



# Weekly Market Information Report

## Week ending Thursday August 4, 2005



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.

	Price Range	Last Week
<b>A grade steers</b>	155.00-162.00	157.00-161.00
<b>A grade heifers</b>	154.00-160.00	156.00-160.00

### 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	86.99-96.89	92.36	113.50	91.55
Medium Frame Steers +1250	82.64-96.47	90.60	101.75	90.69
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	86.69-97.35	92.35	113.50	91.51
Large Frame Heifers +1000	84.22-94.61	91.04	110.00	88.87
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	71.78-90.22	83.77	101.00	84.23
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	82.49-95.88	89.95	110.00	87.08
Cows-all weights	24.40-46.37	35.72	84.00	38.34
Bulls-all weights	38.82-56.06	47.20	86.50	46.66

### **STOCKERS – Large & Medium Frame**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>1000+</b>	87.99-104.53	97.55	114.00
<b>900-999</b>	97.61-110.71	106.12	118.35
<b>800-899</b>	94.73-117.84	111.17	122.75
<b>700-799</b>	98.02-117.93	109.73	124.50
<b>600-699</b>	97.91-125.59	113.09	133.00
<b>500-599</b>	91.00-132.16	115.88	145.00
<b>400-499</b>	100.47-133.32	116.43	142.00

<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>900+</b>	79.66-96.94	90.07	105.25
<b>800-899</b>	93.64-107.48	102.13	114.00
<b>700-799</b>	93.80-110.36	102.59	121.50
<b>600-699</b>	94.34-115.44	105.76	120.00
<b>500-599</b>	89.79-120.63	105.72	135.00
<b>400-499</b>	87.34-114.94	104.36	124.00

**At Talbotville Livestock: Saturday July 30, 2005**

	Price Range	Top
Good & choice steers	84.50-98.00	106.75
Good & choice heifers	85.00-97.00	103.75
Cows	33.00-46.00	58.00
Bulls	38.00-55.00	

**Stocker Sale: Brussel's Livestock, July 29, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
1000+	85.00-106.10	106.10	900+	88.50-96.00	101.00
900-999	96.00-107.50	107.50	800-899	93.00-108.00	113.75
800-899	73.00-109.00	111.75	700-799	91.50-102.00	103.00
700-799	97.00-119.00	119.00	600-699	98.50-118.25	118.25
600-699	105.00-126.00	126.00	500-599	106.00-120.50	120.50
500-599	103.00-128.50	137.00	400-499	96.00-119.00	120.00

**Stocker Sale: Keady Livestock, August 2, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS		
900-999	109.50-116.00	116.00	900+	90.00-105.25	105.25
800-899	98.00-122.75	122.75	800-899	92.00-109.60	109.60
700-799	101.00-119.50	119.50	700-799	100.00-118.75	121.50

**Denfield Livestock – August 2, 2005**

	Price Range	
Choice steers	95.00-100.00	
Good steers	87.00-93.00	
Plain steers	70.00-80.00	
Choice exotic cross heifers	93.00-98.00	
Good heifers	85.00-90.00	
Plain aged heifers	65.00-75.00	
Good cows	45.00-55.00	
D1 & D2 cows	32.00-40.00	
D3 & D4 cows	25.00-30.00	
Bulls	40.00-55.00	

Sales traded on a good demand at fully steady to stronger prices on all classes of fed cattle. A good offering of cows sold very active at prices \$5-10 higher. A light offering of stockers traded strong.

**Stocker sale: Ontario Livestock Exchange, August 3, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
+1000	94.75-103.25	107.00	+900	70.00-97.50	97.50
900-999	98.00-109.75	113.25	800-899	84.00-93.25	93.25

**Stocker Sale: Ontario Stockyards – August 4, 2005**

STEERS	Price Range	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Top
900-999	96.00-109.00	109.00	800-899	107.00-112.50	114.00
800-899	116.25-120.00	120.00	700-799	108.00-116.00	117.00

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<b>700-799</b>	109.50-120.00	124.50	<b>600-699</b>	104.00-119.50	120.00
<b>600-699</b>	116.00-128.00	128.00	<b>500-599</b>	105.00-124.50	124.50

Stocker Sale: **Tricounty Cattle – August 4, 2005**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top			
<b>1000+</b>	109.35-114.00	114.00			
<b>900-999</b>	107.25-118.35	118.35			
<b>800-899</b>	119.00-120.50	120.50			

**AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA**

	<b>STEERS</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>
<b>July 23, 2005</b>	820	743
<b>July 24, 2004</b>	823	751

**FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL**

	Week Ending July 23, 2005	YTD	% of Yr. Ago
<b>Grand Total</b>	67,283	2,135,300	105%
<b>Alberta Slaughter</b>	43,976	1,438,431	100%
<b>Ontario Slaughter</b>	12,230	363,519	107%

**USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL**

	Week Ending July 30, 2005	Last Week	Year Ago
<b>Grand Total</b>	644,000	653,000	633,000

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

Week ending **Thursday August 4, 2005**

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Live</b>	83.50-88.65	<b>Flat rail</b>	142.50-145.00
<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Live</b>	83.00-87.65	<b>Flat rail</b>	143.00-145.00

**CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUTOUT VALUE**

Week ending – July 29, 2005	AAA	AA
<b>Cutout value</b>	N/A	N/A
<b>Last week</b>	1.7039	1.5984

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	126.99	120.05

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

Week ending **Thursday August 4, 2005**

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Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers:	<b>Live</b>	\$82.00-82.50
	<b>Rail</b>	\$130.00

**BEEF EXPORTS**

	United States Jan 2– July 30	Mexico Jan 1 – June 11
<b>Total</b>	205,809 tonnes	28,195 tonnes

**BEEF IMPORTS**

	Jan 1 – July 23	Last Year Same Time	% Change
<b>Total</b>	58,702 tonnes	45,277 tonnes	+29.7

**BEEF PRODUCTION**

	Jan 1 – July 23	Last Year Same Time	% Change
<b>Fed</b>	692,114 tonnes	688,734 tonnes	+0.5%
<b>Non-fed</b>	92,251 tonnes	76,551 tonnes	+20.5%

**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			
<b>Aug</b>	80.57	-0.05	<b>Aug</b>	110.40	+0.97	<b>Sep</b>	2.204	-4.0	<b>Aug</b>	6.584	-12.6	<b>Spot</b>	82.24	-0.13
<b>Oct</b>	81.92	+0.20	<b>Sep</b>	108.57	+0.72	<b>Dec</b>	2.344	-3.0	<b>Sep</b>	6.616	-13.6	<b>Sep</b>	82.33	-0.14
<b>Dec</b>	84.55	+0.12	<b>Oct</b>	108.02	+0.77	<b>Mar</b>	2.434	-2.6	<b>Nov</b>	6.690	-13.4	<b>Dec</b>	82.56	-0.14
<b>Feb</b>	86.87	-0.02	<b>Nov</b>	106.17	+0.87	<b>May</b>	2.482	-3.6	<b>Jan</b>	6.740	-13.4	<b>Mar</b>	82.79	-0.14

