



# Weekly Market Information Report



Week ending Thursday Nov 23, 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** 150.00-153.00

**A grade heifers** 149.00-152.00

## 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	84.81-92.29	88.80	108.00	86.92
Medium Frame Steers +1250	83.89-92.80	89.36	96.25	86.57
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	84.81-92.29	88.80	108.00	86.83
Large Frame Heifers +1000	82.75-91.53	87.71	98.50	86.98
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	72.98-90.11	84.66	110.00	83.59
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	80.95-93.03	87.53	110.00	86.30
Cows-all weights	22.90-37.34	29.72	87.00	29.92
Bulls-all weights	35.74-44.89	40.22	98.00	43.29

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

STEERS	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	84.83-101.01	96.16	108.35
900-999	94.00-106.80	102.99	111.00
800-899	98.72-110.19	106.14	116.00
700-799	94.76-116.71	110.07	125.50
600-699	102.42-121.40	113.86	130.00
500-599	104.08-132.39	120.97	148.00
400-499	110.25-138.38	126.48	159.00
-399	101.62-138.50	120.19	214.00

HEIFERS	Price Range	Average	Top
900+	87.27-95.47	92.08	103.00
800-899	90.48-102.69	96.54	105.75
700-799	86.51-107.10	97.89	115.50
600-699	89.91-110.85	102.17	120.75
500-599	95.96-118.23	109.85	129.50
400-499	101.21-126.53	115.67	160.00
300-399	102.75-127.26	116.89	148.00
-299	87.12-138.43	107.07	215.00

### **At Talbotville Livestock: Nov 18, 2006**

	Price Range	
Good & choice steers	84.00-91.00	95.50
Good & choice heifers	82.00-90.00	
Cows	32.00-43.00	57.00
Bulls	34.00-41.50	
Veal 600 lb +	90.00-105.00	115.00

**Denfield Livestock –November 21, 2006**

	Price Range		Price Range
<b>Good &amp; Choice Steers</b>	85.00-90.00	<b>Good &amp; Choice Heifers</b>	85.00-94.00
<b>Plain Steers</b>	75.00-80.00	<b>Plain Heifers</b>	70.00-80.00
<b>Good Beef Bulls</b>	40.00-50.00	<b>Good Fed Cows</b>	40.00-50.00
<b>Good Hol Bulls</b>	35.00-40.00	<b>D1 &amp; D2 Cows</b>	32.00-38.00
<b>Hol Bull Calves</b>	75.00-155.00	<b>D3 &amp; D4 Cows</b>	22.00-28.00

**ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE****Stocker sale at: Brussels Livestock, Nov 17, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>1000+</b>	62.00-100.00	103.00	<b>900+</b>	89.25-96.75	103.00
<b>900-999</b>	97.75-106.00	110.50	<b>800-899</b>	87.00-103.75	105.75
<b>800-899</b>	80.00-111.00	111.50	<b>700-799</b>	83.0-105.00	115.25
<b>700-799</b>	95.00-117.75	117.75	<b>600-699</b>	89.00-118.00	118.00
<b>600-699</b>	98.50-118.00	127.50	<b>500-599</b>	96.00-122.00	129.50
<b>500-599</b>	110.00-128.50	132.00	<b>400-499</b>	102.00-124.50	124.50
<b>400-499</b>	108.00-130.50	132.00	<b>300-399</b>	115.00-130.00	130.00
<b>300-399</b>	99.00-131.00	141.00			

**Stocker sale at: Keady Livestock- Nov 21, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>1000+</b>	104.85-108.35	108.35	<b>900-</b>	93.50	
<b>900-999</b>	103.50-111.00	111.00	<b>800-899</b>	89.00-102.25	102.25
<b>800-899</b>	109.25-112.35	112.35	<b>700-799</b>	85.50-101.50	101.50
<b>700-799</b>	101.50-114.50	114.50	<b>600-699</b>	94.00-109.50	109.50
<b>600-699</b>	106.50-123.00	123.00	<b>500-599</b>	98.00-115.00	115.00
<b>500-599</b>	97.00-130.00	140.00	<b>400-499</b>	104.00-130.50	138.00
<b>400-499</b>	123.00-148.00	148.00	<b>300-399</b>	112.00-148.00	148.00
<b>399-</b>	136.00-155.00	155.00			

**Stocker sale at: D.H. Hickson Ltd , Nov 21, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>700-799</b>	88.000-107.50	107.50	<b>600-699</b>	56.00-97.00	97.00
<b>600-699</b>	80.00-114.50	114.50	<b>500-599</b>	66.50-112.50	112.50
<b>500-599</b>	72.00-126.50	126.50	<b>400-499</b>	63.00-134.00	134.00
<b>400-499</b>	85.50-144.00	144.00	<b>300-399</b>	70.00-123.50	123.50
<b>399-</b>	101.00-148.00	148.00			

**Stocker sale: Ontario Livestock Exchange, November 22, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>+1000</b>	95.00-105.25	106.75	<b>+900</b>	78.00-97.00	97.00
<b>900-999</b>	100.50-110.00	110.00	<b>700-799</b>	92.00-107.00	107.00
<b>700-799</b>	93.50-109.50	109.50			

**Stocker Sale: Ontario Livestock Exchange – Nov 23, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>700-799</b>	64.00-112.50	116.50	<b>700-799</b>	85.00-115.50	115.50
<b>600-699</b>	87.00-112.00	112.00	<b>600-699</b>	85.00-112.00	112.00
<b>500-599</b>	98.000-116.00	121.50	<b>500-599</b>	94.00-109.00	109.00
<b>400-499</b>	94.00-117.00	119.00	<b>400-499</b>	105.00-117.00	135.00
<b>399-</b>	107.00-132.00	151.00	<b>300-399</b>	100.00-118.00	118.00

Stocker Sale: **Ontario Stockyards – Nov 23, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>900-999</b>	92.00-106.00	106.00	<b>900+</b>	85.00-100.00	100.00
<b>800-899</b>	95.00-108.00	108.00	<b>800-899</b>	94.75-105.25	105.25
<b>700-799</b>	93.00-113.25	117.50	<b>700-799</b>	94.00-110.50	110.50
<b>600-699</b>	104.00-117.75	122.00	<b>600-699</b>	84.00-101.00	110.00
<b>500-599</b>	110.00-131.00	135.00	<b>500-599</b>	96.00-116.50	120.00
<b>400-499</b>	111.00-138.00	157.50	<b>400-499</b>	103.00-126.00	126.00
<b>-399</b>	100.00-145.00	145.00	<b>300-399</b>	94.00-126.00	128.50
			<b>299-</b>	87.50-120.00	136.00

Stocker Sale: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange (Leo's) – Nov 23, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>600-699</b>	85.00-109.00	119.00	<b>600-699</b>	89.00-111.00	111.00
<b>500-599</b>	81.00-116.00	124.00	<b>500-599</b>	80.00-108.00	108.00
<b>400-499</b>	97.00-126.00	126.00	<b>400-499</b>	91.00-111.00	114.00
<b>399-</b>	62.00-134.00	214.00	<b>300-399</b>	86.00-120.00	120.00
			<b>299-</b>	90.00-195.00	215.00

**ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE- SPECIAL FALL SALES**

Stocker sale at: **D.H. Hickson Ltd (Hoards)- Nov 17, 2006- 100 % vaccinated**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>
<b>900-999</b>	60.00-105.00	<b>900+</b>	96.00-100.25
<b>800-899</b>	99.00-113.00	<b>800-899</b>	97.25-103.75
<b>700-799</b>	79.00-122.00	<b>700-799</b>	88.00-109.75
<b>600-699</b>	84.00-121.00	<b>600-699</b>	74.00-114.00
<b>500-599</b>	78.00-134.00	<b>500-599</b>	77.00-119.50
<b>400-499</b>	89.00-136.00	<b>400-499</b>	65.00-113.00
<b>399-</b>	70.00-129.00	<b>300-399</b>	105.00-119.50

Stocker sale at: **Keady Livestock- Nov 17, 2006- Local calf sale featuring Maine Anjou influenced calves.**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>700-799</b>	110.00-119.25	119.25	<b>600-699</b>	101.00-115.00	115.00
<b>600-699</b>	114.50-127.75	127.75	<b>500-599</b>	104.00-117.50	120.00
<b>500-599</b>	117.50-148.00	148.00	<b>400-499</b>	124.00-160.00	160.00
<b>400-499</b>	133.00-159.00	159.00	<b>300-399</b>	135.00	
<b>399-</b>	131.00-147.50	153.00			

Stocker sale at: **Selby Livestock Sales Ltd- Nov 18, 2006- 100% Vaccinated.**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>
<b>800-899</b>	116.00	<b>800-899</b>	92.00
<b>700-799</b>	77.00-113.00	<b>500-599</b>	85.00-104.00
<b>600-699</b>	100.00-120.00		
<b>500-599</b>	80.00-128.50		

A very light run due to wet weather conditions.

Stocker sale at: **Ontario Stockyards, Nov 21, 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>	100.00-109.25	109.50	<b>700-799</b>	94.00-112.50	114.75
<b>700-799</b>	108.00-121.00	125.50	<b>600-699</b>	108.50-120.75	120.75
<b>600-699</b>	116.0-128.00	130.00	<b>500-599</b>	111.50-123.75	126.00
<b>500-599</b>	119.50-137.25	144.00	<b>400-499</b>	116.00-131.00	135.50
<b>400-499</b>	116.00-140.50	151.00	<b>300-399</b>	115.00-124.50	132.00
<b>399-</b>	123.00-125.50	132.00			

## ONTARIO BRED COWS

TriCounty Cattle Co. Ltd. – 100 bred cows

	<b>Exotic and Exotic X</b>	<b>British and British X</b>
Top quality bred cows	\$1000.00-1200.00	\$900.00-1100.00
Avg quality bred cows	\$850.00-1000.00	\$800.00-1000.00

## ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Week ending **Thursday Nov 23, 2006**

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Live</b>	85.25-87.80	<b>Flat rail</b>	143.25-146.25
<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Live</b>	86.00-87.80	<b>Flat rail</b>	143.25-146.00

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

<b>Week Ending Nov 23, 2006</b>	<b>Price Range</b>
<b>A1, A2 Steers &amp; Heifers</b>	150.75-153.00

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

Week ending **Thursday Nov 23, 2006**

Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers:	<b>Live</b>	87.00-88.50
	<b>Rail</b>	135.00-139.00

## CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>
<b>Nov 11, 2006</b>	1.6056	1.5633
<b>Nov 4, 2006</b>	1.6382	1.5595

## 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>	141.62	128.76

## AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	<b>Steers</b>	<b>Heifers</b>
<b>Nov 18, 2006</b>	858	800
<b>Nov 19, 2005</b>	850	792

## FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>% of Yr. Ago</b>
	Nov 18, 2006		
<b>Grand Total</b>	63,833	2,949,775	90%
<b>Alberta Slaughter</b>	41,311	1,874,775	86%
<b>Ontario Slaughter</b>	12,941	600,804	103%

## USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>Previous Week</b>	<b>Year Ago</b>
	Nov 25, 2006		
<b>Grand Total</b>	591,000	658,000	552,000

### BEEF EXPORTS

	United States	Mexico
	Jan 1 – Nov 18	Jan 1 – Oct 28
<b>Total</b>	245,498 tonnes	28,127 tonnes

### BEEF PRODUCTION

	Jan 1 – Nov 11	Last Year Same Time	% Change
<b>Fed</b>	861,735 tonnes	1,014,860 tonnes	-15.1%
<b>Non-fed</b>	197,014 tonnes	155,548 tonnes	+26.7%

### BEEF IMPORTS

	Jan 1 – Nov 11	Last Year Same Time	% Change
<b>US</b>	68,844 tonnes	37,211 tonnes	+85.0%
<b>Non-NAFTA</b>	35,433 tonnes	51,291 tonnes	-30.9%
<b>Total</b>	105,529 tonnes	91,721 tonnes	+15.1%

### LIVE CATTLE-CANADA

	<b>IMPORTS</b>		<b>EXPORTS</b>
	Jan 1 – Sept 30		Jan 1 – Nov 11
<b>Pure bred</b>	342	<b>Slaughter steers &amp; heifers</b>	617,962
<b>Non-pure bred</b>	29,290	<b>Feeder steers &amp; heifers</b>	261,126

### LIVE CATTLE IMPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending Nov 11, 06	Week ending Nov 4,06	Year to date.
<b>Live slaughter cattle imported from the U.S. into Ontario</b>	0	0	7,335

### 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>Dec</b>	87.65 -0.10	<b>Jan</b>	98.50 -0.70	<b>Dec</b>	3.692 +6.4	<b>Jan</b>	6.842 +10.2	<b>Spot</b>	88.16 +0.49	
<b>Feb</b>	90.35 -0.10	<b>Mar</b>	97.45 -0.75	<b>Mar</b>	3.860 +7.6	<b>Mar</b>	6.966 +10.0	<b>Dec</b>	88.21 +0.55	
<b>Apr</b>	91.20 -0.15	<b>Apr</b>	97.90 -0.70	<b>May</b>	3.912 +8.0	<b>May</b>	7.046 +8.4	<b>Mar</b>	88.46 +0.55	
<b>Jun</b>	88.27 +0.12	<b>May</b>	98.62 -0.72	<b>Jul</b>	3.944 +8.6	<b>Jul</b>	7.126 +9.0	<b>Jun</b>	88.73 +0.55	

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### SPECIAL FALL SALES for Nov25<sup>th</sup> – Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>

Nov 27, 2006	10:00 am	Brussels Livestock	Vaccinated Calves & Yearlings sponsored by Huron County Beef Producers
Nov 28, 2006	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc.	Yearlings
Nov 29, 2006	11:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Mkt	Yearlings, Calves
Dec 2, 2006	10:00 am	Ottawa Livestock Exchange (Leo's)	Stocker & Yearlings

**Comments for the week ending Nov 23, 2006**

The finished cattle market regained last week's price decline. The number of live finished steers and heifers sold through auction markets was 1,230 which is 185 lower than last week. The average fed steer price was \$88.80 up \$1.97 and the average heifer price was \$87.53 up \$1.23 from last week. Auction markets reported fed cattle sold actively with prices steady to \$3.00 higher.

Slaughter cows saw larger volume with steady money this week. There were 2,350 head of slaughter cows sold through auction markets which is 367 more than last week. The average price was \$29.72 down \$0.20 from last week and \$7.26 higher than a year ago. Auction markets reported that slaughter cows sold barely steady to stronger.

Replacement cattle sold on a mixed demand. The total number of stockers sold was 7,161 down 28.8% from last week and 42% less than last year at this time. Auction markets reported replacements sold on a strong active trade with prices steady to \$2.00 higher. Although most weight categories average prices were basically steady, steers 900+ were the hardest hit averaging \$99.35 down \$6.34 from last week. On the other side, steers 700-800 lbs averaged \$110.07 up \$3.22 and heifers averaging 700-800 lbs averaged \$97.89 up \$3.26.

Ontario railgrade prices reported for this week were \$150.00-\$153.00 for steers and \$149.00-\$152.00 for heifers which is on average \$0.50 lower than last week.

In Alberta, cattle trade active with prices \$2.00-\$3.00 higher. Steers traded \$85.25-\$87.80 live and \$143.25-\$146.25 dressed. Heifers sold \$86.00-\$87.80 live and \$143.25-\$146.00 dressed.

U.S. cash cattle trade was active on Tuesday with some clean up business on Wednesday. Dressed cattle sold \$4.00 higher while live cattle traded steady to \$1.00 higher. Steers and heifers sold 87.00-88.50 live and \$135.00-\$139.00 dressed.

Local beef trade reported that middle cuts are still moving well and are well priced. Ribs are moving slow for this time of year but are expected to pick up in the near future. Kills have remained steady.