



## DAILY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – WEDNESDAY March 4, 2026

### ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

Prices are on a carcass weight basis before grade and weight discounts for March 4, 2026:

<b>A Grade Steers</b>	<b>\$535.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of March 16<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>A Grade Heifers</b>	<b>\$534.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of March 16<sup>th</sup></b>

### ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **586 Stockers**

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>1000+</b>	430.00-470.00		-		
<b>900-1000</b>	463.00-505.00				

Feeders sold at barely steady prices. **Vacc Stocker Sales every Wed @ 1:00pm, Regular Stocker Sales every Thursday @ 11:00am.**

Today at Ontario Stockyards Inc: **35 Steers & Heifers, 174 Cows & Bulls**

	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>Good Beef Cows</b>	200.00-227.00	280.00
<b>Good Dairy Cows</b>	185.00-208.00	242.00
<b>Plain/Medium Cows</b>	165.00-185.00	
<b>Fancy Steers &amp; Heifers</b>	307.00-327.00	329.00
<b>Bulls</b>	235.00-271.00	280.00

Cows sold slightly easier. Fed cattle sold steady. **600 stockers are expected for Thursday's sale. Stocker sales every Thursday @ 11:00 am.**

At Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc.: **Mar 3, 2026 – 176 Fed Cattle, 68 Cows, 5 Bulls, 3 Veal, 174 Drop calves**

	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>Large &amp; Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs</b>	312.00-327.00	320.59	332.00
<b>Large &amp; Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs</b>	317.75-325.25	321.47	352.00
<b>Fed Heifers, Dairy &amp; Dairy Cross +1000 lbs</b>	315.25-318.25	316.39	318.25
<b>Cows</b>	168.00-210.00	187.45	260.00
<b>Bulls under 1600 lbs</b>	200.00-284.00	231.33	284.00

Fed cattle returned to steady prices after last week's high trade. Beef cull cows sold lower while dairy cull cows sold steady. Drop calves traded very strong on the market. **Mar 14<sup>th</sup>@11:00 am – Special Spring Stocker Sale**

At Hoard's Station Sale Barn: **Mar 3, 2026 – 109 Stockers, 50 Cows, 4 Bulls, 231 Veal**

	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>Cows</b>	160.00-220.00	184.79	240.00
<b>Bulls over 1600 lbs</b>	222.00-251.00	236.33	251.00
<b>Veal 600 lbs and over</b>	220.00-321.00	281.38	325.00
<b>Veal 125 lbs and under</b>	1200.00-2510.00	1941.07	2680.00

Bob calves sold strong. Stockers and cows sold fully steady. **Mar 13<sup>th</sup>@11:00 am – Quinte Sale-Vaccinations preferred, catalogued- Farm Fresh**

Ontario auction sales on **Tuesday** saw weighted prices (cwt) for:

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	92	304.96-324.39	316.19	332.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	186	292.99-324.71	311.67	390.00
Fed Steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross + 1250 lbs	7	267.14 318.14	297.91	334.50
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000 lbs	39	236.61 279.53	263.33	318.25
Cows	484	157.84-219.54	183.96	262.50
Bulls under 1600 lbs	12	228.21-390.66	308.20	709.99
Bulls over 1600 lbs	19	213.00-268.68	244.84	283.00
Veal 600 lbs and over	361	322.38-378.53	349.98	440.00
Veal 125 lbs and under	208	1212.98-2483.17	1930.28	2680.00

To check out individual auction market results on the BFO website go to <https://www.ontariobeef.com/market-info/auction-reports/individual-auction-market-reports/>

## ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at Hoard's Station Sale Barn: **Mar 3, 2026: 109 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
700-799	410.00-445.00	427.50	480.00	800-899	250.00-435.00	392.86	435.00
600-699	500.00-520.00	504.64	590.00	700-799	360.00-460.00	410.50	460.00
400-499	550.00-730.00	652.33	730.00	600-699	315.00-535.00	457.22	535.00
<399	400.00-650.00	551.43	650.00	400-499	600.00-665.00	613.93	670.00
				300-399	290.00-655.00	528.57	655.00

Stockers sold fully steady. **Mar 13<sup>th</sup>@11:00 am – Quinte Sale-Vaccinations preferred, catalogued- Farm Fresh**

Stocker sale at Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: **Mar 3, 2026: 418 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
800-899	445.00-502.50	485.09	502.50	800-899	472.49-508.99	505.60	508.99
700-799	395.00-545.99	521.60	545.99	700-799	385.00-502.50	480.79	502.50
600-699	379.99-659.99	569.20	659.99	600-699	379.99-580.99	507.30	580.99
500-599	550.00-662.50	624.00	662.50	500-599	445.00-622.40	545.69	622.40
400-499	500.00-729.99	651.60	729.99	400-499	329.99-650.00	563.49	650.00
<399	625.00-850.00	705.90	850.00	300-399	550.00-725.00	620.09	725.00

## U.S. BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES (U.S. FUNDS)

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	<b>388.57</b>	<b>380.35</b>
Change (from yesterday's close):	<b>+0.52</b>	<b>+1.77</b>
Current Five Day Average:	<b>381.27</b>	<b>373.79</b>

## ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

**Alberta direct trade** on Tuesday saw no new trade to report. Asking prices are reported in the low to mid \$540's/cwt delivered. Butcher cow prices are sharply higher through commercial auction facilities with better end cows trading in the low to mid \$250's/cwt. Stronger cow prices should lend support to the fed cattle market. In thirteen out of the past twenty years fed prices have strengthened from February to March. Touching on the January 1st cattle inventory report again. Not only were beef cow inventories larger but dairy cow inventories were up as well. Canadian dairy cow inventories were reported at 971,000 head, the largest since 2021.

## U.S. TRADE (U.S. FUNDS)

The U.S. cash cattle trade saw no trade to report. Live bids of \$235.00/cwt were noted in Nebraska yesterday, bids are \$4.00-10.00/cwt lower than last week. Today, dressed bids in Nebraska are reported at \$375.00/cwt. Business in the Sothern feeding states has been quiet with no bids to speak of. Global oil and gas prices continue to work higher as war tensions in the Middle East halt energy exports. In recent days the Iran military has threatened to close the Strait of Hormuz or attack vessels that pass through. UK gas prices have increased 46% and Brent Crude prices have also surged hovering close to \$85.00 a barrel. With higher energy prices this could have an impact on beef demand.

**Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:**                      Live                      N/T  
    Rail                      N/T

## CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures *today* were as follows:

Live Cattle			Feeder Cattle			Corn		
<b>Apr</b>	238.35	+4.22	<b>Mar</b>	363.92	+6.72	<b>Mar</b>	4.316	-2.4
<b>Jun</b>	235.17	+4.50	<b>Apr</b>	360.75	+7.45	<b>May</b>	4.436	-2.6
<b>Aug</b>	233.22	+4.32	<b>May</b>	357.00	+7.65	<b>Jul</b>	4.534	-2.0
<b>Oct</b>	232.20	+3.97	<b>Aug</b>	356.75	+7.25	<b>Sep</b>	4.554	-1.4
<b>Dec</b>	232.65	+3.72	<b>Sep</b>	355.07	+7.32	<b>Dec</b>	4.702	-1.0
<b>Feb</b>	232.60	+3.65	<b>Oct</b>	352.97	+7.32	<b>Mar</b>	4.822	-0.6

  

Soybeans			Soft Red Winter Wheat			Canadian \$		
	<i>US \$/bu</i>			<i>US \$/bu</i>				
<b>Mar</b>	11.544	-1.2	<b>Mar</b>	5.666	-5.4	<b>Spot</b>	73.34	+0.18
<b>May</b>	11.694	-1.0	<b>May</b>	5.682	-5.6	<b>Mar</b>	73.37	+0.17
<b>Jul</b>	11.830	-0.2	<b>Jul</b>	5.776	-5.6	<b>Jun</b>	73.66	+0.19
<b>Aug</b>	11.722	-0.4	<b>Sep</b>	5.896	-6.2	<b>Sep</b>	73.91	+0.17
<b>Sep</b>	11.360	-0.2	<b>Dec</b>	6.072	-7.0	<b>Dec</b>	74.15	+0.20
<b>Nov</b>	11.304	-1.0	<b>Mar</b>	6.222	-7.2	<b>Mar</b>	74.34	+0.20

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## ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER SPECIAL FALL SALES

13-Mar	11:00 AM	Hoards Station Sale Barn	Quinte Sale-Vaccinations preferred, catalogued- Farm Fresh
14-Mar	1:00 PM	Brussels Livestock	Special Bred Cow/Heifer Sale
14-Mar	11:00 AM	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
25-Mar	12:00 PM	Aylmer Stockyards Inc	Special Spring Stocker Sale
25-Mar	1:00 PM	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
28-Mar	11:00 AM	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
11-Apr	1:00 PM	Brussels Livestock	Special Bred Cow/Heifer Sale
11-Apr	11:00 AM	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
18-Apr	8:30 AM	Rainy River Cattlemens Sale	Special Spring Stocker Sale/Cows/Bulls
22-Apr	10:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	KLC Special Spring Stocker Sale
Apr 22	10:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	KLC Calf & Yearling Sale
25-Apr	11:00 AM	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Bred Cow & Cow Calf Pair Sale
29-Apr	12:00 PM	Aylmer Stockyards Inc	Special Spring Stocker Sale
29-Apr	1:00 PM	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
May 2	10:00 AM	Algoma Co-op Livestock Sales-Thessalon	Stockers- Farm fresh, 50% vaccinated, sold in farmer lots
May 6	10:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	Peterborough Cattlemen/ Victoria Beef Producers
May 7	10:00 AM	Grey-Bruce Livestock Co-op-Wiarton	Stocker Sale - 90% vaccinated
May TBD	11:00 AM	Hoards Station Sale Barn	Quinte Sale-100% Vaccinated, catalogued- Farm Fresh