



# Ontario Veal Association Weekly Market Report

Week ending June 3, 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	600	728	41.94-77.28	109.50	60.27	62.09
451-600 lbs	82	555	43.30-73.09	94.00	59.85	61.67
301-450 lbs	28	375	48.71-72.54	115.00	60.67	64.87
126-300 lbs	146	154	103.40-208.83	265.00	159.64	179.46
125 lbs and under	880	103	158.99-288.14	430.00	239.59	236.02
<b>TOTAL Vol:</b>	<b>1736</b>					<b>Vol: 1744</b>

## ONTARIO SALE BARN COMMENTS

### Finished Calves

OSI	May 31	A light run of veal calves traded at about steady prices.
Brussels	June 3	The heavier and plainer veal sold on a steady market while the veal under 700 lbs. sold on a stronger trade.

### Bob Calves

Vankleek Hill	May 31	Calves were up 13 cents with last week to average \$2.37/lb.
Keady	June 1	Dollar calves dropped \$35 each.

## MAY AVERAGES – weighted average of 14 Ontario computerized auction markets.

	Vol.	Avg Wt.	Range	Top \$	Avg \$	April Avg \$
Over 600 lbs	2855	725	43.21-73.37	118.50	58.55	61.82
451-600 lbs	373	549	46.82-70.61	111.00	58.91	62.61
301-450 lbs	142	373	48.55-81.91	118.00	65.94	80.42
126-300 lbs	666	154	103.72-205.65	280.00	158.68	148.74
125 lbs and under	3823	103	147.11-268.81	430.00	222.79	226.41
<b>TOTAL Vol:</b>	<b>7859</b>					<b>Vol: 8066</b>

## ONTARIO vs. QUEBEC PRICE COMPARISON

	This Week	Last Week	2003
<b>Ontario</b> (weighted average of calves 451lbs and over)	60.22	62.05	81.88
<b>Quebec</b> <sup>1</sup> (Grade A2 calves – live weight \$/cwt., hide off, 54.56% yield)	73.71	74.09	78.05

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

## QUEBEC AVERAGE PRICES - Week of May 29, 2004 (\$/cwt)

	Range	Avg \$	2003 Avg \$
Male - Good (90-120 lbs)	230.00-295.00	263.00	238.00
Male - Good (121-140 lbs)	200.00-285.00	237.00	231.00
Male - Average (90-140 lbs)	150.00-245.00	204.00	201.00
Female - Good (90-120 lbs)	215.00-340.00	284.00	461.00
<b>A2 Grain Fed Veal</b>	129.00-138.00	138.80	143.56

↳ 596 lbs (325-353 lb. hide off)

## VOLUME OF CALVES SOLD - Week of May 29, 2004

Ontario - to date	2004	2003	% chg	Quebec - to date	2004	2003	% chg
Over 600 lbs	13505	9408	43.5	Male - Good (90-120 lbs)	22537	21664	4.0
451-600 lbs	1734	1298	33.6	Male - Good (121-140 lbs)	4990	4990	0.0
301-450 lbs	682	677	0.7	Male - Average (90-140 lbs)	13305	14522	-8.4
126-300 lbs	3598	2853	26.1	Female - Good (90-120 lbs)	1996	2281	-12.5
125 lbs and under	20560	14267	44.1	A2 Grain Fed Veal Calves	37679	41902	-10.1

**FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER CALVES** Week of May 29, 2004

- to date	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>% chg</b>
Western Canada	2029	2241	-9.5
Ontario	20509	6740	204.3
Quebec/Atlantic Provinces	96987	82009	18.3

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