



Weekly Market Information Report



Week Ending Thursday May 3, 2007

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 177.00-181.00
A grade heifers 176.00-180.00

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	101.26-109.96	106.11	115.25	105.12
Medium Frame Steers +1250	97.66-110.12	105.83	113.00	105.00
Large & Medium Frame Steers + 1250	101.21-110.92	106.66	115.25	105.24
Large Frame Heifers + 1000	100.46-110.58	105.58	112.50	103.82
Medium Frame Heifers + 1000	90.46-106.07	99.26	115.00	100.70
Large & Medium Frame heifers + 1000	98.53-110.17	104.35	115.00	103.10
Cows- All Weights	31.67-53.65	43.60	82.00	45.83
Bulls- All Weights	44.81-59.90	54.43	92.50	53.17

STOCKERS-Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week Avg
1000+	96.46-105.06	101.43	109.20	100.80
900-999	100.48-108.26	104.85	116.00	106.78
800-899	95.72-110.10	105.49	121.75	108.11
700-799	95.81-118.45	111.43	133.00	114.48
600-699	97.85-129.73	118.44	144.00	123.24
500-599	103.81-134.13	122.51	145.00	126.26
400-499	108.13-138.45	126.31	156.50	126.55
-399	105.86-134.85	120.13	192.00	125.34

HEIFERS	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week Avg
900+	86.95-99.06	93.94	106.25	95.22
800-899	92.06-103.41	100.14	108.25	100.20
700-799	92.95-110.69	104.47	122.00	104.83
600-699	98.15-119.42	111.02	126.00	109.47
500-599	92.68-122.00	112.10	138.00	114.13
400-499	96.13-127.37	113.55	140.50	116.31
300-399	95.12-122.15	111.81	141.00	109.62
-299	116.62-127.33	122.36	180.00	118.43

At Talbotville Livestock: April 28, 2007

	Price Range	Top
Good & choice steers	98.00-107.00	112.50
Good & choice heifers	97.00-104.00	107.00
Cows	38.00-51.00	70.00
Bulls (good heavy bulls)	45.00-62.00	
Veal	65.00-85.00	

Denfield Livestock – May 1, 2007

	Price Range		Price Range
Good & Choice Steers	102.00-110.00 top 112.25	Good & Choice Heifers	102.00-110.00
Plain Steers	90.00-100.00	Plain Heifers	90.00-100.00
Good Fed Cows	50.00-60.00	Good Hol Bulls	45.00-50.00
D1 & D2 Cows	42.00-52.00	Good Beef Bulls	50.00-60.00
D3 & D4 Cows	30.00-40.00	Good Hol Bull Calves	\$125.00-\$210.00

ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE

Stocker Sale at: **Brussels Livestock, April 27, 2007**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	74.00-96.75	89.58	97.00	900+	95.00-102.00	99.07	106.25
900-999	93.50-104.50	98.18	104.50	800-899	93.00-104.50	101.31	104.50
800-899	94.00-107.00	101.27	108.75	700-799	95.50-107.00	101.46	107.50
700-799	97.50-114.75	106.90	115.50	600-699	100.00-113.75	105.72	120.00
600-699	111.50-126.50	117.93	131.50	500-599	104.00-125.00	115.89	125.00
500-599	117.00-131.00	124.02	135.00	400-499	104.00-137.00	117.76	139.00
400-499	122.00-145.00	137.32	145.00	300-399	90.00-126.00	114.13	138.00
399-	123.00-133.00	123.38	150.00				

Stocker sale at **D.H. Hickson Ltd. – May 1, 2007**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
600-699	93.00-126.00	115.18	126.00	600-699	79.00-114.50	103.93	114.50
500-599	71.00-140.00	110.53	140.00	500-599	79.00-116.00	101.96	116.00
400-499	90.00-145.00	121.10	145.00	400-499	87.00-140.50	107.24	140.50

Stocker sale at **Keady Livestock – May 1, 2007**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	94.75-109.20	102.94	109.20	900+	87.50-102.75	96.77	102.75
900-999	105.25-111.50	106.94	111.50	800-899	94.50-107.00	104.18	107.00
800-899	105.00-115.00	112.28	115.00	700-799	104.00-113.75	108.82	113.75
700-799	108.50-127.00	118.91	133.00	600-699	108.50-125.62	118.79	125.62
600-699	120.50-135.00	128.21	135.00	500-599	102.50-125.50	116.25	127.00
500-599	125.00-138.00	131.58	138.00	400-499	99.00-129.00	118.38	129.00
400-499	110.00-130.50	124.42	142.00	300-399	101.50-141.00	124.54	141.00
399-	101.00-131.00	120.22	136.00				

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, May 2, 07**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
+1000	100.75-104.75	103.11	107.50	+900	92.00-102.25	98.56	103.75
900-999	102.50-109.75	107.06	112.75	800-899	100.00-103.75	101.67	103.75
800-899	96.50-109.50	103.20	114.25	700-799	103.00-104.75	104.17	104.75
700-799	100.00-107.00	104.25	109.50	600-699	105.50-117.75	114.06	117.75
600-699	105.00-130.00	120.09	130.00	500-599	81.00-118.00	110.96	118.00
500-599	112.50-143.00	128.01	143.00	400-499	97.50-117.00	110.50	117.00
400-499	139.00-149.50	143.96	149.50				

Stocker sale: **Ontario Stockyards Inc, May 3, 07**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
900-999	95.00-102.00	99.13	102.00	800-899	101.00-103.50	101.87	103.50
800-899	95.50-111.00	106.46	111.00	700-799	97.00-110.50	105.48	110.50
700-799	105.00-118.50	113.26	120.00	600-699	105.00-117.00	111.02	120.50
600-699	109.50-130.50	119.73	135.50	500-599	103.50-124.50	114.53	134.50
500-599	114.50-140.00	126.68	140.00	400-499	100.00-131.00	115.73	138.00
400-499	115.00-151.50	132.51	151.50	300-399	76.00-119.00	99.67	133.00

Stocker sale: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange, May 3, 07**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
700-799	68.00-114.50	101.33	114.50	700-799	82.00-97.00	91.47	104.00
600-699	74.00-121.00	101.50	123.00	600-699	88.00-115.00	101.52	119.00
500-599	79.00-136.00	113.14	136.00	500-599	93.00-114.00	104.09	126.00
400-499	70.00-129.00	98.82	135.00	400-499	95.00-126.00	111.15	126.00
399-	48.00-152.00	101.15	192.00	300-399	88.00-112.00	99.44	112.00

Stocker sale: **Tri-County Cattle Co, May 3, 07**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
+1000	106.50-108.50	107.78	108.50	800-899	100.00-108.25	106.68	108.25
900-999	109.50-111.25	110.73	111.25	700-799	106.25-111.50	109.95	111.50
800-899	111.75-114.10	112.44	114.10	600-699	105.50-114.25	108.84	114.25
700-799	101.00-114.00	105.61	116.00	500-599	92.50-117.00	110.80	117.00
600-699	109.00-128.00	122.53	128.00	400-499	109.00-123.50	116.96	123.50
500-599	111.50-127.50	118.84	127.50				

ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE-SPECIAL SPRING SALES

Stocker Sale at: **Denfield Livestock, April 28, 2007**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
1000+	95.00-108.00	900+	95.00-105.00
900-999	98.00-109.00	800-899	100.00-105.00
800-899	100.00-110.00	700-799	105.00-115.00
700-799	100.00-118.00	600-699	110.00-118.00
600-699	105.00-120.00	500-599	110.00-125.00
500-599	110.00-135.00	400-499	120.00-130.00
400-499	120.00-140.00		

Stocker Sale at: **Rainy River, April 28, 2007**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
900-999	58.00-100.50	86.22	100.50	700-799	67.00-104.50	96.27	104.50
800-899	64.00-106.00	100.22	106.00	600-699	73.00-108.25	98.70	108.25
700-799	63.00-111.00	102.96	111.00	500-599	70.00-108.25	99.24	108.25
600-699	66.00-122.25	107.44	122.25	400-499	80.00-116.50	103.01	116.50
500-599	79.00-128.00	111.78	128.00	300-399	80.00-123.00	107.26	123.00
400-499	85.00-125.00	111.72	125.00				

Stocker Sale at: **Brussels Livestock, April 30, 2007-Vaccinated Sale** Sponsored by Huron County Beef Producers.

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	92.00-103.00	100.32	103.00	900+	94.50-101.75	99.99	101.75
900-999	100.00-105.75	102.65	116.00	800-899	94.00-105.25	101.51	105.25
800-899	100.00-111.00	106.03	121.75	700-799	104.00-115.50	107.99	115.50
700-799	108.00-124.50	117.53	124.50	600-699	109.00-126.00	117.77	126.00
600-699	110.00-128.50	120.47	130.00	500-599	117.00-128.00	123.96	128.00
500-599	117.50-133.00	129.17	133.00	400-499	112.00-129.00	120.23	131.00

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc, May 1, 2007**- Vaccinated Sale

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	88.50-100.00	92.85	101.00	900+	85.00-94.50	89.50	105.00
900-999	91.50-102.00	98.27	102.00	800-899	96.25-103.00	100.86	105.00
800-899	103.75-114.00	108.65	114.00	700-799	99.00-109.75	104.97	122.00
700-799	110.75-117.00	114.20	121.50	600-699	109.50-122.50	115.38	125.00
600-699	115.00-131.00	125.42	140.00	500-599	117.00-137.00	124.83	138.00
500-599	126.50-138.50	133.34	138.50	400-499	112.00-118.00	115.61	118.00
400-499	109.00-142.50	124.71	156.50	300-399	110.00-125.00	115.83	130.00

Stocker Sale at: **Kawartha Lakes Coop Auction Market May 2, 07** Sponsored by Peterborough/Victoria Cattlemen's Assoc.

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
900-999	87.00-101.75	95.80	101.75	800-899	91.50-102.00	99.57	102.00
800-899	85.00-107.75	102.60	107.75	700-799	70.00-113.50	104.29	113.50
700-799	93.00-117.50	112.58	117.50	600-699	80.00-121.00	108.76	121.00
600-699	87.00-144.00	125.88	144.00	500-599	70.00-123.50	113.55	123.50
500-599	106.50-145.00	133.17	145.00	400-499	90.00-125.00	117.00	125.00
400-499	115.00-148.00	132.78	148.00	300-399	121.00-129.00	124.42	129.00
399-	117.50-125.00	121.25	125.00				

Stocker Sale: **Grey Bruce Livestock Coop, Wiarton- May 3, 2007**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
900+	95.25-106.50	800-899	85.00-102.50
800-899	104.00-110.00	700-799	95.00-104.50
700-799	100.00-126.00	600-699	102.25-115.00
600-699	119.00-138.50		
500-599	127.00-136.00		
400-499	129.00-140.50		

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Week Ending **Thursday May 3, 2007**

Steers	Live	100.50-104.00	Flat rail	166.80-174.25
Heifers	Live	101.00-104.45	Flat rail	169.50-171.00

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

Week Ending **Thursday May 3, 2007**

	Price Range
A1, A2 Steers & Heifers	181.00-182.00

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

Week Ending **Thursday May 3, 2007**

Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers	Live	95.00-96.50
	Rail	154.00-155.00

CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

Week Ending	AAA	AA
April 7, 2007	1.8142	1.7781
March 31, 2007	1.8872	1.8178
March 24, 2007	1.9012	1.8116

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Current 5 day average:	156.97	145.44

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
Apr 28, 2007	813	763
Apr 29, 2006	816	766

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	Week Ending	YTD	% of Yr. Ago
	Apr 28, 2007		
Grand Total	64,199	1,073,051	99%
Alberta Slaughter	42,426	696,692	105%
Ontario Slaughter	13,108	218,302	97%

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

	Week Ending	Previous Week	Year Ago
	May 5, 2007		
Grand Total	666,000	678,000	628,000

BEEF EXPORTS

	United States	Mexico
	Jan 1 – Apr 28	Jan 1 – Apr 7
Total	94,769s	9,864es

BEEF PRODUCTION

	Jan 1 – Apr 28	Last Year Same Time	% Change
Fed	303,210 tonnes	305,565 tonnes	-0.8%
Non-fed	81,563 tonnes	83,132 tonnes	-1.9%

BEEF IMPORTS

	Jan 1 –April 21	Last Year Same Time	% Change
US	25,665 tonnes	20,077 tonnes	+27.8%
Non-NAFTA	19,798 tonnes	15,241 tonnes	+29.9%
Total	45,861 tonnes	36,089 tonnes	+27.1%

LIVE CATTLE-CANADA

	IMPORTS	EXPORTS
	Jan 1 – Feb 28	Jan 1 – Apr 28
Pure bred	2,141	Slaughter steers & heifers 310,339
Non-pure bred	6,273	Feeder steers & heifers 148,356

LIVE CATTLE IMPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending Apr 21, 07	Week ending Apr 14, 07	Year to date.
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Live slaughter cattle imported from
the U.S. into Ontario

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LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

Week ending Apr 21, 07

Week ending April 14, 07

Year to date.

Live slaughter cattle exported from
Ontario to the U.S.

1,765

209

34,421

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			\$/bu US ¢/bu					
Jun	92.17	+0.45	May	107.15	+0.20	May	3.812	+1.4	May	7.334	-0.2	Spot	90.33	+0.01
Aug	90.87	+0.30	Aug	109.27	-0.37	Jul	3.906	+1.4	Jul	7.474	-0.2	Jun	90.45	+0.01
Oct	94.75	+0.32	Sep	109.20	-0.10	Sep	3.894	+2.4	Aug	7.534	-2.0	Sep	90.67	+0.01
Dec	94.87	+0.05	Oct	108.72	-0.12	Dec	3.904	+3.2	Sep	7.610	-2.0	Dec	90.89	+0.01

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Special Spring Sales

May 5, 07	10:00 am	Thessalon	Stocker Sale Sponsored by Algoma Co-op Livestock Sales.
May 5, 07	11:00 am	Selby Livestock & Auction	Stockers-Vaccinated & Non-vaccinated Sponsored by Lennox-Addington Stocker Committee
May 8, 07	11:00 am	South River	Sponsored by Parry Sound District Livestock Assoc.
May 9, 07	11:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Livestock Coop Auction Mkt	Stocker Sale
May 12, 07	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock	Stocker Sale

Comments for the week ending May 3, 2007

The fed cattle market bounced back a little price wise, but was lower in volume this week. The number of live finished steers and heifers sold through auction markets was 1,364, down 395 from last week. The average fed steer price was \$106.66 up \$1.42 from last week. The average heifer price was \$104.35 up \$1.25 from last week. Auction markets reported fed cattle sold stronger this week with prices fully steady to \$2.00 higher.

Slaughter cows saw softer prices this week. The volume of slaughter cows sold through auction markets was 1,949 up 135 from last week. The average price was \$43.60 down \$2.23 from last week and \$10.44 higher than last year at this time. Auction markets reported that cows sold on a good demand with prices fully steady to \$2.00 lower.

Replacement cattle sold on a mixed demand. There were 12,735 replacements sold through auction markets, up 8.1% from last week and 32% more than last year at this time. Auction markets reported strong active trade with grass type cattle trading steady to strong and heavier cattle were reported as steady to under pressure.

Ontario railgrade prices this week were \$1.75 lower on average from last week. Railgrade prices reported for steers were \$177.00-\$181.00 and heifers sold \$176.00-\$180.00.

In Alberta, cattle trade was active with prices holding steady to last week. Steers traded \$100.50-\$104.00 live and \$166.80-\$174.25 flat rail. Heifers sold \$101.00-\$104.45 live and \$169.50-\$171.00 flat rail.

U.S. cash cattle trade was active in the north on Thursday with prices fully steady to last week at \$154.00-\$155.00 dressed. Light trade in the south on Thursday saw prices \$0.50-\$1.00 lower from \$95.00-\$95.50 live. Friday's business in the south was active with prices fully steady to last week at \$96.00-\$96.50 live.

Local beef trade reported that business was consistent to last week with middle cuts selling very strong and priced accordingly. End cuts are struggling which is reflected in the cutout prices. It is anticipated that this summer's beef trade will be very similar to last summer. Kills remain steady at this time.

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