



Weekly Market Information Report



Week ending Thursday Sept 14, 2006

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 160.00-162.00
A grade heifers 159.00-161.00

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	90.28-95.83	93.05	108.00	92.75
Medium Frame Steers +1250	90.46-96.81	94.00	98.50	93.86
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	90.46-96.12	93.32	108.00	93.39
Large Frame Heifers +1000	89.33-95.91	92.83	103.75	91.66
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	87.70-96.41	91.82	103.25	88.49
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	88.68-96.21	92.52	103.75	90.95
Cows-all weights	26.00-44.84	35.27	94.50	35.87
Bulls-all weights	45.07-59.76	52.57	104.00	50.45

STOCKERS – Large & Medium Frame

STEERS	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	100.60-111.95	107.40	117.50
900-999	107.66-118.64	113.84	128.00
800-899	111.41-127.74	119.42	128.00
700-799	115.79-132.15	124.73	138.25
600-699	114.11-135.76	126.57	149.00
500-599	116.36-150.93	136.19	166.00
400-499	127.71-162.14	148.01	176.50
-399	133.87-170.22	153.93	230.00

HEIFERS	Price Range	Average	Top
900+	93.76-109.95	103.86	113.50
800-899	107.64-114.40	111.84	127.50
700-799	111.34-122.26	117.88	127.50
600-699	112.43-127.56	121.04	134.00
500-599	106.08-132.95	120.82	153.00
400-499	112.38-139.30	128.51	151.00
300-399	126.28-149.27	137.98	164.00

At Talbotville Livestock: Sept 9, 2006- 478 head.

	Price Range	Top
Good & choice steers	87.50-97.00	106.50
Good & choice heifers	86.00-96.50	105.00
Cows	32.00-41.00	67.50
Bulls	N/T	

Denfield Livestock – Sept 12, 2006

	Price Range		Price Range
Good & Choice Steers	88.00-98.00	Good & Choice Heifers	86.00-96.00
Plain Steers	80.00-85.00	Plain Heifers	75.00-80.00
Good Beef Bulls	50.00-60.00	Good Fed Cows	45.00-55.00
Good Hol Bulls	40.00-45.00	D1 & D2 Cows	35.00-40.00
		D3 & D4 Cows	25.00-30.00

ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE

Stocker sale at: **Brussels Livestock, Sept 8, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
1000+	97.25-108.50	110.00	900+	99.00-110.50	112.00
900-999	103.25-120.00	123.00	800-899	106.50-111.25	115.50
800-899	107.50-125.75	127.00	700-799	103.00-123.25	123.25
700-799	112.00-134.50	134.50	600-699	107.00-125.00	133.00
600-699	115.00-138.50	139.50	500-599	108.00-126.00	133.00
500-599	124.50-153.00	153.00	400-499	105.00-133.00	145.00
400-499	136.50-170.00	170.00	300-399	132.00-164.00	164.00

Stocker sale at: **Keady Livestock- Sept 12, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
+1000	105.00-117.50	900+	102.50-113.50
900-999	107.00-119.75	800-899	110.50-118.50
800-899	115.25-124.50	700-799	119.50-127.00
700-799	118.25-138.25	600-699	124.00-133.50
600-699	116.00-145.50	500-599	105.00-130.00
500-599	118.00-155.00	400-499	80.00-138.00

Stocker Sale at : **D. H. Hickson Ltd. Sept 12, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
1000+	69.50-91.75	900+	63.50-93.50
800-899	73.00-113.50	800-899	99.50-105.50
700-799	56.00-116.50	700-799	107.00-127.00
600-699	94.50-135.50	600-699	94.50-123.00
500-599	91.00-154.50	500-599	77.00-153.00
400-499	90.00-166.00	400-499	90.00-150.00
-399	135.00-168.00		

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, Sept 13, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
+1000	103.25-114.25	114.25	+900	100.00-109.75	111.75
900-999	108.00-117.50	117.50	800-899	106.00-115.50	116.75
800-899	113.50-125.25	125.25	700-799	114.00-119.50	119.50
700-799	124.50-131.75	131.75	600-699	108.50-120.25	120.25
600-699	115.00-134.50	134.50			
500-599	118.75-135.00	137.00			

Stocker Sale: **Ontario Stockyards – Sept 14, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
1000+	60.00-98.25	103.00	900+	56.00-110.00	110.00
900-999	90.00-115.00	115.00	800-899	104.00-115.75	115.75
800-899	110.75-127.25	127.25	700-799	105.00-122.75	123.50
700-799	115.75-130.75	130.75	600-699	100.00-119.75	126.25
600-699	115.00-133.50	141.00	500-599	105.0-119.00	119.00
500-599	113.50-142.00	150.00	400-499	111.00-130.00	133.00
400-499	125.50-156.00	157.00	300-399	126.00-144.00	144.00
-400	141.00-166.00	166.00	-299	98.00-120.00	137.00

ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE- SPECIAL FALL SALES

Stocker sale at: **Cargill Auction Market, Sept 8, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
1000+	105.00-115.00	115.40	900+	105.00-116.00	119.85
900-999	115.00-124.00	124.25	800-899	112.00-120.00	121.00
800-899	118.00-122.00	123.10			

Stocker sale at: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange (Leo's) Sept 9, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
800-899	106.00-120.00	124.00	800-899	102.00-111.00	111.00
700-799	108.00-125.00	128.00	700-799	110.00-123.00	123.00
600-699	114.00-138.00	149.00	600-699	111.50-130.00	134.00
500-599	125.00-161.00	163.00	500-599	120.00-138.00	138.00
400-499	134.00-164.50	164.50	400-499	130.00-146.00	146.00
-399	144.00-176.00	176.00	300-399	125.00-149.00	149.00
			-299	135.00-165.00	180.00

Stocker sale at: **Tri-County Cattle Co.- Sept 11, 2006**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
1000+	108.00-114.35	114.35	900+	113.00	
900-999	115.50-120.00	128.00	800-899	110.00-113.25	127.50
800-899	121.75-128.00	128.00	700-799	120.75-125.85	127.50
700-799	129.50-134.00	135.35	600-699	127.50-130.50	130.50
600-699	135.35-138.25	138.25			

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Week ending **Thursday Sept 14, 2006**

Steers Live	84.65-87.00	Flat rail	140.00-140.75
Heifers Live	84.00-86.75	Flat rail	140.00-143.00

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

Week Ending Sept 14, 2006	Price Range
A1, A2 Steers & Heifers	157.25-158.00

U.S. TRADE (U.S funds)

Week ending **Thursday Sept 14, 2006**

Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers:	Live	88.00-88.50
	Rail	137.00-139.00

CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

Week Ending	AAA	AA
Aug 26, 2006	1.7318	1.6098
Aug 19, 2006	1.7102	1.5997

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Current 5 day average:	148.06	138.26

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
Sept 9, 2006	857	789
Sept 10, 2005	842	756

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	Week Ending	YTD	% of Yr. Ago
	Sept 9, 2006		
Grand Total	52,374	2,300,653	88%
Alberta Slaughter	34,317	1,450,616	82%
Ontario Slaughter	10,875	470,230	104%

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

	Week Ending	Previous Week	Year Ago
	Sept 16, 2006		
Grand Total	661,000	591,000	653,000

BEEF EXPORTS

	United States	Mexico
	Jan 1– Sept 9	Jan 1 – Aug 19
Total	188,320 tonnes	23,887 tonnes

BEEF PRODUCTION

	Jan 1 – Sept 9	Last Year Same Time	% Change
Fed	670,316 tonnes	824,527 tonnes	-18.7%
Non-fed	151,220 tonnes	113,122 tonnes	+33.7%

BEEF IMPORTS

	Jan 1 – Sept 2	Last Year Same Time	% Change
Total	83,363 tonnes	71,340 tonnes	+16.9%

LIVE CATTLE-CANADA

IMPORTS		EXPORTS	
Jan 1 –July 31		Jan 1 – Sept 9	
Pure bred	219	Slaughter steers & heifers	429,546
Non-pure bred	24,971	Feeder steers & heifers	209,464

LIVE CATTLE IMPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending Aug 26, 06	Week ending Aug 19,06	Year to date.
Live slaughter cattle imported from the U.S. into Ontario	273	259	6,964

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	90.12 +0.87	Sep	117.55 +0.55	Dec	2.416 +4.4	Nov	5.496 +4.4	Spot	89.35 -0.07
Dec	90.35 +0.50	Oct	116.02 +0.72	Mar	2.554 +4.2	Jan	5.624 +3.6	Sept	89.36 -0.07
Feb	91.05 +0.77	Nov	115.62 +0.70	May	2.632 +3.6	Mar	5.740 +4.2	Dec	89.61 -0.06
Apr	90.42 +0.45	Jan	112.67 +0.22	Jul	2.706 +3.4	May	5.834 +3.6	Mar	89.88 -0.06

SPECIAL FALL STOCKER SALES

September 16th – 23rd

Sept 16-	11:00 am	Selby	Yearlings 100% Vaccinated.
Sept 18-	7:00 pm	Tri-County	Black Yearlings
Sept 19-	11:00 am	Cookstown	Yearlings
Sept 20-	12:00 pm	Galetta	Vaccinated Sale
Sept 20-	11:00 am	Kawartha	Stockers
Sept 22-	9:00 am	Keady	Yearlings (overnight stand)
Sept 22-	7:00 pm	Cookstown	Bred Cows

Comments for the week ending Sept 14, 2006

The fed cattle market held firm this week. The number of live finished steers and heifers sold through auction markets was 1,772, up 752 from last week. The average fed steer price was \$93.32 down \$0.07 and the average heifer price was \$92.52 up \$1.57 from last week. Auction markets reported fed cattle sold on a moderate to good demand with prices ranging from barely steady to steady.

Slaughter cows sold slightly lower again this week. There were 1,938 head of slaughter cows sold through auction markets, 105 more than last week. The average price was \$35.27 down \$0.60 from last week and \$0.88 higher than a year ago. Auction markets reported that slaughter cows sold on a good demand with prices lower to steady with two reports of stronger prices.

All classes of replacement cattle sold on a strong demand. The total number of stockers sold was 7,422 up 54.5% from last week and 10% less than last year at this time. Auction markets reported that stockers sold on a strong active trade with lightweight and grass type cattle selling firm to stronger. Yearlings were reported as selling from steady to stronger with grass yearlings selling at premium prices. Steers 600-700 lbs averaged \$126.57 up \$2.88 and heifers 600-700lbs averaged \$117.00 up \$4.04 from last weeks average prices.

Ontario railgrade prices reported this week were \$160.00-\$162.00 for steers and \$159.00-\$161.00 for heifers, which was on average \$2.50 higher than last week.

In Alberta, cattle trade was light to moderate with prices \$1.00-\$2.00 lower than last week. Steers sold \$84.65-\$87.00 live and \$140.00-\$140.75 dressed. Heifers traded \$84.00-\$86.75 live and \$140.00-\$143.00 dressed.

U.S. cash cattle trade was scattered throughout midweek with prices \$3.00-\$4.00 lower than the previous week. Steers and heifers sold \$88.00-\$88.50 live and \$137.00-\$139.00 dressed.

Local beef trade reported a steady market. End and middle cuts are moving well with prices steady to higher. Kills remain steady with inventory clean as cuts are well sold this week and next.