

# Daily Market Information Report

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**Thursday April 1, 2010**

## ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE PRICES

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

**A grade steers** 149.00-152.00  
**A grade heifers** 148.00-151.00

## ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange** – 300 fed cattle, 460 cows, 150 stockers, 20 veal

	Price Range	Top
Good fed steers	87.00-94.50	97.75
Good fed heifers	82.00-90.75	91.25
Good Cows	48.00-54.50	77.50
Steers 700+	91.00-98.50	
Lightweight steers	103.00-122.00	
Heifers 700+	81.00-93.00	
Lightweight heifers	98.00-108.00	

Cows sold on a good strong trade. Fed steers and heifers sold on a good firm trade with prices \$1.00 higher. Stockers traded steady.

Today at **Ontario Stockyards Inc-** 850 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	78.00-85.00	84.11	85.00	900+	59.00-93.00	77.62	93.00
900-999	75.00-96.50	88.35	96.50	800-899	80.00-99.25	92.95	99.25
800-899	94.25-104.25	99.34	104.25	700-799	84.50-103.00	93.42	103.00
700-799	96.75-109.00	103.36	109.00	600-699	85.00-101.50	93.58	105.00
600-699	106.00-122.50	113.66	122.50	500-599	100.00-109.50	105.39	114.00
500-599	116.00-133.25	125.44	133.25	400-499	100.50-108.00	105.02	108.00
400-499	125.50-136.50	130.52	136.50	300-399	91.00-110.00	103.51	110.00
399-	110.00-128.00	116.98	137.75				

Replacement cattle sold actively with heavier cattle selling steady. Grass types were steady to stronger.

Today at: **Brussels Livestock:** 110 veal

	Price Range	Top
Veal: Good Beef calves	90.00-114.00	116.50
Good and heavy Holsteins	70.00-78.00	92.50
Medium Holsteins	60.00-70.00	

A light run of veal calves sold on a good active trade at fully steady prices.

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

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	80.00-90.00	85.63	94.50
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	86.00-90.50	88.48	93.25
Cows	43.50-57.00	50.36	63.50
Bulls	59.83-72.07	66.16	73.00
Veal 125 lbs & under	N/T	N/T	N/T

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange – March 31, 2010 – 806 stockers**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>+1000</b>	91.50-98.50	94.65	98.50	<b>900+</b>	75.50-85.50	82.00	87.50
<b>900-999</b>	95.00-100.00	97.59	102.25	<b>800-899</b>	88.00-89.00	88.57	89.00
<b>800-899</b>	94.00-99.50	97.11	99.50				
<b>700-799</b>	74.00-99.00	94.06	99.00				

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

	<b>This week's Average Price</b>	<b>Last week's Average Price</b>	<b>Change from last week</b>	<b>Year Ago Average Price</b>	<b>Change from last year</b>
<b>Steers</b>	<b>2010</b>			<b>2009</b>	
<b>400-500</b>	116.62	117.28	-0.66	123.92	-7.30
<b>500-600</b>	115.33	111.36	+3.97	121.36	-6.03
<b>600-700</b>	107.48	105.16	+2.32	113.66	-6.18
<b>700-800</b>	94.75	99.11	-4.36	107.07	-12.32
<b>800-900</b>	91.33	93.96	-2.63	106.44	-15.11
<b>900+</b>	94.78	95.59	-0.81	103.55	-8.77
<b>Heifers</b>					
<b>300-400</b>	105.84	101.94	+3.90	113.66	-7.82
<b>400-500</b>	104.51	98.90	+5.61	112.64	-8.13
<b>500-600</b>	103.77	99.70	+4.07	108.27	-4.50
<b>600-700</b>	95.20	94.43	+0.77	103.98	-8.78
<b>700-800</b>	94.88	91.00	+3.88	104.48	-9.60
<b>800+</b>	87.58	87.82	-0.24	95.94	-8.36

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

For the week ending Mar 31, 2010 **Price Range**  
**A1, A2 Steers** **Not posted.**

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

Alberta direct trade on Wednesday was active with prices \$0.75-\$1.50 higher. This week's sales are reported as follows:

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Live</b>	91.30-92.80	<b>Flat rail</b>	154.75-156.35
<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Live</b>	91.55-91.40	<b>Flat rail</b>	155.50-156.35

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

US cash cattle trade was active today with southern trade fully steady and northern business \$4.00-\$5.00 higher than last week.

<b>Choice and select steers and heifers:</b>	<b>Live</b>	96.00-97.50
	<b>Rail</b>	156.00-157.00

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

	<b>Choice</b>	<b>Select</b>
	<b>600-900</b>	<b>600-900</b>
<b>Cutout Values:</b> (noon estimate)	164.03	161.34
<b>Change:</b> (from yesterday's close)	+0.28	+0.71
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	163.28	160.67

## 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>Apr</b>	96.65	+0.10	<b>Apr</b>	110.37	-0.05	<b>May</b>	3.444	-0.4	<b>May</b>	9.420	+1.0	<b>Spot</b>	99.15	+0.60
<b>Jun</b>	93.52	-0.02	<b>May</b>	112.70	-0.27	<b>Jul</b>	3.560	-0.4	<b>Jul</b>	9.512	+1.2	<b>Jun</b>	99.12	+0.61
<b>Aug</b>	91.97	+0.45	<b>Aug</b>	113.70	-0.37	<b>Sep</b>	3.660	+0.0	<b>Aug</b>	9.462	+2.4	<b>Sep</b>	99.04	+0.61
<b>Oct</b>	94.70	+0.37	<b>Sep</b>	113.85	+0.00	<b>Dec</b>	3.770	+0.6	<b>Sep</b>	9.326	+6.6	<b>Dec</b>	98.89	+0.60
<b>Dec</b>	96.65	+0.35	<b>Oct</b>	112.90	-0.05	<b>Mar</b>	3.886	+0.6	<b>Nov</b>	9.256	+7.6	<b>Mar</b>	98.69	+0.59
<b>Feb</b>	97.70	+0.55	<b>Nov</b>	112.50	+0.40	<b>May</b>	3.964	+0.4	<b>Jan</b>	9.342	+8.0	<b>Jun</b>	98.47	+0.58

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### Upcoming Special Stocker Sales

Apr 3	10:00 am	Brussels Livestock	Stocker sale in lieu of Good Friday
Apr 3	2:00 pm	Keady Livestock Market	Saunders/Neal Annual Char Bull sale
Apr 3	11:00 am	Renfrew Pontiac Livestock	Bred cow sale
Apr 5	7:00 pm	MapleHill Auctions Ltd	Stocker sale (every Mon in Apr & May)
Apr 7	11:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Coop Auction Mkt	Stocker sale
Apr 7	7:00pm	Talbotville Livestock Exchange	Stocker and Bred Cow sale
Apr 10	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Stocker and Bred Cow sale
Apr 10	2:00 pm	Kawartha Lakes Coop Auction Mkt	All breed bull sale after regular sale
Apr 13	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Vaccinated stocker sale in regular sale
Apr 13	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special vaccinated calf & yearling sale
Apr 16	12:00 pm	Temiskaming Livestock Sales	Special stocker sale