

Week Ending Thursday January 21, 2010

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 138.00-143.00
A grade heifers 137.00-142.00

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	77.55-85.36	82.36	93.00	84.09
Medium Frame Steers +1250	78.73-85.94	82.92	87.75	83.36
Large & Medium Frame Steers + 1250	77.20-85.85	82.45	93.00	83.85
Large Frame Heifers + 1000	77.14-88.31	83.22	93.00	82.88
Medium Frame Heifers + 1000	78.43-85.22	83.28	90.00	82.72
Large & Medium Frame heifers + 1000	75.25-85.34	82.19	93.00	82.98
Cows- All Weights	33.62-47.86	40.92	72.00	39.90
Bulls- All Weights	43.80-59.61	52.35	85.00	52.70

STOCKERS-Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week Avg
1000+	541	85.94-95.46	90.20	102.00	91.99
900-999	274	88.61-96.12	93.33	99.50	96.80
800-899	180	82.64-98.31	92.31	104.00	93.50
700-799	352	86.24-104.67	98.26	110.00	93.67
600-699	724	90.75-111.06	103.59	120.00	97.58
500-599	576	92.87-118.25	108.25	133.00	107.47
400-499	241	102.59-124.40	113.83	133.50	111.71
-399	161	92.45-126.37	110.60	137.50	99.39

HEIFERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last week Avg
+900	367	78.25-88.75	84.76	92.50	83.99
800-899	247	78.58-91.64	85.89	95.75	87.15
700-799	274	79.16-94.44	87.65	102.50	87.55
600-699	486	80.94-101.11	93.75	109.50	91.76
500-599	511	85.62-105.27	97.22	110.00	92.12
400-499	377	92.85-109.32	102.04	120.00	96.50
300-399	124	86.60-109.76	98.96	128.00	97.07
299-	18	77.33-95.06	86.14	120.00	80.08

At Talbotville Livestock: Jan 16, 2010

	Price Range	Top
Good & choice steers	80.00-84.75	88.75
Good & choice heifers	78.00-84.00	No Tops
Good Cows	40.00-46.00	51.00
Export Cows	37.00-44.00	
Good Heavy Bulls	Sales to 55.50	
Good veal calves	72.00-92.00	

At Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market: Jan 16, 2010

	Price Range	Average	Top
Cows	24.00-45.00	38.26	45.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	46.50-50.00	48.00	50.00

At Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc. – Jan 19, 2010

	Price Range		Price Range
Choice steers	84.00-86.75	Choice heifers	83.00-85.00
Good steers	80.00-83.00	Good heifers	80.00-83.00
Plain steers	75.00-80.00	Plain heifers	75.00-80.00
Good fed cows	40.00-54.50	Good Hol veal	84.00-88.50
D1 & D2 cows	35.00-40.00	Plainer Hol veal	75.00-83.00
D3 & D4 cows	30.00-35.00	Good Hol calves	50.00-75.00
Shells	20.00-30.00	All others	10.00-50.00
Good beef bulls	47.00-54.50	Steers 800-900 lbs	85.00-91.50
		Steers 700-800 lbs	86.00-89.50

At Renfrew Pontiac Livestock Ltd– Jan 19, 2010

	Price Range	Top
Replacement calves	30.00-48.00	92.00
Cows- D1 & D2	40.00-45.50	57.00
Cows- D3	34.00-40.00	
Cows- D4	28.00-35.00	
Bulls over 1600 lbs	47.00-55.00	

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker Sale at: **Brussels Livestock, Jan 15, 2010- 1,155** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	91.60-94.50	92.96	94.50	900+	83.00-91.00	87.46	92.50
900-999	90.50-97.75	94.31	97.75	800-899	85.25-95.75	90.15	95.75
800-899	92.00-103.75	98.38	103.75	700-799	90.50-98.50	95.96	99.00
700-799	90.50-103.50	99.96	103.50	600-699	90.00-105.00	98.40	106.00
600-699	92.00-107.00	100.82	114.50	500-599	88.00-106.00	97.18	109.50
500-599	94.00-113.00	105.76	120.75	400-499	91.00-106.00	99.05	108.00
400-499	109.00-131.50	118.44	131.50	300-399	93.00-118.00	102.20	118.00
300-399	89.00-118.00	95.77	125.00				

Stocker Sale at: **Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market, Jan 16, 2010- 83** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
600-699	70.00-94.50	87.75	94.50	700-799	69.00-81.00	75.41	81.00
500-599	90.00-126.00	109.00	123.00	500-599	70.00-104.00	93.00	104.00
				400-499	94.00-109.50	104.11	109.50

Stocker sale: **Community Livestock Exchange (Hoards), Jan 19, 2010- 147** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
800-899	66.00-86.50	74.54	86.50	500-599	72.50-110.00	96.15	110.00
700-799	70.00-101.50	88.26	101.50	400-499	93.50-113.00	106.95	113.00
600-699	75.00-112.50	99.22	112.50				
500-599	69.00-121.00	99.19	121.00				
400-499	74.00-126.00	107.22	126.00				

Stocker sale at: **Keady Livestock Market, Jan 19, 2010- 825** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	92.75-96.25	94.43	96.25	900+	59.00-81.25	79.23	81.25
900-999	94.75-96.00	95.68	99.50	800-899	84.50-93.25	89.12	93.25
800-899	82.50-104.00	92.17	104.00	700-799	87.00-94.50	91.03	94.50
700-799	98.50-109.75	106.86	109.75	600-699	89.00-100.25	97.04	100.25
600-699	105.00-116.00	111.74	116.00	500-599	88.00-110.00	103.73	110.00
500-599	106.00-133.00	123.59	133.00	400-499	107.00-113.50	112.47	113.50
400-499	115.00-132.00	123.09	133.50	300-399	90.00-92.00	90.60	92.00
399-	127.00-132.50	129.90	132.50				

Stocker sale: **Renfrew Pontiac Livestock, Jan 19, 2010- 205** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
800-899	87.00-94.00	800-899	79.00-84.00
700-799	93.00-104.50	700-799	84.00-92.00
600-699	102.00-113.00	600-699	90.00-99.00
500-599	111.00-118.00	500-599	96.00-103.50
400-499	116.00-121.00	400-499	100.00-106.50
399-	118.00-124.00		

Stocker sale: **Ontario Livestock Exchange –Jan 20, 2010 – 420** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
+1000	85.25-98.00	90.82	102.00	900+	82.00-87.00	85.89	87.00
900-999	88.25-98.50	95.34	98.50				
700-799	97.00-104.00	102.00	104.00				
600-699	85.50-101.00	96.57	101.00				

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc, Jan 21, 2010 – 1,174** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
1000+	69.00-92.00	81.44	92.00	900+	79.50-92.25	88.34	92.25
900-999	87.50-98.25	96.00	98.25	800-899	81.00-94.00	88.83	94.00
800-899	80.00-100.25	91.38	100.25	700-799	85.00-100.00	92.13	100.00
700-799	81.50-105.50	97.23	105.50	600-699	80.00-102.00	92.32	109.50
600-699	97.00-111.00	104.07	119.00	500-599	90.00-107.00	99.74	109.00
500-599	96.50-117.25	107.24	121.50	400-499	92.50-108.00	102.27	112.00
400-499	107.00-125.00	116.19	127.50	300-399	85.00-106.00	97.22	106.00
399-	111.00-128.00	120.43	137.50	299-	75.00-97.00	85.26	120.00

Stocker Sale at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, Jan 21, 2010 – 144** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
900-999	62.50-87.00	73.11	84.00	900+	75.00-84.00	79.25	84.00
600-699	95.00-102.00	97.00	102.00	800-899	61.00-88.50	77.56	88.50
500-599	97.00-111.00	107.50	111.00	700-799	73.50-86.00	79.90	86.00
400-499	105.00-111.00	108.00	111.00	600-699	89.00-94.00	91.71	94.00
399-	29.00-135.00	96.67	135.00	500-599	68.00-90.00	81.83	90.00

Stocker Sale at: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange, Jan 21, 2010 – 200 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
700-799	75.00-100.00	88.54	100.00	700-799	62.00-95.00	84.50	95.00
600-699	82.00-108.00	97.70	108.00	600-699	69.00-99.00	90.00	99.00
500-599	78.00-115.00	97.50	115.00	500-599	85.00-104.0	91.24	104.00
400-499	95.00-117.00	105.50	117.00	400-499	83.00-112.00	97.05	112.00
399-	92.00-122.00	108.50	122.00	300-399	65.00-103.00	82.38	108.00

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE- SPECIAL STOCKER SALE

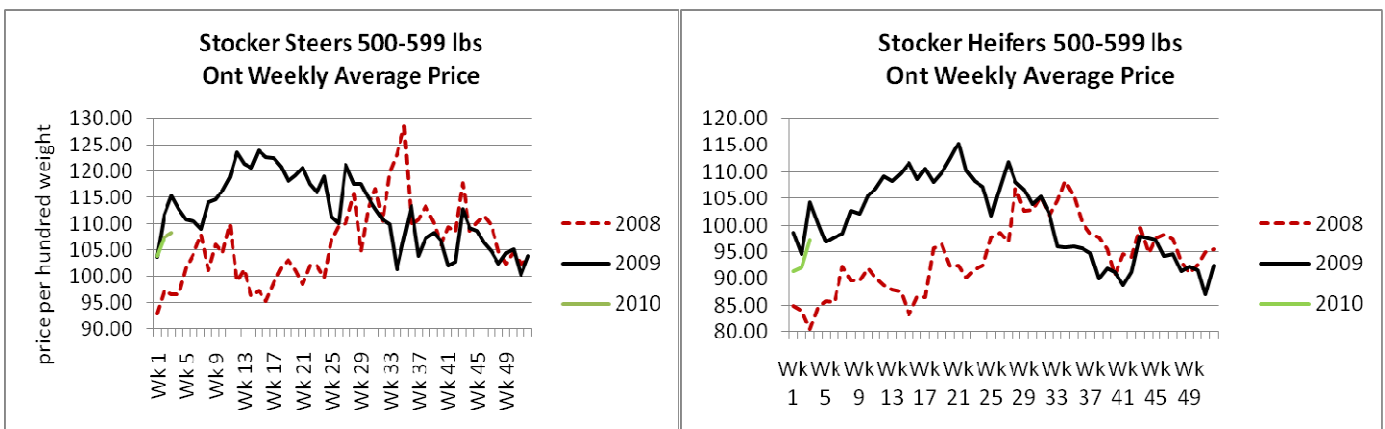
Stocker Sale at: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange, Jan 16, 2010- 267 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
800-899	75.00-96.50	91.90	96.50	800-899	77.00-89.00	80.39	89.00
700-799	90.00-104.50	100.24	104.50	700-799	59.00-93.00	77.15	93.00
600-699	96.00-111.00	103.37	111.00	600-699	79.00-95.00	91.00	105.00
500-599	95.00-114.00	106.86	114.00	500-599	87.50-98.00	92.05	98.00
400-499	92.00-118.00	110.50	118.00	400-499	88.00-107.00	98.05	107.00
				300-399	89.00-104.00	99.00	104.00

Stocker sale: **Kawartha Lakes Co-operative –Jan 20, 2010 – 516 stockers**

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
+1000	77.50-82.50	80.00	82.50	900+	49.00-79.50	72.30	79.50
800-899	75.00-97.75	94.75	97.75	800-899	61.50-87.50	79.86	87.50
700-799	85.00-109.25	99.67	109.25	700-799	77.00-94.25	84.11	94.25
600-699	68.50-120.00	108.14	120.00	600-699	64.50-102.25	90.88	102.25
500-599	86.50-126.50	115.73	126.50	500-599	83.00-106.00	98.63	106.00
400-499	123.00-127.50	126.08	127.50	400-499	103.00-107.00	105.25	107.00
300-399	95.00-115.00	104.66	115.00	300-399	106.00		

Peterborough/Victoria Cattlemen’s Stocker Sale-Stockers sold actively at steady to higher prices.



ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Week Ending **Thursday Jan 21, 2010**

Steers	Live	77.55-80.00	Flat rail	129.00-131.85
Heifers	Live	75.55-79.00	Flat rail	129.00-131.85

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

Week Ending **Thursday Jan 21, 2010**

Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers	Live	
	Rail	137.00-138.00

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

Week Ending **Thursday Jan 21, 2010** Price
A1, A2 Steers 139.50-140.50

CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

Week Ending	AAA	AA
Jan 8, 2010	1.4248	1.4168
Jan 1, 2010	1.4153	1.4087
Dec 25, 2009	1.4614	1.4491

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Current 5 day average:	145.33	140.68

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL

	Week Ending	Previous Week	Year Ago
	Jan 23, 2009		
Grand Total	665,000	652,000	642,000

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
Jan 16, 2010	867	821
Jan 17, 2009	832	779

PROVINCIAL SLAUGHTER

	Dec 2009	Dec 2008
Steers	3,483	3,608
Heifers	2,865	2,475
Cows	1,078	1,046
Bulls	1,026	1,312

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN KILL

	Week Ending	YTD	% of Yr. Ago
	Jan 16, 2010		
Grand Total	62,241	123,865	97%
Alberta Slaughter	47,485	94,951	104%
Ontario Slaughter	10,779	21,739	111%

LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending Jan 2, 2010	Week ending Dec 19, 09	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ont to the US.	1,801	3,547	144,054
Steers & Heifers	1,132	2,389	110,449
Cows	666	1,117	31,469
Bulls	3	41	2,136

BEEF EXPORTS

	United States Jan 1– Jan 16/10	Mexico Jan 1- Nov 30/09
Total	10,499 tonnes	36,780 tonnes

LIVE CATTLE-CANADA

IMPORTS

Jan 1/09 – Nov 30/09

Pure bred 1,632
Non-pure bred 47,072

EXPORTS

Jan 1– Jan 9/10

Slaughter steers & heifers 9,606
Feeder steers & heifers 499
Cows & Bulls 3,861

BEEF PRODUCTION

	Jan 1– Jan 16	Last Year Same Time	% Change
Fed	38,086 tonnes	34,683 tonnes	+9.8%
Non-fed	7,865 tonnes	10,324 tonnes	-23.8%

BEEF IMPORTS

	Jan 1– Jan 9/10	Last Year Same Time	% Change
United States	1,591 tonnes	2,243 tonnes	-29.1%
Non-NAFTA	175 tonnes	1,756 tonnes	-90.0%
Total	1,920 tonnes	4,037 tonnes	-52.4%

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					
Feb	86.62	-0.22	Jan	97.10	-0.32	Mar	3.646	-7.2	Mar	9.514	-2.4	Spot	94.48	-0.76
Apr	90.55	+0.05	Mar	99.60	+0.22	May	3.754	-7.2	May	9.592	-1.6	Mar	94.44	-0.75
Jun	88.30	+0.07	Apr	100.65	+0.27	Jul	3.854	-6.6	Jul	9.646	-1.2	Jun	94.44	-0.75
Aug	87.80	+0.05	May	101.20	+0.37	Sep	3.916	-7.2	Aug	9.582	-1.6	Sep	94.41	-0.74
Oct	90.20	-0.02	Aug	102.10	+0.25	Dec	3.972	-8.2	Sep	9.444	-1.6	Dec	94.35	-0.75
Dec	90.50	-0.20	Sep	101.80	+0.50	Mar	4.074	-7.4	Nov	9.332	-0.6	Mar	94.28	-0.75

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Upcoming Special Stocker Sales

Jan 27	7:00 pm	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Stockers
Jan 29	11:00 am	Community Livestock Exchange (Hoards)	Stockers sponsored by- Quinte Cattlemen's Association- all Vaccinated and catalogued
Feb 2	after reg sale	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Bred Cows & Stocker sale
Feb 13	10:30 am	Ottawa Livestock Exchange	Stockers, vaccinated & non-vaccinated

Comments for the week ending January 21st, 2010

There were 1,252 fed cattle sold through auction markets down 64 from last week and 337 more than last year at this time. Steers ranged from \$77.20-\$88.29 averaging \$82.45 down \$1.40 from last week and \$15.88 lower than last year at this time. Heifers sold from \$75.25-\$85.34 averaging \$82.19 down \$0.79 from last week and \$16.42 lower than year ago prices. Auction market reports early in the week saw prices \$1.00-\$2.00 lower on a selective demand. As the week progressed and the loonie weakened, prices were reported from steady mid week to active trade at prices \$1.00 higher by the end of the week.

Slaughter cows continue to trend higher. There were 3,570 slaughter cows sold through auction markets up 277 from last week and 718 more than the same time last year. Slaughter cows traded from \$33.62-\$47.86 averaging \$40.92 up \$1.02 from last week and down \$9.74 from last year at this time. Auction markets reported a good strong active trade with prices steady to \$2.00 higher, with one report of sales \$3.00-\$4.00 higher.

There were 5,453 replacements sold through auction markets up 69.3% from last week and 16% more than last year at this time. Auction markets reported a fair demand to strong active trade. Prices were reported from steady to stronger with one report of yearlings up \$1.00-\$2.00. Actual average prices saw steers under 800 lbs up \$1.00-\$6.00 over last week while steers over 800 lbs averaged \$1.00-\$3.00 lower. Heifers over 700 lbs averaged steady while heifers under 700 lbs averaged \$2.00-\$5.50 higher.

Ontario railgrade prices averaged \$1.75 lower this week. Steers were reported at \$138-\$143 dressed the previous Friday then \$138-\$142 for the remainder of the week. Heifers followed the same pricing trend starting at \$137-\$142 dressed down to \$137-\$141 for the remainder of the week.

Alberta's fed cattle market saw live cattle prices steady to \$1.13 higher on average while rail prices were \$0.35-\$0.70 lower on average. Steers traded from \$77.55-\$80.00 live and \$129.00-\$131.85 flat rail. Heifers were reported from \$75.55-\$79.00 live and \$129.00-\$132.70 flat rail.

U.S. cash cattle trade was moderate in the north on Thursday with prices steady to \$1.00 higher at \$137.00-\$138.00 dressed, most at \$138.00. At time of reporting light to moderate trade had developed in the south with prices \$0.50-\$1.00 higher at \$86.00 live. There could still be some trade after the cattle on feed report. The remaining cattle are priced at \$87.00 live and \$138.00-\$140.00 dressed.