



Ontario Veal Association Weekly Market Report

Week ending March 25, 2004

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

ONTARIO AVERAGE PRICES – weighted average of 14 Ontario computerized auction markets.

	Vol.	Avg Wt.	Range	Top \$	Avg \$	Last Wk Avg \$
Over 600 lbs	728	718	47.90-80.32	115.00	64.65	63.23
451-600 lbs	73	559	47.58-69.42	99.00	58.06	44.91
301-450 lbs	36	381	59.94-93.22	117.00	78.26	68.18
126-300 lbs	155	146	74.15-135.18	190.00	109.19	106.46
125 lbs and under	899	105	88.46-153.36	220.00	126.39	123.34
TOTAL Vol:	1891					Vol: 1679

ONTARIO SALE BARN COMMENTS

Finished Calves

- OSI Mar 22 Calves were \$3-\$5 higher.
- Brussels Mar 25 The veal sold on a steady market.

Bob Calves

- Vankleek Hill Mar 22 Calves were up 13 cents/lb. with last week.
- Keady Mar 23 Dairy dollar calves sold up to \$19 per cwt higher.

ONTARIO vs. QUEBEC PRICE COMPARISON

	This Week	Last Week	2003
Ontario (weighted average of calves 451lbs and over)	64.05	61.50	76.99
Quebec ¹ (Grade A2 calves – live weight \$/cwt., hide off, 54.56% yield)	62.87	62.64	79.22

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

QUEBEC AVERAGE PRICES - Week of Mar 20, 2004 (\$/cwt)

	Range	Avg \$	2003 Avg \$
Male - Good (90-120 lbs)	126.00-155.00	142.00	224.00
Male - Good (121-140 lbs)	120.00-150.00	136.00	219.00
Male - Average (90-140 lbs)	100.00-140.00	118.00	196.00
Female - Good (90-120 lbs)	125.00-178.00	149.00	357.00

Quebec A2 Grain Fed Veal \$/cwt

596 lbs (325-353 lb. hide off):	Range	Avg \$	2003 Avg \$
	99.00-117.50	114.75	152.99

VOLUME OF CALVES SOLD - Week of Mar 20, 2004

Ontario - to date	2004	2003	% chg	Quebec - to date	2004	2003	% chg
Over 600 lbs	6778	4882	38.8	Male - Good (90-120 lbs)	11846	11175	6.0
451-600 lbs	897	704	27.4	Male - Good (121-140 lbs)	2700	2759	-2.1
301-450 lbs	334	368	-9.2	Male - Average (90-140 lbs)	7400	8612	-14.1
126-300 lbs	2042	1687	21.0	Female - Good (90-120 lbs)	721	1123	-35.8
125 lbs and under	11574	8145	42.1	A2 Grain Fed Veal Calves	17977	23606	-23.8

FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER CALVES Week of Mar 20, 2004

- to date	2004	2003	% chg
Western Canada	965	1186	-18.6
Ontario	11105	3356	230.9
Quebec/Atlantic Provinces	51279	43903	16.8