 116.00 |
| Good steers | 145.00-150.00 | | Good Holstein cows | 70.00-80.00 | |
| Choice heifers | 150.00-155.00 | 158.00 | D1 & D2 Cows | 60.00-70.00 | |
| Good heifers | 145.00-150.00 | | D3 & D4 Cows | 50.00-60.00 | |
| Good Holstein veal | 120.00-130.00 | 135.00 | Choice drop calves | \$200.00-\$300.00/hd | |
| Plain & heavy veal | 110.00-120.00 | | Good drop calves | \$100.00-\$200.00/hd | |
| Good beef bulls | 102.00 | | Plain & Newborns | \$40.00-\$100.00/hd | |
| Good Holstein bulls | N/T | | | | |

Fed cattle sold fully steady and slightly higher in spots. Veal sold steady to last week. Cull cows sold slightly higher with a good demand. Drop calves sold considerably higher than last week's poor market. *March 24th @ 11:00 am- First Spring Stocker and Bred Cow Sale!*

At Renfrew Pontiac Livestock Ltd.: March 6, 2018- 2 Replacement Calves, 38 Cows, 7 Bulls

| | Price Range | Тор |
|--------------------|--------------|--------|
| Replacement Calves | 20.00-101.00 | |
| Cows D1 & D2 | 84.00-89.00 | |
| Cows D3 | 72.00-83.00 | |
| Cows D4 | 61.00-73.00 | |
| Bulls | 87.00-92.00 | 105.00 |

D3 & D4 cows sold better by \$2.00 cwt.

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

| | Volume | Price Range | Average | Тор |
|--|--------|---------------|---------|--------|
| Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs | 46 | 132.50-153.50 | 146.43 | 166.00 |
| Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs | 49 | 125.00-153.00 | 144.09 | 157.00 |
| Cows | 479 | 59.84-80.27 | 69.75 | 124.00 |
| Bulls under 1600 lbs | 14 | 85.21-126.21 | 105.40 | 220.00 |
| Bulls over 1600 lbs | 22 | 7.82-96.82 | 877.93 | 110.00 |
| Veal 600 lbs and over | 375 | 110.26-141.74 | 129.19 | 221.00 |
| Veal 125 & less | 60 | 65.00-139.99 | 95.29 | 225.00 |

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: March 6, 2018 – 145 Stockers

| Steers | Price Range | Average | Top | Heifers | Price Range | Average | Top |
|---------|---------------|---------|--------|---------|---------------|---------|--------|
| 700-799 | 107.49-202.99 | 167.79 | 202.99 | 600-699 | 152.49-204.00 | 183.80 | 204.00 |
| 600-699 | 133.00-233.00 | 195.70 | 233.00 | 500-599 | 169.99-210.00 | 197.90 | 210.00 |
| 500-599 | 130.00-237.99 | 176.40 | 252.99 | 400-499 | 152.49-210.99 | 181.40 | 210.99 |
| 400-499 | 177.49-252.49 | 219.49 | 252.49 | | | | |

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

Stocker sale at: Keady Livestock Market: March 6, 2018 – 409 Stockers

| Steers | Price Range | Average | Тор | Heifers | Price Range | Average | Top |
|---------|---------------|---------|--------|---------|---------------|---------|--------|
| 1000+ | 169.00-172.00 | 170.69 | 172.00 | 700-799 | 162.00-168.00 | 166.12 | 168.00 |
| 900-999 | 183.50-187.50 | 185.51 | 187.50 | 600-699 | 158.00-178.00 | 171.76 | 178.00 |
| 800-899 | 182.00-187.50 | 185.02 | 190.00 | 500-599 | 201.00-210.00 | 206.22 | 219.00 |
| 700-799 | 170.00-209.00 | 192.00 | 210.00 | 400-499 | 195.00-221.00 | 208.10 | 230.00 |
| 600-699 | 210.00-237.00 | 227.34 | 237.00 | 300-399 | 212.50-236.00 | 221.70 | 236.00 |
| 500-599 | 231.00-270.00 | 250.85 | 270.00 | | | | |
| 400-499 | 240.00-288.00 | 262.64 | 288.00 | | | | |
| 399- | 252.50-261.00 | 258.10 | 261.00 | | | | |

All classes of stocker and feeder cattle sold fully steady. *March 9th @ 5:00 pm- Special Bred Cow & Heifer Sale with 150 head consigned. April 7th @ 2:00 pm- Saunders Bull Sale. To view consigned cattle and get details go to www.keadylivestock.com/auction/special_livestock.html*

Stocker sale at: Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: March 6, 2018 – 345 Stockers

| Steers | Price Range | Average | Top | Heifers | Price Range | Average | Top |
|---------|---------------|---------|--------|---------|---------------|---------|--------|
| 900-999 | 117.50-166.50 | 156.00 | 163.50 | 600-699 | 126.00-216.00 | 185.69 | 216.00 |
| 800-899 | 171.99-202.49 | 191.99 | 202.49 | 500-599 | 130.00-220.99 | 196.10 | 220.99 |
| 700-799 | 125.00-227.00 | 203.39 | 227.00 | 400-499 | 167.50-212.50 | 184.20 | 215.50 |
| 600-699 | 175.00-241.00 | 219.30 | 241.00 | 300-399 | 144.99-217.49 | 177.49 | 217.49 |
| 500-599 | 150.00-252.00 | 231.59 | 252.00 | | | | |
| 400-499 | 147.50-239.99 | 218.59 | 239.99 | | | | |
| 399- | 177.49-229.99 | 204.19 | 229.99 | | | | |

A very good quality offering of stockers sold at steady prices.

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL SPRING SALES

Stocker sale at: Ontario Stockyards Inc. - March 6, 2018 – 1,012 Stockers

| Steers | Price Range | Average | Тор | Heifers | Price Range | Average | Тор |
|---------|---------------|---------|--------|---------|---------------|---------|--------|
| 900-999 | 184.00-189.00 | 187.34 | 196.00 | 900+ | 143.00-171.25 | 160.15 | 171.25 |
| 800-899 | 190.00-202.25 | 196.53 | 205.75 | 800-899 | 170.50-182.25 | 177.89 | 182.25 |
| 700-799 | 207.00-228.00 | 215.60 | 229.00 | 700-799 | 174.00-193.50 | 184.96 | 193.50 |
| 600-699 | 231.00-254.50 | 241.19 | 254.50 | 600-699 | 184.00-209.00 | 197.35 | 209.00 |
| 500-599 | 230.00-259.00 | 248.17 | 259.00 | 500-599 | 202.00-217.00 | 210.73 | 220.00 |

A good quality offering of vaccinated cattle sold actively at fully steady to strong prices. *March 27th @ 11:00 am- Next Special All Vaccinated Spring Stocker Sale!*

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

| | Choice | Select |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| | 600-900 | 600-900 |
| Cutout Values (noon estimate): | 223.29 | 215.45 |
| Change (from yesterday's close): | -0.06 | +0.25 |
| Current Five Day Average: | 222.49 | 215.08 |

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade remains untested, however some scattered deals could surface this afternoon. Canfax reports that asking prices are sitting around \$283.00 delivered on a dressed basis.

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

On the Fed Cattle Exchange online auction in the US this morning, there were five lots totaling 474 head of fed cattle on offer, with four lots sold at \$126.00 live, which is fully steady to last week.

The cash cattle trade saw a very light test Tuesday in parts of Nebraska and the south at \$126.00 live. Today bids developed in all feeding states at \$126.00 live and \$202.00-\$204.00 dressed in the north, which is steady to \$2.00 lower than last week's trade, but producers are holding out for higher prices. Asking prices are sitting around \$128.00-\$130.00 live in the south and \$207.00 plus dressed in the north.

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers: Live 126.00 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 \$ | |
|--------|--------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|------|-------|------|------|--------|------|------|---------|-------|
| Apr | 122.97 | +0.15 | Mar | 143.77 | -0.52 | Mar | 3.792 | -0.4 | Mar | 10.550 | -9.4 | Spot | 77.33 | -0.19 |
| Jun | 114.82 | +0.05 | Apr | 145.37 | -0.75 | May | 3.872 | -1.0 | May | 10.652 | -9.4 | Mar | 77.37 | -0.15 |
| Aug | 112.45 | +0.00 | May | 146.87 | -0.22 | Jul | 3.944 | -1.0 | Jul | 10.740 | -9.0 | Jun | 77.52 | -0.14 |
| Oct | 115.12 | +0.07 | Aug | 152.02 | -0.20 | Sep | 3.996 | -0.6 | Aug | 10.732 | -7.6 | Sep | 77.65 | -0.14 |
| Dec | 118.10 | +0.22 | Sep | 152.90 | +0.10 | Dec | 4.062 | -0.2 | Sep | 10.556 | -4.4 | Dec | 77.78 | -0.14 |
| Feb | 119.10 | +0.25 | Oct | 152.67 | -0.02 | Mar | 4.136 | +0.0 | Nov | 10.444 | -1.0 | Mar | 77.90 | -0.13 |
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