



## DAILY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – TUESDAY May 5, 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 May 4th*

A Grade Steers	No bids or trades reported
A Grade Heifers	No bids or trades reported

### ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at Brussels Livestock: 95 fed cattle 110 cows

	Price Range	Top
Choice fed steers & heifers	330.00-345.00	360.00
Second cut cattle	320.00-329.00	
Aged & Medium fed cattle	295.00-315.00	
Holstein Steers & heifers	240.00-291.00	
Good Beef Cows	225.00-265.00	269.50
Good Holsteins Cows	235.00-255.50	
Medium Holsteins Cows	220.00-234.50	
Bulls	230.50-285.50	319.00

Fed steers and heifers sold strong at \$5.00-10.00/cwt higher. Good cows sold strong at \$7.00-10.00/cwt higher.

**Stocker Sales every Fri @ 10:00 am. Jun 13<sup>rd</sup>@1:00 pm – Special Bred Cow Sale**

Today at Ontario Livestock Exchange: 264 veal, 103 cows

	Price Range	Top
Fed Cows	207.00-230.00	280.00
Good Beef Veal	395.00-415.00	
Good Holstein Veal	372.50-402.50	405.00
Medium Holstein Veal	350.00-370.00	
Plain Holstein Veal	310.00-348.00	
Heavy Holstein Veal	355.00-372.50	390.00

Veal sold on a steady trade. Fed cows sold on a good demand at stronger prices. **Special Vacc Stocker Sales every Wed @ 1:00 pm.**

Today at Keady Livestock Market: 1,104 Stockers, 35 Cows and Bulls, 72 Dollar Calves

*\*Market report is unavailable at the time of reporting. Results will be posted tomorrow\**

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

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000 lbs	15	240.80-279.10	255.41	282.50
Cows	197	175.62 234.26	201.31	266.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	8	286.25 328.25	290.77	540.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	13	196.77 275.23	244.77	300.00
Veal calves under 125 lbs	440	1798.82 2979.89	2253.42	3390.00

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):	392.34	392.24
Change (from yesterday's close):	+0.78	+1.64
Current Five Day Average:	389.43	388.17

## ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

**Alberta direct trade** last week saw light trade develop with weighted average steer and heifer prices closing the week around \$334.00/cwt, \$4.00/cwt higher than the previous week. The fed market has put together an impressive run, strengthening over the past 17 weeks. The combination of new market access to China, tighter cattle supplies and the seasonal spring rally has been price supportive. Last week butcher cows traded \$2.00-3.00/cwt higher through commercial auction facilities establishing new record highs. Only once in the past ten years have first half of the year highs occurred in April, that was back in 2020. This week's showlist has been compiled with volumes smaller than the previous week.

<i>Steers</i>	Live	FOB feedlot (last week)	339.25		Rail – Del (last week)	560.00-565.00
<i>Heifers</i>	Live	FOB feedlot (last week)	339.25		Rail – Del (last week)	560.00-565.00

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

**The U.S. cash cattle trade** saw light trade reported in Texas yesterday with live sales at \$255.00/cwt, steady with last week. This light test of the market does not set a price trend. Early week buying interest is a little surprising given packers are looking at some of the worst margins seen this year. Significant trade will likely be delayed until the second half of this week. Asking prices are expected to start out at \$260.00/cwt on a live basis. Showlist volumes in Colorado and Nebraska are larger than last week. After a tougher day yesterday feeder cattle contracts are rebounding 300 points and are trading back to within \$5/cwt of their highs in April.

<b>Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:</b>	Live	255.00
	Rail	N/T

## CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures **today** were as follows:

Live Cattle			Feeder Cattle			Corn		
Jun	253.22	+1.47	May	371.82	+5.22	May	4.654	-8.2
Aug	248.35	+2.17	Aug	372.30	+5.70	Jul	4.800	-5.6
Oct	243.22	+2.77	Sep	370.37	+5.57	Sep	4.854	-5.0
Dec	242.80	+2.92	Oct	368.02	+5.45	Dec	5.004	-4.0
Feb	242.90	+2.90	Nov	365.15	+5.35	Mar	5.134	-3.6
Apr	242.30	+2.85	Jan	359.35	+5.35	May	5.210	-3.0
Soybeans			Soft Red Winter Wheat			Canadian \$		
	<i>US \$/bu</i>			<i>US \$/bu</i>				
May	11.956	-11.6	May	6.164	-13.0	Spot	73.43	-0.06
Jul	12.114	-11.2	Jul	6.276	-13.2	Jun	73.56	-0.08
Aug	12.050	-11.0	Sep	6.432	-13.2	Sep	73.82	-0.07
Sep	11.842	-8.2	Dec	6.650	-12.4	Dec	74.04	-0.07
Nov	11.894	-7.2	Mar	6.840	-11.2	Mar	74.23	-0.07
Jan	12.014	-6.6	May	6.930	-10.0	Jun	74.39	-0.06

## ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER SPECIAL SPRING SALES

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
13-Jun	1:00 PM	Brussels Livestock	Special Bred Cow Sale
24-Jun	12:00 PM	Aylmer Stockyards Inc	Special Spring Stocker Sale
24-Jun	1:00 PM	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
24-Jun	7:00 PM	Cargill Auction Market	Special Spring Stocker Sale
29-Jul	7:00 PM	Cargill Auction Market	Special Spring Stocker Sale