



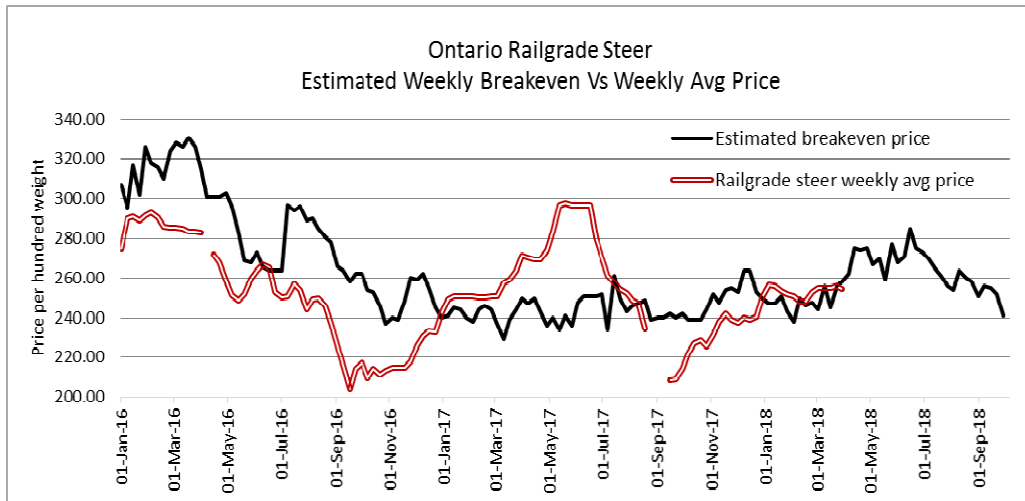
## Daily Market Information Report – Thursday March 29, 2018

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 Wednesday regardless of delivery date).

**A Grade Steers** 253.00  
**A Grade Heifers** 252.00



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### ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at **Ontario Livestock Exchange**: 130 Fed Cattle, 428 Cows, & 307 Stockers, 20 Veal

	Price Range	Top
Good Fed Steers	151.00-155.00	
Good Fed Heifers- light run	143.00-150.50	
Holstein Steers	96.00-107.50	
Good Cows	70.00-79.00	110.00
Steers 700 lbs+	163.00-192.50	
Lightweight Steers	168.00-241.00	
Heifers 700 lbs+	134.00-166.00	
Lightweight Heifers	147.00-230.00	

Cull cows sold on a steady trade. Fed steers and heifers sold steady, with Holstein steers also steady. Stockers sold steady to the week's softer trade.

Today at **Ontario Stockyards Inc.:** 600 stockers –sale in progress. Final results will be on Monday's report.

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
900-999	90.00-132.00	107.79	187.50	900+	95.00-130.00	109.04	140.00
800-899	165.00-177.00	171.18	177.00	800-899	122.00-145.00	134.08	145.00
700-799	119.00-194.50	172.55	196.00	700-799	120.00-154.00	139.85	157.00
600-699	177.00-217.00	201.14	234.00	600-699	151.00-195.00	169.79	195.00
500-599	183.00-229.00	206.32	232.00	500-599	162.50-190.00	178.49	202.50
400-499	165.00-220.00	190.15	235.00	400-499	152.50-201.00	180.20	201.00
399-	132.50-180.00	169.05	214.00	300-399	140.00-175.00	160.28	175.00

All better quality cattle sold close to steady. Plainier types were steady to lower.

Today at **Brussels Livestock: 130** Veal

	Price Range	Top
Good Beef Calves	140.00-200.00	220.00
Good Holsteins	110.00-120.00	129.00
Slightly Heavy Holsteins	100.00-110.00	
Heavy Holsteins 800 lbs+	90.00-110.00	
Medium Holsteins	95.00-108.00	

Veal sold under pressure due to the Easter Lamb sale, however beef veal calves sold good!

At **Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: March 28, 2018 – 42** stockers, **47** Veal, **155** Cows, **2** Bulls, **25** Fed Cattle

	Price Range	Average	Top
Fed heifers, dairy & dairy cross	73.99-112.50	95.29	112.50
Cows	46.00-93.99	70.59	102.00
Veal over 600 lbs	84.99-150.00	122.50	150.00

Veal and cull cows sold on a steady market. Replacement calves sold from \$100.00-\$355.00 per head.

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

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	51	120.15-151.38	139.27	164.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	78	130.01-157.78	144.12	163.00
Fed heifers, dairy and dairy cross +1000 lbs	30	69.26-106.27	86.66	112.50
Cows	561	57.05-106.73	71.38	137.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	9	81.33-94.25	84.57	108.87
Bulls over 1600 lbs	24	90.96-113.42	100.61	117.26
Veal over 600 lbs	552	85.86-146.88	121.34	150.00
Veal under 125 lbs	196	172.00-350.00	242.61	377.00

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

Stocker sale at **Ontario Livestock Exchange: March 28, 2018 – 373** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	160.00-180.50	164.96	180.50	900+	130.00-138.50	135.10	138.50
900-999	160.00-168.00	164.05	168.00	800-899	151.50-157.50	154.50	157.50
800-899	187.300-195.00	191.57	195.00				

Feeder cattle sold under pressure.

Stocker sale at **Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange, March 28, 2018 - 224** stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
800-899	140.00-183.00	169.84	183.00	800-899	142.00-158.00	147.99	158.00
700-799	144.00-203.00	181.11	203.00	700-799	132.00-178.00	149.93	178.00
600-699	164.00-217.00	185.36	217.00	600-69	146.00-180.00	157.81	180.00
500-599	152.00-229.00	180.59	229.00	500-599	138.00-180.00	151.72	180.00
400-499	165.00-232.00	190.87	232.00				

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	221.60	210.29
Change (from yesterday's close):	-0.02	-1.34
Current Five Day Average:	222.97	215.15

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

	Price	Change from Last Week
On Thursday, March 29, 2018	246.00-250.00	-3.43

### ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade was light to moderate this week. Canfax reported live steers and heifers at \$160.00, down \$1.51 from last week on average, noting most of this week's sales were on a live basis. Canfax also reported dressed deals from \$263.00-\$265.00 for heifers, FOB, averaging \$264.17 down \$9.92 from last week. Canfax notes that some trade could still develop today however there will still be some cattle carried over to next week.

<b>Steers</b>	Live	160.00	Rail (FOB)	N/T
<b>Heifers</b>	Live	160.00	Rail (FOB)	263.00-265.00

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

The U.S cash cattle trade was light to moderate yesterday with live sales from \$117.00-\$124.50 averaging \$121.00 down \$5.00 from last week but steady to the week's decline. On the rail trade ranged from \$190.00-\$195.00 averaging \$190.73 down around \$11.00 from last week on average. Today, a light test in the south this morning was steady at \$121.00 with a couple of hundred head trading in the north at \$194.00 dressed. This afternoon the market is quiet as the futures were down triple digits to down the limit is spots, putting an end to trade. We could see some cattle carried over to next week.

<b>Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:</b>	Live	117.00-125.00 for the week
	Rail	190.00-198.00 for the week.

### CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

Live Cattle		Feeder Cattle		Corn		Soybeans		Canadian \$	
Apr	113.75 -2.25	Mar	135.60 -0.37	May	3.864 +13.0	May	10.440 +26.0	Spot	77.66 +0.23
Jun	102.57 -3.00	Apr	133.32 -4.50	Jul	3.950 +12.6	Jul	10.544 +25.6	Jun	77.62 +0.07
Aug	101.47 -2.97	May	134.02 -4.47	Sep	4.020 +13.0	Aug	10.572 +26.6	Sep	77.75 +0.08
Oct	105.42 -2.87	Aug	140.42 -4.00	Dec	4.096 +12.6	Sep	10.502 +29.0	Dec	77.87 +0.09
Dec	110.02 -2.35	Sep	141.32 -3.97	Mar	7.166 +12.2	Nov	10.460 +29.4	Mar	77.99 +0.09
Feb	112.35 -2.20	Oct	141.50 -3.95	May	4.210 +11.6	Jan	10.484 +29.2	Jun	78.09 +0.10

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### ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE UPCOMING SPECIAL SALES

Date	Time	Location	Kind
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
Apr 17	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special Spring All Vaccinated Stocker Sale
Apr 18	10:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	Spring Stocker Sale
Apr 21	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Spring Stockers & Bred Cows & Cow/Calf Pairs