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Thursday February 2, 2006

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

Prices are on a carcass weight basis, before grade and weight discounts.

A grade steers 168.00-171.00
A grade heifers 168.00-171.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards –1400 replacement cattle**

STEERS			HEIFERS		
	Price Range	Top		Price Range	Top
900-999	116.00-118.00	118.00	800-899	106.25-111.25	112.50
800-899	114.75-120.75	122.25	700-799	100.00-120.00	120.00
700-799	114.00-125.75	127.50	600-699	105.50-123.50	124.25
600-699	120.50-137.50	137.50	500-599	115.00-129.00	131.00
500-599	129.50-142.00	148.50	400-499	119.50-136.00	140.00
400-499	144.00-148.75	150.00			

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange – 725 fed cattle, 550 cows, 250 stockers**

	Price Range	Top
Good fed steers	97.00-103.00	106.75
Good fed heifers	96.00-102.00	105.25
Cows	21.00-30.50	41.00
Holstein steers	55.00-84.25	
Stocker steers +700	96.00-124.00	
Lightweight steers	116.00-135.00	
Stocker heifers +700	95.00-116.00	
Lightweight heifers	103.00-135.00	

Ontario Auction Sales on **Wednesday** saw weighted prices for:

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	93.50-101.50	98.88	106.50
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	93.50-100.50	97.95	106.00
Cows	19.11-30.32	24.89	59.00
Bulls	34.58-55.09	45.25	83.00

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, February 1, 2006**

STEERS			HEIFERS		
	Price Range	Top		Price Range	Top
+1000	106.00-121.25	121.25	+900	105.75-111.00	111.00
900-999	103.00-122.00	124.75	800-899	104.50-112.50	112.50
800-899	106.00-124.75	124.75	500-599	97.00-124.50	124.50
500-599	115.50-140.25	140.25	400-499	110.00-120.00	120.00

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade on Wednesday saw moderate trade with prices \$2.00 to \$3.00 lower than last week.

Steers	Live	89.30-91.00	Flat rail	150.50-152.00
Heifers	Live	88.50-91.00	Flat rail	148.00-152.00

U.S. TRADE (U.S funds)

US cash cattle trade was moderate to active with prices \$3.00 to \$5.00 lower than last week,

Choice and select steers and heifers:	Live	91.00-92.50
	Rail	144.00-145.00

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	150.77	138.50
Change: (from yesterday's close)	-1.39	-0.69
Current 5 day average:	153.42	141.12

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			
Feb	92.60 -0.45	Mar	108.70 -0.57	Mar	2.204 +4.0	Mar	5.840 -4.4	Spot	87.40 -0.30
Apr	90.40 -0.52	Apr	109.67 -0.67	May	2.302 +3.6	May	5.966 +4.4	Mar	87.51 -0.28
Jun	84.45 -0.27	May	109.62 -1.00	Jul	2.392 +3.2	Jul	6.070 +4.0	Jun	87.74 -0.28
Aug	83.55 -0.42	Aug	109.95 -0.80	Sep	2.466 +3.0	Aug	6.104 +4.4	Sep	87.94 -0.28

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