

Daily Market Information Report



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Friday February 24, 2006

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

The following prices are on a carcass weight basis, before grade and weight discounts.

A grade steers 165.00-167.00
A grade heifers 164.00-166.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at **Brussels Livestock** :990 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
1000+	101.25-111.25	111.25	900+	93.25-103.00	107.25
900-1000	101.25-115.00	116.75	800-900	96.50-107.25	109.25
800-900	95.00-112.00	117.25	700-800	99.00-110.00	110.00
700-800	106.50-123.00	124.00	600-700	91.00-117.25	124.00
600-700	118.00-132.00	132.00	500-600	110.00-122.00	124.00
500-600	126.00-142.50	146.00	400-500	99.00-121.50	130.50
400-500	109.00-138.00	138.00	300-400	88.00-119.00	119.00

Calves sold on a steady market. Yearling steers sold \$1.00 to \$2.00 higher, yearling heifers sold on a strong market.

Ontario auction sales on **Thursday** saw weighted prices for:

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Med. Frame Fed Steers	78.60-98.04	91.83	108.25
Large & Med. Frame Fed Heifers	80.75-99.66	90.68	106.25
Cows	23.01-36.06	28.96	59.50
Bulls	30.04-44.55	36.69	56.50

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

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
800-899	96.00-116.00	116.00	800-899	94.50-105.00	105.00
700-799	119.00-126.50	126.50	700-799	96.75-110.00	110.00
600-699	116.00-136.00	137.00	600-699	98.50-121.00	121.00
500-599	114.00-140.00	140.50	500-599	109.25-123.00	125.00
400-499	125.50-152.00	155.00	400-499	85.00-114.00	128.00

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade on **Thursday** saw light trade with prices steady to Wednesday.

Steers Live 87.00 Flat rail 146.00
Heifers Live 86.25-87.45 Flat rail N/T

U.S. TRADE (U.S funds)

U.S. cash cattle trade saw fairly active trade in the south with prices remaining steady to last Friday.

Choice and select steers and heifers: Live 89.00-89.50
Rail N/T

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	154.44	143.85
Change: (from yesterday's close)	-0.41	+0.14
Current 5 day average:	152.29	142.03

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	90.07	-0.70	Mar	106.20	-0.75	Mar	2.276	+4.6	Mar	5.772	+5.4	Spot	87.13	+0.37		
Apr	87.00	-0.47	Apr	106.72	-0.92	May	2.386	+5.0	May	5.900	+5.2	Mar	87.12	+0.34		
Jun	82.12	-0.60	May	107.45	-0.80	July	2.480	+5.0	Jul	6.014	+5.6	Jun	87.36	+0.34		
Aug	82.10	-0.27	Aug	108.47	-0.85	Sep	2.542	+4.4	Aug	6.034	+4.4	Sep	87.57	+0.34		

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