

Daily Market Information Report

The following information is collected from different sources and disseminated by the Ontario Cattlemen's Association.

Thursday February 19, 2009

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE PRICES

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

Prices reported for Wednesday Feb 18, 2009

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

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at the **Ontario Livestock Exchange** – 400 fed cattle, 500 cows, 180 stockers, 50 Veal

	Price Range	Top
Good fed steers	98.00-104.00	110.00
Good fed heifers	95.00-103.50	108.25
Good Cows	46.00-58.00	83.50
Steers 700 lbs +	92.00-104.00	
Lightweight steers	100.00-115.00	
Heifers 700 lbs +	85.00-92.00	
Lightweight heifers	90.00-104.00	

Cows sold on a steady to barely steady market. Fed steers and heifers traded on a steady market. Stockers sold steady to Wednesday's easier market.

Today at **Ontario Stockyards Inc:** 700 Stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	67.00-80.50	76.69	94.00	900+	81.00-85.00	83.25	89.00
900-999	90.50-97.50	95.84	97.50	800-899	77.00-80.00	79.42	89.50
800-899	92.00-104.25	101.21	104.25	700-799	88.00-96.50	92.42	96.50
700-799	91.50-109.00	101.26	109.00	600-699	99.00-105.00	101.22	105.00
600-699	94.25-111.25	104.78	115.00	500-599	94.00-110.50	103.89	114.00
500-599	105.00-129.75	118.91	129.75	400-499	86.00-111.00	101.95	111.00
400-499	100.50-119.00	109.37	131.00	300-399	82.00-91.00	87.35	95.00
300-399	99.00-122.00	109.19	125.00				

Replacements sold actively at fully steady prices.

Friday Feb 20, 7 pm- Bred Cow sale with 200

head expected. Vaccinated stocker sale scheduled for **Feb 24** at 11 am has been CANCELLED, next special vaccinated sale is March 17 at 11 am.

Today at: **Brussels Livestock:** 192 veal

	Price Range	Top
Veal: Good Beef	95.00-130.00	142.00
Good Holsteins	85.00-95.00	98.00
Med Holsteins	75.00-85.00	
Heavy Holsteins	80.00-90.00	95.00
Plain Holsteins	65.00-75.00	

Beef veal calves sold on a steady market while Holstein veal sold at prices \$2.00-\$5.00 lower.

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

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250	92.00-102.10	98.25	102.10
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000	87.79-1401.28	97.44	108.00
Cows	40.38-58.25	47.52	90.12
Bulls	55.04-70.13	62.72	78.50

Stocker sale: **D.H. Hickson Ltd– Feb 17, 2009**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
700-799	75.00-111.50	91.74	111.50	700-799	81.00-95.50	87.90	95.50
600-699	75.00-114.00	101.06	114.00	600-699	73.00-103.50	96.42	103.50
500-599	75.00-115.50	100.46	115.50	500-599	58.50-109.00	97.37	109.00
				400-499	85.00-108.50	97.20	108.50

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange – Feb 18, 2009**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
+1000	99.25-107.50	104.01	108.50	900+	93.00-99.75	97.95	99.75
900-999	104.50-109.00	107.02	109.00				
800-899	108.25-110.00	108.78	110.00				
700-799	101.00-108.50	106.57	108.50				

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade on Wednesday was moderately active at prices steady to softer than last week.

Steers	Live	86.35-87.00	Flat rail	145.00-146.50
Heifers	Live	86.90-87.10	Flat rail	145.00-146.00

U.S. TRADE (U.S funds)

US cash cattle trade saw scattered sales at prices steady to Wednesday's lower market. More southern trade is expected tomorrow with possibly higher asking prices after today's slightly higher cattle futures.

Choice and select steers and heifers:	Live	80.00
	Rail	128.00-129.00

PROVINCIAL SLAUGHTER

	Jan 2009	Jan 2008
Steers	3,170	4,981
Heifers	2,186	2,480
Cows	1,244	1,795
Bulls	1,255	588

CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

Week Ending	AAA	AA
Feb 6, 2009	1.6962	1.7021
Jan 31, 2009	1.7356	1.7374
Jan 23, 2009	1.7641	1.7675

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Cutout Values: (noon estimate)	134.47	134.04
Change: (from yesterday's close)	-0.39	+0.26
Current 5 day average:	135.47	134.76

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 US			
Feb	81.20 +1.27	Mar	90.62 +1.60	Mar	3.532 +4.0	Mar	8.844 -3.0	Spot	79.65 +0.18
Apr	84.75 +1.82	Apr	91.87 +1.35	May	3.620 +4.0	May	8.860 -0.4	Mar	79.64 +0.20
Jun	82.52 +1.45	May	93.50 +1.60	Jul	3.714 +4.2	Jul	8.914 +0.6	Jun	79.69 +0.21
Aug	82.92 +1.30	Aug	96.75 +1.50	Sep	3.810 +5.0	Aug	8.830 +1.0	Sep	79.79 +0.20
Oct	86.52 +0.75	Sep	97.40 +1.70	Dec	3.936 +6.2	Sep	8.570 +4.2	Dec	79.89 +0.19
Dec	88.80 +0.75	Oct	97.40 +1.90	Mar	4.064 +5.6	Nov	8.450 +9.2	Mar	79.91 +0.18

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