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## Wednesday January 18, 2006

### ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

**A grade steers** 174.00-176.00  
**A grade heifers** 174.00-176.00

### ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards – 290 steers, 250 heifers, 430 cows**

	Price Range	Top
<b>Fancy fed steers</b>	101.00-106.00	108.25
<b>Fancy fed heifers</b>	100.00-105.00	107.25
<b>Cows</b>	22.00-36.50	65.00
<b>Bulls</b>	37.00-47.00	55.50

Steers and heifers sold actively at prices steady to last week. Cows and bulls sold on a good demand at steady prices.

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange, 363 stockers, 50 cows**

	Price Range	Top
<b>Steers + 800</b>	115.00-120.00	121.75
<b>Steers 600-800</b>	120.00-128.00	130.75
<b>Steers 400-600</b>	130.00-135.25	
<b>Heifers +700</b>	107.00-110.50	116.50
<b>Heifers 500-700</b>	110.00-118.00	
<b>Heifers 300-500</b>	130.00-133.00	
<b>Cows</b>	27.00-36.00	45.00

Stockers sold on a steady to stronger market. Cows traded steady.

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

	Price Range	Average	Top Price
<b>Large &amp; Medium Frame Fed Steers</b>	97.50-106.00	102.88	110.50
<b>Large Frame &amp; Medium Frame Heifers</b>	91.82-105.03	100.13	110.00
<b>Cows</b>	21.41-37.07	28.47	78.00
<b>Bulls</b>	27.99-42.47	35.27	51.50

Stocker sale at: **Keady Livestock- 892 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
<b>+1000</b>	108.25-119.75	119.75	<b>Over 900</b>	86.00-106.50	106.50
<b>900-999</b>	116.25-119.50	119.50	<b>700-799</b>	104.00-114.25	114.25
<b>700-799</b>	112.00-129.25	129.25	<b>500-599</b>	104.00-123.25	130.50
<b>600-699</b>	120.00-144.00	144.00	<b>400-499</b>	118.00-135.00	135.00

Light weight stocker cattle sold on strong demand at slightly higher prices while heavier short keep replacements sold steady.

**Denfield Livestock – January 17, 2006**

	Price Range
<b>Choice Steers</b>	102.00-108.00
<b>Good Steers</b>	95.00-100.00
<b>Plain Steers</b>	75.00-85.00
<b>Choice American Type</b>	103.00-106.00
<b>Choice Exotic Heifers</b>	102.00-108.00
<b>Good Heifers</b>	95.00-100.00
<b>Plain Heifers</b>	70.00-80.00
<b>Good Fed Cows</b>	35.00-45.00
<b>D1 &amp; D2 Cows</b>	28.00-35.00
<b>D3 &amp; D4 Cows</b>	20.00-25.00
<b>Good Beef Bulls</b>	37.00-42.00

**Stocker Sale at : D. H. Hickson Ltd. January 17, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>600-699</b>	64.00-126.50	126.50	<b>700-799</b>	77.00-126.00	126.00
<b>500-599</b>	85.00-142.00	142.00	<b>500-599</b>	80.00-126.50	126.50
<b>400-499</b>	84.00-139.00	139.00	<b>400-499</b>	64.00-132.00	132.00

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

Alberta direct cattle trade on Tuesday saw extremely light trade with prices steady to last week.

<b>Steers</b>	Live	95.50	Flat rail	N/T
<b>Heifers</b>	Live	94.00	Flat rail	N/T

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

U.S. packer inquiry was light to moderate with significant trade delayed until Thursday or Friday. Asking prices are \$97 live and \$155 dressed.

<b>Choice and select steers and heifers:</b>	Live	N/T
	Rail	N/T

**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)	157.68	144.24
<b>Change:</b> (from yesterday's close)	+1.59	+0.29
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	154.86	142.07

**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>Feb</b>	96.07	-0.47	<b>Jan</b>	111.77	-0.50	<b>Mar</b>	2.056	-3.0	<b>Mar</b>	5.656	-5.4	<b>Spot</b>	85.44	-0.47		
<b>Apr</b>	94.50	-0.45	<b>Mar</b>	111.20	-1.25	<b>May</b>	2.154	-2.6	<b>May</b>	5.746	-6.0	<b>Mar</b>	85.54	-0.51		
<b>Jun</b>	87.25	-0.50	<b>Apr</b>	112.35	-0.72	<b>July</b>	2.242	-3.0	<b>Jul</b>	5.844	-5.2	<b>Jun</b>	85.76	-0.51		
<b>Aug</b>	85.72	-0.45	<b>May</b>	112.65	-0.52	<b>Sep</b>	2.330	-2.4	<b>Aug</b>	5.860	-5.4	<b>Sep</b>	85.95	-0.51		

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