



# Weekly Market Information Report



Week ending Thursday Sept 7, 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**      156.00-161.00  
**A grade heifers**    155.00-160.00

## 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	87.91-95.74	92.75	106.75	91.74
Medium Frame Steers +1250	90.54-95.99	93.86	99.00	90.73
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	89.02-96.29	93.39	106.75	91.64
Large Frame Heifers +1000	83.86-95.18	91.66	101.00	83.61
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	81.74-92.57	88.49	100.00	85.81
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	82.87-95.37	90.95	101.00	86.12
Cows-all weights	26.80-45.75	35.87	73.50	37.19
Bulls-all weights	43.54-56.45	50.45	95.00	51.52

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

STEERS	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	102.88-112.31	107.89	119.00
900-999	108.07-115.86	113.10	120.25
800-899	110.84-120.84	116.56	125.00
700-799	114.18-129.03	122.41	135.25
600-699	114.27-133.17	123.69	140.50
500-599	120.76-146.32	135.52	159.00
400-499	132.92-160.24	147.95	169.00
-399	105.41-170.86	146.13	227.00

HEIFERS	Price Range	Average	Top
900+	88.66-104.46	99.26	108.75
800-899	104.59-113.22	109.66	117.00
700-799	105.47-118.44	113.34	134.00
600-699	106.81-123.43	117.00	130.50
500-599	104.22-128.94	118.61	140.00
400-499	116.51-132.97	125.98	153.50
300-399	120.80-140.88	132.78	166.00

At Talbotville Livestock: Sept 2, 2006- 230 head.

	Price Range	Top
Good & choice steers	87.00-96.50	102.00
Good & choice heifers	86.00-96.00	
Cows	32.00-42.00	63.00
Bulls	45.00-55.00	

**Denfield Livestock – Sept 5, 2006**

	Price Range		Price Range
<b>Good &amp; Choice Steers</b>	88.00-96.00	<b>Good &amp; Choice Heifers</b>	88.00-96.00
<b>Plain Steers</b>	80.00-85.00	<b>Plain Heifers</b>	75.00-85.00
<b>Good Beef Bulls</b>	50.00-60.00	<b>Good Beef Cows</b>	45.00-55.00
<b>Good Hol Bulls</b>	40.00-50.00	<b>D3 &amp; D4 Cows</b>	25.00-30.00
		<b>D1 &amp; D2 Cows</b>	35.00-40.00

**ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE**Stocker sale at: **Brussels Livestock, Sept 1, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>1000+</b>	92.75-107.25	110.50	<b>900+</b>	91.00-108.75	108.75
<b>900-1000</b>	103.00-114.25	120.00	<b>800-900</b>	109.25-115.75	115.75
<b>800-900</b>	108.50-120.00	125.00	<b>700-800</b>	101.00-117.50	134.00
<b>700-800</b>	117.00-130.50	130.50	<b>600-700</b>	111.75-126.50	126.50
<b>600-700</b>	119.00-134.00	138.00	<b>500-600</b>	112.0-133.00	134.50
<b>500-600</b>	131.00-147.00	148.00	<b>400-500</b>	114.50-119	119.00
<b>400-500</b>	145.00-138.50	168.50	<b>300-400</b>	132.00-166.00	166.00

Stocker sale at: **Keady Livestock- Sept 5, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range
<b>+1000</b>	105.35-119.00	<b>900+</b>	96.00-102.50
<b>900-999</b>	117.25-120.25	<b>800-899</b>	104.50-113.00
<b>800-899</b>	110.00-119.75	<b>700-799</b>	116.50-122.50
<b>700-799</b>	123.75-135.25	<b>600-699</b>	111.50-130.50
<b>600-699</b>	121.00-140.50	<b>500-599</b>	100.00-128.50
<b>500-599</b>	117.00-142.00	<b>400-499</b>	70.00-100.00

Stocker Sale at : **D. H. Hickson Ltd. Sept 5, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range
<b>800-899</b>	77.00-112.50	<b>800-899</b>	112.50
<b>700-799</b>	82.00-118.00	<b>700-799</b>	77.00-118.00
<b>600-699</b>	109.00-130.50	<b>600-699</b>	109.00-130.50
<b>500-599</b>	106.00-151.50	<b>500-599</b>	106.00-151.50
<b>400-499</b>	97.00-165.00	<b>400-499</b>	97.00-165.00

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, Sept 6, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>+1000</b>	105.75-112.25	113.25	<b>+900</b>	96.00-108.50	108.50
<b>900-999</b>	110.50-117.50	117.50	<b>800-899</b>	91.50-109.50	109.50
<b>800-899</b>	117.50-125.00	125.00	<b>700-799</b>	110.25-116.50	116.50
<b>700-799</b>	118.25-130.50	130.50			
<b>600-699</b>	118.00-129.00	129.00			
<b>500-599</b>	103.50-141.50	141.50			

Stocker Sale: **Ontario Stockyards – Sept 7, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Top
<b>1000+</b>	102.50-111.75	111.75	<b>900+</b>	94.00-104.00	105.00
<b>900-999</b>	107.75-113.00	115.00	<b>800-899</b>	99.25-114.50	114.50
<b>800-899</b>	111.75-123.00	123.00	<b>700-799</b>	102.00-118.75	123.00
<b>700-799</b>	104.00-123.00	129.00	<b>600-699</b>	104.00-120.00	120.00
<b>600-699</b>	116.50-136.00	139.50	<b>500-599</b>	101.00-120.00	128.50
<b>500-599</b>	123.00-152.00	159.00	<b>400-499</b>	108.00-130.00	130.00
<b>400-499</b>	149.50-165.00	167.00	<b>300-399</b>	108.00-140.00	150.00
<b>-400</b>	150.00-176.00	176.00	<b>-299</b>	125.00-165.00	165.00

## ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE- SPECIAL FALL SALES

Stocker sale at: **Grey Bruce Livestock Cooperative/ Wiarton, Sept 7, 2006**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>
<b>+1000</b>	103.50-118.25	<b>900+</b>	106.50-116.00
<b>900-999</b>	106.00-122.00	<b>800-899</b>	100.00-117.00
<b>800-899</b>	108.50-125.00	<b>700-799</b>	112.75-117.25
<b>700-799</b>		<b>600-699</b>	116.00-116.50

### ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Week ending **Thursday Sept 7, 2006**

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Live</b>	86.00-89.20	<b>Flat rail</b>	143.50-147.30
<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Live</b>	86.86-88.30	<b>Flat rail</b>	143.50-147.00

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

<b>Week Ending Sept 7, 2006</b>	<b>Price Range</b>
<b>A1, A2 Steers &amp; Heifers</b>	158.00-158.75

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

Week ending **Thursday Sept 7, 2006**

Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers:	<b>Live</b>	\$90.00-\$92.75
	<b>Rail</b>	852\$142.00-\$145.00

### CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>
<b>Aug 19, 2006</b>	1.7102	1.5997
<b>Aug 12, 2006</b>	1.6984	1.5847

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

	<b>Choice 600-900</b>	<b>Select 600-900</b>
<b>Current 5 day average:</b>	149.10	138.14

### AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	<b>Steers</b>	<b>Heifers</b>
<b>Sept 2, 2006</b>	852	787
<b>Sept 3, 2005</b>	837	774

### FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>% of Yr. Ago</b>
	<b>Sept 2, 2006</b>		
<b>Grand Total</b>	64,743	2,248,359	88%
<b>Alberta Slaughter</b>	42,381	1,416,299	82%
<b>Ontario Slaughter</b>	13,761	459,525	104%

### USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>Previous Week</b>	<b>Year Ago</b>
	<b>Sept 9, 2006</b>		
<b>Grand Total</b>	591,000	680,000	578,000

### BEEF EXPORTS

	United States	Mexico
	Jan 1 – Sept 2	Jan 1 – Aug 12
<b>Total</b>	182,476 tonnes	23,491 tonnes

### BEEF PRODUCTION

	Jan 1 – Sept 2	Last Year Same Time	% Change
<b>Fed</b>	654,286 tonnes	803,424 tonnes	-18.6%
<b>Non-fed</b>	147,989 tonnes	109,631 Tonnes	+35.0%

### BEEF IMPORTS

	Jan 1 – Aug 26	Last Year Same Time	% Change
<b>Total</b>	81,614 tonnes	70,241 tonnes	+16.2%

### LIVE CATTLE-CANADA

<u>IMPORTS</u>		<u>EXPORTS</u>	
Jan 1 – June 30		Jan 1 – Sept 2	
<b>Pure bred</b>	181	<b>Slaughter steers &amp; heifers</b>	415,383
<b>Non-pure bred</b>	20,506	<b>Feeder steers &amp; heifers</b>	204,582

### LIVE CATTLE IMPORTS-ONTARIO

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

### 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>Oct</b>	92.30 -1.45	<b>Sep</b>	118.57 -0.65	<b>Sep</b>	2.316 +1.0	<b>Sep</b>	5.370 -1.4	<b>Spot</b>	89.28 -0.83
<b>Dec</b>	92.17 -0.82	<b>Oct</b>	118.22 -0.65	<b>Dec</b>	2.460 +0.2	<b>Nov</b>	5.480 -2.0	<b>Sept</b>	89.28 -0.85
<b>Feb</b>	92.00 -0.52	<b>Nov</b>	118.25 -0.82	<b>Mar</b>	2.600 +0.2	<b>Jan</b>	5.616 -1.4	<b>Dec</b>	89.53 -0.85
<b>Apr</b>	91.55 -0.42	<b>Jan</b>	114.55 -0.85	<b>May</b>	2.682 +0.0	<b>Mar</b>	5.732 -1.6	<b>Mar</b>	89.80 -0.85

### SPECIAL FALL STOCKER SALES

September 9<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>

Sept 9-	10:00 am	Ottawa Livestock (Leo's)	Stockers & Yearlings
Sept 9-	9:00 am	Rainy River	Yearlings
Sept 11-	7:00 pm	Tri County	Exotic Yearlings
Sept 15-	11:00 am	D.H. Hickson	All Vaccinated Yearlings
Sept 15-	9:00 am	Keady	Yearlings (overnight stand)
Sept 16-	11:00 am	Selby	Yearlings 100% Vaccinated.

## Comments for the week ending Sept 7, 2006

The fed cattle market regained last week's price decline. The number of live finished steers and heifers sold through auction markets was 1,020, down 90 from last week. The average fed steer price was \$93.39 up \$1.75 and the average heifer price was \$90.95 up \$4.83 from last week. Auction markets reported fed cattle sold strong with prices ranging from steady to \$1.00 higher.

Slaughter cows sold easier this week. There were 1,833 head of slaughter cows sold through auction markets, 283 less than last week. The average price was \$35.87 down \$1.32 from last week and \$2.36 higher than a year ago. Auction markets reported that slaughter cows sold at prices barely steady to \$2.00 lower

Replacement cattle continue to sell on a good demand. The total number of stockers sold was 4,803 down 7.5% from last week and 26% less than last year at this time. Auction markets reported that stockers sold on a strong active trade with lightweight cattle selling steady to stronger while yearlings traded steady to \$3.00 higher.

Ontario railgrade prices this week were lower early in the week with prices slightly better by the end of the week. Steers sold from \$156.00-\$161.00 and heifers traded at \$155.00-\$160.00.

In Alberta, cattle trade was moderate to active with prices \$1.00-\$1.50 higher than last week. Steers sold \$86.00-\$89.20 live and \$143.50-\$147.30 dressed. Heifers traded \$86.65-\$88.30 live and \$143.50-\$147.00 dressed.

U.S. cash cattle trade had not developed at the time of this report.(Friday noon) Business on the previous Friday saw prices up \$4.00-\$4.50 at \$90.00-\$92.75 live and \$142.00-\$145.00 dressed. Asking prices this week are firm at \$95.00 live and \$150.00 dressed.

Local beef trade reported excellent movement over the long weekend. All cuts are moving extremely well with prices increasing to reflect the higher live cattle market. Inventory is light and kills are remaining steady.