



Ontario Veal Association Weekly Market Report

Week ending September 1, 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/ Heavies | Good Holsteins | Beef-type Veal | Avg \$ | Last Wk |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------|-------------|
| Over 600 lbs | 546 | 77.72 | 98.37 | 130.00 | 88.53 | 86.87 |
| 451-600 lbs | 82 | 66.47 | 91.01 | 138.00 | 79.71 | 78.61 |
| TOTAL Weekly Vol: | 1764 | | | | | 1927 |

Comments: **OSI** **Aug 29** Veal opened trading at stronger prices and raised \$5-8 c.w.t. higher.
Brussels **Sept. 1** Veal sold strong on active trade with prices up \$2-5 .

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

| | Vol. | Low \$ | High \$ | Top\$ | Avg \$ | Last Wk |
|-------------------|------|--------|---------|--------|--------|---------|
| 125 lbs and under | 905 | 92.97 | 211.69 | 246.00 | 160.43 | 171.00 |

Comments: **Vankleek** **Aug 29** Calves were up 7 cents /lb. from last week.
Keady **Aug 30** Holstein dollar calves sold fully steady.

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) | 88.53 | 85.93 | 82.13 |
| Quebec ¹ (Grade A2 calves – live weight \$/cwt., hide off, 54.56% yield) | 99.52 | 99.30 | 109.50 |

QUEBEC WEEKLY PRICES - Week of August 27, 2005

| | # Head | Range | Avg \$ | Last Wk |
|-----------------------------|-------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Male - Good (90-120 lbs) | 953 | 218.00 - 265.00 | 239.00 | 222.00 |
| Male - Good (121-140 lbs) | 188 | 205.00 - 260.00 | 230.00 | 216.00 |
| Male - Average (90-140 lbs) | 809 | 135.00 - 224.00 | 184.00 | 177.00 |
| Female - Good (90-120 lbs) | 73 | 135.00 - 230.00 | 160.00 | 183.00 |
| A2 Grain Fed Veal | 1490 | 174.00 - 186.50 | 182.00 | 175.50 |

↳596 lbs (325-353 lb. hide off)

VOLUME OF CALVES SOLD - Week ending August 27, 2005

| Ontario - to date | 2005 | 2004 | % chg | Quebec - to date | 2005 | 2004 | % chg |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Over 600 lbs | 19962 | 21783 | -8.4 | Male - Good (90-120 lbs) | 31573 | 33187 | -4.9 |
| 451-600 lbs | 2942 | 2885 | 2 | Male - Good (121-140 lbs) | 7552 | 7309 | 3.3 |
| 301-450 lbs | 1313 | 1091 | 20.3 | Male – Average (90-140 lbs) | 27240 | 21259 | 28.1 |
| 126-300 lbs | 5194 | 5543 | -6.3 | Female – Good (90-120 lbs) | 3399 | 2880 | 18 |
| 125 lbs and under | 27890 | 31390 | -11.2 | A2 Grain Fed Veal Calves | 50098 | 57693 | -13.2 |

FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER CALVES - Week ending August 27, 2005

| | 2005 | 2004 | % chg |
|---------------------------|------|------|-------|
| Western Canada | 81 | 104 | -22.1 |
| Ontario | 129 | 419 | -69.2 |
| Quebec/Atlantic Provinces | 4874 | 4555 | 7 |

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