

Week Ending Thursday October 22, 2009

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 129.00-133.00
A grade heifers 129.00-132.00

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	73.99-80.83	76.84	94.75	76.02
Medium Frame Steers +1250	75.08-79.84	77.59	85.25	74.96
Large & Medium Frame Steers + 1250	74.46-80.64	77.05	94.75	76.00
Large Frame Heifers + 1000	70.84-78.10	75.51	82.75	74.47
Medium Frame Heifers + 1000	71.75-78.89	75.90	82.25	68.73
Large & Medium Frame heifers + 1000	72.48-79.34	75.77	82.75	72.87
Cows- All Weights	27.78-41.79	34.78	70.00	34.86
Bulls- All Weights	42.38-55.37	48.48	81.00	47.41

STOCKERS-Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week Avg
1000+	1802	87.97-93.74	91.20	96.20	89.04
900-999	1409	92.69-97.26	94.75	99.60	96.11
800-899	616	85.22-94.20	91.16	102.20	94.73
700-799	657	79.87-96.22	89.43	104.50	92.30
600-699	827	78.91-104.36	94.31	121.50	95.52
500-599	874	86.61-113.39	102.67	129.50	102.08
400-499	641	92.37-119.13	108.86	126.00	108.36
-399	287	83.93-122.14	105.34	133.00	110.02

HEIFERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week Avg
+900	701	77.23-84.09	81.04	90.25	78.69
800-899	635	77.32-87.73	83.46	91.50	85.14
700-799	392	69.93-84.60	78.04	91.50	85.37
600-699	499	71.76-91.74	82.93	100.00	86.98
500-599	798	75.64-102.33	91.25	116.00	88.83
400-499	531	84.79-106.28	95.98	128.00	94.56
300-399	193	85.94-105.31	95.87	116.00	100.23
299-	72	86.07-108.01	99.08	121.00	100.14

At Talbotville Livestock: Saturday Oct 17, 2009

	Price Range	Top
Good & Choice Steers	72.00-78.50	83.00
Good & Choice Heifers	72.00-79.25	81.00
Good Cows	35.00-41.00	44.50
Export Cows	33.00-39.50	
Good heavy bulls	Sales to 49.50	
Good heavy veal calves (no choice)	65.00-79.00	

At Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market: Oct 17, 2009

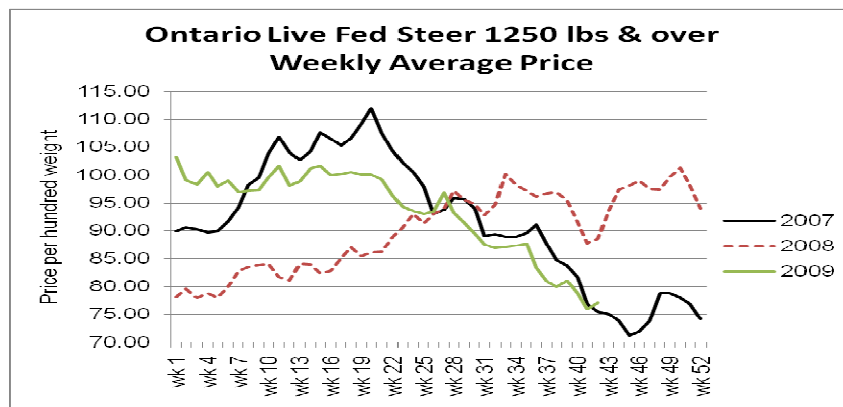
	Price Range	Average	Top
Cows	18.50-43.00	61.63	44.00
Bulls all weights	45.93-65.86	52.23	81.00

At Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc. – Oct 20, 2009

	Price Range		Price Range
Choice steers	75.00-78.00	Choice exotic cross heifers	75.00-78.00
Good steers	72.00-75.00	Good heifers	72.00-75.00
Plain Steers	68.00-72.00	Plain heifers	68.00-72.00
Good fed cows	40.00-45.00	Beef bulls	40.00-45.00
D1 & D2 cows	35.00-40.00	Good Holstein bull calves	90.00-120.00
D3 & D4 cows	30.00-35.00	Plainer calves	50.00-90.00
Shells	10.00-20.00	Plain and New born	10.00-30.00

At Renfrew Pontiac Livestock Ltd– Oct 20, 2009

	Price Range		Price Range
Replacement calves	30.00-70.00	Cows D1 & D2	38.00-43.00
Bulls	40.00-58.00	Cows D3	30.00-36.00
Cow/Calf pairs	N/T	Cows D4	21.00-31.00



ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at: **Brussels Livestock, Oct 16, 2009 – 1,577 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	82.25-94.75	87.37	94.75	900+	74.25-81.60	78.75	90.25
900-999	77.00-92.25	85.95	92.25	800-899	74.00-90.75	83.76	90.75
800-899	72.00-90.00	83.44	92.00	700-799	66.00-85.50	75.80	89.50
700-799	86.00-104.50	94.45	104.50	600-699	69.00-100.00	87.87	100.00
600-699	85.00-114.75	100.01	114.75	500-599	73.00-110.00	93.19	110.00
500-599	94.50-108.75	103.92	113.00	400-499	90.00-108.00	100.52	108.00
400-499	89.50-110.00	101.65	122.00	300-399	89.00-109.00	99.38	116.00
300-399	91.00-120.00	109.08	120.00	299-	70.00-105.00	87.80	111.00

Stocker sale at: **Kawartha Lakes Coop Auction Mkt, Oct 16, 2009 – 138 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
800-899	49.50-73.50	66.25	73.50	700-799	62.00-78.50	71.62	78.50
500-599	68.00-103.00	91.77	103.00	500-599	67.00-88.75	85.25	88.75
400-499	76.00-108.00	92.87	108.00	400-499	72.50-106.00	95.40	106.00

Stocker sale at: **MapleHill Auctions Inc, Oct 19, 2009 – 654 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000	87.00-89.50	88.04	89.50	900+	84.10-88.50	86.09	88.50
800-899	95.25-95.50	95.37	95.50	800-899	84.0-91.50	87.30	91.50
700-799	80.00-90.50	88.72	90.50	700-799	84.25-91.25	88.90	91.50
600-699	96.00-99.25	98.60	99.25	600-699	75.50-89.00	85.40	91.50

Stocker sale at: **Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange, Oct 19, 2009 – 166 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
700-799	62.00-98.00	71.35	98.00	600-699	77.00-94.00	82.21	94.00
600-699	88.00-101.00	93.62	101.00	500-599	78.00-90.00	82.57	90.00
500-599	77.00-108.00	89.70	108.00	400-499	74.00-105.00	86.00	105.00
400-499	79.00-118.00	99.62	118.00	300-399	84.00-109.00	94.46	109.00
300-399	64.00-124.00	99.40	124.00	299-	60.00-117.00	100.81	117.00

Stocker sale at: **Temiskaming Livestock Sales. Oct 19, 2009 – 138 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	51.00-64.50	57.94	64.50	600-699	74.50-78.25	76.38	78.25
700-799	65.50-85.50	73.31	86.50	500-599	75.50-85.00	81.04	85.00
600-699	67.00-87.00	74.56	87.00	400-499	66.50-87.00	74.63	87.00
500-599	78.00-95.50	89.88	95.50	300-399	75.50-99.00	83.00	100.00
400-499	58.00-112.50	94.77	112.50				
300-399	84.00-110.00	93.57	110.00				

Stocker sale: **Community Livestock Exchange (Hoards) – Oct 20, 2009**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
600-699	50.00-101.50	83.32	101.50	600-699	42.00-86.50	68.14	86.50
500-599	53.50-111.00	93.27	111.00	500-599	57.00-100.00	83.07	100.00
400-499	61.00-120.50	104.41	120.50	400-499	64.00-99.00	81.27	99.00

Stocker sale: **Keady Livestock Market – Oct 20, 2009- 1,267 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	85.25-96.00	91.56	96.00	900+	79.75-88.00	85.94	88.00
900-999	94.25-97.50	96.43	97.50	800-899	78.00-89.00	86.04	89.00
800-899	85.25-95.75	92.93	101.00	700-799	70.00-82.00	77.10	90.50
700-799	84.50-100.00	93.54	100.00	600-699	73.00-91.00	81.83	91.00
600-699	91.00-110.00	102.53	110.00	500-599	95.00-109.00	101.98	109.00
500-599	100.00-119.50	110.97	119.50	400-499	100.25-115.00	107.18	117.00
400-499	106.00-120.00	115.35	121.00				

Stocker sale: **Renfrew Pontiac Livestock Ltd– Oct 20, 2009- 400 stockers.**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
900-999	87.00-89.00	800-899	80.00-89.00
800-899	88.00-96.00	700-799	81.00-92.00
700-799	90.00-101.00	600-699	82.00-94.00
600-699	93.00-97.00	500-599	86.00-103.00
500-599	100.00-115.00	400-599	96.00-108.00
400-499	111.00-121.00	300-399	104.00-111.00

Stocker sale: **Ontario Stockyards – Oct 20, 2009- 480** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
800-899	73.50-84.50	82.86	88.00				
700-799	85.00-100.50	92.29	100.50				
600-699	88.50-104.50	95.96	121.50	600-699	74.50-98.75	86.59	100.00
500-599	85.50-110.75	97.84	118.00	500-599	72.00-97.00	87.10	116.00
400-499	109.50-126.00	119.82	126.00	400-499	89.00-111.00	99.02	128.00

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange –Oct 21, 2009 – 1,126** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
+1000	83.25-91.00	88.18	93.00	900+	75.50-81.50	77.86	82.00
900-999	87.00-93.50	90.43	96.75	800-899	76.25-84.00	80.79	84.00
800-899	90.75-98.00	94.67	98.00	700-799	78.00-89.25	83.80	89.25
700-799	83.50-93.25	91.63	100.00				
600-699	91.00-96.00	95.10	96.00				
500-599	89.00-96.50	95.48	96.50				

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, Oct 22, 2009 – 220** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
700-799	68.00-88.00	78.65	97.50	700-799	69.00-79.00	74.08	82.00
600-699	41.50-90.00	76.23	91.50	600-699	78.00-86.50	80.79	86.50
500-599	82.00-99.50	94.60	113.00	500-599	66.50-83.00	77.88	83.00
400-499	86.00-110.50	98.66	110.50	400-499	63.00-86.00	75.60	87.00
399-	30.00-106.00	70.08	115.00				

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc, Oct 22, 2009 – 790** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	50.00-89.00	81.79	89.00	900+	72.50-82.00	76.06	82.00
900-999	71.00-89.00	80.18	89.00	800-899	70.00-83.00	75.62	86.50
800-899	78.00-90.25	85.74	93.00	700-799	74.00-83.50	79.07	86.00
700-799	85.00-96.50	91.39	96.50	600-699	75.00-93.50	86.53	93.50
600-699	79.00-99.00	92.51	107.00	500-599	73.00-98.00	87.70	112.00
500-599	90.00-109.50	100.92	114.00	400-499	75.00-118.00	95.97	118.00
400-499	104.00-115.00	109.14	120.00	300-399	62.00-69.50	67.84	97.00
399-	97.00-129.00	123.22	129.00				

Stocker Sale at: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange, Oct 22, 2009- 289** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
700-799	63.00-91.00	79.29	91.00	700-799	55.00-83.00	73.75	86.00
600-699	75.00-95.00	85.28	98.00	600-699	67.00-95.00	80.32	97.00
500-599	82.00-111.00	97.74	115.50	500-599	76.00-95.00	87.45	105.00
400-499	85.00-115.50	103.07	121.00	400-499	76.00-99.00	90.60	107.00
399-	49.00-128.00	91.00	128.00	300-399	75.00-105.00	89.94	105.00

Stocker Sale at: **Brussels Livestock, Oct 22, 2009 – 233** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
400-499	103.00-123.00	113.03	123.00	400-499	88.00-103.00	97.15	113.00
399-	108.00-127.00	117.56	131.00	300-399	99.00-114.00	107.05	114.00
				299-	115.00-121.00	116.88	121.00

SPECIAL ONTARIO FALL STOCKER SALES

Stocker sale at: **Keady Livestock Market, Oct 16, 2009 – 1,908** yearlings- overnight stand

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	93.10-96.00	94.80	96.20	No Trade			
900-999	96.20-99.60	97.25	99.60				
800-899	95.50-102.20	100.78	102.20				
700-799	78.00-86.00	80.67	86.00				

Yearlings sold on a fully steady market.

Stocker sale at: **Temiskaming Livestock Sales, Oct 16, 2009 – 771** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
900-999	83.00	83.00	83.00	600-699	74.00-83.00	77.31	87.00
800-899	69.00-78.50	72.17	78.50	500-599	82.50-107.00	95.05	111.00
700-799	75.25-86.00	82.81	86.00	400-499	88.50-108.00	99.64	108.00
600-699	72.50-107.00	91.84	107.00	300-399	90.00-105.00	98.02	106.50
500-599	83.00-129.50	108.50	129.50	299-	90.00-107.00	102.13	107.00
400-499	87.00-126.00	112.74	126.00				
300-399	88.00-121.50	107.23	121.50				

Stocker sale at: **Brussels Livestock. Oct 19, 2009 – 284** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	82.75	82.75	82.75	900+	77.00-79.00	77.40	79.00
800-899	80.50-84.00	82.83	86.00	800-899	81.50-82.00	81.97	88.00
700-799	85.00-97.00	92.19	97.00	700-799	74.00-83.50	80.67	83.50
600-699	87.00-101.00	92.95	103.00	600-699	85.00-92.00	86.22	97.00
500-599	99.00-108.00	104.57	112.50	500-599	89.50-103.00	96.73	107.00
400-499	93.00-118.00	107.42	120.00	400-499	97.00-105.00	99.40	105.00
300-399	86.00-117.00	95.80	117.00	300-399	80.00-114.00	95.50	114.00
				299-	81.00-121.00	91.00	121.00

Special Vaccinated stocker sale sponsored by the Huron County Beef Producers. Calves and yearlings sold on a good steady trade.

Stocker sale at: **Kawartha Lakes Coop Auction Market. Oct 19, 2009 – 540** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
900-999	76.00-82.25	79.34	82.25	900+	80.00-82.50	81.41	82.50
800-899	83.50-87.75	85.62	87.75	800-899	69.00-86.25	82.46	86.25
700-799	61.00-92.50	84.42	92.50	700-799	64.50-87.00	77.02	87.00
600-699	69.50-103.50	97.34	103.50	600-699	70.00-89.50	83.81	89.50
500-599	84.00-118.00	109.61	118.00	500-599	69.00-97.00	89.64	97.00
400-499	95.00-118.50	111.54	118.50	400-499	87.75-108.50	97.17	108.50
				300-399	85.00-115.50	101.50	115.50

Good quality calves sold well. Plainer cattle traded under pressure.

Stocker sale at: **Warton- Grey-Bruce Livestock Co-op- 628** calves

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
600-699	93.00-113.00	500-599	105.00-121.00
500-599	102.00-116.00	400-499	115.00-124.00
400-499	105.00-130.00	300-399	125.00-135.50
300-399	110.00-132.00		

A good quality offering of calves sold on a good strong active trade.

Stocker Comparison- this week's average price compared to the same time last year.

	This week's Average Price	Year Ago Average Price	Change
Steers	2009	2008	
400-500	108.86	111.57	-2.71
500-600	102.67	108.41	-5.74
600-700	94.31	101.58	-7.27
700-800	89.43	95.19	-5.76
800-900	91.16	101.14	-9.98
900+	92.76	101.11	-8.35
Heifers			
300-400	95.87	101.97	-6.10
400-500	95.98	97.92	-1.94
500-600	91.25	94.03	-2.78
600-700	82.93	91.22	-8.29
700-800	78.04	94.44	-16.40
800+	82.19	90.84	-8.65

ONTARIO BRED COW SALES

Kawartha Lakes Coop Auction Market- 44 Bred cows, 40 Cow/Calf pairs

	Exotic and Exotic X	British and British X
Top quality bred cows	\$800-\$1000	\$700-\$850
Avg quality bred cows	\$650-750	\$500-\$600
Top quality cow/calf pairs	\$1000-\$1200	\$850-\$1000
Avg quality cow/calf pairs	\$750-\$950	\$600-\$750

Bred cows & calves sold actively.

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Week Ending **Thursday Oct 22, 2009**

Steers	Live	82.00	Flat rail	133.00-136.85
Heifers	Live	80.60-81.00	Flat rail	132.50-136.85

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

Week Ending **Thursday Oct 22, 2009**

Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers	Live	81.00-85.50
	Rail	128.00-134.00

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

Week Ending **Thursday Oct 22, 2009**

A1, A2 Steers	Price	128.00-129.25
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CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

Week Ending	AAA	AA
Oct 9, 2009	1.4468	1.4473
Oct 2, 2009	1.4823	1.4506
Sept 25, 2009	1.5041	1.4813

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Current 5 day average:	137.05	132.79

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

	Week Ending Oct 24, 2009	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	646,000	629,000	645,000

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
Oct 17, 2009	882	821
Oct 11, 2008	863	798

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	Week Ending Oct 17, 2009	YTD	% of Yr. Ago
Grand Total	52,167	2,486,863	98%
Alberta Slaughter	38,349	1,865,140	106%
Ontario Slaughter	10,588	432,120	97%

LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending Oct 3, 09	Week ending Sept 26, 09	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ont to the US.	4,103	3,501	98,600
Steers & Heifers	3,124	2,999	80,188
Cows	879	468	17,300
Bulls	100	34	1,112

LIVE CATTLE-CANADA

	IMPORTS Jan 1 – Aug 31, 09	EXPORTS Jan 1 – Oct 10, 09
Pure bred	974	Slaughter steers & heifers
Non-pure bred	35,253	Feeder steers & heifers
		Cows & Bulls

Current data was unavailable at report time.

BEEF EXPORTS

	United States Jan 1– Oct 17	Mexico Jan 1- Aug 31
Total	211,695 tonnes	23,687 tonnes

BEEF PRODUCTION

	Jan 1 – Oct 17, 09	Last Year Same Time	% Change
Fed	752,969 tonnes	729,704 tonnes	+3.2%
Non-fed	142,730 tonnes	180,397 tonnes	-20.9%

BEEF IMPORTS

	Jan 1 – Oct 10, 09	Last Year Same Time	% Change
United States	94,804 tonnes	92,040 tonnes	+3.0%
Non-NAFTA	45,276 tonnes	24,828 tonnes	+82.4%
Total	141,542 tonnes	118,636 tonnes	+19.3%

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					
Oct	86.35	+0.40	Oct	94.25	-0.20	Dec	3.976	-5.6	Nov	10.060	+0.4	Spot	95.02	-0.37
Dec	87.40	+0.02	Nov	95.47	-0.92	Mar	4.092	-5.4	Jan	10.074	+0.4	Dec	95.00	-0.39
Feb	87.75	+0.00	Jan	95.80	-0.87	May	4.174	-6.0	Mar	10.066	+0.0	Mar	94.99	-0.39
Apr	89.47	-0.10	Mar	96.67	-0.50	Jul	4.246	-5.4	May	9.990	-1.0	Jun	94.98	-0.39
Jun	86.40	-0.27	Apr	97.40	-0.65	Sep	4.266	-5.4	Jul	9.970	-1.2	Sep	94.93	-0.39
Aug	86.37	-0.25	May	98.00	-0.70	Dec	4.296	-5.2	Aug	9.926	-1.6	Dec	94.89	-0.40

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Upcoming Ontario Auction Markets Special Fall Stocker Sales

Oct 24	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Bruce Peninsula Charolais Assoc. Sale-members only. Mainly Char, age verified, vacc & presorted
Oct 24	9:30 am	Stratton- Rainy River Cattlemens	Stocker and cows. Breeding stock sale, age verified, presorted and vaccinated
Oct 24	10:00 am	Ottawa Livestock Exchange	Stocker and yearlings
Oct 24	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc	Yearlings and calves
Oct 25	1:00 pm	Kawartha Lakes Coop Auction Mkt	Purebred sale:Fall Roundup Hereford Sale
Oct 26	1:00 pm	Selby Livestock & Auction Center	Stocker- Vaccinated and non-vaccinated
Oct 27	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Georgian Bay Premium Charolais Calf Assoc Members only-mainly char, age verified, vacc and presorted calves
Oct 27	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Yearlings
Oct 28	11:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Coop Auction Mkt	Stocker, vacc & non-vaccinated
Oct 28	7:00 pm	Talbotville Livestock	Bred Cows and stocker sale
Oct 28	7:00 pm	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Stocker Sale
Oct 29	10:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Bluewater Angus Calf Assoc. Sale, members only
Oct 30	1:00 pm	Brussels Livestock	Mainly Angus, age verified, vacc & presorted calves
Oct 30	1:00 pm	Listowel Livestock	Hereford Influence sale in regular sale at 1 pm
Oct 30	7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market	Local vaccinated calf sale
Oct 31	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Local calf sale
Oct 31	10:30 am	Ottawa Livestock Exchange	Central Calf Assoc. Sale-members only, all breeds
Oct 31	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Age verified, vaccinated, sell in owner lots
Nov 4	11:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Coop Auction Mkt	Bred Cow sale
Nov 6	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Local Calf Sale
Nov 6	7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market	Peterborough/Victoria County Cattlemen's sale
Nov 7	11:00 am	Brussels Livestock	Certified calf sale- all vaccinated
			Local Calf sale- pre-weaned or right off cow, sell in owner lots- vacc and non-vaccinated.
			Local calf sale
			Bred Cow sale

Comments for the week ending Oct 22, 2009

The fed cattle market was a little stronger this week. There were 937 fed cattle sold through auction markets up 274 from last week and 352 more than last year at this time. Steers traded from \$74.46-\$80.64 averaging \$77.05 up \$1.05 from last week and \$11.58 lower than the same time last year. Heifers ranged from \$72.48-\$79.34 averaging \$75.77 up \$2.90 from last week and \$11.39 lower than year ago prices. Auction markets reported an active trade with prices from steady to \$2.00 higher. Prices improved as the week progressed and the loonie declined.

The slaughter cow market held fully steady this week. There were 2,332 slaughter cows sold through auction markets up 190 from last week and 414 more than the same time last year. Slaughter cows traded from \$27.78-\$41.79 with a weekly average price of \$34.78 down \$0.08 from last week and \$14.47 lower than year ago prices. Auction markets reported prices as easier early in the week to steady for the remainder of the week.

There were 10,934 replacements sold through auction markets up 21.4% from last week and 24% more than last year at this time. Auction markets reported calves as under pressure, up to \$4.00 lower, early week to steady as the week progressed. Yearling and short keep cattle were under pressure to steady early week with prices steady to stronger as the week progressed. Plainer cattle were reported as trading easier than good quality cattle throughout the week.

Ontario railgrade prices reported this week for steers averaged \$0.50 lower from \$129.00-\$133.00 dressed. Heifers traded fully steady with prices reported from \$129.00-\$132.00 dressed.

Alberta's fed cattle market saw a stronger week of trade with average prices \$3.00-\$4.00 higher than last week. Steers traded at \$82.00 live and \$133.00-\$136.85 flat rail. Heifers traded from \$80.60-\$81.00 live and \$132.50-\$136.85 flat rail.

U.S. cash cattle trade was moderate to active this week with stronger prices. Northern trade took place mid to late week with prices up to \$4.00 higher as steers and heifers averaged \$132.00 dressed. Live trade was \$2.00-\$3.00 higher in the south with sales reported from \$84.00-\$85.50. Scattered sales Friday afternoon saw live prices at \$85.50-\$86.50 which is steady to stronger than Thursday's market.