



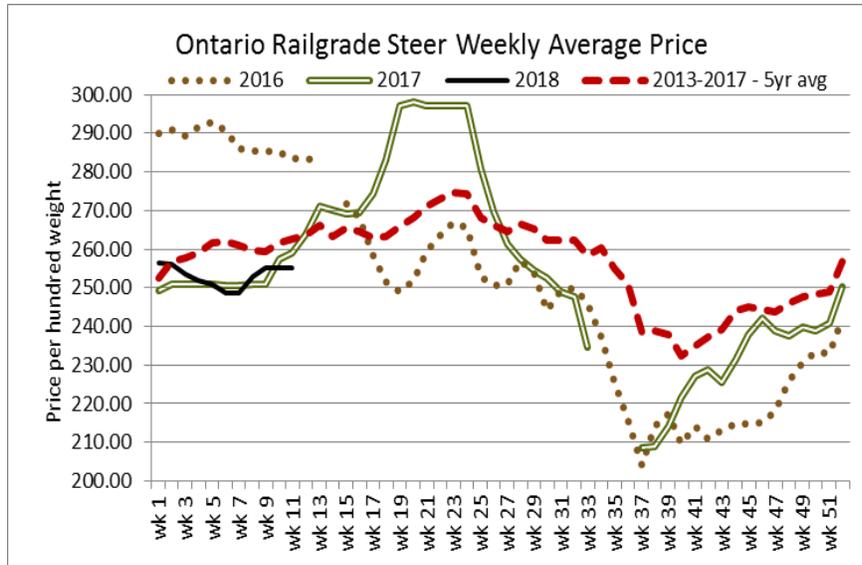
Daily Market Information Report - Friday, March 16, 2018

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 for today regardless of delivery date).

A Grade Steers 254.00-256.00
A Grade Heifers 253.00-255.00



ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at **Brussels Livestock: 1,100** stockers (100 yearlings left to sell at time of reporting)

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	133.00-164.50	155.98	166.00	900+	139.00-169.50	158.96	169.50
900-999	170.75-191.75	182.75	191.75	800-899	158.00-179.00	167.35	179.00
800-899	172.75-190.00	184.45	190.00	700-799	158.00-180.00	165.32	180.00
700-799	184.50-199.00	193.60	211.00	600-699	155.00-190.00	174.39	190.00
600-699	198.00-227.50	214.25	240.00	500-599	165.00-212.00	191.68	212.00
500-599	170.00-230.00	199.65	247.50	400-499	190.00-215.00	203.00	215.00
400-499	180.00-225.00	204.93	265.00	300-399	190.00-215.00	209.00	215.00
399-	120.00-187.00	173.70	260.00				

Calves and yearlings sold on a strong active trade at steady prices. Final results will be posted on Monday's report.

Today at **Community Livestock Exchange: 657** stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
900-999	178.00-187.50	180.60	187.50	900+	123.99-159.00	135.60	159.00
800-899	161.00-188.99	183.09	188.99	800-899	122.50-186.69	161.69	186.69
700-799	144.99-208.99	192.30	208.99	700-799	112.00-212.00	163.99	212.00
600-699	142.50-250.00	216.99	250.00	600-699	132.49-220.99	188.39	220.99
500-599	192.50-262.99	235.00	262.99	500-599	155.00-218.99	197.99	218.99
400-499	167.50-254.99	236.39	254.99	400-499	139.99-218.00	190.39	218.00
399-	189.99-252.49	232.60	252.49	300-399	164.99-197.50	175.20	197.50

Quinte Cattlemen's Association Spring Stocker Sale.

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

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	88	133.00-156.00	150.30	169.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	20	111.00-153.50	139.04	153.50
Fed steers, dairy and dairy cross	47	95.50-119.00	105.62	119.00
Cows	588	64.31-77.15	70.97	110.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	7	70.00-109.00	95.00	125.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	5	86.20-102.60	95.30	114.00
Veal +600 lbs	116	101.51-133.84	120.47	179.00
Veal Calves 125 lbs & under	74	110.00-210.00	173.37	350.00

Price Comparison- this week's average price compared to the previous week & the same time last year.

	Weekly Avg Price	Previous week - Avg Price	Change from last week	Year Ago - Avg Price	Change from last year
	2018			2017	
Fed steer live 1250+	151.20	149.14	+2.06	158.31	-7.11
Fed heifer live 1000+	147.66	143.97	+3.69	156.30	-8.64
Rail steer	255.00	255.00	+0.00	259.00	-4.00
Rail heifer	254.00	254.00	+0.00	258.00	-4.00
Cull cow	69.73	68.79	+0.94	82.05	-12.32
Stocker Steers					
400-499	222.36	240.50	-18.14	206.32	+16.04
500-599	216.90	230.23	-13.33	200.94	+15.96
600-699	210.61	224.05	-13.44	183.51	+27.10
700-799	183.07	203.47	-20.40	169.85	+13.22
800-899	177.07	190.52	-13.45	166.70	+10.37
900-999	178.72	179.77	-1.05	171.14	+7.58
1000+	174.67	170.58	+4.09	164.25	+10.42
Heifers					
300-399	180.86	194.75	-13.89	178.64	+2.22
400-499	185.71	194.83	-9.12	181.34	+4.37
500-599	190.29	205.12	-14.83	172.12	+18.17
600-699	177.73	186.15	-8.42	165.52	+12.11
700-799	168.99	176.42	-7.43	158.96	+10.03
800-899	155.44	163.52	-8.08	150.73	+4.71
900+	150.61	155.33	-4.72	141.06	+9.55

Stocker sale at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, March 15, 2018– 300** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
900-999	149.00-170.50	161.26	170.50	700-799	120.00-171.00	152.04	171.00
800-899	180.00-199.00	186.32	199.00	600-699	126.00-181.00	162.28	181.00
700-799	130.00-180.00	159.85	180.00	500-599	105.00-206.00	173.04	206.00
600-699	184.00-207.50	195.15	207.50	400-499	142.50-207.00	174.55	207.00
500-599	155.00-212.50	177.50	215.00				
400-499	137.50-180.00	154.07	225.00				
399-	82.50-177.50	129.00	177.50				

Stockers sold on a good steady trade.

Stocker sale at: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange, March 15, 2018– 61** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
600-699	88.00-192.19	173.11	192.19	500-599	150.00-195.38	172.95	195.38
500-599	178.00-223.10	198.03	223.10				

Stocker sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc. - March 15, 2018– 725** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
900-999	140.00-187.00	176.58	187.00	900+	116.00-165.50	146.13	165.50
800-899	152.00-185.00	169.78	185.00	800-899	125.00-179.00	159.34	179.00
700-799	178.50-211.00	193.12	211.00	700-799	160.00-193.00	180.30	193.00
600-699	192.50-224.00	209.99	231.00	600-699	172.00-209.00	188.32	209.00
500-599	180.00-236.00	205.40	263.50	500-599	170.00-211.00	194.50	215.00
400-499	195.00-248.00	223.06	258.00	400-499	146.00-219.00	189.83	247.00
399-	170.00-225.00	196.34	240.00	300-399	130.00-190.00	164.15	220.00
				299-	172.50-215.00	198.70	215.00

Good quality replacements traded steady. Plainer and fleshier types sold barely steady to slightly lower.

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	225.72	217.17
Change (from yesterday's close):	+0.73	+0.86
Current Five Day Average:	224.18	216.97

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

	Price	Change from Last Week
For the week ending March 15, 2018	250.00-252.00	+1.77

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade reported by Canfax, saw live sales at \$165.25 for both steers and heifers this week, up \$0.87 and \$1.00 respectively. Sales on a dressed basis, FOB, were reported from \$273.50-\$276.50 for steers averaging \$275.32 up \$0.73, while heifers traded from \$274.50-\$276.50 averaging \$275.84 up \$0.74. Canfax reported: "trade was sluggish this week but prices did manage to average fully steady with last week. The majority of weekly sales were dressed from \$276.00-\$278.00 delivered. US buying interest was noted yesterday, depending on freight and dressing percentage US bids were working back to the low to mid 160's on a live basis. US bids were comparable with local sales in other words there was very little price incentive to market cattle into the US."

Steers	Live	165.25	Rail (FOB)	273.50-276.50
Heifers	Live	165.25	Rail (FOB)	274.50-276.50

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

U.S. cash cattle trade on Thursday saw some light trade with southern sales from \$126.00-\$127.00 live, while trade in the north was from \$205.00-\$207.00 dressed, steady to \$2.00 stronger than last week. This morning, there were a couple of deals in the south at \$127.00 live and \$205.00 dressed in the north, which was fully steady. This afternoon the market was quiet and it appears that this week's trade is completed. Prices for the week ranged from:

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:	Live	126.00-132.00
	Rail	202.00-208.00

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

Live Cattle		Feeder Cattle		Corn		Soybeans		Canadian \$	
Apr	121.25 -0.60	Mar	139.97 -0.65	May	3.826 -4.0	May	10.494 +8.6	Spot	76.36 -0.22
Jun	111.75 -0.55	Apr	140.20 -0.62	Jul	3.910 -3.4	Jul	10.602 +9.0	Mar	73.63 -0.22
Aug	109.12 -0.67	May	140.95 -0.65	Sep	3.966 -3.2	Aug	10.612 +8.4	Jun	76.50 -0.23
Oct	111.90 -0.70	Aug	146.25 -0.25	Dec	4.036 -2.4	Sep	10.476 +7.6	Sep	76.65 -0.23
Dec	115.22 -0.40	Sep	147.37 -0.25	Mar	4.104 -2.4	Nov	10.410 +7.4	Dec	76.78 -0.24
Feb	116.60 -0.35	Oct	147.55 -0.12	May	4.146 -2.2	Jan	10.434 +7.4	Mar	76.92 -0.21

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ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE UPCOMING SPECIAL SALES

Date	Time	Location	Kind
Mar 17	2:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Rollin Acres/Patton/Whiskey Hollow Charolais Bull Sale
Mar 24	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Spring Stockers & Bred Cows & Cow/Calf Pairs
Mar 27	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special Spring All Vaccinated Stocker Sale
Mar 28	2:00 pm	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Stocker Sale
Mar 31	1:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Mid-Western Angus & Simmental Bull Sale
Apr 4	10:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	Spring Stocker Sale
Apr 7	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Stocker and Bred Cow Sale
Apr 7	1:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Vancise Hereford & Red Angus Bull Sale
Apr 7	2:00 pm	Keady Livestock Market	Sauders Bull Sale