



Weekly Market Information Report for the week ending Thursday September 23, 2021

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. Weekly Range:

A Grade Steers	270.00
A Grade Heifers	269.00-270.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Ontario auction sales this week saw weighted average price ranges for:

FED CATTLE	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
Large Frame Steers +1250	50	153.53-163.16	159.65	174.00	163.76
Medium Frame Steers +1250	43	153.23-164.37	159.06	175.00	157.70
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	93	153.60-166.42	159.90	175.00	160.64
Large Frame Heifers +1000	53	157.00-163.06	160.46	173.00	159.58
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	69	155.54-165.22	159.43	175.50	152.78
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	122	155.30-164.60	159.52	175.50	156.32
Fed steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250	90	120.84-138.18	131.14	142.50	130.00
Fed heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000	90	90.50-119.74	105.04	139.00	107.79
Cows - All Weights	2,219	63.68-92.34	77.12	134.00	79.21
Bulls - All Weights	122	82.22-119.42	103.04	141.04	106.38

STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
1000+	943	174.09-194.40	186.36	198.00	182.42
900-999	1,148	191.36-202.60	197.28	208.50	197.86
800-899	371	180.59-210.52	198.90	232.00	205.20
700-799	283	167.79-214.45	198.99	232.00	202.81
600-699	304	179.29-233.49	211.26	246.00	205.82
500-599	339	200.07-245.18	226.86	258.99	227.30
400-499	175	180.37-263.93	229.79	290.00	224.24
-399	85	199.25-271.63	242.26	345.00	196.91

STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

HEIFERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
+900	556	166.27-183.41	175.42	186.25	166.71
800-899	310	175.91-190.11	182.96	195.00	175.42
700-799	269	149.45-191.35	179.10	200.50	181.51
600-699	215	153.77-192.69	178.49	204.50	178.53
500-599	205	143.46-212.01	186.11	232.50	180.24
400-499	110	165.42-223.33	198.87	244.00	174.49
300-399	68	170.24-246.45	210.90	315.00	187.96
-299	16	132.25-161.72	141.80	232.50	182.91

At Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn: September 18, 2021 – 158 cows, 13 bulls, 35 veal, 16 stockers, 5 Fed Cattle

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Cows	68.00-98.00	79.79	121.00
Bulls all weights	102.76-125.00	113.93	129.00
Veal 600 lbs +	107.00-122.00	111.90	123.00

Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc., September 21, 2021: 63 Fed Cattle, 2 Veal, 51 Cows, 2 Bulls, 5 stockers

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	162.75-174.50	166.32	175.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	157.00-172.00	161.60	175.50
Cows	68.50-97.00	82.91	110.00
Veal over 600 lbs	N/T		

At Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: September 22, 2021 – 33 veal, 198 Cows, 47 fed cattle, 3 bulls, 7 stockers

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers 1250 lbs +	155.00-163.50	159.40	163.50
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross 1000 lbs +	81.49-128.49	113.10	128.49
Cows	51.00-108.00	78.40	134.00
Veal over 600 lbs	79.00-156.00	127.40	156.00

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at Brussels Livestock: September 17, 2021 – 1,132 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	160.25-191.50	178.86	197.25	900+	157.00-184.50	170.13	185.00
900-999	190.00-202.00	194.63	207.00	800-899	157.50-189.25	172.86	189.25
800-899	169.00-216.00	200.07	216.00	700-799	128.00-189.50	170.29	189.50
700-799	176.00-211.00	200.21	211.00	600-699	140.00-188.50	173.74	191.00
600-699	192.50-231.50	210.96	237.00	500-599	130.00-201.00	174.91	220.50
500-599	190.00-231.00	213.58	231.00	400-499	128.00-216.00	189.30	216.00
400-499	155.00-261.00	214.09	261.00	300-399	145.00-224.00	195.93	224.00

Stocker sale at: Community Livestock Exchange: September 21, 2021 – 143 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
600-699	117.99-233.49	201.29	233.49	600-699	110.00-184.00	156.00	184.00
500-599	187.50-256.00	225.19	256.00	500-599	110.00-225.00	171.79	225.00
400-499	182.49-287.50	244.20	287.50	400-499	164.99-235.99	197.19	235.99

Stocker sale at: Keady Livestock Market: September 21, 2021 – 1,278 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	191.25-196.00	193.11	197.50	900+	180.50-186.25	185.40	186.25
900-999	196.00-202.00	198.37	204.50	800-899	187.50-195.00	191.59	195.00
800-899	197.00-212.00	203.22	212.00	700-799	174.00-189.00	184.79	189.00
700-799	179.00-212.50	192.67	212.50	600-699	145.00-195.00	180.10	195.00
600-699	174.00-226.00	207.06	228.00				
500-599	218.00-257.50	242.04	257.50				
400-499	220.00-257.50	249.36	257.50				

Stocker sale at: Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: September 21, 2021 – 190 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
900-999	163.99-193.50	189.39	193.50	600-699	182.20-202.99	195.39	202.99
700-799	169.99-217.49	204.09	217.49	500-599	125.00-216.00	197.10	216.00
600-699	135.00-222.50	195.99	222.50	400-499	200.99-227.00	220.50	227.00
500-599	150.00-237.00	215.30	237.00	300-399	177.49-237.99	217.09	237.99
400-499	145.99-260.99	224.00	260.99				
399-	154.00-292.49	236.10	292.49				

Stocker sale at **Ontario Livestock Exchange, September 22, 2021 – 586** stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	176.00-198.00	189.26	198.00	900+	Not enough to Establish a market		
900-999	190.00-208.50	199.30	208.50				
800-899	175.00-208.00	196.23	208.00				
700-799	187.00-190.00	188.00	190.00				

Stocker sale at **Ontario Livestock Exchange: September 23, 2021 – 267** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	117.50-172.00	158.27	172.00	700-799	140.00-165.00	152.81	185.00
900-999	98.00-167.50	139.89	179.00	600-699	135.00-152.50	145.75	177.00
800-899	109.00-207.00	157.85	207.00	500-599	112.50-200.00	159.58	232.50
700-799	142.50-192.50	177.81	192.50	400-499	185.00-240.00	203.50	240.00
600-699	182.50-225.00	205.27	227.50	300-399	160.00-315.00	224.17	315.00
500-599	180.00-235.00	210.81	240.00				
400-499	170.00-290.00	236.94	290.00				
399-	215.00-345.00	287.50	345.00				

Stocker sale at **Ottawa Livestock Exchange: September 23, 2021 – 154** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
600-699	166.00-234.00	211.56	234.00	500-599	164.00-216.00	200.00	216.00
500-599	224.00-247.00	233.93	247.00	400-499	188.00-224.00	201.78	224.00
400-499	246.00-266.00	258.80	266.00				
399-	196.00-254.00	239.71	254.00				

Stocker sale at **Ontario Stockyards Inc, September 23, 2021- 525** stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	140.00-180.00	161.26	180.00	900+	172.75-183.00	178.19	183.00
900-999	177.50-200.00	191.54	200.00	800-899	96.00-167.50	137.83	167.50
800-899	183.00-209.00	201.13	209.00	700-799	140.00-194.50	181.41	194.50
700-799	187.50-215.00	202.12	215.00	600-699	171.00-203.25	190.25	203.25
600-699	206.00-246.00	226.00	246.00	500-599	170.00-221.00	194.94	224.00
500-599	217.50-247.50	231.96	255.00	400-499	161.00-208.00	187.14	244.00
400-499	220.00-266.00	238.12	266.00	300-399	197.50-270.00	234.06	270.00
399-	235.00-270.00	257.00	270.00				

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL FALL SALE

Stocker sale at **Community Livestock Exchange: September 17, 2021 – 567** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	170.99-196.50	192.50	196.50	900+	146.99-181.49	176.89	181.49
900-999	176.00-202.00	198.39	202.00	800-899	180.00-188.99	183.40	188.99
800-899	185.00-216.99	209.69	216.99	700-799	125.00-200.00	180.00	200.00
700-799	140.99-229.00	206.19	229.00	600-699	164.99-204.00	181.69	204.00
600-699	167.50-235.99	208.80	235.99	500-599	150.00-229.00	198.30	229.00
500-599	185.00-258.99	234.90	258.99				

Stocker sale at **Maple Hill Auctions Ltd: September 20, 2021 – 533** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	182.50-195.00	189.49	196.75	900+	182.00-183.00	182.36	183.00
900-999	195.75-200.00	197.71	206.00	800-899	188.00-193.00	189.02	193.50
800-899	214.00-214.50	214.34	232.00	700-799	191.00-200.50	198.53	200.50
700-799	222.50-232.00	228.04	232.00	600-699	193.00-204.50	200.22	204.50
				500-599	180.00-186.00	184.00	186.00

Stocker sale at **Algoma Cooperative Livestock Sales- Thessalon, September 21, 2021: 680** stockers

Steers	Price Range	Heifers	Price Range
1000+	187.00-194.25	1000+	163.50-169.75
900-999	193.50-206.00	900-999	163.75-178.75
800-899	202.50-219.25	800-899	183.25-189.00
700-799	208.00-222.00	600-699	186.25-196.00
600-699	220.00-226.25		

CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending Sep 4, 2021	Week ending Aug 28, 2021	Year to Date 2021
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ontario to the U.S.	1,283	1,870	78,241
Steers & Heifers & Cows	1,200	1,734	72,920
Bulls	83	136	5,321

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN PROCESSING

	Week Ending September 18, 2021	# of hd change from week ago	YTD	% Change (Week Ago)	% Change (Year Ago)
Grand Total	63,716	+4,209	2,323,812	+7%	+11%
Western Slaughter	49,001	+212	1,838,844	+0%	+13%
Eastern Slaughter	14,715	+3,997	484,968	+37%	+5%

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
Sep 18, 2021	939	841
Sep 11, 2021	932	825
Sep 11, 2021	920	843

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE PROCESSING VOLUME

	Week Ending Sept 25, 2021	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	641,000	657,000	655,000

QUEBEC ELECTRONIC AUCTION MARKET (F.O.B. THE FEEDLOT)

	Price	Change from Last Week
For the week ending September 22, 2021	272.00-273.75	+0.70

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta's direct trade: for the week ending September 22, 2021

Steers	Live FOB	156.75	Rail FOB	262.50-264.50
Heifers	Live FOB	156.75	Rail FOB	262.50-263.50

U.S. TRADE (U.S. funds)

The U.S. cash cattle trade: for the week ending September 22, 2021

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:	Live	122.00-125.00
	Rail	191.00-198.00

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Current Five Day Average	310.99	277.80

BEEF EXPORTS – CANADA

	United States Jan 1- Jul 31/21	<i>Change from last year YTD</i>	Mexico Jan 1- Jul 31/21	<i>Change from last year YTD</i>
Total	197,399 tonnes	+15% or +25,756 tonnes	13,837 tonnes	+102% or +6,973 tonnes
	Japan Jan 1- Jul 31/21	<i>Change from last year YTD</i>	China Jan 1- Jul 31/21	<i>Change from last year YTD</i>
Total	32,992 tonnes	+31% or +7,757 tonnes	11,400 tonnes	+134% or +6,523 tonnes

LIVE CATTLE – CANADA

IMPORTS	<i>Import % change from 2020 YTD</i>		EXPORTS	<i>Export % change from 2020 YTD</i>
Jan 1- Jul 31/21			Jan 1- Sept 4/21	
Pure bred	8,905	+417%	Slaughter steers & heifers & cows	280,915 -14%
Non-pure bred	210,697	+101%	Feeder cattle & calves	76,191 -7%
			Bulls	25,433 -8%

BEEF PRODUCTION – CANADA

	<i>Jan 1 – Sept 11/21</i>	<i>Last Year Same Time</i>	<i>% Change</i>
Fed	778,505 tonnes	696,893 tonnes	+12%
Non-fed	107,078 tonnes	96,113 tonnes	+11%

BEEF IMPORTS – CANADA

	<i>Jan 1 – Sept 11/21</i>	<i>Last Year Same Time</i>	<i>% Change</i>
United States	70,322 tonnes	79,330 tonnes	-11%
Non-CUSMA	24,461 tonnes	40,187 tonnes	-39%
EU-28 (beef/veal total)	8,753 tonnes	11,043 tonnes	-21%
Total	112,173 tonnes	139,049 tonnes	-19%

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

Live Cattle		Feeder Cattle		Corn		Soybeans		Canadian \$	
Oct	122.92 -0.30	Sep	154.62 -0.27	Dec	5.266 -2.4	Nov	12.850 +0.6	Spot	78.98 -0.07
Dec	128.15 -0.47	Oct	157.35 +0.50	Mar	5.344 -2.4	Jan	12.946 +0.6	Dec	78.97 -0.07
Feb	132.62 -0.32	Nov	158.57 +0.47	May	5.390 -2.2	Mar	12.976 +0.2	Mar	78.98 -0.07
Apr	136.32 -0.45	Jan	159.60 +0.40	Jul	5.382 -2.0	May	13.032 +0.0	Jun	78.94 -0.07
Jun	131.15 -0.47	Mar	160.17 +0.40	Sep	5.116 +1.2	Jul	13.052 -0.4	Sep	78.88 -0.07
Aug	129.67 -0.37	Apr	162.55 +0.55	Dec	5.046 -0.6	Aug	12.962 +0.0	Dec	78.81 -0.07

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ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL FALL SALES

Sep 25 8:00 am	Rainy River Cattlemen's Sale	Majority Calves, some yearlings, cows etc.
Sep 25 11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Vaccinated Calf & Yearling Sale
Sep 25 1:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Lone Spruce Hereford Dispersal
Sep 27 7:00 pm	Maple Hill Auction Ltd	Fall Stocker Sale
Sep 29 10:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	Fall Stocker Sale
Sep 29 1:00 pm	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Fall Stocker Sale
Oct 1 9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Grass Yearling Sale- Overnight Stand
Oct 1 7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market Inc	Charolais & Exotic Cross Yearling Sale
Oct 4 7:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Fall Stocker Sale
Oct 6 11:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Community Sales Barn	Fall Stocker Sale
Oct 7 11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	CDN Angus Program/CDN Hereford Assoc. Sale
Oct 8 9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Grass Yearling Sale (overnight stand)
Oct 9 11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Vaccinated Calves & Yearlings

Comments for the week ending September 23rd

Very light receipts of 215 fed steers and heifers sold through auction markets this week which is down 128 head from last week and 199 fewer than last year at this time. Fed steers ranged from \$153.60-\$166.42 averaging \$159.90 down \$0.74 from last week but \$22.54 stronger than year ago prices. Fed heifers sold from \$155.30-\$164.60 averaging \$159.52 up \$3.20 from the previous week and \$24.61 above year ago prices. Auction markets reported trade as active with prices steady to strong, with quality considered.

The Ontario railgrade prices are fully steady for the third consecutive week. Steers sold at \$270.00 dressed and heifers \$269.00-\$270.00 with delivery from the weeks of September 27th through October 11th. Last year at this time bids were hard to come by and trade was extremely limited at \$230.00 dressed, down \$40.00 from the current prices.

The Boxed Beef Report by Kevin Grier notes on Canadian buyer activity: "Big retailers are likely reassessing feature plans and merchandising strategies for December. Christmas ads are being finalized. Price points are probably going to be much less attractive than at any time in the past. Normal turn business volumes are being reassessed given new price points. Meanwhile distributors are stepping far back from the market as they wait for prices to find some bottom."

2,219 fed/cull cows were sold this week through Ontario auction markets, up 13 from last week and 277 more than this time last year. Cows traded from \$63.68-\$92.34 averaging \$77.12 down \$2.09 from last week but \$5.88 stronger than year ago prices. Auction markets reported trade as active at steady prices mainly, with one market noting prices up \$1.00-\$2.00 cwt on good demand. By mid-week, trade was noted as selective but with prices holding steady and ended the week with a large offering selling barely steady.

Larger receipts of stocker and feeder cattle sold through auction markets this week at 5,397 head, up 1,230 from last week and 652 more than the same week last year. Auction markets reported lighter weights as active at steady to fully steady prices. Grass cattle were noted at a premium. Heavier cattle were fully steady to slightly higher noting a larger percentage of this week's trade is over 700 lbs. By week's end all classes were steady to strong with quality considered. Actual average prices this week saw steers 400-500 lbs up \$5.55 from last week, 500-600 lbs down \$0.44, 600-700 lbs up \$5.44, 700-800 lbs down \$3.82, 800-900 lbs down \$6.30, 900-1000 lbs down \$0.58 and steers 1000 lbs plus averaged \$3.94 stronger than last week on average. Heifers 300-400 lbs were up \$22.94, 400-500 lbs up \$24.38, 500-600 lbs up \$5.87, 600-700 lbs down \$0.04, 700-800 lbs down \$2.41, 800-900 lbs up \$7.54 and heifers 900 lbs and over averaged \$8.71 above the previous week on average.

The Quebec electronic market for this week ranged from \$272.00-\$273.75 cwt dressed on a picked-up basis, which was up \$0.70 from the previous week on average.

Alberta direct trade was light to moderate this week with Canfax noting prices fully steady to \$1.00 cwt higher from \$264.00-\$265.00 cwt delivered on a dressed basis. Canfax reported: "All three western Canadian packers bought cattle. Cattle that traded this week were being scheduled for the middle to late October delivery. This week's cash offering has been clean up."

The U.S. cash cattle trade for the week ending September 17th was moderate to active mainly on Wednesday. Overall, average prices for the week, as reported by the USDA Mandatory Price Report, saw live steers average \$123.88 down \$0.91, while live heifers averaged \$124.19 down \$0.06. On the rail, steers averaged \$198.64 dressed, down \$2.18, while heifers averaged \$198.82 dressed, down \$2.48.

This week's US trade was light to moderate in all feeding states on Wednesday with a few scattered deals developing Thursday. Trade was steady to strong in the south from \$123.00-\$124.00 live. The north was easier with trade reported from \$191.00-\$198.00 dressed, mainly \$196.00-\$198.00 down \$1.00-\$3.00 cwt with a few sales from \$123.00-\$125.00 live. Friday, the market is fairly quiet with just a few clean up deals expected, if anything. Asking prices on the remaining cattle are reported at \$124.00 live in the south and \$198.00 dressed in the north. The Cattle On Feed Report will be released later this afternoon.