



DAILY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – TUESDAY Apr 1, 2025

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 reported for Monday Mar 31st

A Grade Steers	\$450.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of April 7 th
A Grade Heifers	\$449.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of April 7 th

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at Brussels Livestock: 50 fed cattle, 220 cows

	Price Range	Top
Choice fed steers & heifers	-	-
Second cut cattle	-	-
Aged & Medium fed cattle	-	-
Holstein Steers & heifers	-	-
Good Beef Cows	165.00-212.00	237.00
Good Holsteins Cows	168.00-179.00	
Medium Holsteins Cows	160.00-167.00	
Bulls	220.00-232.00	

Too few to establish a market for fed cattle due to uncertainty with tariffs. Cows sold fully steady. **Stocker Sales every Fri @ 10:00 am.**

Today at Keady Livestock Market: 723 Stockers, 34 Cows and Bulls, 66 Dollar Calves

Steers	Price Range	Heifers	Price Range
1000+	347.00-358.00	900-999	280.00-367.50
900-999	362.50-380.00	800-899	320.00-376.00
800-899	387.50-427.00	700-799	348.00-405.00
700-799	407.50-449.00	600-699	397.50-433.00
600-699	430.00-485.00	500-599	407.50-460.00
500-599	505.00-550.00	400-499	425.00-467.50
400-499	450.00-595.00	399-	365.00-460.00
399-	530.00-454.00		
Cows	152.00-195.00	Bulls	168.00-229.00

Good quality stockers and feeder cattle sold steady. Cull cows sold slightly higher. Holstein calves sold steady from \$700.00-\$1070.00 and X-bred calves sold steady from \$1400.00-\$1775.00 per head.. **Apr 5th @2:00 pm – Sanders' Annual Charolais Bull Sale**

Today at Ontario Livestock Exchange: 380 veal, 164 cows

	Price Range	Top
Fed Cows	162.00-192.00	225.00
Good Beef Veal	280.00-320.00	
Good Holstein Veal	270.00-300.00	
Medium Holstein Veal	245.00-265.00	
Plain Holstein Veal	225.00-245.00	
Heavy Holstein Veal	247.00-283.00	

Veal sold under pressure at easier pricing. Fed cows sold at slightly stronger prices. **Special Vacc Stocker Sales every Wed @ 1:00 pm.**

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

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000 lbs	18	167.00-217.28	194.68	225.00
Cows	259	137.80-176.76	153.95	210.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	3	198.33-233.33	221.97	235.00
Veal 600 lbs and over	17	194.00-248.97	219.77	267.50
Veal calves under 125 lbs	390	831.28-1645.67	1139.26	1790.00

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

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	342.22	322.07
Change (from yesterday's close):	+6.96	2.06
Current Five Day Average:	335.46	317.74

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade saw no new trade to report. Showlist volumes are reported smaller than the previous week. Based on weekly import data from USDA. Canadian fed cattle shipments to the US totaled over 16,000 head, the largest export volume since 2012. With threats of US tariffs, Western Canadian packers have already backed off the cow market. Asking prices will be revisited tomorrow.

Steers	Live FOB	N/T	Rail - Del	N/T
Heifers	Live FOB	N/T	Rail - Del	N/T

U.S. TRADE (U.S. FUNDS)

The U.S. cash cattle trade saw very light trade reported in Iowa yesterday with live sales at \$210.00/cwt live, lower than last week but this light test does not set a market trend. Today, packer interest remains light with no bids to speak of. Asking prices are not established but are anticipated to start out around \$215.00/cwt live in the North and \$212.00/cwt live in the South. Significant trade is likely to be delayed until the second half of this week. USDA released its quarterly hogs report last week and should be viewed as slightly bullish as hog inventories were below industry estimates. On March 1st hog inventories totaled 74.5 million head, down slightly from last year. Lower numbers have been offset by efficiencies through the supply chain. Bigger out weights, genetic improvements and more pigs saved per litter.

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

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures **today** were as follows:

Live Cattle			Feeder			Corn		
	US \$ cwt			US \$ cwt			US \$/bu	
Apr	209.12	+1.32	Apr	288.27	+1.82	May	4.616	+4.4
Jun	205.42	+1.77	May	287.15	+2.65	Jul	4.682	+5.0
Aug	202.32	+2.30	Aug	292.40	+2.90	Sep	4.420	+7.2
Oct	201.37	+2.60	Sep	291.45	+3.05	Dec	4.494	+7.4
Dec	201.95	+2.60	Oct	289.57	+3.05	Mar	4.626	+7.6
Feb	202.60	+2.42	Nov	286.95	+3.10	May	4.702	+7.4

Soybeans			Soft Red Winter Wheat			Canadian \$		
	US \$/bu			US \$/bu				
May	10.342	+19.4	May	5404	+3.4	Spot	69.79	+0.30
Jul	10.492	+21.0	Jul	5536	+3.2	Jun	70.09	+0.26
Aug	10.476	+21.6	Sep	5694	+3.2	Sep	70.32	+0.19
Sep	10.346	+20.2	Dec	5926	+3.4	Dec	70.61	+0.19
Nov	10.392	+20.0	Mar	6124	+4.2	Mar	70.87	+0.19
Jan	10.510	+19.6	May	6232	+4.4	Jun	71.10	+0.19

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ONTARIO STOCKER AND BRED COW SPRING SALES

Apr 5	2:00 pm	Keady Livestock Market	Sanders' Annual Charolais Bull Sale
Apr 12	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
Apr 15	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special Spring Stocker Sale
Apr 23	10:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	KLC Special Spring Stocker Sale
Apr 25	10:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Northern Select Stocker Sale
Apr 26	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Bred Cow & Cow Calf Pair Sale
Apr 26	8:00 am	Rainy River Cattlemen's Sale	Special Spring Stocker Sale/Cows/Bulls Via DLMS
Apr 30	12:00 pm	Aylmer Stockyards Inc	Special Spring Stocker Sale
Apr 30	1:00 pm	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale