



Weekly Market Information Report



Week Ending Thursday July 9, 2009

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 159.00-165.00
A grade heifers 158.00-164.00

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	92.15-101.42	96.63	105.00	93.69
Medium Frame Steers +1250	88.41-100.24	96.77	104.00	92.72
Large & Medium Frame Steers + 1250	91.36-101.81	96.80	105.00	93.50
Large Frame Heifers + 1000	93.13-100.22	96.50	104.00	93.31
Medium Frame Heifers + 1000	87.60-100.59	96.25	108.00	90.09
Large & Medium Frame heifers + 1000	90.96-101.09	96.57	108.00	92.43
Cows- All Weights	40.26-57.53	49.46	87.50	49.85
Bulls- All Weights	55.44-70.44	62.41	93.00	66.00

STOCKERS-Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week Avg
1000+	676	92.50-98.77	95.71	102.75	91.52
900-999	380	95.01-104.38	100.29	109.50	99.42
800-899	162	104.44-111.30	109.18	118.00	104.98
700-799	198	107.19-119.17	112.48	122.25	109.23
600-699	152	109.11-121.53	116.73	135.00	111.32
500-599	113	110.88-129.65	121.12	139.00	110.00
400-499	57	106.81-128.35	118.09	145.00	117.97
-399	61	102.49-138.59	121.73	182.00	93.28

HEIFERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week Avg
+900	156	87.05-93.17	90.57	98.25	84.77
800-899	223	86.93-95.04	92.28	103.00	98.05
700-799	195	92.97-102.89	98.43	110.25	99.14
600-699	161	99.32-111.71	105.64	120.00	105.69
500-599	107	103.62-117.28	111.90	123.00	107.17
400-499	51	97.09-125.05	112.27	150.00	114.47
300-399	18	92.17-115.33	106.67	146.00	114.88
299-	12	95.04-156.79	131.64	215.00	109.75

At Talbotville Livestock: Saturday July 4, 2009

	Price Range	Top
Good & Choice Steers	91.00-100.00	
Good & Choice Heifers	91.00-99.50	101.50
Good Cows	48.00-61.00	64.00
Export Cows	50.00-58.00	
Bulls		70.00
Good Veal calves	78.00-89.50	

At Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market: July 4, 2009

	Price Range	Average	Top
Cows	30.00-63.00	47.66	75.00

At Denfield Livestock – July 7, 2009

	Price Range		Price Range
Choice steers	95.00-100.00	Choice heifers	95.00-99.00
Good steers	90.00-95.00	Good heifers	90.00-95.00
Plain Steers	80.00-90.00	Plain heifers	75.00-85.00
Good fed cows	60.00-70.00	Good beef bulls	65.00-80.00
D1 & D2 cows	50.00-60.00	Good Holstein bulls	65.00-70.00
D3 & D4 cows	40.00-50.00	Good Holstein bull calves	\$75.00-\$150.00
Shells	25.00-35.00	Day old & Plain Holstein Bull calves	\$10.00-\$70.00

At Renfrew Pontiac Livestock Ltd– July 7, 2009 - 10 replacement calves, 5 bulls, 99 cows

	Price Range		Price Range
Replacement calves	60.00-110.00	Cows D1 & D2	52.00-66.00 top 73.00
Bulls	55.00-74.00	Cows D3	44.00-51.50
Bred cows-good x bred	N/T	Cows D4	35.00-43.00

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at: **Brussels Livestock, July 3, 2009: 806 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	93.25-96.00	95.03	99.00	900+	90.00-96.50	93.06	96.50
900-999	95.25-104.00	99.93	105.00	800-899	94.25-100.25	97.45	100.25
800-899	101.00-110.00	107.36	110.00	700-799	99.50-110.25	105.25	110.25
700-799	110.25-120.00	113.76	121.50	600-699	105.50-116.00	110.18	120.00
600-699	113.00-123.50	120.41	128.00	500-599	110.00-122.00	117.80	123.00
500-599	120.00-135.00	127.51	139.00	400-499	124.00-150.00	130.88	150.00
400-499	124.00-126.00	124.88	130.00				

Stocker sale at: **Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market- July 4, 2009: 25stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
600-699	95.00-114.50	107.87	114.50	600-699	101.00-103.00	101.66	103.00
500-599	87.00-121.00	107.33	121.00	500-599	92.50-96.00	94.25	96.00

Stocker sale: **Community Livestock Exchange-Hoards Station– July 7, 2009 – 78 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	66.00-92.50	79.90	92.50	500-99	86.50-119.00	106.29	119.00
600-699	97.00-113.00	107.41	113.00	400-499	88.50-121.00	108.58	121.00
500-599	83.00-118.50	112.43	118.50				

Stocker sale: **Keady Livestock Market – July 7, 2009- 137 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	95.10-97.75	96.16	97.75	N/T			
800-899	113.25						
700-799	120.25						

Stocker sale: **Renfrew Pontiac Livestock Ltd- July 7, 2009-** 61 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
800-899	94.00-106.00	800-899	93.00-100.00
700-799	104.00-117.00	700-799	94.00-105.00
600-699	112.00-123.50	600-699	106.00-113.50
500-599	119.00-133.00	500-599	110.00-118.00
400-499	121.00-134.00	400-499	115.00-121.00

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange – July 8, 2009-** 916 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg
+1000	92.50-99.75	96.15	900+	91.50-93.73	93.04
900-999	96.25-105.50	101.53	800-899		
800-899	102.50-113.00	111.02	700-799		

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, July 9, 2009 –** 70 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
700-799	62.00-118.00	76.80	118.00	900+	67.00-92.00	81.14	92.00
500-599	124.50-136.00	130.50	136.00	800-899	75.50-85.00	80.43	85.00
399-	96.50-133.00	127.06	167.00				

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc, July 9, 2009-** 398 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
900-999	87.50-104.00	97.65	104.00	900+	77.00-92.00	86.23	92.00
800-899	100.50-109.00	105.70	111.00	800-899	79.50-92.00	88.93	103.00
700-799	103.50-122.25	114.66	122.25	700-799	88.00-98.50	93.96	101.00
600-699	108.00-122.00	114.33	135.00	600-699	101.50-112.50	107.44	112.50
500-599	112.50-130.50	119.26	137.50	500-599	113.00-120.50	118.34	120.50
400-499	105.00-137.00	123.53	145.00				

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Week Ending **Thursday July 9, 2009**

Steers	Live	84.95-87.25	Flat rail	144.85-145.85
Heifers	Live	85.35-85.97	Flat rail	144.85-145.85

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

Week Ending **Thursday July 9, 2009**

Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers	Live	81.00-82.00
	Rail	128.00-131.00

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

Week Ending **Thursday July 9, 2009**

A1, A2 Steers	Price	159.75-162.75 (+0.72)
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CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

Week Ending	AAA	AA
June 26, 2009	1.6903	1.5774
June 19, 2009	1.6808	1.5908
June 12, 2009	1.7073	1.6262

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

	Choice	Select
Current 5 day average:	600-900	600-900
	(Thurs) -138.05	(Thurs)-132.50

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

	Week Ending July 11, 2009	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	628,000	628,000	699,000

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
July 3, 2009	836	767
June 27, 2009	824	757

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	Week Ending July 3, 2009	YTD	% of Yr. Ago
Grand Total	52,278	1,566,193	98%
Alberta Slaughter	40,918	1,150,862	103%
Ontario Slaughter	8,920	271,690	96%

LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending June 20, 09	Week ending June 13, 09	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ont to the US.	2,339	2,310	63,582
Steers & Heifers	1,902	1,927	50,923
Cows	424	359	12,171
Bulls	13	24	488

LIVE CATTLE-CANADA

IMPORTS		EXPORTS	
	Jan 1 – April 30, 09		Jan 1 – June 27, 09
Pure bred	521	Slaughter steers & heifers	268,689
Non-pure bred	15,414	Feeder steers & heifers	187,174
		Cows & Bulls	94,115

BEEF EXPORTS

	United States Jan 1– July 3, 09	Mexico Jan 1-April 30
Total	134,748 tonnes	11,452 tonnes

BEEF PRODUCTION

	Jan 1 – July 3, 09	Last Year Same Time	% Change
Fed	464,920 tonnes	456,761 tonnes	+1.8%
Non-fed	91,792 tonnes	118,779 tonnes	-22.7%

BEEF IMPORTS

	Jan 1 – June 27, 09	Last Year Same Time	% Change
United States	55,367 tonnes	56,182 tonnes	-1.5%
Non-NAFTA	31,808 tonnes	18,014 tonnes	+76.6%
Total	89,562 tonnes	74,990 tonnes	+19.4%

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			
Aug	83.47	+0.00	Aug	102.92	-0.02	Jul	3.454	+2.0	Jul	11.282	+17.6	Spot	86.01	-0.17
Oct	88.65	-0.17	Sep	103.22	-0.07	Sep	3.282	-1.2	Aug	10.446	-2.6	Sep	86.02	-0.13
Dec	88.90	+0.12	Oct	103.22	+0.12	Dec	3.380	-2.0	Sep	9.716	-1.2	Dec	86.04	-0.13
Feb	88.70	+0.00	Nov	103.50	+0.62	Mar	3.512	-2.0	Nov	9.170	+1.0	Mar	86.06	-0.13
Apr	89.80	-0.40	Jan	101.90	+0.15	May	3.604	-1.6	Jan	9.254	+1.6	Jun	86.09	-0.13
Jun	87.30	-0.60	Mar	101.50	+0.50	Jul	3.692	-1.4	Mar	9.292	+2.6	Sep	86.13	-0.14

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Comments for the week ending July 9, 2009

The fed cattle market sold much stronger with higher prices after last week's mixed demand. There were 1,092 fed cattle sold through auction markets up 495 head from last week and steady volume with last year at this time. Steers sold from \$91.36-101.81 with an average price of \$96.80, up \$3.30. Heifers traded 90.96-101.09 averaging \$96.57 up \$4.14 over last week. Auction markets reported a stronger market with prices \$1-2 higher.

The demand for slaughter cows was stronger than last week. There were 1,691 slaughter cows sold through auction markets up 77 head from last week. Cows traded from \$40.26-57.53 averaging \$49.46 down \$0.39. Auction markets reported steady prices across the board.

The replacement cattle offering is still only half of what we saw last year with 2,722 replacement cattle sold through auction markets down 31.9% from last week and 36% less than the same time last year. Auction markets reported a good strong demand with prices fully steady to stronger. Actual average prices saw all classes of steers selling higher while most classes of heifers sold lower except the 500-600 weight category that saw an increase of \$4.75.

Ontario railgrade prices improved slightly mid week. Steers ranged from \$159-165 and heifers ranged from \$158-164 dressed. This week's prices are \$1.00-1.50 higher on average.

Alberta's fed cattle market saw disappointing trade with prices \$2.00 lower. Steers traded from \$84.95-87.25 live and \$144.85-145.85 flat rail. Heifers sold from \$85.35-85.97 live and \$144.85-145.85 flat rail.

U.S. cash cattle trade was not evident until Thursday afternoon. Prices dropped \$1.00-1.50 as cattle sold at \$81.00-82.00 live and \$128.00-132.00 dressed.

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