

Daily Market Information Report - Wednesday, April 22, 2020

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 No trade reported
A Grade Heifers No trade reported

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at Ontario Livestock Exchange: 568 stockers

 Steers
 Price Range
 Heifers
 Price Range

 1000+
 153.00-170.00
 800+
 144.00-152.50

800-1000 162.00-182.00 **600-800** 194.00-202.50

Feeder cattle sold on a good active trade at fully steady pricing.

Today at Ontario Stockyards Inc.: 85 fed steers & heifers, 124 Cows, 9 Bulls & 6 Veal

,	Price Range	Тор
Fancy Fed Steers	132.00-146.00	148.50
Fancy Fed Heifers	132.00-142.00	144.00
Good to choice fed steers & heifers	128.00-132.00	
Aged & medium steers & heifers	107.00-121.00	
Good Beef Cows	65.00-82.00	88.50
Good Dairy Cows	60.00-66.00	85.00
Export Cows	50.00-60.00	61.00
Bulls	102.00-115.00	119.00

Cows and bulls traded fully steady to stronger. Fed steers and heifers traded at stronger pices on good buyer demand. Veal sold steady to Monday's higher market. 650 stockers are expected for Thursday's sale. May 5th @ 11:00 am- All Vaccinated Stocker Sale!

Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc., April 21, 2020: 284 Fed Cattle, 33 Veal, 92 Cows, 3 bulls, 13 stockers

	Price Range	Average	Top	
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	132.00-142.00	137.34	170.00	
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	134.25-144.50	139.83	172.00	
Cows	54.50-77.50	65.65	89.50	
Veal over 600 lbs	106.00-115.00	109.90	119.00	

Fed cattle sold steady with a good demand. Cull cows traded stronger this week. Veal sold barely steady. Drop calves sold higher. May 2nd @ 11:00 am- Special Stocker Sale & Bred Cow Sale!

Ontario auction sales on Tuesday saw weighted prices for:

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Тор
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	96	130.38-143.83	136.88	170.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	284	132.10-143.98	139.42	172.00
Cows	578	53.87-74.01	63.48	105.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	5	96.80-107.00	103.00	113.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	18	98.66-112.58	106.86	120.00
Veal 600 lbs and over	422	110.00-135.03	123.79	182.50
Veal 125 & less	44	57.66-166.08	114.36	250.00

Stocker sale at: Community Livestock Exchange: April 21, 2020 – 84 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
700-799	102.49-180.00	142.99	180.00	600-699	112.50-169.99	148.10	169.99
600-699	144.99-197.50	173.10	197.50	500-599	139.99-197.99	167.70	197.99
500-599	150.00-220.00	200.70	220.00	400-499	142.50-202.49	172.90	202.49

May 1, 2020 @ 11:00 am- Quinte Cattlemen's Sale- this sale will now be available online. Go to https://liveauctions.tv then select the Quinte Stocker Sale on May 1, 2020 @ 11:00 am. Click on "Watch this event" and you will be directed to complete "new user" information if you are new to the system. You can also register to bid online. For further information email Denton Meiklejohn @ dentlynnefarms@yahoo.ca or Dave and Kim Denure at daveyd@xplornet.com

Stocker sale at: Keady Livestock Market: April 21, 2020 – 617 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
900-999	153.00-167.00	161.15	167.00	900+	104.00-141.00	123.00	141.00
800-899	170.00-180.00	178.14	180.00	800-899	120.00-147.00	139.29	147.00
700-799	184.25-205.50	193.41	205.50	700-799	157.00-171.00	165.29	171.00
600-699	202.00-222.50	212.32	227.00	600-699	172.00-189.50	181.34	189.50
500-599	213.00-230.00	223.43	230.00	500-599	170.00-207.50	189.45	207.50
400-499	205.00-237.50	224.64	237.50	400-499	197.00-210.00	204.56	210.00
399-	205.00-212.50	210.00	212.50	300-399	190.00-195.00	191.00	195.00

All classes of stocker and feeder cattle sold fully steady. *April 24th @ 9:00 am- Spring Stocker Sale with 1,000 head expected!*

Stocker sale at: Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: April 21, 2020 – 116 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
600-699	157.00-214.00	191.50	214.00	700-799	135.00-161.00	148.10	161.00
500-599	162.99-227.49	205.69	227.49	600-699	138.99-175.00	166.90	175.00
400-499	175.00-235.99	204.40	235.99	500-599	139.99-204.99	178.60	204.99
				400-499	139.99-202.00	190.39	202.00

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	270.99	254.41
Change (from yesterday's close):	+11.14	+5.59
Current Five Day Average:	242.72	232.44

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade was reported by Canfax as light yesterday with prices declining \$12.00-\$13.00 cwt from last week, with dressed deals sitting at \$190.00 cwt delivered on a dressed basis. Light trade could continue this afternoon and into tomorrow but Canfax notes that packers are not needing inventory during the current processing conditions. Canfax reports: "One major packer is temporarily closed and the other packer is operating at reduced capacity. Cattle that were initially scheduled to be slaughtered in April are being pushed back into May. "

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade was light in the north yesterday with sales at \$150.00 delivered on a dressed basis, steady to \$18.00 below last week's trade. Today, the market was extremely quiet with no bids on the table. Asking prices are sitting at \$105.00-\$108.00 live in the south and \$168.00 dressed in the north. Boxed beef prices continued to skyrocket due to decreased processing volumes which could encourage sellers to hold out for at least steady prices.

At the Fed Cattle Exchange online auction today, there were 4,671 head on offer, in 37 lots with delivery varying from 1-9 days, 1-17 days and a few from 10-17 days. Packer interest was very slim with only 6 lots bid on and 5 lots sold. Asking prices ranged from \$92.25-\$105.00 live. Three lots with delivery in 1-9 days sold for asking prices of \$100.00 live, all from the south, while one lot asking \$95.00 was bid \$95.00 but passed. Two lots with delivery from 1-17 days were asking \$92.25-\$93.00 and sold for those amounts.

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers: Live 94.00-105.00

Rail 150.00

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

Live C	attle		Feede	er Cattle		Corn			Soyb	eans		Cana	dian \$	
Apr	88.95	-2.65	Apr	118.47	+0.57	May	3.174	+8.2	May	8.346	+4.0	Spot	70.49	+0.06
Jun	83.92	-0.15	May	116.67	-0.07	Jul	3.246	+7.4	Jul	8.424	+1.6	Jun	70.51	+0.07
Aug	88.35	-0.15	Aug	127.20	+0.30	Sep	3.274	+6.0	Aug	8.432	+0.6	Sep	70.55	+0.06
Oct	93.47	-0.30	Sep	138.62	+0.20	Dec	3.366	+4.6	Sep	8.430	-0.6	Dec	70.59	+0.06
Dec	97.92	-0.27	Oct	129.60	+0.05	Mar	3.494	+4.2	Nov	8.464	-1.4	Mar	70.61	+0.05
Feb	103.12	-0.02	Nov	130.65	+0.12	May	3.560	+3.4	Jan	8.484	-2.6	Jun	70.61	+0.04

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