



Daily Market Information Report – Monday, May 28, 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, *regardless of delivery date.*

A Grade Steers	245.00-247.00
A Grade Heifers	244.00-246.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at **Ontario Stockyards Inc.:** 111 veal on offer

	Price Range	Top
Veal 600 lbs +	92.00-115.00	145.00
Veal 451-600 lbs	80.00-90.00	104.00

All classes of veal sold lower.

At **Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn, May 26, 2018** – 129 cows, 8 bulls, 53 veal, 81 stockers

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Cows	57.50-90.00	69.87	114.00
Veal 600 lbs +	86.00-147.50	96.76	147.50
Veal 125 lbs and less	112.50-395.00	177.59	395.00

Veal sold on a barely steady market. Cows and bulls sold steady while stockers sold strong.

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at **Brussels Livestock: May 25, 2018** – 1,209 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	143.00-162.50	153.85	167.50	900+	130.00-149.50	144.24	156.50
900-999	156.00-172.00	163.49	173.00	800-899	144.00-166.00	156.24	166.00
800-899	162.00-181.00	172.57	189.50	700-799	145.00-173.50	161.96	176.00
700-799	155.00-191.00	173.62	195.00	600-699	150.00-186.00	170.28	215.00
600-699	177.00-220.00	200.83	220.00	500-599	160.00-202.00	183.59	218.00
500-599	167.00-237.00	206.79	237.00	400-499	170.00-205.00	189.67	215.00
400-499	180.00-244.00	218.59	244.00	300-399	120.00-225.00	172.07	225.00
399 or less	190.00-250.00	219.00	250.00				

Calves sold on a strong active trade at prices \$2.00-\$3.00 cwt higher. Yearlings sold on an active trade at steady prices.

ONTARIO BRED COW SALES

Keady Livestock Market, May 25- 24 Bred cows, 104 Cow calf pairs, 7 breeder bulls

	Exotic and Exotic X	British and British X
Top quality bred cows	\$1600-\$1925	N/T
Avg quality bred cows	\$1000-\$1500	N/T
Top quality cow/calf pairs	\$2200-\$2600	\$1800-\$2000
Avg quality cow/calf pairs	N/T	\$1500-\$1850

Good cow/calf pairs sold active due to strong buyer representation!

LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending May 12, 2018	Week ending May 5, 2018	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ontario to the U.S.	2,330	2,720	42,886
Steers & Heifers	1,106	1,222	20,629
Cows	866	1,052	17,115
Bulls	358	446	5,142

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
May 19, 2018	854	786
May 12, 2018	846	804
May 20, 2017	839	777

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN PROCESSING

	Week Ending May 19, 2018	# of hd change from week ago	YTD	% Change (Week Ago)	% Change (Year Ago)
Grand Total	58,637	-3,625	1,087,144	-6%	+8%
Western Slaughter	45,503	-3,405	833,204	-7%	+9%
Eastern Slaughter	13,134	-220	253,940	-2%	+4%

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE PROCESSING VOLUME

	Week Ending May 26, 2018	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	647,000	660,000	623,000

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade is closed today as the U.S. celebrates Memorial Day. Final results for last week are not available at this time, however it appears that trade was very light as packers are bought out two weeks, so they were not aggressively seeking cattle. Sellers were not showing too much interest in the lower bids either. As of Friday afternoon, the few cattle that did trade were around \$110.00-\$111.00 live and \$177.00-\$182.00 dressed, down \$3.00-\$4.00 from the previous week's average. Final results will be available tomorrow.

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:	Live	110.00-111.00
	Rail	177.00-182.00