



# Weekly Market Information Report



**Week Ending Thursday September 18, 2008**

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.

<b>A grade steers</b>	<b>162.00-165.00</b>
<b>A grade heifers</b>	<b>161.00-164.00</b>

## ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Ontario auction sales this week saw weighted average price ranges for **FED CATTLE**

	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Last week Avg</b>
Large Frame Steers +1250	91.01-100.77	96.82	107.00	96.94
Medium Frame Steers +1250	91.04-100.32	96.46	101.00	96.25
Large & Medium Frame Steers + 1250	91.55-101.45	96.97	107.00	96.72
Large Frame Heifers + 1000	88.66-100.66	95.08	107.25	95.99
Medium Frame Heifers + 1000	88.55-98.42	94.78	102.75	94.43
Large & Medium Frame heifers + 1000	88.67-100.17	95.07	107.25	95.56
Cows- All Weights	40.08-59.79	51.03	86.00	50.17
Bulls- All Weights	57.32-71.93	64.42	87.00	67.65

### **STOCKERS-Large and Medium Frame**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Volume</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Last week Avg</b>
<b>1000+</b>	1509	96.09-103.85	100.93	107.00	100.91
<b>900-999</b>	1539	99.21-106.27	103.02	109.00	106.32
<b>800-899</b>	905	90.95-108.20	101.81	115.10	106.17
<b>700-799</b>	686	96.72-112.05	104.92	119.50	104.63
<b>600-699</b>	536	93.30-114.90	107.02	122.50	104.86
<b>500-599</b>	573	96.20-124.95	113.23	134.00	110.73
<b>400-499</b>	489	107.27-132.44	121.39	147.75	123.82
<b>-399</b>	417	82.82-127.85	104.76	192.50	106.29

<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Volume</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Last week Avg</b>
<b>+900</b>	502	86.42-97.39	92.65	101.50	95.74
<b>800-899</b>	643	90.24-102.18	97.39	106.00	97.26
<b>700-799</b>	503	83.52-101.77	95.48	109.75	98.62
<b>600-699</b>	566	84.50-104.64	96.70	110.50	96.61
<b>500-599</b>	436	85.75-107.84	97.78	114.00	98.54
<b>400-499</b>	445	94.38-117.99	108.76	128.00	110.20
<b>300-399</b>	302	103.17-122.81	113.80	136.00	116.03
<b>299-</b>	62	85.18-116.06	100.23	136.00	113.07

### **At Talbotville Livestock: September 13, 2008**

	<b>Price Range</b>	
<b>Good &amp; choice steers</b>	91.00-97.50	102.25
<b>Good &amp; choice heifers</b>	90.00-96.50	98.25
<b>Good Cows</b>	48.50-59.50	
<b>Good Veal</b>	80.00-95.00	

**At Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market: September 13, 2008**

	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>Cows</b>	35.00-62.00	51.58	62.00
<b>Bulls (all weights)</b>	59.38-82.94	70.00	87.00

**At Denfield Livestock – September 16, 2008**

	<b>Price Range</b>		<b>Price Range</b>
<b>Good &amp; Choice steers</b>	90.00-102.00	<b>Good &amp; Exotic Cross Heifers</b>	90.00-100.00
<b>Plain steers</b>	80.00-90.00	<b>Plain Heifers</b>	70.00-80.00
<b>Good fed cows</b>	65.00-76.00	<b>Good Beef bulls</b>	65.00-72.00
<b>D1 &amp; D2 cows</b>	55.00-65.00	<b>Good Holstein bulls</b>	60.00-68.00
<b>D3 &amp; D4 cows</b>	40.00-50.00	<b>Good Holstein bull calves</b>	\$50.00-\$100.00
<b>Shells</b>	20.00-30.00	<b>Plain Hol bull calves</b>	\$5.00-\$50.00
<b>Steers 900-1000 lbs</b>	95.00-100.00	<b>Heifers 900-1000 lbs</b>	95.00-100.00

**ONTARIO REPLACEMENT TRADE**

Stocker Sale at: **Brussels Livestock, September 12, 2008**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>1000+</b>	95.75-104.25	101.05	104.25	<b>900+</b>	95.60-99.50	95.31	100.00
<b>900-999</b>	96.50-104.50	101.57	105.50	<b>800-899</b>	93.50-105.60	99.85	105.60
<b>800-899</b>	97.25-1010.75	104.38	110.75	<b>700-799</b>	84.000-98.25	93.82	101.00
<b>700-799</b>	99.00-111.50	104.56	111.50	<b>600-699</b>	86.00-105.75	99.50	105.75
<b>600-699</b>	97.00-118.50	110.27	122.50	<b>500-599</b>	85.00-112.00	99.39	114.00
<b>500-599</b>	98.00-128.50	116.55	130.00	<b>400-499</b>	96.00-119.00	112.27	119.00
<b>400-499</b>	117.00-133.50	127.33	138.50	<b>300-399</b>	106.50-124.00	112.02	124.00
<b>399-</b>	116.00-135.00	126.01	136.00				

Stocker Sale at: **Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market, September 13, 2008**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>600-699</b>	85.00-108.00	98.30	108.00	<b>700-799</b>	80.50-93.50	84.68	93.50
<b>400-499</b>	122.00-131.00	125.75	131.00	<b>500-599</b>	75.00-108.00	97.55	108.00
<b>399-</b>	94.50-122.00	111.91	192.50				

Stocker sale at **D.H. Hickson Ltd, September 16, 2008**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>600-699</b>	58.50-117.50	98.97	117.50	<b>600-699</b>	69.50-106.00	91.64	106.00
<b>500-599</b>	83.50-129.50	109.39	129.50	<b>500-599</b>	89.50-106.50	98.00	106.50
<b>400-499</b>	84.00-134.00	118.02	134.00	<b>400-499</b>	60.00-113.50	95.43	113.50

Stocker Sale at **Keady Livestock Market, September 16, 2008**

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>1000+</b>	98.50-106.00	102.59	106.00	<b>900+</b>	90.00-101.00	97.66	101.00
<b>900-999</b>	100.00-105.75	102.44	107.25	<b>800-899</b>	99.50-104.00	102.23	104.00
<b>800-899</b>	106.50-115.10	110.85	115.10	<b>700-799</b>	95.00-101.00	98.64	107.75
<b>700-799</b>	100.00-115.52	109.85	115.50	<b>600-699</b>	90.00-107.00	100.62	107.00
<b>600-699</b>	99.00-116.00	110.72	116.00	<b>500-599</b>	91.00-112.00	101.31	112.00
<b>500-599</b>	114.00-127.00	122.09	127.00	<b>400-499</b>	105.00-118.00	110.64	118.00
<b>400-499</b>	118.00-147.75	130.44	147.75				
<b>399-</b>	120.00-145.50	130.20	145.50				

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange – September 17, 2008**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>+1000</b>	92.00-102.50	98.75	102.50	<b>900+</b>	89.00-95.50	93.47	95.50
<b>900-999</b>	95.25-105.25	100.71	105.25	<b>800-899</b>	86.50-98.50	94.32	98.50
<b>800-899</b>	83.00-109.00	99.61	109.00	<b>700-799</b>	80.50-97.00	87.88	97.00
<b>700-799</b>	91.00-108.00	100.52	108.00	<b>600-699</b>	83.50-100.00	91.47	100.00
<b>600-699</b>	103.00-109.00	106.40	109.00				

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, September 18 2008**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>900-999</b>	81.00-89.50	83.22	89.50	<b>900+</b>	80.00-85.50	82.68	85.50
<b>800-899</b>	84.00-92.00	87.11	95.00	<b>800-899</b>	77.00-87.50	80.86	87.50
<b>700-799</b>	79.00-95.50	90.56	95.50	<b>700-799</b>	69.00-91.00	81.06	91.00
<b>600-699</b>	90.00-109.00	99.52	109.00	<b>600-699</b>	36.00-85.00	59.94	95.00
<b>500-599</b>	104.00-118.00	108.88	118.00	<b>500-599</b>	64.00-97.50	85.94	97.50
<b>400-499</b>	81.00-121.50	103.30	121.50	<b>400-499</b>	77.00-120.00	108.31	120.00
<b>399-</b>	113.00-134.00	123.00	134.00				

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc, September 18, 2008**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>1000+</b>	74.00-93.00	83.37	94.00	<b>900 +</b>	74.00-98.00	87.24	98.00
<b>900-999</b>	89.00-96.00	91.44	96.00	<b>800-899</b>	92.00-104.00	100.02	104.00
<b>800-899</b>	91.00-105.25	99.50	105.50	<b>700-799</b>	82.00-106.50	98.20	106.50
<b>700-799</b>	98.00-112.75	104.34	112.75	<b>600-699</b>	80.00-106.00	92.93	110.00
<b>600-699</b>	93.00-116.25	107.39	121.00	<b>500-599</b>	90.00-105.00	97.53	109.00
<b>500-599</b>	106.00-123.00	116.44	127.50	<b>400-499</b>	94.0-127.00	110.04	128.00
<b>400-499</b>	118.00-135.00	124.71	135.00	<b>300-399</b>	111.00-123.50	117.93	123.50
<b>399-</b>	112.00-132.00	128.12	142.00	<b>299-</b>	96.00-110.00	105.44	110.00

Stocker Sale at: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange, September 18 2008**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>700-799</b>	90.00-109.00	101.78	109.00	<b>700-799</b>	84.00-98.00	91.00	98.00
<b>600-699</b>	85.00-115.00	101.36	115.00	<b>600-699</b>	70.00-99.00	82.92	102.50
<b>500-599</b>	74.00-128.00	103.47	128.00	<b>500-599</b>	75.00-110.00	94.15	110.00
<b>400-499</b>	97.00-135.00	117.59	135.00	<b>400-499</b>	99.00-121.00	111.67	125.00
<b>399-</b>	10.00-130.00	62.94	138.00	<b>300-399</b>	85.00-126.00	113.09	126.00
				<b>299-</b>	50.00-110.00	78.67	117.00

Stocker Sale at: **Tri-County Cattle Co, September 18 2008**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>1000+</b>	103.50-107.00	104.34	107.00	<b>900+</b>	82.50-93.50	89.79	93.50
<b>900-999</b>	107.00-107.25	107.08	107.25	<b>800-899</b>	88.00-96.50	94.13	96.50
<b>800-899</b>	102.00-111.25	107.67	111.25	<b>700-799</b>	101.75-109.75	106.74	109.75
<b>700-799</b>	109.75-119.50	115.78	119.50	<b>600-699</b>	102.50-110.50	108.91	110.50
<b>600-699</b>	110.00-116.00	115.31	116.00				
<b>500-599</b>	113.75-116.50	114.85	117.00				

Stocker Sale at: **Brussels Livestock, September 18 2008**

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>400-499</b>	113.00-121.00	116.73	127.00	<b>400-499</b>	101.00-118.00	111.88	118.00
<b>399-</b>	113.00-134.50	123.55	155.00	<b>300-399</b>	108.00-127.00	118.22	136.00
				<b>299-</b>	104.00-127.00	114.21	136.00

## REPLACEMENT TRADE SPECIAL FALL SALES

Stocker Sale at: **Keady Livestock Sales, September 12, 2008-** 1,474 Yearlings- Overnight Stand

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>1000+</b>	103.25-106.00	104.51	107.00	<b>900+</b>	97.75-101.50	99.61	101.50
<b>900-999</b>	107.35-109.00	108.15	109.00	<b>800-899</b>	98.00-102.25	99.96	102.25
<b>800-899</b>	108.00-109.85	108.87	109.85	<b>700-799</b>	102.25	102.25	102.25

Yearlings sold on a barely steady market.

Stocker Sale at: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange, September 13, 2008-** 780 replacements

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>900-999</b>	85.00-96.00	91.00	96.00	<b>900+</b>	74.00-89.00	80.86	89.00
<b>800-899</b>	87.00-102.00	95.61	107.00	<b>800-899</b>	77.00-90.50	84.44	95.00
<b>700-799</b>	89.00-110.00	98.84	116.00	<b>700-799</b>	83.00-99.00	90.45	101.00
<b>600-699</b>	101.00-117.00	112.51	119.00	<b>600-699</b>	90.00-107.00	101.61	107.00
<b>500-599</b>	103.00-133.00	117.71	134.00	<b>500-599</b>	90.00-106.00	101.51	108.00
<b>400-499</b>	107.50-140.00	124.36	146.00	<b>400-499</b>	101.00-115.00	108.32	118.00
<b>399-</b>	105.00-141.00	125.47	148.00	<b>300-399</b>	105.00-121.50	116.33	121.50
				<b>299-</b>	90.00-117.00	103.00	117.00

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc, September 16, 2008-** 795 yearlings

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>1000+</b>	86.00-94.75	91.58	97.00	<b>900+</b>	83.00-90.00	86.08	90.00
<b>900-999</b>	90.50-106.00	97.60	106.00	<b>800-899</b>	83.00-103.00	96.20	103.00
<b>800-899</b>	81.00-105.00	94.09	108.00	<b>700-799</b>	83.00-105.00	100.28	105.00
<b>700-799</b>	94.50-112.00	103.50	112.00	<b>600-699</b>	96.50-108.50	104.87	108.50
<b>600-699</b>	90.00-114.25	106.60	114.25				
<b>500-599</b>	82.00-92.50	87.29	109.00				

Yearlings sold at prices barely steady to lower.

Stocker Sale: **Algoma Co-operative Livestock Sales, Thessalon, September 16, 2008-**1,400 stockers

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range
<b>1000+</b>	96.75-98.75	<b>1000+</b>	87.50
<b>900-1000</b>	99.75-111.50	<b>900-999</b>	94.00-99.50
<b>800-900</b>	105.00-110.00	<b>800-900</b>	92.00-94.00
<b>700-800</b>	105.00-113.00	<b>700-800</b>	90.00-105.25
<b>600-700</b>	112.50-117.00	<b>600-700</b>	102.75
<b>500-600</b>	100.50	<b>500-600</b>	93.00-99.50
<b>400-500</b>	126.00		

Stocker Sale at: **Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Mkt, September 17, 2008-** 639 stockers

<b>STEERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top	<b>HEIFERS</b>	Price Range	Avg	Top
<b>1000+</b>	72.00-102.00	94.77	102.00	<b>900+</b>	69.00-97.00	78.70	97.00
<b>900-999</b>	85.00-104.75	99.76	104.75	<b>800-899</b>	76.00-106.00	94.96	106.00
<b>800-899</b>	67.00-111.75	103.95	111.75	<b>700-799</b>	72.00-105.25	97.36	105.25
<b>700-799</b>	98.00-112.50	107.50	112.50	<b>600-699</b>	72.00-103.00	90.96	103.00
<b>600-699</b>	96.00-109.00	105.68	109.00	<b>500-599</b>	79.0-102.00	90.05	102.00
<b>500-599</b>	95.00-127.00	120.21	127.00	<b>400-499</b>	75.00-111.00	98.33	111.00
<b>400-499</b>	75.00-134.00	121.00	134.00	<b>300-399</b>	102.50-114.00	108.05	114.00
<b>399-</b>	100.00-136.00	120.79	136.00				

Vaccinated calves sold steady, vaccinated yearlings sold strong.

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

Week Ending **Thursday September 18, 2008**

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Live</b>	<b>91.25-93.16</b>	<b>Flat rail</b>	<b>155.50-156.50</b>
<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Live</b>	<b>91.60-93.50</b>	<b>Flat rail</b>	<b>155.50-156.50</b>

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

Week Ending **Thursday September 18, 2008**

Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers	<b>Live</b>	<b>99.00</b>
	<b>Rail</b>	<b>150.00-151.00</b>

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

Week Ending **Thursday September 18, 2008**

<b>A1, A2 Steers &amp; Heifers</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>155.00-161.50</b>
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**CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES**

<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>
<b>Sept 5, 2008</b>	<b>1.7256</b>	<b>1.6806</b>
<b>Aug 29, 2008</b>	<b>1.7145</b>	<b>1.6988</b>
<b>Aug 22, 2008</b>	<b>1.7326</b>	<b>1.7082</b>

**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>Current 5 day average:</b>	<b>160.83</b>	<b>153.95</b>

**AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA**

	<b>Steers</b>	<b>Heifers</b>
<b>September 13, 2008</b>	<b>859</b>	<b>797</b>
<b>September 15, 2007</b>	<b>861</b>	<b>799</b>

**FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL**

	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>% of Yr. Ago</b>
	<b>Sept 13, 2008</b>		
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>65,462</b>	<b>2,271,216</b>	<b>99%</b>
<b>Alberta Slaughter</b>	<b>45,106</b>	<b>1,584,873</b>	<b>102%</b>
<b>Ontario Slaughter</b>	<b>11,843</b>	<b>398,351</b>	<b>91%</b>

**USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL**

	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>Previous Week</b>	<b>Year Ago</b>
	<b>September 20, 2008</b>		
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>686,000</b>	<b>657,000</b>	<b>647,000</b>

**LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO**

	<b>Week ending Sept 6, 08</b>	<b>Week ending Aug 30, 08</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>
Live slaughter cattle exported from Ontario to the US.	<b>4,715</b>	<b>3,438</b>	<b>154,041</b>

**LIVE CATTLE IMPORTS-ONTARIO**- (updates are currently unavailable.)

	<b>Week ending May 3, 08</b>	<b>Week ending Apr 26, 08</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>
Live slaughter cattle imported from the US into Ontario	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## LIVE CATTLE-CANADA

<b>IMPORTS</b>		<b>EXPORTS</b>	
Jan 1 – July 31		Jan 1 – Sept 13	
Pure bred	573	Slaughter steers & heifers	467,832
Non-pure bred	30,149	Feeder steers & heifers	445,538
		Cows & Bulls	133,992

### BEEF EXPORTS

	United States	Mexico
	Jan 1– Sept 13	
<b>Total</b>	191,148 tonnes	N/A

### BEEF PRODUCTION

	Jan 1 – Sept 13	Last Year Same Time	% Change
<b>Fed</b>	653,510 tonnes	661,597 tonnes	-1.2%
<b>Non-fed</b>	162,543 tonnes	161,223 tonnes	+0.8%

### BEEF IMPORTS

	Jan 1 – Sept 6	Last Year Same Time	% Change
<b>United States</b>	82,291 tonnes	66,247 tonnes	+24.2%
<b>Non-NAFTA</b>	22,627 tonnes	42,775 tonnes	-47.1%
<b>Total</b>	106,310 tonnes	112,778 tonnes	-5.7%

## 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>	101.55	+1.05	<b>Sep</b>	108.25	+0.95	<b>Dec</b>	5.422	+15.0	<b>Nov</b>	11.434	+27.4	<b>Spot</b>	95.24	+1.68
<b>Dec</b>	103.25	+1.52	<b>Oct</b>	105.85	+1.67	<b>Mar</b>	5.590	+15.6	<b>Jan</b>	11.592	+29.4	<b>Dec</b>	95.25	+1.39
<b>Feb</b>	103.17	+1.47	<b>Nov</b>	105.30	+1.47	<b>May</b>	5.694	+17.0	<b>Mar</b>	11.730	+30.6	<b>Mar</b>	95.21	+1.30
<b>Apr</b>	102.72	+1.55	<b>Jan</b>	105.07	+1.52	<b>Jul</b>	5.782	+17.0	<b>May</b>	11.820	+31.6	<b>Jun</b>	95.21	+1.27
<b>Jun</b>	99.80	+1.47	<b>Mar</b>	106.30	+1.50	<b>Sep</b>	5.750	+15.0	<b>Jul</b>	11.920	+32.4	<b>Sep</b>	95.21	+1.27
<b>Aug</b>	102.07	+1.12	<b>Apr</b>	106.50	+1.70	<b>Dec</b>	5.760	+17.2	<b>Aug</b>	11.874	+34.2	<b>Dec</b>	95.21	+1.27

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### Upcoming Special Fall Sales

Sept 20	11:00 am	Selby Livestock & Auction Center	Stockers- vacc & nonvaccinated
Sept 20	2:30 pm	Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Mkt	Bred Cows
Sept 25	10:00 am	Warton-Grey Bruce Livestock Coop	Yearlings, mostly vaccinated
Sept 25	10:00 am	South River-Parry Sound Lvstk Coop,	Calves & Yearlings
Sept 26	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Yearlings- overnight stand
Sept 26	7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market	Heifers Sale- all breeds
Sept 28	1:00 pm	Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Mkt	Purebred Sale:Charolais Autumn Fest-Back to the Basics!
Oct 1	11:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Mkt	Peterborough/Victoria Cattlemens Yearlings- All Vaccinated.
Oct 1	1:00 pm	Galetta	Stocker Sale, Cows etc to follow
Oct 3	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Yearlings- overnight stand
Oct 3	12:00 pm	Temiskaming Livestock Sales	Stockers
Oct 3	7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market	Char & Exotic Cross yearlings
Oct 4	9:30 am	Rainy River Cattlemens- Stratton	Mainly Calves, also cows & yearling

Oct 4	10:00 am	Ottawa Livestock Exchange	Stockers and yearlings.
Oct 4	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Sales	Bred Cows and Stockers
Oct 7	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Yearlings
Oct 9	2:00 pm	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Leeds & Grenville Cty Calf Sale in regular sale- approx 2pm
Oct 10	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Yearlings- Overnight stand.
Oct 11	10:00 am	Brussels Livestock	4-H Sale
Oct 11	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Sales	Bred Cows & Stockers

### **Comments for the week ending September 11, 2008**

Lighter receipts of fed cattle this week saw prices hold steady. The number of fed cattle sold through auction markets was 1,370 down 367 from last week and 191 more than last year at this time. Steers traded from \$91.55-\$101.45 averaging \$96.97, up \$0.25 from last week and \$12.16 higher than last year at this time. Heifers sold from \$88.67-\$100.17 averaging \$95.07 down \$0.49 from last week and up \$13.14 over last year. Auction markets reported prices steady to \$2.00 higher early in the week with reports that fancy high yielding cattle traded stronger. Mid to late week saw reports of moderate demand with prices from steady to barely steady.

The slaughter cow market saw slightly stronger prices this week. There were 2,255 slaughter cows sold through auction markets down 362 from last week and 814 more than last year at this time. Slaughter cows traded from \$40.08-\$59.79 averaging \$51.03 up \$0.86 from last week and \$16.41 higher than last year at this time. Auction markets reported active trade with strong demand and prices barely steady to steady.

There were 10,113 replacement cattle sold through auction markets this week, up 10% from last week and 13% more than last year at this time. Auction markets reported a good to moderate demand this week. Calves were reported as trading from barely steady to steady on an active trade. Yearlings and short keep cattle were reported as trading from barely steady to steady with a report that vaccinated yearlings sold strong.

Ontario railgrade prices reported for this week were \$2.25 lower on average. Steers traded from \$162.00-\$165.00 dressed while heifers sold from \$161.00-\$164.00 dressed with the lower end of the range dropping \$1.00 mid week.

Alberta's fed cattle market was light on Wednesday and Thursday with prices steady to last week. Steers sold from \$91.25-\$93.16 live and \$155.50-\$156.50 flat rail. Heifers traded from \$91.60-\$93.50 live and \$155.50-\$156.50 flat rail.

U.S. cash cattle trade was moderate in the north Wednesday with prices \$1.00-\$2.00 lower than last week at \$150.00-\$151.00 dressed. Thursday's trade was moderately active in all areas with the south trading fully steady to last week at \$99.00 live. The northern business was steady to Wednesday at \$151.00 dressed. Just a few scattered sales were reported Friday at prices steady to Wednesday.

# Finding a Future in Beef

**Are you under the age of 40 and involved in the Ontario beef industry?**

If so, you are invited to attend any one of the following workshops where the opportunities, challenges and needs of young beef producers will be discussed.

<p><b><u>Sudbury</u></b>            Saturday November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008            Noon – 4pm            Location: Holiday Inn            1696 Regent Street, Sudbury            \$20.00, lunch included</p>	<p><b><u>Smith Falls</u></b>            Sunday November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008            4pm – 8pm            Location: Civitan Hall            Hwy 15 N., Smith Falls            \$20.00, dinner included</p>
<p><b><u>Elmwood</u></b>            Tuesday November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008            6pm – 10pm            Location: Elmwood Community Centre            (basement)            Bruce Road 10, Fire #38, Elmwood            \$20.00, dinner included</p>	<p><b><u>Alvinston</u></b>            Wednesday November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008            6pm – 10pm            Location: Alvinston Community Centre            3310 Walnut St., Alvinston            \$20.00, dinner included</p>

**Tentative Agenda:**

- Dinner/lunch and networking opportunity
- A Successful Farm Model: Adapting to Change for Survival, Betty Green, owner of a 1000 cow herd family farm. Betty is also involved with the West Hawk Lake Zoning Initiative and the Quality Starts Here-Verified Beef Production program in Manitoba.
- Planning for the Future: A facilitated discussion on opportunities, challenges and needs of Ontario beef producers.

**Who should attend?**

Anyone involved in the beef industry **under the age of 40**. This includes beef farmers, veterinarians, abattoir or processor owners, and auction mart owners.

**Why should you attend?**

If you would like an opportunity to network with other farmers and individuals involved in the beef industry, then this workshop is for you. Not only will you meet people with similar interests, but through the round table discussions you will have an opportunity to discuss your similar needs and challenges. You will be able to provide input to the facilitators about the types of resources and educational vehicles young farmers need.

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