



DAILY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – TUESDAY August 19, 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 August 18th

A Grade Steers	\$527.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of August 25 th
A Grade Heifers	\$526.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of August 25 th

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at Brussels Livestock: 120 fed cattle, 200 cows

	Price Range	Top
Choice fed steers & heifers	320.00-334.00	
Second cut cattle	300.00-319.00	
Aged & Medium fed cattle	290.00-315.00	
Holstein Steers & heifers	230.00-292.00	
Good Beef Cows	210.00-269.00	
Good Holsteins Cows	220.00-244.50	
Medium Holsteins Cows	200.00-219.00	
Bulls	250.00-284.00	

Fed steers and heifers sold steady with quality considered. Cows sold steady. *Stocker Sales every Fri @ 10:00 am.*
Oct 10th@10:00 am – Simmental Influence Sale

Today at Keady Livestock Market: 1,148 Stockers, 52 Cows and Bulls, 80 Dollar Calves

Steers	Price Range	Heifers	Price Range
1000+	407.50-422.50	900-999	240.00-440.00
900-999	447.50-482.50	800-899	417.50-442.50
800-899	462.50-539.00	700-799	440.00-450.00
700-799	545.00-610.00	600-699	425.00-520.00
600-699	550.00-691.00	500-599	610.00-645.00
500-599	612.50-702.50	400-499	550.00-630.00
400-499	400.00-720.00	<399	250.00-730.00
<399	800.00-800.00		
Cows	177.50-218.00	Bulls	205.00-266.00

Good quality stockers and feeder cattle sold actively at steady prices. Cull cows and bulls sold slightly higher. Holstein calves sold higher from \$1000.00-\$1330.00 and X-bred calves sold higher from \$1500.00-\$2400.00 per head. *Sep 26th@9:00am – Special grass yearling sale*

Today at Ontario Livestock Exchange: 296 veal, 95 cows

	Price Range	Top
Fed Cows	210.00-235.00	249.00
Good Beef Veal	355.00-371.00	
Good Holstein Veal	340.00-354.00	
Medium Holstein Veal	301.00-335.00	
Plain Holstein Veal	240.00-305.00	
Heavy Holstein Veal	315.00-340.00	

Veal sold actively at stronger prices. Fed cows continued to sell on a good demand at higher prices. *Special Vacc Stocker Sales every Wed @ 1:00 pm. Sep 4th@11:00 am – Special Vaccinated Calf sale in conjunction with regular sale*

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

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000 lbs	20	201.25-245.43	223.66	247.50
Cows	205	163.67-223.34	189.68	244.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	6	217.33-247.50	231.73	272.50
Bulls over 1600 lbs	7	237.29-276.43	266.23	280.00
Veal calves under 125 lbs	594	1127.74-2005.12	1419.46	2320.00

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):	407.20	379.76
Change (from yesterday's close):	+2.96	+2.62
Current Five Day Average:	395.93	369.67

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade on Monday, saw no new trade to report. This week's showlist has been compiled with volumes larger than the previous week. Last week on a cash-to-cash basis Alberta fed prices are at a \$35.00/cwt discount against the US market. Alberta fed prices are also at a discount to the Ontario market. Canfax released its monthly Trends report the other day, steer and heifer calves placed in November and sold on the cash market in August on average feedlot margins are \$480.00/head positive. Over the past 30 years, this is the second largest margin for the feedlot industry, the only year that was larger was back in 2014.

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 no trade to report. This morning, packer interest remains light and significant trade is likely to be delayed until the second half of this week. Asking prices are not established but are anticipated to start out around \$248.00/cwt live in the North and \$238.00/cwt live in the South. Smaller showlist volumes have been reported in Nebraska and Colorado. Last weeks cattle processed was estimated at 530,000 head, that is the smallest non-holiday processing volume since Covid. One of the big stories for 2025 is how strong beef demand has been, according to the USDA the all-fresh beef retail price for the month of July was reported at \$8.90/lb, a new record high. Beef retail prices are 5% higher than last year.

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	
Aug	236.32	-0.40	Aug	350.55	+1.65	Sep	3.794	-3.4
Oct	231.35	+0.17	Sep	352.42	+1.50	Dec	4.032	-3.2
Dec	233.25	-0.02	Oct	352.30	+2.05	Mar	4.206	-3.4
Feb	234.67	+0.27	Nov	350.77	+2.45	May	4.312	-3.4
Apr	234.62	+0.55	Jan	344.10	+2.42	Jul	4.384	-2.6
Jun	227.07	+0.72	Mar	338.75	+2.70	Sep	4.402	-1.6
Soybeans			Soft Red Winter Wheat			Canadian \$		
	US \$/bu			US \$/bu				
Sep	10.130	-7.4	Sep	4.984	-4.2	Spot	72.16	-0.23
Nov	10.336	-7.4	Dec	5.212	-3.6	Sep	72.23	-0.26
Jan	10.532	-6.6	Mar	5.404	-3.4	Dec	72.51	-0.28
Mar	10.690	-6.2	May	5.524	-4.0	Mar	72.78	-0.27
May	10.814	-6.0	Jul	5.616	-3.6	Jun	73.00	-0.27
Jul	10.900	-5.2	Sep	5.754	-3.2	Sep	73.17	-0.28

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER SPECIAL FALL SALES

Aug 27	12:00pm	Aylmer Stockyards Inc	Fall Stocker sale
Aug 27	1:00pm	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Stocker sale
Aug 30	5:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Autumn Angus Classic
Sep 4	11:00 am	Ontario Livestock Exchange	Special Vaccinated Calf Sale
Sep 5	7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market	Char. & Exotic Yearlings-Steers & Heifers
Sep 6	1:00 pm	Maple Hill Auction Ltd	Bred Cow Sale
Sep 6	8:30 am	Rainy River Cattlemens – Stratton	Cows and bulls start the sale at 8:00 am.
Sep 12	11:00 am	Hoards Station Sale Barn	Quinte Sale – Mixed sale, Vacc preferred, catalogued- Farm Fresh
Sep 13	1:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Ontario Autumn Simmental Classic
Sep 16	10:00 am	Algoma Co-op Livestock Sales-Thessalon	Yearlings, farm fresh, 80% vaccinated
Sep 18	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special All breeds Pre-sort Sale
Sep 20	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Vaccinated Calves & yearlings
Sep 24	12:00 pm	Aylmer Stockyards Inc	Fall Stocker Sale
Sep 24	1:00 pm	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Stocker sale
Sep 25	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special Fall Yearling Sale
Sep 26	7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market	Char. & Exotic Yearlings-Steers & Heifers
Sep 26	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Special Grass Yearling Sale
Sep 27	8:30 am	Rainy River Cattlemens – Stratton	Cows and bulls start the sale at 8:00 am.