



# Ontario Veal Association WEEKLY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT

Week Ending March 6, 2009  
Week#8

## FINISHED VEAL PRICES

**Ontario Direct To Packer** - Live weight \$/lb., 54.56% yield

|           | Rail      | Live     |
|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Range     | 1.67-2.19 | .91-1.19 |
| Last week | 1.40-1.83 | .76-1.00 |

**Ontario Live Auction** - weighted average of 13 computerized salesbarns (\$/cwt).

|             | Vol. | Plain/Heavy | Good<br>Holsteins | Beef<br>Types | Avg \$ | Avg<br>weight | Avg \$ | Last Week<br>Vol. | Weight |
|-------------|------|-------------|-------------------|---------------|--------|---------------|--------|-------------------|--------|
| > 600 lbs   | 512  | 76.49       | 103.08            | 144.50        | 88.50  | 739           | 81.55  | 660               | 738    |
| 451-600 lbs | 46   | 56.33       | 86.16             | 135.00        | 70.85  | 539           | 76.27  | 55                | 553    |

|          | Date    | Comments  |
|----------|---------|---|
| OSI      | March 2 | Veal traded at easier prices.   |
| OLEX     | March 3 | Veal sold actively at prices \$3-5 higher than last week's decline.       |
| Brussels | March 5 | Holstein veal calves sold at prices \$5.00-\$8.00 stronger than last week |

**Quebec Electronic Auction** - A2 Grain Fed (\$/lb. Rail)

|           | Vol.  | Avg   |
|-----------|-------|-------|
| This week | 1,724 | 1.857 |
| Last Week | 1,803 | 1.853 |

## BOB CALF PRICES

**Ontario Live Auction Report** – price range from non-computerized southwestern Ontario salesbarns (\$/head).

|                                 | Range     | Last Week |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Fancy to Good (> 100 lbs)       | 75-160.00 | 75-150.00 |
| Medium to Good (80 - 100 lbs)   | 60-105.00 | 45-105.00 |
| Small, Plain to Poor (< 80 lbs) | 25-50.00  | <70.00    |

**OCA Computerized Auction Report**

weighted average of 13 computerized salesbarns (\$/cwt)

|           | Vol. | Low   | High   | Avg.<br>\$ | Avg.<br>weight | Avg.<br>weight | Avg.<br>\$ | Last Week<br>Vol. |
|-----------|------|-------|--------|------------|----------------|----------------|------------|-------------------|
| < 125 lbs | 845  | 69.72 | 114.02 | 94.49      | 103            | 103            | 85.02      | 813               |

|                | Date    | Comments                                      |
|----------------|---------|---|
| Hagersville    | Feb 23  | ~   |
| Milverton Park | March 3 | ~   |
| Listowel       | March 3 | Calves sold on a good demand at steady prices |
| Keady          | March 3 | Dollar calves sold slightly easier            |
| Denfield       | March 3 | Holstein bull calves sold a little higher     |

**Quebec Live Auction(\$/cwt)**

|                             | Volume | Average | Last Week<br>Volume | Average |
|-----------------------------|--------|---------|---------------------|---------|
| Good Calves (90-120 lbs)    | 861    | 1.08    | 734                 | 1.05    |
| Good Calves (121-140 lbs)   | 220    | 1.08    | 200                 | 1.06    |
| Average Calves (90-140 lbs) | 420    | .87     | 501                 | .82     |

## FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER CALVES

**Week Ending: February, 2009**

**To Date**

|                | <b>2009</b>  | <b>2008</b>  | <b>% chg</b> |                | <b>2009</b>   | <b>2008</b>   | <b>% chg</b> |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Western Canada | 31           | 43           | -27.9        | Western Canada | 328           | 302           | 8.6          |
| Ontario        | 206          | 215          | -4.2         | Ontario        | 2,204         | 2,293         | -3.9         |
| Quebec         | 4,491        | 4,623        | -2.9         | Quebec         | 35,799        | 35,750        | 0.1          |
| <b>Canada</b>  | <b>4,728</b> | <b>4,881</b> | <b>-3.1</b>  | <b>Canada</b>  | <b>38,331</b> | <b>38,345</b> | <b>0.0</b>   |

## PROVINCIALY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER CALVES

| <b>Month</b>     | <b>2009</b> | <b>2008</b> | <b>2007</b> |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>January</b>   | 2096        | 2664        | 3650        |
| <b>February</b>  |             | 2135        | 3184        |
| <b>March</b>     |             | 2228        | 3286        |
| <b>April</b>     |             | 2859        | 3321        |
| <b>May</b>       |             | 2370        | 3919        |
| <b>June</b>      |             | 2436        | 2715        |
| <b>July</b>      |             | 2669        | 2484        |
| <b>August</b>    |             | 2557        | 3192        |
| <b>September</b> |             | 3063        | 3025        |
| <b>October</b>   |             | 2936        | 2980        |
| <b>November</b>  |             | 2453        | 2931        |
| <b>December</b>  |             | 2345        | 2725        |

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