

Daily Market Information Report – Monday, January 4, 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. (Prices regardless of delivery date).

A Grade Steers No sales or bids reported today.

A Grade Heifers No sales or bids reported today.

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at Ontario Stockyards Inc.: 16 veal

Veal 600 lbs +

Price Range Top 100.00-127.00 135.00

A light run of veal calves sold at fully steady prices.

At Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn, January 2, 2021 -104 cows, 5 bulls, 20 veal, 11 stockers, 6 fed cattle

	Price Range	Avg.	Тор
Cows	45.00-82.00	51.60	107.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	81.00-113.00	94.96	113.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	N/T		
Veal calves 600 lbs & over	118.00-145.00	129.06	145.00
Veal 125 lbs and under	85.00-340.00	174.12	340.00

Veal calves traded actively on a strong market. Cull cows sold slightly higher. January 13, 2021 @ 10:00 am- Special Stocker Sale!

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at Brussels Livestock: January 2, 2021 – 146 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
600-699	165.00-193.50	188.89	193.50	900+	126.00-145.00	139.68	145.00
500-599	181.00-210.00	202.00	210.00	600-699	143.00-179.00	167.76	179.00
				500-599	145.00-177.00	156.13	177.00

A light run of calves and yearlings sold actively at steady prices.

CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending Dec 19, 2020	Week ending Dec 12, 2020	Year to Date 2020
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ontario to the U.S.	3,702	3,630	125,522
Steers & Heifers & Cows	3,522	3,335	112,519
Bulls	180	295	13,003

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
Dec 19, 2020	940	848
Dec 12, 2020	972	855
Dec 21, 2019	921	835

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN PROCESSING

	Week Ending Dec 19, 2020	# of hd change from week ago	YTD	% Change (Week Ago)	% Change (Year Ago)
Grand Total	49,260	-13,008	2,980,214	-21%	-4%
Western Slaughter	43,461	-10,005	2,348,897	-19%	-4%
Eastern Slaughter	5,799	-3,003	631,317	-34%	-4%

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE PROCESSING VOLUME

	Week Ending Jan 2, 2021	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	515,000	419,000	550,000

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	212.02	196.75
Change (from yesterday's close):	+2.67	+1.78
Current Five Day Average:	209.12	196.98

Alberta direct trade last week was light with a good demand. Canfax reported trade at \$242.00 cwt delivered on a dressed basis, up \$2.00-\$4.00 cwt from the week before. On a picked-up basis trade was noted from \$142.50-\$143.25 live with steers averaging \$143.35 up \$1.35 from the week before, while heifers averaged \$142.84 with no trade the previous week to compare too. On the rail sales ranged from \$239.75-\$240.75 dressed on a picked-up basis, with steers averaging \$240.53 up \$3.09 and heifers \$240.69 up \$2.57. Canfax reports that cattle that sold this week are for delivery the week of January 11th.

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade last week was stronger with business taking place from Wednesday to Thursday. Live trade ranged from \$108.00-\$112.00 with steers averaging \$111.51 up \$2.32 from the previous week while heifers averaged \$111.36 up \$1.68. On the rail business ranged from \$174.00-\$177.00 dressed with steers averaging \$175.67 up \$3.87 while heifers averaged \$175.98 up \$4.07 from the previous week's weighted average prices. Today the market was very quiet as new show lists were distributed. This week's offering is reported as larger in volume in all feeding states. Bids and asking prices are currently unestablished with little business expected before the second half of the week.

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers: Live 108.00-112.00

Rail 174.00-177.00

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures *Thursday December 31, 2020* were as follows:

Live Cattle			Feeder Cattle			Corn			Soybeans			Canadian \$		
Dec	112.95	+0.82	Jan	138.95	+0.42	Mar	4.840	+9.4	Jan	13.152	+11.4	Spot		
Feb	115.02	+0.57	Mar	140.22	+0.47	May	4.832	+9.0	Mar	13.110	+10.4	Mar	78.34	-0.02
Apr	119.25	+0.65	Apr	141.77	+0.12	Jul	4.802	+8.2	May	13.066	+9.0	Jun	78.34	-0.02
Jun	114.70	+0.82	May	142.85	+0.02	Sep	4.464	+3.6	Jul	12.974	+7.0	Sep	78.35	-0.02
Aug	114.42	+0.90	Aug	149.02	+0.20	Dec	4.346	+1.6	Aug	12.584	+1.70	Dec	78.35	-0.03
Oct	117.60	+0.82	Sep	148.87	+0.10	Mar	4.402	+1.4	Sep	11.606	+8.0	Mar	78.35	-0.01

Closing quotes on futures *today* were as follows:

Live C	attle		Feeder Cattle			Corn			Soybeans			Canadian \$		
Feb	112.30	-2.72	Jan	134.95	-4.00	Mar	4.836	-0.2	Jan	13.164	+1.2	Spot	78.29	-0.10
Apr	116.25	-3.00	Mar	136.02	-4.20	May	4.842	+1.0	Mar	13.130	+2.0	Mar	78.30	-0.04
Jun	112.57	-2.12	Apr	138.05	-3.72	Jul	4.822	+2.0	May	13.112	+4.4	Jun	78.31	-0.03
Aug	112.65	-1.77	May	139.67	-3.17	Sep	4.472	+0.6	Jul	13.036	+6.2	Sep	78.31	-0.04
Oct	116.42	-1.17	Aug	146.95	-2.07	Dec	4.344	-0.2	Aug	12.650	+6.4	Dec	78.31	-0.04
Dec	119.22	-0.82	Sep	147.37	-1.47	Mar	4.404	+0.2	Sep	11.716	+11.0	Mar	78.31	-0.04

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