



Ontario Veal Association Weekly Market Report

Week ending May 5, 2005

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

ONTARIO FINISHED CALF PRICES – weighted average of 13 Ontario computerized auction markets.

	Vol.	Plain/ Heavys	Good Holsteins	Beef-type Veal	Avg \$	Last Wk
Over 600 lbs	705	54.36	86.23	149.00	71.36	75.36
451-600 lbs	84	42.67	80.76	107.50	62.60	67.94
TOTAL Weekly Vol:	1726					1722

Comments: **Brussels** May 5 The good veal sold on a steady market while the medium and plain veal sold under pressure.
OSI May 2 Good veal calves sold barely steady, while all others were under further pressure as the week advanced.

ONTARIO BOB CALF PRICES – weighted average of 13 Ontario computerized auction markets.

	Vol.	Low \$	High \$	Top\$	Avg \$	Last Wk
125 lbs and under	756	80.14	151.22	350.00	124.13	146.98

Comments: **Vankleek** May 2 Calves were down with last week to average \$1.21/lb.
Keady May 3 Dollar calves sold up to \$50 lower.

ONTARIO vs. QUEBEC PRICE COMPARISON

(1 - Converted Quebec Electronic Auction avg weekly \$ to ON live \$)

	This Week	Last Week	2004
Ontario (weighted average of calves 451lbs and over)	70.43	74.55	59.58
Quebec ¹ (Grade A2 calves – live weight \$/cwt., hide off, 54.56% yield)	95.43	95.53	71.86

QUEBEC WEEKLY PRICES - Week of Apr 30, 2004

	# Head	Range	Avg \$	Last Wk
Male - Good (90-120 lbs)	861	148.00-194.00	175.00	168.00
Male - Good (121-140 lbs)	254	138.00-184.00	167.00	169.00
Male - Average (90-140 lbs)	905	118.00-172.00	147.00	142.00
Female - Good (90-120 lbs)	77	122.00-145.00	134.00	127.00
A2 Grain Fed Veal	1059	175.00-176.50	175.10	174.00

↳596 lbs (325-353 lb. hide off)

VOLUME OF CALVES SOLD - Apr 30, 2005

Ontario - to date	2005	2004	% chg	Quebec - to date	2005	2004	% chg
Over 600 lbs	8702	10029	-13.2	Male - Good (90-120 lbs)	16711	17208	-2.9
451-600 lbs	1542	1293	19.3	Male - Good (121-140 lbs)	4172	3861	8.1
301-450 lbs	680	514	32.3	Male – Average (90-140 lbs)	14623	10595	38.0
126-300 lbs	2499	2813	-11.2	Female – Good (90-120 lbs)	1308	1366	-4.2
125 lbs and under	13573	16098	-15.7	A2 Grain Fed Veal Calves	26855	27506	-2.4

FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER CALVES - Week ending Apr 30, 2005

	2005	2004	% chg
Western Canada	97	190	-48.9
Ontario	766	935	-18.1
Quebec/Atlantic Provinces	4924	4723	4.3

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