



Daily Market Information Report – Thursday April 1, 2021

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	240.00 – prices for the week with delivery from April 12 th to 26 th .
A Grade Heifers	239.00-240.00 – prices for the week with delivery from April 12 th to 26 th .

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at **Ontario Livestock Exchange: 108 fed Cattle, 344 Cows, 311 Stockers**

	Price Range	Top
Good Fed Steers	142.00-145.50	151.50
Good Fed Heifers	142.00-147.50	157.50
Holstein Steers	109.50-119.50	122.00
Good Cows	37.00-78.00	112.00
Stocker steers 700+	163.00-180.00	
Lightweight steers	188.00-233.00	240.00
Stocker heifers 700+	163.00-172.50	
Lightweight heifers	166.00-220.00	

Fed cows sold on a slightly stronger market. Fed steers and heifers continue to sell at firm prices, with Holstein steers continuing to sell on a strong market. Stockers continue to sell on a steady basis.

Today at **Ontario Stockyards- 505 stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	69.00-157.00	136.57	157.00	900+	100.00-134.00	112.17	134.00
900-999	121.00-160.00	140.71	160.00	800-899	107.50-150.00	129.25	150.00
800-899	166.50-193.00	180.93	193.00	700-799	145.00-176.00	169.12	176.00
700-799	180.00-219.50	199.93	219.50	600-699	166.00-192.00	177.46	206.00
600-699	217.00-239.00	224.89	239.00	500-599	170.00-219.00	193.25	219.00
500-599	210.00-245.00	235.06	256.00	400-499	172.50-226.00	205.24	252.50
400-499	187.50-261.00	240.77	261.00	300-399	190.00-232.50	211.57	232.50
399-	125.00-270.00	214.30	270.00				

Calves sold at stronger prices. Yearlings sold steady.

Today at **Brussels Livestock: 85 Veal**

	Price Range	Top
Good Holsteins	123.00-134.00	135.00
Slightly Heavy Holsteins	120.00-129.00	
Heavy Holsteins 800 lbs+	110.00-120.00	
Medium Holsteins	110.00-118.00	
Plain Holsteins	90.00-110.00	

A light run of veal sold at sharply higher prices.

At **Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: March 24, 2021 – 20 veal, 274 Cows, 59 fed cattle, 5 bulls**

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers 1250 lbs +	109.00-139.99	130.80	139.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers 1000 lbs +	83.99-139.99	119.39	139.99
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross 1000 lbs +	70.99-115.99	94.89	115.99
Cows	45.00-101.00	72.59	104.00
Veal over 600 lbs	85.99-132.49	113.10	132.49

109 replacement calves sold between \$30.00 - \$420.00 for an average of \$210.78 per head.

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

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers 1250 lbs +	22	122.59-141.18	135.43	145.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers 1000 lbs +	34	93.79-139.88	123.83	143.00
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross 1000 lbs +	52	72.78-105.73	89.80	115.99
Cows	657	53.58-91.68	70.78	113.00
Bulls, all weights	38	76.50-105.18	90.48	132.00
Veal over 600 lbs	22	82.36-125.11	106.99	132.49
Veal under 125 lbs	222	100.00-400.00	172.65	420.00

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

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at **Aylmer Stockyards Inc, March 31, 2021 – 103** stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
700-799	112.99-194.99	171.59	194.99	700-799	114.99-194.99	150.40	194.99
				500-599	122.50-178.00	157.89	178.00

Stocker sale at **Ontario Livestock Exchange, March 31, 2021 – 616** stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	155.00-179.50	167.27	179.50				
900-999	166.00-186.00	176.76	186.00				
800-899	175.00-195.00	188.03	195.00				
700-799	152.50-180.00	173.13	180.00				

Feeder cattle sold steady on a selective demand.

Stocker sale at **Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange, March 31, 2021 – 193** stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
800-899	158.00-180.00	169.34	180.00	700-799	136.00-175.00	157.40	175.00
700-799	178.00-205.00	187.06	206.00	600-699	144.00-180.00	166.17	180.00
600-699	192.00-231.00	207.00	231.00	500-599	176.00-188.00	178.68	188.00
500-599	196.00-242.00	222.21	242.00				
400-499	136.00-200.00	180.93	200.00				

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	249.63	244.73
Change (from yesterday's close):	+2.51	+6.60
Current Five Day Average:	241.12	232.12

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade this week was too light to establish a market notes Canfax. A couple of deals were reported at \$245.00 delivered on a dressed basis, steady to \$5.00 lower than last week, but not enough to establish a reportable trade. Canfax noted that sellers were resisting bids from \$240.00-\$245.00 cwt and are carrying the cattle over to next week.

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

The US cash cattle trade has been fairly quiet with just a light trade in the south noted Wednesday from \$116.00-\$118.00 live, up \$0.50-\$2.00 cwt. Today, a light test has developed in the south at \$117.00 live, up \$2.00 from last week. In the north, bids are sitting at \$187.00-\$188.00 dressed which is higher than last week's trade by \$2.00-\$3.00 cwt, but lower than asking prices and is not attracting any selling interest. Asking prices are holding firm from \$118.00-\$120.00 live in the south and \$190.00-\$192.00 dressed in the north. Packer interest should improve as the day progresses but sellers, especially in the north are waiting for higher prices.

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:	Live	117.00
	Rail	N/T

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

Live Cattle		Feeder Cattle		Corn		Soybeans		Canadian \$	
Apr	120.02 -0.95	Apr	143.87 +0.00	May	5.596 -4.4	May	14.020 -34.6	Spot	79.68 +0.13
Jun	122.55 -0.35	May	149.22 -0.17	Jul	5.452 -2.2	Jul	13.966 -31.0	Jun	79.70 +0.13
Aug	121.52 -0.45	Aug	158.00 +0.72	Sep	5.010 +5.0	Aug	13.656 -19.4	Sep	79.70 +0.13
Oct	124.62 -0.60	Sep	158.62 +0.82	Dec	4.844 +7.0	Sep	12.964 -6.2	Dec	79.70 +0.13
Dec	127.45 -0.57	Oct	159.15 +0.90	Mar	4.912 +5.6	Nov	12.636 +7.4	Mar	79.72 +0.13
Feb	130.15 -0.50	Nov	159.30 +0.65	May	4.944 +4.0	Jan	12.622 +6.2	Jun	79.69 +0.13

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ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL FALL SALES

Apr 3	10:00 am	Brussels Livestock	Regular Stocker Sale in Lieu of Good Friday
Apr 7	1:00 pm	Ontario Livestock Exchange	All Vaccinated Sale Every Wednesday
Apr 10	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Vaccinated Stocker Sale
Apr 13	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Spring All Vaccinated Sale
Apr 14	10:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	Special Spring Sale
Apr 14	7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market Inc	Stocker Sale-All Breeds
Apr 15	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Leeds/Grenville Counties Special Calf Sale
Apr 23	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Spring Stocker Sale- Vaccinated & Non-vaccinated
Apr 24	8:00 am	Rainy River Cattlemens Sale	Stockers, Cows, Bulls, Protocol cattle at-1:00 pm
Apr 24	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Vaccinated Stocker Sale
Apr 28	1:00 pm	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Spring Stocker Sale
Apr 28	7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market Inc	Stocker Sale-All Breeds
Apr 30	11:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	North Select Stocker Sale