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**Wednesday January 3, 2007**

## ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

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

**A grade steers** 152.00-156.00  
**A grade heifers** 151.00-153.00

Today at the **Ontario Stockyards – 490 steers & heifers, 240 cows, 10 bulls, 35 veal.**

	Price Range	Top
<b>Fancy fed steers</b>	88.00-93.00	100.00
<b>Fancy fed heifers</b>	88.00-93.00	95.00
<b>Cows</b>	34.00-40.00	47.00
<b>Bulls</b>	32.00-42.00	43.00

Cows traded on a good demand at prices \$2.00 higher. Bulls held firm. All steers and heifers traded actively at prices \$3.00 higher. Calves sold steady.

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange, 231 stockers**

	Price Range	Top
<b>Steers 800+</b>	92.00-100.00	106.25
<b>Steers 600-800</b>	95.00-105.00	122.00
<b>Heifers 700+</b>	92.00-98.00	104.00
<b>Heifers 500-700</b>	95.00-100.00	110.50

A light run of shortkeep steers and heifers sold actively at prices \$3.00-\$4.00 higher.

## **Denfield Livestock – Jan 2, 2007**

	Price Range		Price Range
<b>Good &amp; Choice Steers</b>	88.00-95.00	<b>Good &amp; Choice Heifers</b>	85.00-95.00
<b>Plain Steers</b>	75.00-80.00	<b>Plain Heifers</b>	65.00-75.00
<b>Good Beef Bulls</b>	40.00-45.00	<b>Good Fed Cows</b>	35.00-45.00
<b>Good Hol Bulls</b>	35.00-40.00	<b>D1 &amp; D2 Cows</b>	30.00-35.00
<b>Good Hol bull calves</b>	125.00-240.00	<b>D3 &amp; D4 Cows</b>	25.00-28.00

Fed cattle sold on a strong demand with prices \$2.00-\$3.00 higher. American orders were active at strong prices. Cows traded steady and Holstein bull calves were fully steady.

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

	Price Range	Average	Top Price
<b>Large &amp; Medium Frame Fed Steers</b>	87.00-94.50	90.16	96.00
<b>Large Frame &amp; Medium Frame Heifers</b>	85.80-94.34	90.32	97.50
<b>Cows</b>	21.73-38.37	30.08	50.00
<b>Bulls- all weights</b>	51.45-75.94	62.87	81.00

## ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct cattle trade on Tuesday was untested with business expected to develop today.

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

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

US cash cattle trade was untested with significant trade not expected to develop before Thursday or Friday. Asking prices are \$90.00-\$92.00 live and \$142.00-\$144.00 dressed.

**Choice and select steers and heifers:**      Live      N/T  
   Rail      N/T

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

	<b>Choice 600-900</b>	<b>Select 600-900</b>
<b>Cutout Values:</b> (noon estimate)	145.55	130.40
<b>Change:</b> (from yesterday's close)	+0.94	+1.08
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	143.68	128.08

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>	93.10	+0.60	<b>Jan</b>	99.85	+0.25	<b>Mar</b>	3.704	-19.6	<b>Jan</b>	6.692	-14.2	<b>Spot</b>	85.34	-0.50
<b>Apr</b>	94.27	+0.50	<b>Mar</b>	99.00	+0.62	<b>May</b>	3.800	-18.4	<b>Mar</b>	6.820	-15.2	<b>Mar</b>	85.52	-0.43
<b>Jun</b>	89.60	+0.30	<b>Apr</b>	99.42	+0.52	<b>Jul</b>	3.852	-17.2	<b>May</b>	6.956	-13.6	<b>Jun</b>	85.76	-0.43
<b>Aug</b>	88.27	+0.17	<b>May</b>	100.15	+0.45	<b>Sep</b>	3.714	-15.0	<b>Jul</b>	7.074	-13.0	<b>Sep</b>	86.00	-0.43

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