



Weekly Market Information Report



Week Ending Thursday July 23, 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 153.00-159.00
A grade heifers 152.00-158.00

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	87.14-96.52	91.98	102.00	93.22
Medium Frame Steers +1250	74.49-92.07	85.77	97.50	92.95
Large & Medium Frame Steers + 1250	85.01-96.21	91.36	102.00	93.24
Large Frame Heifers + 1000	86.12-95.48	91.45	104.25	91.97
Medium Frame Heifers + 1000	75.40-95.09	86.93	100.00	89.61
Large & Medium Frame heifers + 1000	83.04-95.36	90.50	104.25	91.00
Cows- All Weights	39.95-56.57	47.91	82.40	50.04
Bulls- All Weights	58.15-69.80	64.14	88.00	64.56

STOCKERS-Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week Avg
1000+	968	95.28-100.99	98.47	109.75	96.53
900-999	378	98.94-106.32	103.21	109.75	101.87
800-899	169	99.85-107.74	104.43	114.00	109.93
700-799	159	97.24-112.68	105.90	121.50	113.49
600-699	202	95.52-120.71	111.11	129.50	111.35
500-599	137	105.11-129.54	117.66	138.00	117.52
400-499	108	105.70-140.24	126.26	148.00	116.23
-399	72	54.56-103.82	67.41	159.00	110.35

HEIFERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week Avg
+900	304	85.07-95.27	91.42	98.25	91.50
800-899	131	86.91-94.77	91.28	102.50	95.33
700-799	150	86.81-100.08	93.83	110.00	103.36
600-699	178	95.55-110.57	105.00	123.00	104.58
500-599	151	97.06-112.93	106.72	130.00	108.16
400-499	50	101.88-117.17	110.51	138.00	111.08
300-399	18	96.86-112.50	105.18	128.00	109.49
299-	13	63.77-95.31	83.88	135.00	84.60

At Talbotville Livestock: Saturday July 18 2009

	Price Range	Top
Good & Choice Steers	87.50-95.25	No fancies on offer
Good & Choice Heifers	88.00-95.00	No fancies on offer
Good Cows	46.00-56.00	63.00
Export Cows	47.00-58.00	
Good heavy bologna bulls	Sales to 73.50	

At Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market: July 18, 2009

	Price Range	Average	Top
Cows	34.00-61.50	49.21	61.50
Bulls 1600 lbs & over	66.50-73.00	68.87	73.00

At Denfield Livestock – July 21, 2009

	Price Range		Price Range
Choice steers	93.00-98.00	Choice exotic cross heifers	93.00-98.00
Good steers	85.00-90.00	Good heifers	85.00-90.00
Plain Steers	75.00-80.00	Plain heifers	75.00-80.00
Good fed cows	60.00-70.00	Good beef bulls	64.00-70.00
D1 & D2 cows	50.00-55.00	Good Holstein bulls	60.00-65.00
D3 & D4 cows	40.00-45.00	Good Holstein bull calves	\$75.00-\$140.00
Shells	25.00-40.00	Plain Holstein bull calves	\$10.00-\$60.00

At Renfrew Pontiac Livestock Ltd– July 21, 2009

	Price Range		Price Range
Replacement calves	40.00-95.00 top 115.00	Cows D1 & D2	52.00-63.00 top 72.50
Bulls	58.50-67.50 top 85.00	Cows D3	44.00-51.50
Bred cows-good x bred	N/T	Cows D4	35.00-45.00

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at: **Brussels Livestock, July 17, 2009 - 830 stockers**

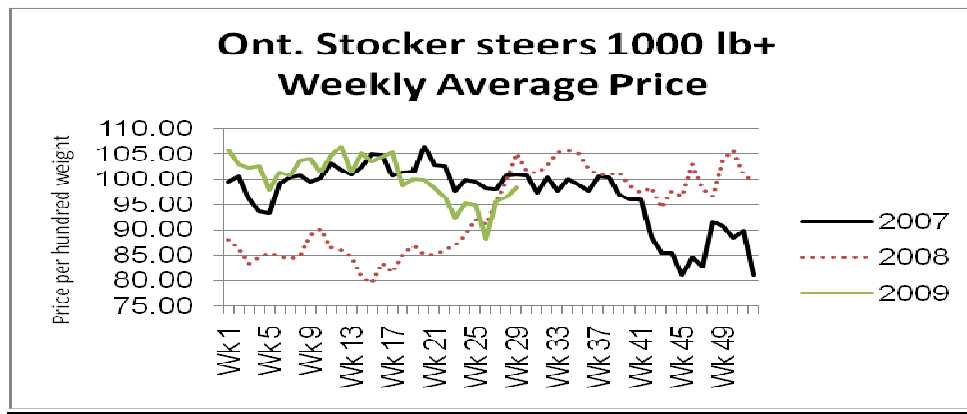
STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	94.50-101.75	97.62	101.75	900+	84.50-97.00	92.16	98.25
900-999	89.50-102.25	97.63	102.25	800-899	87.75-97.00	93.02	102.50
800-899	98.50-114.00	106.89	114.00	700-799	98.00-108.00	103.07	108.00
700-799	102.00-116.00	109.62	121.50	600-699	100.00-113.25	108.72	113.25
600-699	109.00-126.00	119.04	127.75	500-599	103.00-116.50	111.24	116.50
500-599	117.00-134.00	125.25	138.00	400-499	100.00-124.50	110.17	124.50
400-499	118.50-141.00	132.22	144.00				
300-399	134.00-159.00	144.20	159.00				

Stocker sale: **Community Livestock Exchange-Hoards Station– July 21, 2009 – 90 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
700-799	72.50-107.50	97.91	107.50	700-799	84.00-106.50	95.00	106.50
600-699	66.00-119.00	107.95	119.00	600-699	65.00-110.50	87.56	110.50
500-599	80.00-137.00	110.07	137.00	500-599	94.00-122.50	108.31	122.50
400-499	111.00-148.00	131.00	148.00				

Stocker sale: **Keady Livestock Market – July 21, 2009- 592 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	99.85-105.75	103.02	105.75	900+	80.00-96.75	91.37	96.75
900-999	106.00-109.75	107.79	109.75	800-899	97.00-98.00	97.92	98.00
800-899	107.00-108.50	18.07	108.50	700-799	78.00-102.00	84.00	102.00
700-799	117.35-120.00	117.85	120.00	600-699	98.00-108.00	104.39	108.00
600-699	104.00-129.50	116.17	129.50	500-599	102.50-105.00	103.50	105.00



Stocker sale: **Renfrew Pontiac Livestock Ltd– July 21, 2009-** 64 stockers.

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
800-899	99.00-109.00	800-899	90.00-104.50
700-799	107.00-118.00	700-799	94.00-107.00
600-699	116.00-128.00	600-699	111.00-118.50
500-599	123.00-134.00	500-599	112.00-119.00
400-499	124.00-138.00	400-499	119.00-123.00

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange – July 22, 2009-** 869 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
+1000	94.00-99.00	97.15	100.50	900+	89.00-94.75	92.54	94.75
900-999	92.75-104.00	99.64	104.00	800-899	87.00-86.50	88.93	89.50
800-899	99.00-108.50	105.03	110.50				

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, July 23, 2009 –** 163 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
800-899	98.00-103.00	101.10	103.00	900+	58.50-84.50	74.27	88.50
700-799	96.50-110.00	105.59	110.00	700-799	89.50-96.50	94.54	96.50
600-699	91.50-120.00	109.54	120.00	600-699	93.50-105.00	101.90	105.00
500-599	103.50-130.00	114.33	134.00	500-599	83.00-102.00	94.00	130.00
400-499	69.00-135.00	103.71	135.00	400-499	105.00-118.00	112.67	138.00
399-	110.00-132.50	117.70	147.50				

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc, July 23, 2009-** 412 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	88.50-97.50	94.43	109.76	900+	86.50-95.25	91.64	95.25
900-999	80.00-98.50	90.64	98.50	800-899	80.50-94.00	86.89	94.00
800-899	94.00-103.25	98.21	103.25	700-799	82.00-96.50	90.64	110.00
700-799	96.50-109.25	103.87	113.50	600-699	95.00-109.00	105.34	109.00
600-699	98.00-120.00	112.50	120.00	500-599	96.00-111.00	105.58	111.00
500-599	107.50-128.50	117.25	131.50	400-499	105.00-121.50	117.37	121.50
400-499	114.00-143.75	131.02	143.75	300-399	104.50-112.00	110.21	112.00
399-	97.00-125.00	108.85	143.00				

Stocker Sale at: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange, July 23, 2009-** 150 stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
700-799	71.00-114.50	95.30	114.50	600-699	89.00-123.00	102.43	123.00
600-699	68.00-114.00	92.96	124.00	500-599	99.00-116.00	108.00	116.00
500-599	105.00-132.50	119.47	135.00	400-499	103.00-108.00	105.67	108.00
400-499	75.00-143.00	119.61	143.00	300-399	81.00-128.00	100.33	128.00

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Week Ending **Thursday July 23, 2009**

Steers	Live	82.45-83.25	Flat rail	135.60-139.30
Heifers	Live	82.10-82.65	Flat rail	135.60-139.30

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

Week Ending **Thursday July 23, 2009**

Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers	Live	83.00
	Rail	132.00-133.00

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

Week Ending **Thursday July 23, 2009**

A1, A2 Steers	Price	149.00-152.75
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CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

Week Ending	AAA	AA
July 10, 2009	1.6851	1.6135
July 3, 2009	1.6923	1.5434
June 26, 2009	1.6903	1.5774

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Current 5 day average:	140.19	134.00

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

	Week Ending	Previous Week	Year Ago
	July 25, 2009		
Grand Total	615,000	627,000	665,000

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
July 18, 2009	838	770
July 11, 2009	827	764

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	Week Ending	YTD	% of Yr. Ago
	July 18, 2009		
Grand Total	60,356	1,690,440	98%
Alberta Slaughter	46,688	1,248,208	104%
Ontario Slaughter	11,103	293,222	97%

PROVINCIAL SLAUGHTER

	June 2009	June 2008
Steers	4,114	5,073
Heifers	2,919	3,048
Cows	998	1,445
Bulls	1,849	834

LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending July 4, 09	Week ending June 27, 09	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ont to the US.	1,840	2,571	67,993
Steers & Heifers	1,551	2,399	54,873
Cows	255	172	12,598
Bulls	34	0	522

LIVE CATTLE-CANADA

IMPORTS		EXPORTS	
Jan 1 – May 31, 09		Jan 1 – July 11, 09	
Pure bred	668	Slaughter steers & heifers	282,766
Non-pure bred	19,834	Feeder steers & heifers	193,218
		Cows & Bulls	98,380

BEEF EXPORTS

	United States	Mexico
	Jan 1– July 18, 09	Jan 1-May 31
Total	145,206 tonnes	14,795 tonnes

BEEF PRODUCTION

	Jan 1 – July 18, 09	Last Year Same Time	% Change
Fed	503,313 tonnes	490,943 tonnes	+2.5%
Non-fed	98,234 tonnes	125,278 tonnes	-21.6%

BEEF IMPORTS

	Jan 1 – July 11, 09	Last Year Same Time	% Change
United States	61,511 tonnes	60,543 tonnes	+1.6%
Non-NAFTA	35,124 tonnes	19,345 tonnes	+81.6%
Total	99,832 tonnes	80,768 tonnes	+23.6%

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	84.52 -0.50	Aug	102.55 +0.17	Sep	3.162 -10.6	Aug	10.210 -2.4	Spot	92.28 +0.14
Oct	89.75 -0.35	Sep	102.35 +0.25	Dec	3.272 -11.4	Sep	9.514 -10.0	Sep	92.29 +0.14
Dec	89.50 -0.42	Oct	102.75 +0.30	Mar	3.404 -11.6	Nov	9.150 -17.0	Dec	92.31 +0.14
Feb	88.80 -0.22	Nov	102.70 +0.30	May	3.500 -11.4	Jan	9.222 -17.0	Mar	92.32 +0.14
Apr	90.22 -0.17	Jan	102.00 +0.40	Jul	3.584 -11.4	Mar	9.254 -18.0	Jun	92.33 +0.14
Jun	87.50 -0.32	Mar	102.10 +0.20	Sep	3.664 -11.6	May	9.274 -15.2	Sep	92.34 +0.14

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OBCFPP LICENCE CHANGES

Licence Withdrawn:

Auction Market

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Comments for the week ending July 23, 2009

The rising Canadian dollar and week beef demand continue to pressure prices lower in the fed cattle market. There were 618 fed cattle sold through auction markets down 173 head from last week and 749 fewer than last year at this time. Steers ranged from \$85.01-\$96.21 with an average price of \$91.36 down \$1.88 from last week and \$4.28 lower than the same time last year. Heifers traded from \$83.04-\$95.36 averaging \$90.50 down \$0.50 from last week and \$5.35 lower than year ago prices. Auction markets reported a downward trend with selective demand. Prices for good cattle were reported as steady to fully steady with all others under pressure, up to \$2.00 lower.

The slaughter cow market was also under some pressure this week. There were 1,748 slaughter cows sold through auction markets down 20 head from last week and 267 less than the same time last year. Cows sold from \$39.95-\$56.67 averaging \$47.91 down \$2.13 from last week and \$6.66 lower than year ago prices. Auction market reports early in the week saw prices steady to strong, as the week progressed prices were reported as steady to barely steady.

There were 3,188 replacement cattle sold through auction markets up 19.8% from last week and 26% more than last year at this time. Auction markets reported active trading on good demand with prices holding steady. Actual average prices were mixed with steers 700-900 lbs under pressure from \$5.50-\$7.59 lower while steers 1000+ were \$1.85 stronger on average. Heifers 700-800 averaged \$9.53 lower while heifers 800+ averaged \$1.32 lower. Steers 400-500 lbs averaged \$10.03 higher than last week.

Ontario railgrade prices followed their live counterpart with prices declining as the week progressed. Steers ranged from \$153-159 and heifers ranged from \$152-158 dressed. This week's average prices are \$3.50 lower than last week.

Alberta's fed cattle market averaged \$1.00-\$1.50 lower than last week. Steers traded from \$82.45-\$83.25 live and \$135.60-\$139.30 flat rail. Heifers sold at \$82.10-\$82.65 live and \$135.60-139.30 flat rail.

U.S. cash cattle trade was moderate to active on Thursday with southern trade \$1.00 lower at \$83.00 live and northern trade steady to \$1.00 higher at \$132.00-\$133.00 dressed. On Friday, at time of reporting, southern trade was steady to Thursday but \$1.00 lower than last week at \$83.00 live. The north was quiet as all business was completed on Thursday.