



## DAILY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – THURSDAY April 2, 2026

### ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

Prices are on a carcass weight basis before grade and weight discounts for April 1, 2026:

<b>A Grade Steers</b>	<b>\$535.00-\$540.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of April 6<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>A Grade Heifers</b>	<b>\$534.00-\$539.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of April 6<sup>th</sup></b>

### ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **134 Fed cattle, 344 Cow, 460 Stockers**

	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>Good Fed Steers</b>	321.00-340.50	363.50
<b>Good Fed Heifers</b>	309.00-323.00	330.00
<b>Holstein Steers</b>	273.00-300.00	
<b>Good Cows</b>	199.00-248.00	275.00
<b>Stocker Steers 700 lb +</b>	418.00-585.00	
<b>Lightweight Steers</b>	527.00-730.00	800.00
<b>Stocker Heifers 700 lb +</b>	394.00-455.00	
<b>Lightweight Heifers</b>	463.00-700.00	

Fed cows sold actively at stronger prices. Fancy steers sold at high premium. Holstein steers sold very strong. Stockers sold on good demand at higher prices. **Vacc Stocker Sales every Wed @ 1:00pm, Regular Stocker Sales every Thursday @ 11:00am.**

Today at Brussels Livestock: **90 Veal**

	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>Beef Veal</b>	-	-
<b>Good Holstein Veal</b>	340.00-355.00	
<b>Slightly Heavy Holstein Veal</b>	330.00-349.00	
<b>Heavy Holstein 800 lb +</b>	290.00-349.00	
<b>Medium Holstein Veal</b>	320.00-339.00	
<b>Plain Holsteins</b>	300.00-320.00	

Veal traded easier. Drop calves sold strong with Good Drop Calves from \$2150.00-\$3175.00 per head. Medium Drop Calves from \$1725.00-\$2100.00 and Plain calves from \$175.00-\$1000.00 per head. **Stocker Sales every Fri @10:00 am. Apr 11<sup>th</sup>@1:00 pm – Special Bred Cow/Heifer Sale**

Today at Ontario Stockyards Inc: **430 Stockers**

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>900-999</b>	327.50-470.00	401.94	470.00	<b>700-799</b>	445.00-505.00	476.00	505.00
<b>800-899</b>	479.00-524.00	500.85	524.00	<b>600-699</b>	480.00-555.00	518.91	555.00
<b>700-799</b>	505.00-554.00	540.85	600.00	<b>500-599</b>	510.00-590.00	558.70	622.50
<b>600-699</b>	587.50-683.00	625.33	683.00	<b>400-499</b>	505.00-665.00	584.52	687.50
<b>500-599</b>	625.00-725.00	680.97	725.00				
<b>400-499</b>	620.00-765.00	695.00	790.00				

Quality considered, stockers sold on a very strong market. **May 16<sup>th</sup>@12:00 pm – Bred Cow Sale**

At Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: **April 1, 2026 – 72 Fed cattle, 25 Stockers, 194 Cows, 4 Bulls, 17 Veal**

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	329.00-329.00	329.00	318.99
Fed Heifers, dairy & dairy cross 1000+ lbs	210.00-318.99	276.39	316.00
Cows	144.99-289.99	213.60	289.99
Bulls under 1600 lbs	200.00-222.99	209.69	222.99
Veal 600 lbs and over	302.00-415.00	338.49	415.00

186 Replacement Cales sold between \$500 - \$2,950 for an average of \$2,129 per head. **Special stocker sales the last Wednesday of each month @ 12:30 pm! Apr 29<sup>th</sup>@12:00 pm – Special Spring Stocker Sale**

Ontario auction sales on **Wednesday** saw weighted prices for:

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	13	298.00-325.46	316.57	325.99
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	14	300.79-318.79	313.00	329.00
Fed Steers, dairy & dairy cross 1250+ lbs	11	188.99-316.00	266.69	316.00
Fed Heifers, dairy & dairy cross 1000+ lbs	57	209.23-309.05	268.95	318.99
Cows	458	159.57-262.29	207.10	330.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	6	209.67-234.83	221.33	262.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	9	225.00-275.56	264.11	287.00
Veal 600 lbs and over	14	302.00-415.00	338.49	415.00
Veal 125 lbs and under	205	1800.00-2910.00	2097.09	3100.00

To check out individual auction market results on the BFO website go to <http://www.ontariobeef.com/markets/marketreports.aspx>

### ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **April 1, 2026 – 404 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	450.00-471.00	461.05	471.00	-			
900-999	470.00-516.00	495.07	516.00				
800-899	512.50-540.00	536.70	540.00				

Feeder cattle sold actively at stronger prices. **Vacc Stocker Sales every Wed @ 1:00pm, Regular Stocker Sales every Thursday @ 11:00am.**

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	<b>389.58</b>	<b>387.70</b>
Change (from yesterday's close):	<b>-4.84</b>	<b>-4.89</b>
Current Five Day Average:	<b>393.37</b>	<b>391.61</b>

### ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

**Alberta direct trade** on Wednesday saw light trade develop with dressed sales at \$545.00/cwt delivered, steady with prices seen earlier in the week and \$5.00/cwt higher than last week. Buying interest has been noted from all Western Canadian packers. Cattle that traded would be picked up anywhere from 1-4 weeks.

Steers	Live	<b>N/T</b>	Rail - Del	<b>545.00</b>
Heifers	Live	<b>N/T</b>	Rail - Del	<b>545.00</b>

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

**The U.S. cash cattle trade** today saw light trade reported in the Southern feeding states at \$246.00/cwt, \$8.00/cwt higher than the previous week. In the Northern feeding states, live sales were reported at \$245.00/cwt, \$10.00/cwt stronger, while dressed sales were noted at \$370.00-372.00/cwt, \$13.00-15.00/cwt higher than last week. Both June and August live cattle contracts are on track to set new highs. USDA released its prospective acres report earlier this week. Total corn acres are forecasted at 95.3 million acres down 3.5 million acres from last year. Soybean acres are projected to increased by 4% totaling 84.7 million acres. Larger soybean acres are supported by lower nitrogen requirements and strong crush 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>	246.20	+2.15	<b>Apr</b>	3.729	+2.15	<b>May</b>	4.522	-2.0
<b>Jun</b>	246.33	+1.98	<b>May</b>	3.706	+2.63	<b>Jul</b>	4.632	-1.6
<b>Aug</b>	242.18	+1.50	<b>Aug</b>	3.695	+2.65	<b>Sep</b>	4.670	-0.2
<b>Oct</b>	237.73	+1.33	<b>Sep</b>	3.673	+2.60	<b>Dec</b>	4.812	n/c
<b>Dec</b>	237.05	+1.33	<b>Oct</b>	3.646	+2.55	<b>Mar</b>	4.922	+0.2
<b>Feb</b>	236.83	+1.13	<b>Nov</b>	3.615	+2.53	<b>May</b>	4.990	+0.2

**Soybeans**

*US \$/bu*

<b>May</b>	11.634	-5.0
<b>Jul</b>	11.800	-4.4
<b>Aug</b>	11.752	-5.2
<b>Sep</b>	11.536	-2.2
<b>Nov</b>	11.536	-1.4
<b>Jan</b>	11.540	-1.4

**Soft Red Winter Wheat**

*US \$/bu*

<b>May</b>	5.982	+0.6
<b>Jul</b>	6.094	+0.6
<b>Sep</b>	6.222	+0.6
<b>Dec</b>	6.390	+0.4
<b>Mar</b>	6.530	+0.6
<b>May</b>	6.584	+0.6

**Canadian \$**

<b>Spot</b>	71.85	-0.12
<b>Jun</b>	72.08	-0.13
<b>Sep</b>	72.33	-0.14
<b>Dec</b>	72.56	-0.13
<b>Mar</b>	72.74	-0.14
<b>Jun</b>	72.88	-0.13

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## ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER SPECIAL SPRING SALES

4-Apr	2:00 PM	Keady Livestock Market	Sanders' Annual Charolais Bull Sale
11-Apr	1:00 PM	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Bred Heifers, Bred Cows, Cow/Calf Pair,
15-Apr	7:00 PM	Cargill Auction Market	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
24-Apr	11:00 AM	Keady Livestock Mare	Northern Select Stocker 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