

**Week Ending Wednesday December 29, 2010**

*Happy New Year!*

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>167.00-172.00</b>
<b>A grade heifers</b>	<b>166.00-171.00</b>

## ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Ontario auction sales this week saw weighted average price ranges for

<b>FED CATTLE</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Last week Avg</b>
Large Frame Steers +1250	91.57-102.89	97.96	112.75	95.87
Medium Frame Steers +1250	90.47-100.53	96.43	110.50	90.58
Large & Medium Frame Steers + 1250	90.69-103.03	97.83	112.75	94.98
Large Frame Heifers + 1000	90.30-100.19	97.39	107.00	95.35
Medium Frame Heifers + 1000	88.26-98.74	95.74	100.50	94.11
Large & Medium Frame heifers + 1000	89.53-100.36	97.19	107.00	94.97
Cows- All Weights	42.43-57.03	49.80	85.00	47.64
Bulls- All Weights	50.12-66.91	58.96	89.50	56.85

## **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>	157	107.01-119.08	115.03	120.50	109.67
<b>900-999</b>	36	114.39-119.17	117.69	120.00	116.58
<b>800-899</b>	28	87.82-111.00	100.57	119.50	96.48
<b>700-799</b>	37	106.18-113.61	109.75	125.50	110.82
<b>600-699</b>	7	91.93-105.71	99.10	127.00	118.94
<b>500-599</b>	27	120.52-122.63	121.35	129.00	122.64
<b>400-499</b>	43	119.49-136.09	130.54	139.00	131.43
<b>-399</b>	22	104.05-136.64	112.06	151.00	118.50

<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Volume</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Last week Avg</b>
<b>+900</b>	58	96.09-107.62	104.25	113.00	103.92
<b>800-899</b>	20	103.46-104.78	104.01	113.50	105.35
<b>700-799</b>	11	85.91-101.73	91.73	111.50	95.79
<b>600-699</b>	25	94.04-109.88	103.11	114.00	111.00
<b>500-599</b>	13	99.46-107.62	102.37	122.00	113.30
<b>400-499</b>	46	118.59-135.54	128.13	137.00	120.69
<b>300-399</b>	12	119.33-138.00	132.92	140.00	123.90
<b>299-</b>	14	76.86-129.21	100.14	152.00	110.98

## **At Kawartha Lakes Co-op Auction Market: December 27, 2010**

	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>Cows</b>	35.50-59.50	46.58	59.50
<b>Lg &amp; Med Frame Fed steers</b>	96.50-98.50	97.82	98.50

**At Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc: December 28, 2010**

	Price Range		Price Range
Good beef cows	50.00-63.00	Good Hol veal	90.00-100.50
Good Hol cows	50.00-58.00	Heavy Hol veal	80.00-90.00
D1 & D2 cows	45.00-50.00	Choice drop calves	\$130.00-\$180.00
D3 & D4 cows	40.00-45.00	Good drop calves	\$90.00-\$125.00
Good beef bulls	60.00-68.00	Plain & Newborns	\$40.00-\$80.00

**At Renfrew Pontiac Livestock Ltd– December 28, 2010**

	Price Range	Top
Replacement calves	50.00-90.00	105.00
Cows- D1 & D2	46.00-57.00	66.00
Cows- D3	47.00-48.00	
Cows- D4	34.00-45.00	
Bulls	52.00-57.00	

**ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE**

Stocker sale: **Renfrew Pontiac Livestock, December 28, 2010- 285** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	HEIFERS	Price Range
900-999	98.00-108.00	700-799	106.00-113.00
800-899	107.00-113.00	600-699	112.00-118.00
700-799	112.00-125.00	500-599	117.00-126.00
600-699	117.00-130.00	400-499	126.00-134.00
500-599	129.00-140.00	300-399	133.00-140.00
400-499	140.00-148.00		
399-	148.00-150.00		

Stocker sale at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange – December 29, 2010 – 252** stockers

STEERS	Price Range	Avg	Top	HEIFERS	Price Range	Avg	Top
+1000	109.00-120.50	116.69	120.50	900+	108.50-113.00	112.08	113.00
900-999	116.00-120.00	118.97	120.00	800-899	111.75-113.50	112.48	113.50
700-799	118.50-125.50	123.75	125.50				

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

Week Ending **Thursday Dec 30, 2010**

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Live</b>	97.00-97.50	<b>Flat rail</b>	164.50-165.50
<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Live</b>	97.50	<b>Flat rail</b>	164.50

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

Week Ending **Thursday Dec 30, 2010**

Weekly range for choice and select steers and heifers	<b>Live</b>	106.00-107.00
	<b>Rail</b>	167.00-170.00

**CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES**

Week Ending	AAA	AA
Dec 17, 2010	1.5612	1.5377
Dec 10, 2010	1.5809	1.5377
Dec 3, 2010	1.5708	1.5474

**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>	160.45	154.05

**USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE KILL**

	Week Ending	Previous Week	Year Ago
	December 25, 2010		
<b>Grand Total</b>	548,000	659,000	466,000

**LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO**

	Week ending Dec 11,10	Week ending Dec 4,10	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ont to the US.	<b>4,115</b>	<b>4,364</b>	<b>153,282</b>
Steers & Heifers	1,367	1,8022	87,192
Cows	2,440	2,257	57,261
Bulls	308	305	8,829

**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>Dec</b>	107.00	+0.67	<b>Jan</b>	120.85	-0.02	<b>Mar</b>	6.160	-8.0	<b>Jan</b>	13.660	+0.0	<b>Spot</b>	100.04	+0.07
<b>Feb</b>	107.32	-0.92	<b>Mar</b>	122.92	-1.15	<b>May</b>	6.240	-8.0	<b>Mar</b>	13.760	-1.0	<b>Mar</b>	99.88	+0.07
<b>Apr</b>	111.32	-0.67	<b>Apr</b>	124.40	-0.57	<b>Jul</b>	6.280	-7.6	<b>May</b>	13.824	-1.4	<b>Jun</b>	99.63	+0.07
<b>Jun</b>	108.35	-0.97	<b>May</b>	124.20	-0.60	<b>Sep</b>	5.846	-2.2	<b>Jul</b>	13.852	-1.2	<b>Sep</b>	99.35	+0.07
<b>Aug</b>	109.07	-0.85	<b>Aug</b>	124.60	-0.72	<b>Dec</b>	5.512	-4.6	<b>Aug</b>	13.572	+0.4	<b>Dec</b>	99.07	+0.07
<b>Oct</b>	111.42	-0.57	<b>Sep</b>	124.30	-0.30	<b>Mar</b>	5.592	-4.4	<b>Sep</b>	13.204	+5.2	<b>Mar</b>	98.79	+0.07

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**OBCFPP LICENCE CHANGES**

**Now Licenced as: Auction Market**

Talbotville Livestock Exchange, 10666 Trafalgar Road, Georgetown, On L7G 4S5 905-873-2469

**Licenced Withdrawn: Abattoir**

Hunters Dressed Meats, RR 8, Dunnville, On N1A 2W7 905-774-5900

**2010 Special Fall Stoker and Bred Cow Sales**

Jan 19/11 11:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Coop Auction Mkt	Peterborough/Victoria Cnty Cattlemen's Sale- 100% Vaccinated.
Jan 28/11 11 am	Community Livestock Exchange	Quinte Cattlemen's Assoc- All vacc & catalogued.

## **Weekly Cattle Comments**

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### **Comments for the week ending December 23, 2010**

Light receipts and fewer sales this week account for the small volumes due to the holiday season. This report ends on Wednesday as the office is closed for New Years on the 31st.

There were 581 fed cattle sold through auction markets this week which is 152 more than last week and 611 less than the same time last year. Steers traded from \$90.69-\$103.03 averaging \$97.83 up \$2.85 from last week and \$13.65 stronger than last year at this time. Heifers sold from \$89.53-\$100.36 averaging \$97.19 up \$2.22 from last week and \$13.09 higher than year ago prices. Auction markets reported trade as active with prices steady to stronger.

Slaughter cows saw another strong week of trade with 1,483 slaughter cows sold through auction markets which 1,143 less than last week and 83 less than this time last year. Slaughter cows traded from \$42.43-\$57.03 averaging \$49.80 up \$2.16 from last week and \$13.44 stronger than last year at this time. Auction markets reported a good demand with prices from steady to \$2.00-\$3.00 higher.

There were only 556 replacement cattle sold through auction markets this week, down 83% from last week and 58% less that the same time last year. Auction markets reported prices as steady to strong.

Ontario railgrade prices reported on Wednesday ranged from \$167.00-\$171.00 dressed for steers and \$166.00-\$170.00 for heifers. On Thursday, prices gained a dollar on both ends of the range with steers trading from \$168.00-\$172.00 dressed and heifers at \$167.00-\$171.00. This week's average price is \$2.75 stronger than last week.

Alberta's fed cattle market on Wednesday was moderate with rail prices up \$2.00-\$3.00 over last week. Prices reported saw steers trade from \$97.00-\$97.50 live and \$164.50-\$165.50 flat rail. Heifers traded at \$97.50 live and \$164.50 flat rail.

The U.S. cash cattle trade basically exploded on Wednesday with southern business \$3.00-\$4.00 higher at \$106.00-\$107.00 live. Trade in the north was strong also with prices up \$5.00-\$7.00 over last week at \$167.00-\$170.00 dressed. Some clean up trade today saw prices fully steady to the top end of Wednesday with sales at \$107.00 live and \$170.00 dressed.