



Ontario Veal Association WEEKLY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT

Week Ending March 20, 2009

Week#11

FINISHED VEAL PRICES

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

| | Rail | Live |
|-----------|-----------|---------|
| Range | 1.65-1.72 | .90-.94 |
| Last week | 1.65-1.75 | .90-.96 |

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

| | Vol. | Plain/Heavy | Good Holsteins | Beef Types | Avg \$ | Avg weight | Avg \$ | Last Week Vol. | Weight |
|-------------|------|-------------|-------------------|---------------|--------|---------------|--------|-------------------|--------|
| > 600 lbs | 640 | 78.09 | 104.13 | 139.00 | 91.01 | 729 | 88.50 | 512 | 739 |
| 451-600 lbs | 57 | 67.93 | 98.77 | 132.00 | 84.03 | 558 | 70.85 | 46 | 539 |

| | Date | Comments |
|----------|----------|--|
| OSI | March 16 | An excellent offering of good Holstein calves sold steady to stronger with no good beef calves on offer. |
| OLEX | March 17 | Veal sold slightly easier with prices \$2.00-\$3.00 lower. |
| Brussels | March 19 | Holstein veal calves sold \$2.00-\$5.00 higher than last week's market while beef veal calves traded fully steady. |

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

| | Vol. | Avg |
|-----------|-------|-------|
| This week | 1,813 | 1.853 |
| Last Week | 1,724 | 1.857 |

BOB CALF PRICES

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

| | Range | Last Week |
|---------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| Fancy to Good (> 100 lbs) | 75-150 | 75-160.00 |
| Medium to Good (80 - 100 lbs) | 60-100 | 60-105.00 |
| Small, Plain to Poor (< 80 lbs) | 10-70 | 25-50.00 |

OCA Computerized Auction Report

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

| | Vol. | Low | High | Avg. \$ | Avg. weight | Avg. weight | Avg. \$ | Last Week Vol. |
|-----------|------|-------|--------|------------|----------------|----------------|------------|-------------------|
| < 125 lbs | 856 | 57.67 | 128.39 | 86.89 | 104 | 103 | 94.49 | 845 |

| | Date | Comments |
|----------------|----------|---|
| Milverton Park | March 16 | 85 head |
| Listowel | March 17 | Calves sold slightly lower than last week |
| Keady | March 17 | dollars calves sold barely steady |
| Denfield | March 17 | Holstein bull calves steady |

Quebec Live Auction(\$/cwt)

| | Volume | Average | Last Week Volume | Average |
|-----------------------------|--------|---------|---------------------|---------|
| Good Calves (90-120 lbs) | 826 | 1.06 | 861 | 1.08 |
| Good Calves (121-140 lbs) | 251 | 1.15 | 220 | 1.08 |
| Average Calves (90-140 lbs) | 462 | .83 | 420 | .87 |

FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER CALVES

Week Ending: March 14, 2009

To Date

| | 2009 | 2008 | % chg | | 2009 | 2008 | % chg |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Western Canada | 42 | 32 | 31.3 | Western Canada | 395 | 406 | -2.7 |
| Ontario | 187 | 152 | 23.0 | Ontario | 2,701 | 2,749 | -1.7 |
| Quebec | 4,383 | 4,572 | -4.1 | Quebec | 44,638 | 45,027 | -0.9 |
| Canada | 4,612 | 4,756 | -3.0 | Canada | 47,734 | 48,182 | -0.9 |

PROVINCIALY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER CALVES

| Month | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| January | 2096 | 2664 | 3650 |
| February | 1934 | 2135 | 3184 |
| March | | 2228 | 3286 |
| April | | 2859 | 3321 |
| May | | 2370 | 3919 |
| June | | 2436 | 2715 |
| July | | 2669 | 2484 |
| August | | 2557 | 3192 |
| September | | 3063 | 3025 |
| October | | 2936 | 2980 |
| November | | 2453 | 2931 |
| December | | 2345 | 2725 |

The above information is collected from various sources and disseminated by the Ontario Veal Association.

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