



# Weekly Market Information Report



Week ending Thursday Oct 19, 2006

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

## ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

This is a summary for the week of rail grade prices on a carcass weight basis, before grade and weight discounts.

**A grade steers**      153.00-157.00  
**A grade heifers**    153.00-154.00

## ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Ontario auction sales this week saw weighted average price ranges for

### **FED CATTLE**

	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week avg.
Large Frame Steers +1250	85.89-91.92	89.31	103.00	90.98
Medium Frame Steers +1250	84.23-92.69	89.36	99.00	91.47
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	86.36-93.12	89.76	103.00	91.05
Large Frame Heifers +1000	84.65-91.77	88.42	115.00	92.03
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	71.24-89.86	84.01	100.50	87.72
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	82.69-91.71	87.92	115.00	91.64
Cows-all weights	26.24-41.11	33.45	80.00	34.57
Bulls-all weights	38.00-53.63	45.00	82.50	44.57

### **STOCKERS – Large & Medium Frame**

STEERS	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	97.18-107.41	102.69	112.35
900-999	103.98-112.90	108.29	124.00
800-899	98.41-112.35	106.58	121.25
700-799	97.66-116.41	108.19	135.00
600-699	103.91-127.45	116.58	138.75
500-599	108.31-136.71	122.99	154.00
400-499	115.16-143.19	130.24	158.00
-399	108.96-151.07	131.82	198.00

HEIFERS	Price Range	Average	Top
900+	91.23-103.96	98.60	113.25
800-899	96.88-109.48	104.22	116.50
700-799	99.25-114.26	108.33	120.00
600-699	98.41-119.30	110.34	133.25
500-599	103.25-124.69	114.80	136.50
400-499	109.14-129.44	120.57	144.00
300-399	109.82-133.62	122.85	150.00
-299	87.90-135.46	113.33	175.00

### **At Talbotville Livestock: Oct 14, 2006**

	Price Range	Top
Good & choice steers	86.50-94.00	101.25
Good & choice heifers	86.00-92.00	
Cows	35.00-42.50	64.50
Bulls	46.50	

**Denfield Livestock – Oct 17, 2006**

	Price Range		Price Range
<b>Good &amp; Choice Steers</b>	85.00-95.00 to 97.00	<b>Good &amp; Choice Heifers</b>	85.00-95.00
<b>Plain Steers</b>	70.00-75.00	<b>Plain Heifers</b>	65.00-75.00
<b>Good Beef Bulls</b>	45.00-60.00	<b>Good Fed Cows</b>	40.00-60.00
<b>Good Hol Bulls</b>	30.00-45.00	<b>D1 &amp; D2 Cows</b>	30.00-37.00
<b>Hol bull calves</b>	125.00-265.00	<b>D3 &amp; D4 Cows</b>	25.00-30.00
<b>Steers 900-1000 lb</b>	105.00-115.00	<b>Heifers 850-950 lb</b>	100.00-114.00

**ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE****Stocker sale at: Brussels Livestock, Oct 13, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>1000+</b>	85.00-105.00	105.00	<b>900+</b>	96.25-108.00	113.25
<b>900-999</b>	98.00-111.75	124.00	<b>800-899</b>	99.50-112.00	113.75
<b>800-899</b>	93.50-114.00	118.25	<b>700-799</b>	99.50-114.25	114.25
<b>700-799</b>	108.50-119.00	124.00	<b>600-699</b>	97.00-121.25	121.25
<b>600-699</b>	107.50-125.50	130.00	<b>500-599</b>	117.00-130.00	132.00
<b>500-599</b>	120.00-140.00	140.00	<b>400-499</b>	128.50-137.50	140.50
<b>400-499</b>	134.00-149.00	150.50	<b>300-399</b>	132.00-146.00	146.00
<b>300-399</b>	131.00-158.00	158.00			

**Stocker sale at: Temiskaming Livestock- Oct 16, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range
<b>600-699</b>	107.50-114.50	<b>600-699</b>	101.00-106.50
<b>500-599</b>	110.00-134.50	<b>500-599</b>	110.50-130.50
<b>400-499</b>	124.00-149.00	<b>400-499</b>	114.0-138.00
<b>399-</b>	127.00-158.00	<b>300-399</b>	124.50-139.50

**Stocker Sale at : D. H. Hickson Ltd.- Oct 17, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range
<b>600-699</b>	83.00-117.00	<b>600-699</b>	67.50-112.00
<b>500-599</b>	78.00-137.00	<b>500-599</b>	82.00-131.00
<b>400-499</b>	115.00-158.00	<b>400-499</b>	80.00-132.50
<b>399-</b>	122.00-152.00	<b>300-399</b>	81.00-125.00

**Stocker sale at: Keady Livestock- Oct 17, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>+1000</b>	88.00-105.50	110.50	<b>900+</b>	91.75-105.60	105.60
<b>900-999</b>	102.00-110.75	111.60	<b>800-899</b>	91.00-110.25	116.50
<b>800-899</b>	98.00-113.25	106.27	<b>700-799</b>	107.00-116.50	116.50
<b>700-799</b>	101.50-118.50	118.50	<b>600-699</b>	102.50-115.00	115.00
<b>600-699</b>	106.00-134.50	134.50	<b>500-599</b>	101.00-123.50	123.50
<b>500-599</b>	110.00-144.00	144.00	<b>400-499</b>	108.00-128.00	129.00
<b>400-499</b>	121.00-145.00	154.50	<b>300-399</b>	111.00-126.00	126.00

**Stocker sale: Ontario Livestock Exchange, Oct 18, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>+1000</b>	93.00-105.25	109.25	<b>+900</b>	90.00-101.25	101.25
<b>900-999</b>	94.50-109.75	109.75	<b>800-899</b>	95.50-113.00	113.00
<b>800-899</b>	100.00-109.25	110.50	<b>700-799</b>	101.00-113.50	113.50
<b>700-799</b>	95.00-104.50	104.50	<b>600-699</b>	97.00-110.00	110.00

Stocker Sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange – Oct 19, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>800-899</b>	81.00-97.00	107.00	<b>700-799</b>	74.00-93.50	100.00
<b>700-799</b>	69.00-95.00	119.00	<b>600-699</b>	90.50-114.00	114.00
<b>600-699</b>	75.50-115.50	118.50	<b>500-599</b>	96.00-123.00	123.00
<b>500-599</b>	93.00-123.50	123.50	<b>400-499</b>	86.00-114.00	114.00
<b>400-499</b>	105.00-125.00	125.00			

Stocker Sale: **Ontario Stockyards – Oct 19, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>1000+</b>	90.00-96.75	96.75	<b>900+</b>	78.00-99.00	99.00
<b>900-999</b>	94.25-104.25	105.00	<b>800-899</b>	101.50-111.25	111.25
<b>800-899</b>	95.00-112.00	116.25	<b>700-799</b>	94.00-120.00	120.00
<b>700-799</b>	95.00-116.00	120.00	<b>600-699</b>	96.00-117.75	117.75
<b>600-699</b>	95.00-119.00	130.50	<b>500-599</b>	86.00-109.00	118.50
<b>500-599</b>	103.00-136.00	137.00	<b>400-499</b>	96.00-123.00	123.00
<b>400-499</b>	104.00-139.50	151.00	<b>300-399</b>	100.00-131.00	131.00
<b>-400</b>	114.00-141.00	143.00			

Stocker Sale: **Ottawa Livestock – Oct 19, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>700-799</b>	89.00-115.00	115.00	<b>600-699</b>	87.00-112.00	112.00
<b>600-699</b>	91.00-119.50	125.00	<b>500-599</b>	84.00-112.00	124.00
<b>500-599</b>	97.00-124.00	124.00	<b>400-499</b>	98.00-123.00	123.00
<b>400-499</b>	94.00-134.00	134.00	<b>300-399</b>	85.00-128.00	147.00
<b>-400</b>	75.00-147.00	196.00	<b>-299</b>	65.00-130.00	170.00

Stocker Sale: **Tri-County Cattle Co- Oct 19, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>
<b>1000+</b>	100.00-104.50	<b>900+</b>	100.00-109.25
<b>900-999</b>	108.10-109.00	<b>800-899</b>	108.50-110.75
<b>700-799</b>	99.50-113.50	<b>700-799</b>	106.00-120.00
<b>600-699</b>	103.50-105.00	<b>600-699</b>	96.00-110.00

**ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE- SPECIAL FALL SALES**

Stocker sale at: **Keady Livestock : Oct 13, 2006** (overnight stand)

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>1000+</b>	102.60-109.85	112.35	<b>900+</b>	103.50-107.75	107.75
<b>900-1000</b>	107.35-115.35	118.35	<b>800-900</b>	109.50	
<b>800-900</b>	115.50-121.25	121.25			

Stocker sale at: **Tri-County Cattle Co- Oct 16, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>700-799</b>	106.00-117.72	123.00	<b>700-799</b>	94.00-106.00	106.00
<b>600-699</b>	124.00-138.75	138.75	<b>600-699</b>	108.50-130.50	130.50
<b>500-599</b>	128.50-149.50	154.00	<b>500-599</b>	119.00-127.50	129.00
<b>400-499</b>	126.00-146.00	155.00	<b>400-499</b>	120.00-131.00	133.50
<b>-399</b>	155.00-162.00	162.00	<b>300-399</b>	124.00-144.00	144.00

Stocker sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc : Oct 17, 2006- Ottawa Valley & Renfrew Calf Sale**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>700-799</b>	87.50-122.00	135.00	<b>600-699</b>	105.00-123.00	133.25
<b>600-699</b>	107.00-138.25	138.25	<b>500-599</b>	102.00-130.00	136.50
<b>500-599</b>	106.00-137.00	146.50	<b>400-499</b>	110.00-134.50	134.50
<b>400-499</b>	120.00-150.00	150.00	<b>300-399</b>	119.00-136.00	136.00
<b>-399</b>	121.00-155.00	171.00			

Stocker Sale: **Galetta Livestock Sales- Oct 18, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
700-799	60.00-113.00	700-799	81.00
600-699	94.00-117.50	600-699	79.00-115.50
500-599	83.00-130.00	500-599	79.00-115.50
400-499	106.00-134.00	400-499	85.00-126.00
399-	115.0-137.00	399-	108.00-119.00

Stocker Sale: **Kawartha Lakes – Oct , 2006- 1,138 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
1000+	95.75-105.00	900+	90.00-103.50
900-999	106.00-112.75	800-899	82.00-110.00
800-899	105.00-115.50	700-799	90.00-117.00
700-799	75.00-125.50	600-699	100.00-124.50
600-699	99.00-139.00	500-599	91.00-130.50
500-599	98.00-154.00	400-499	78.00-138.50
400-499	115.00-156.00	300-399	123.00-134.00
-400	110.00-163.00		

Stocker Sale: **Wiarthon, Grey Bruce Livestock Co-op– Oct 19, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
600-699	118.00-126.00	600-699	97.00-117.00
500-599	117.00-143.00	500-599	107.00-130.00
400-499	116.00-157.00	400-499	107.00-138.00
-399	121.00-155.00	300-399	100.00-142.00

**ONTARIO BRED COWS**

Ontario Stockyards Ltd. Oct 13, 2006- 123 Bred cows, 19 cow/calf pairs

	Exotic and Exotic X	British and British X
Top quality bred cows	\$700.00-850.00	\$675.00-800.00
Avg quality bred cows	\$500.00-700.00	\$450.00-600.00
Top quality cow/calf pairs	\$950.00-1150.00	\$800.00-950.00
Avg quality cow/calf pairs	\$750.00-850.00	\$550.00-750.00

Cows sold barely steady due to lack of quality.

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

Week ending **Thursday Oct 19, 2006**

Steers	Live	83.80-86.75	Flat rail	140.30-142.35
Heifers	Live	84.75-86.05	Flat rail	140.50-141.50

**QUEBEC ELECTRONIC AUCTION MARKET** (F.O.B. the feedlot)

Week Ending Oct 19, 2006	Price Range
A1, A2 Steers & Heifers	150.00-151.25

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

Week ending **Thursday Oct 19, 2006**

Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers:	Live	N/T
	Rail	135.00

**CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES**

Week Ending	AAA	AA
Sept 30, 2006	1.6565	1.5762
Sept 23, 2006	1.6983	1.6152

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

	<b>Choice 600-900</b>	<b>Select 600-900</b>
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	145.41	135.69

## AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	<b>Steers</b>	<b>Heifers</b>
<b>Oct 14, 2006</b>	867	804
<b>Oct 15, 2005</b>	845	783

## FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>% of Yr. Ago</b>
	Oct 14, 2006		
<b>Grand Total</b>	55,245	2,618,545	88%
<b>Alberta Slaughter</b>	36,817	1,660,328	83%
<b>Ontario Slaughter</b>	10,681	534,191	103%

## USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>Previous Week</b>	<b>Year Ago</b>
	Oct 21, 2006		
<b>Grand Total</b>	639,000	625,000	621,000

## BEEF EXPORTS

	<b>United States</b>	<b>Mexico</b>
	Jan 1 – Oct 14	Jan 1 – Sept 23
<b>Total</b>	216,452 tonnes	25,918 tonnes

## BEEF PRODUCTION

	<b>Jan 1 – Oct 14</b>	<b>Last Year Same Time</b>	<b>% Change</b>
<b>Fed</b>	766,723 tonnes	926,977 tonnes	-17.3%
<b>Non-fed</b>	171,838 tonnes	133,542 tonnes	+28.7%

## BEEF IMPORTS

	<b>Jan 1 – Oct 7</b>	<b>Last Year Same Time</b>	<b>% Change</b>
<b>Total</b>	94,700 tonnes	79,486 tonnes	+19.1%

## LIVE CATTLE-CANADA

	<b>IMPORTS</b>		<b>EXPORTS</b>
	Jan 1 – Aug 31		Jan 1 – Oct 14
<b>Pure bred</b>	250	<b>Slaughter steers &amp; heifers</b>	502,583
<b>Non-pure bred</b>	27,717	<b>Feeder steers &amp; heifers</b>	233,554

## CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

	<b>Live Cattle</b>		<b>Feeder Cattle</b>		<b>Corn</b>		<b>Soybeans</b>		<b>Canadian \$</b>					
	\$/cwt US		\$/cwt US		\$/bu US ¢/bu		\$/bu US ¢/bu							
<b>Oct</b>	87.67	-0.20	<b>Oct</b>	106.32	-0.37	<b>Dec</b>	3.126	-3.2	<b>Nov</b>	6.064	-1.4	<b>Spot</b>	88.94	+0.22
<b>Dec</b>	87.07	-0.12	<b>Nov</b>	104.75	+0.05	<b>Mar</b>	3.246	-2.2	<b>Jan</b>	6.202	-2.2	<b>Dec</b>	89.07	+0.20
<b>Feb</b>	90.20	+0.25	<b>Jan</b>	103.52	+0.15	<b>May</b>	3.314	-1.4	<b>Mar</b>	6.280	-0.6	<b>Mar</b>	89.32	+0.20
<b>Apr</b>	90.02	+0.37	<b>Mar</b>	101.95	+0.10	<b>Jul</b>	3.364	-1.0	<b>May</b>	6.344	-1.0	<b>Jun</b>	89.59	+0.20

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## SPECIAL FALL STOCKER SALES

Oct 21<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>

Oct 21, 2006	9:00 am	Keady Livestock	Bruce Peninsula Calf Assoc. (members only) Mainly Char.- vacc & Presorted calves.
Oct 21, 2006	10:00 am	Ottawa Livestock Exchange	Stocker & Yearlings
Oct 21, 2006	10:00 am	Thessalon –Algoma Co-op Livestock	Calves
Oct 21, 2006	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Sales	Yearlings, Stockers, Bred cows.
Oct 22, 2006	1:00 pm	Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction	Purebred Angus Sale
Oct 23, 2006	10:00 am	Brussels Livestock	Huron-County Beef Producers Vaccinated calves & yearlings
Oct 23, 2006	11:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction	Yearlings/Calves
Oct 24, 2006	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Ltd	Yearlings
Oct 25, 2006	11:00 am	Kawartha Lake Co-op Auction	Yearlings/Calves
Oct 26, 2006	9:00 am	Keady Livestock	Bluewater Angus Calf Assoc. Sale (members only) Mainly Angus- vacc & presort
Oct 27, 2006	11:00 am	D.H. Hickson (Hoards)	Calves/Yearlings 100% Vaccinated
Oct 27, 2006	12:00 pm	Temiskaming Livestock Sales	Bred Beef Cows
Oct 27, 2006	1:00 pm	Listowel Livestock	Local vaccinated calves
Oct 27, 2006	7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market	Local calf sale
Oct 28, 2006	9:00 am	Keady Livestock	Georgian Bay Premium Char Cross Calf Assoc. (members only) mainly char
			Vaccinated presorted calves.
Oct 28, 2006	9:00 am	Rainy River	Calves & yearlings
Oct 28, 2006	11:00 am	Selby Livestock Sales	100% Vaccinated.

Comments for the week ending Oct 19, 2006

Cattle prices were under pressure all the way across the board this week. The number of live finished steers and heifers sold through auction markets was 2,091 up 201 over last week. The average fed steer price was \$89.76 down \$1.29 and the average heifer price was \$87.92 down \$3.72 from last week. Auction markets reported fed cattle sold on a moderate demand with prices steady to \$2.00 lower.

Slaughter cows were stronger early in the week and lost ground as the week progressed. There were 2,241 head of slaughter cows sold through auction markets which is 479 higher than last week. The average price was \$33.45 down \$1.12 from last week and \$6.64 higher than a year ago. Auction markets reported that slaughter cows sold steady to \$2.00 higher early in the week to easier to \$1.00 lower late in the week.

Replacement cattle saw lower prices in every weight category. The total number of stockers sold was 11,006 up 8.1% over last week and 18% less than last year at this time. Auction markets reported that calves traded barely steady to \$10.00 lower while yearlings sold steady to \$4.00 lower. Steers 900 + averaged \$105.24 down \$6.97 and heifers 800+ averaged \$101.34 down \$3.59 from last weeks prices. Steers 400-500 lbs averaged \$130.24 down \$5.64 while heifers 400-500 lbs averaged \$120.57 down \$3.23 from last week.

Ontario railgrade prices reported for this week were \$153.00-\$157.00 for steers and \$153.00-\$154.00 for heifers, which was on average \$1.50 lower than last week.

In Alberta, cattle trade was moderate to active with prices steady to \$1.00 higher. Steers sold \$83.80-\$86.75 live and \$140.30-\$142.35 dressed. Heifers traded \$84.75-\$86.05 live and \$140.50-\$141.50 dressed.

U.S. cash cattle trade was quiet with just a few scattered sales on Thursday in the north at \$135.00 dressed. Significant trade is not expected until after the release of the cattle on feed report late Friday afternoon.

Local beef trade reported a steady week. End cuts are moving well while the middle cuts are lighter.