



Ontario Veal Association Weekly Market Report

Week ending April 7, 2005

In reference to the following prices, producers are reminded to check with individual auction markets on current prices and trends.

ONTARIO FINISHED CALF PRICES – weighted average of 13 Ontario computerized auction markets.

	Vol.	Plain/ Heavys	Good Holsteins	Beef-type Veal	Avg \$	Last Wk
Over 600 lbs	679	53.40	90.14	140.00	73.84	80.49
451-600 lbs	98	57.22	81.59	111.00	69.62	70.44
TOTAL Weekly Vol:	1906					1768
Comments: OSI	Apr 4	Veal calves were under pressure, with both beef and dairy types \$10 cwt. Lower.				
Brussels	Apr 7	The veal sold on a steady market.				

ONTARIO BOB CALF PRICES – weighted average of 13 Ontario computerized auction markets.

	Vol.	Low \$	High \$	Top\$	Avg \$	Last Wk
125 lbs and under	898	93.80	199.43	335.00	156.01	158.76
Comments: Vankleek	Apr 4	Calves were up 10 cents with last week to average \$1.71/lb.				
Keady	Apr 5	Dollar calves sold steady.				

ONTARIO vs. QUEBEC PRICE COMPARISON

(1 - Converted Quebec Electronic Auction avg weekly \$ to ON live \$)	This Week	Last Week	2004
Ontario (weighted average of calves 451lbs and over)	73.31	79.39	51.55
Quebec¹ (Grade A2 calves – live weight \$/cwt., hide off, 54.56% yield)	94.88	95.43	65.47

QUEBEC WEEKLY PRICES - Week of Apr 2, 2004

	# Head	Range	Avg \$	Last Wk
Male - Good (90-120 lbs)	932	170.00-215.00	188.00	219.00
Male - Good (121-140 lbs)	240	170.00-208.00	187.00	210.00
Male - Average (90-140 lbs)	779	120.00-185.00	156.00	167.00
Female - Good (90-120 lbs)	84	132.00-190.00	153.00	162.00
A2 Grain Fed Veal	1379	170.00-177.00	174.90	174.80

↳596 lbs (325-353 lb. hide off)

VOLUME OF CALVES SOLD - Apr 2, 2005

Ontario - to date	2005	2004	% chg	Quebec - to date	2005	2004	% chg
Over 600 lbs	6080	7501	-18.9	A2 Grain Fed Veal Calves	21760	19930	9.2
451-600 lbs	1163	970	19.9	Male - Good (90-120 lbs)	13079	12731	2.7
301-450 lbs	503	370	35.9	Male - Good (121-140 lbs)	3090	2934	5.3
126-300 lbs	1865	2197	-15.1	Male – Average (90-140 lbs)	11066	8055	37.4
125 lbs and under	10165	12473	-18.5	Female – Good (90-120 lbs)	1018	840	21.2

FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER CALVES - Week ending Apr 2, 2005

	2005	2004	% chg
Western Canada	97	110	-11.8
Ontario	514	983	-47.7
Quebec/Atlantic Provinces	4803	5179	-7.3