



DAILY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – TUESDAY April 21, 2026

The following information is collected from various sources and disseminated by Beef Farmers of Ontario.

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

Prices are on a carcass weight basis before grade and weight discounts:

Prices reported for Monday April 20th

A Grade Steers	\$552.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of April 27 th
A Grade Heifers	\$551.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of April 27 th

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at Brussels Livestock: **90 fed cattle 140 cows**

	Price Range	Top
Choice fed steers & heifers	325.00-352.00	363.00
Second cut cattle	310.00-324.00	
Aged & Medium fed cattle	295.00-315.00	
Holstein Steers & heifers	230.00-288.00	
Good Beef Cows	220.00-263.50	
Good Holsteins Cows	220.00-263.00	
Medium Holsteins Cows	190.00-219.00	
Bulls	240.00-275.50	314.00

Fed steers and heifers sold strong and active at steady prices. Good cows sold \$5.00-10.00/cwt higher. **Stocker Sales every Fri @ 10:00 am. Jun 13rd@1:00 pm – Special Bred Cow Sale**

Today at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **325 veal, 143 cows**

	Price Range	Top
Fed Cows	198.00-230.00	290.00
Good Beef Veal	375.00-465.00	
Good Holstein Veal	375.00-400.00	
Medium Holstein Veal	350.00-370.00	
Plain Holstein Veal	320.00-345.00	
Heavy Holstein Veal	360.00-375.00	

Veal sold on a steady trade. Fed cows sold steady to slightly softer. **Special Vacc Stocker Sales every Wed @ 1:00 pm.**

Today at Keady Livestock Market: **456 Stockers, 38 Cows and Bulls, 82 Dollar Calves**

Steers	Price Range	Heifers	Price Range
1000+	315.00-315.00	900-999	260.00-380.00
900-999	479.00-481.00	800-899	440.00-440.00
800-899	486.00-508.00	700-799	440.00-502.50
700-799	555.00-627.50	600-699	485.00-570.00
600-699	620.00-707.00	500-599	590.00-633.00
500-599	710.00-830.00	400-499	605.00-760.00
400-499	827.50-851.00	<399	710.00-740.00
<399	935.00-935.00		
Cows	147.50-235.00	Bulls	251.00-295.00

All classes of stocker and feeder cattle sold actively at steady prices. Cull cows and bulls sold steady. Drop calves sold steady with Holstein calves from \$1900.00-\$2200.00 and X-bred calves sold steady from \$1500.00-\$3200.00 per head. **Apr 24th@11:00 am – Northern Select Stocker Sale**

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

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	9	308.33-333.67	319.82	342.50
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000 lbs	23	220.26-273.26	241.38	277.50
Cows	271	171.24-227.12	195.88	279.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	3	247.00-270.33	258.67	285.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	5	214.00-265.00	240.92	280.00
Veal calves 600 lbs and over	7	254.29-337.86	300.29	395.00
Veal calves under 125 lbs	406	1675.37-2873.20	2121.37	3160.00

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

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	386.18	387.20
Change (from yesterday's close):	+2.62	+3.59
Current Five Day Average:	382.28	379.41

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade last week saw light trade develop with weighted average steer and heifer prices closing the week around \$330.00/cwt, \$2.00/cwt higher than the previous week. Fed cattle prices have moved higher for fifteen consecutive weeks. New record highs were established in both Eastern and Western Canada. Last week butcher cows traded \$2.00-6.00/cwt lower through commercial auction facilities. Demand for butcher bulls remains strong with top yielding bulls trading over \$3.00/lb. A lot of the butcher bulls are bringing over \$6,000/head, strong salvage prices have supported purebred bull sales this spring. Showlist volumes this week are reported smaller than the previous week.

Steers	Live	FOB feedlot (last week)	N/T	Rail - Del (last week)	553.00-555.00
Heifers	Live	FOB feedlot (last week)	N/T	Rail - Del (last week)	553.00-555.00

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade saw no new trade to report. Buying interest has been noted in Kansas with live bids at \$246.00/cwt, \$2.00/cwt lower than the previous week. Significant trade will likely be delayed until the second half of this week. Asking prices are poorly defined but are expected to start out in the low \$250's/cwt on live basis. Four state showlist volumes have been reported smaller. USDA released its April 1st cattle on feed report last Friday and it should be viewed as neutral as placements and marketings were in-line with expectations. Feedlot placements for the month of March were 7% lower than last year. this is the second smallest March placement volume since the mid 1990's. The only year that was smaller was in 2020 during Covid. At the start of April all cattle on feed inventories are steady to larger than last year except Texas, Colorado and Arizona.

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		
Apr	247.42	-2.17	Apr	366.57	-2.30	May	4.536	+1.6
Jun	243.55	-2.52	May	358.55	-2.55	Jul	4.620	+1.6
Aug	239.70	-1.90	Aug	358.95	-2.40	Sep	4.656	+2.0
Oct	235.45	-1.52	Sep	356.67	-2.55	Dec	4.816	+2.2
Dec	235.07	-1.55	Oct	354.30	-2.50	Mar	4.956	+2.2
Feb	234.90	-1.70	Nov	351.45	-2.32	May	5.034	+2.2

Soybeans

	<i>US \$/bu</i>	
May	11.744	+8.6
Jul	11.902	+8.4
Aug	11.840	+8.2
Sep	11.622	+9.4
Nov	11.664	+8.6
Jan	11.794	+8.4

Soft Red Winter Wheat

	<i>US \$/bu</i>	
May	6.050	+8.0
Jul	6.126	+6.6
Sep	6.254	+6.6
Dec	6.444	+7.0
Mar	6.602	+7.4
May	6.676	+8.0

Canadian \$

Spot	73.21	-0.08
Jun	73.40	-0.07
Sep	73.65	-0.09
Dec	73.91	-0.08
Mar	74.09	-0.09
Jun	74.25	-0.09

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ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER SPECIAL SPRING SALES

22-Apr	10:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	KLC Special Spring Stocker Sale
24-Apr	11:00 AM	Keady Livestock Market	Northern Select Stocker 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
29-Apr	7:00 PM	Cargill Auction Market	Special Spring Stocker Sale
01-May	9:00 AM	Keady Livestock Market	Spring Stocker & Feeder Sale
01-May	11:00 AM	Hoard Station Sale Barn	Quinte Cattlemens Special Stocker Sale
02-May	10:00 AM	Thessalon-Algoma Livestock Co-op	Special Spring Stocker Sale
02-May	11:00 AM	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale and Bred Cow & Cow Calf Pair Sale
06-May	10:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	Peterborough/Victoria Counties Special Stocker Sale
07-May	10:00 AM	Warton-Grey Bruce Livestock Co-op	Special Spring Stocker Sale
13-May	7:00 PM	Cargill Auction Market	Special Spring Stocker Sale
16-May	12:00 PM	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Bred Cow Sale
27-May	12:00 PM	Aylmer Stockyards Inc	Special Spring Stocker Sale
27-May	1:00 PM	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
27-May	7:00 PM	Cargill Auction Market	Special Spring Stocker Sale