



# Ontario Veal Association Weekly Market Report

Week ending May 27, 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	669	705	46.48-77.38	115.00	62.09	58.41
451-600 lbs	79	551	49.61-74.85	100.00	61.67	60.90
301-450 lbs	33	380	39.64-81.55	118.00	64.87	73.84
126-300 lbs	170	150	120.71-223.85	275.00	179.46	164.00
125 lbs and under	793	103	155.27-282.28	299.00	236.02	229.58
<b>TOTAL Vol:</b>	<b>1744</b>					<b>Vol: 1737</b>

## **ONTARIO SALE BARN COMMENTS**

### Finished Calves

OSI **May 24** Veal calves sold on a very dull demand at prices \$10-15/cwt lower.  
 Brussels **May 27** The veal traded on a steady market.

### Bob Calves

Vankleek Hill **May 24** Calves were down 5 cents with last week to average \$2.24/lb.  
 Keady **May 25** Dairy dollar calves sold steady.

## **ONTARIO vs. QUEBEC PRICE COMPARISON**

	This Week	Last Week	2003
<b>Ontario</b> (weighted average of calves 451lbs and over)	62.05	58.76	87.83
<b>Quebec</b> <sup>1</sup> (Grade A2 calves – live weight \$/cwt., hide off, 54.56% yield)	74.09	73.66	78.32

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

## **QUEBEC AVERAGE PRICES** - Week of May 22, 2004 (\$/cwt)

	Range	Avg \$	2003 Avg \$
Male - Good (90-120 lbs)	230.00-280.00	250.00	266.00
Male - Good (121-140 lbs)	210.00-250.00	232.00	234.00
Male - Average (90-140 lbs)	150.00-255.00	204.00	226.00
Female - Good (90-120 lbs)	210.00-340.00	277.00	507.00
<b>A2 Grain Fed Veal</b>	131.00-137.50	135.00	154.95

↳ 596 lbs (325-353 lb. hide off)

## **VOLUME OF CALVES SOLD** - Week of May 22, 2004

Ontario - to date	2004	2003	% chg	Quebec - to date	2004	2003	% chg
Over 600 lbs	12836	9011	42.4	Male - Good (90-120 lbs)	21527	20899	3.0
451-600 lbs	1655	1269	30.4	Male - Good (121-140 lbs)	4785	4787	0.0
301-450 lbs	649	663	-2.1	Male - Average (90-140 lbs)	12786	14238	-10.2
126-300 lbs	3428	2787	23.0	Female - Good (90-120 lbs)	1845	2195	-15.9
125 lbs and under	19767	13850	42.7	A2 Grain Fed Veal Calves	35956	40961	-12.2

## **FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER CALVES** Week of May 22, 2004

- to date	2004	2003	% chg
Western Canada	1929	2222	-13.2
Ontario	19619	6449	204.2
Quebec/Atlantic Provinces	93062	78947	17.9

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