



Ontario Veal Association Weekly Market Report

Week ending April 8, 2004

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

ONTARIO WEEKLY AVERAGES – weighted average of 14 Ontario computerized auction markets.

	Vol.	Avg Wt.	Range	Top \$	Avg \$	Last Wk Avg \$
Over 600 lbs	364	718	37.76-68.21	106.00	54.50	62.10
451-600 lbs	52	548	43.65-81.19	133.00	62.56	58.56
301-450 lbs	25	393	63.50-95.24	117.00	80.34	60.25
126-300 lbs	138	154	106.20-184.46	220.00	151.49	124.46
125 lbs and under	843	104	132.17-289.61	387.00	229.39	146.03
TOTAL Vol:	1422					Vol: 1875

ONTARIO SALE BARN COMMENTS

Finished Calves

OSI April 5 A light run of veal calves traded at steady prices.
 Brussels April 8 The veal traded at prices steady to last week.

Bob Calves

Vankleek Hill April 5 Calves were up 54 cents/lb. with last week to average a \$1.88/lb.
 Keady April 6 Dollar calves sold slightly higher.

ONTARIO vs. QUEBEC PRICE COMPARISON

	This Week	Last Week	2003
Ontario (weighted average of calves 451lbs and over)	55.51	61.58	79.62
Quebec ¹ (Grade A2 calves – live weight \$/cwt., hide off, 54.56% yield)	65.47	65.17	78.46

1 - Converted Quebec Electronic Auction average weekly price to Ontario live \$

QUEBEC AVERAGE PRICES - Week of Apr 3, 2004 (\$/cwt)

	Range	Avg \$	2003 Avg \$
Male - Good (90-120 lbs)	150.00-194.00	170.00	246.00
Male - Good (121-140 lbs)	145.00-182.00	165.00	232.00
Male - Average (90-140 lbs)	95.00-165.00	136.00	209.00
Female - Good (90-120 lbs)	170.00-320.00	242.00	365.00

Quebec A2 Grain Fed Veal \$/cwt

596 lbs (325-353 lb. hide off):	Range	Avg \$	2003 Avg \$
	104.00-123.00	119.50	137.01

VOLUME OF CALVES SOLD - Week of Apr 3, 2004

Ontario - to date	2004	2003	% chg	Quebec - to date	2004	2003	% chg
Over 600 lbs	8169	5904	38.4	Male - Good (90-120 lbs)	13898	13661	1.7
451-600 lbs	1085	846	28.3	Male - Good (121-140 lbs)	3246	3307	-1.8
301-450 lbs	405	441	-8.2	Male - Average (90-140 lbs)	8702	9814	-11.3
126-300 lbs	2333	1953	19.5	Female - Good (90-120 lbs)	985	1367	-27.9
125 lbs and under	13394	9589	39.7	A2 Grain Fed Veal Calves	21861	27659	-21.0

FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER CALVES Week of Apr 3, 2004

- to date	2004	2003	% chg
Western Canada	1189	1630	-27.1
Ontario	12963	3918	230.9
Quebec/Atlantic Provinces	61490	52263	17.7