



DAILY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – TUESDAY December 16, 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 December 15th

A Grade Steers	\$510.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of December 22 nd
A Grade Heifers	\$509.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of December 22 nd

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at Brussels Livestock: 80 fed cattle, 190 cows

	Price Range	Top
Choice fed steers & heifers	296.00-309.00	
Second cut cattle	285.00-295.00	
Aged & Medium fed cattle	265.00-290.00	
Holstein Steers & heifers	210.00-255.00	
Good Beef Cows	170.00-220.00	
Good Holsteins Cows	175.00-194.50	
Medium Holsteins Cows	155.00-174.00	
Bulls	204.50-223.00	

Fed steers and heifers sold \$3.00-5.00 higher. Cows sold steady. **Stocker Sales every Fri @ 10:00 am.**

Today at Keady Livestock Market: *474 Stockers, 62 Cows & Bulls on offer*

Sales at the time of reporting. Results will be posted tomorrow

Today at Ontario Livestock Exchange: 383 veal, 350 cows

	Price Range	Top
Fed Cows	165.00-200.00	260.00
Good Beef Veal	400.00-431.00	
Good Holstein Veal	380.00-400.00	
Medium Holstein Veal	335.00-375.00	
Plain Holstein Veal	305.0-330.00	
Heavy Holstein Veal	370.00-392.50	

Veal sold at higher prices. Fed cows sold on a stronger trade. **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	20	181.75-245.75	209.67	248.00
Cows	448	137.62-185.14	157.84	200.50
Bulls under 1600 lbs	3	214.67-216.67	215.67	220.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	5	211.80-219.00	214.15	230.00
Veal 600 lbs and over	30	279.08-384.93	355.95	394.00
Veal calves under 125 lbs	582	1184.33-2065.69	1529.79	2340.00

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):	358.88	349.10
Change (from yesterday's close):	-0.58	+1.80
Current Five Day Average:	359.08	345.58

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade last week saw light trade develop with weighted average steer and heifer prices closing the week around \$294.00/cwt, \$4.00/cwt higher than the previous week. Competition on the cash market was limited with one packer buying the bulk of the cattle. Butcher cows traded steady to \$1.00/cwt higher through commercial auction facilities. The Western Canadian cow market has been impressive relative to the Eastern Canadian market. Last week Alberta cow prices were at a \$38.00/cwt premium against the Eastern Canadian market, the largest premium seen this year. Given the premium, some cows from Eastern Canadian could be coming west and possible being put on feed. This week's showlist has been compiled with volumes smaller than the previous week.

<i>Steers</i>	Live FOB feedlot (last week)	N/T	Rail – Del (last week)	493.00-495.00
<i>Heifers</i>	Live FOB feedlot (last week)	N/T	Rail – Del (last week)	493.00-495.00

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade saw no new trade to report. 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 \$229.00/cwt on a live basis. Larger showlist volumes have been reported in Colorado and Nebraska. According to USDA, last week's negotiated cash volumes in Texas were too small to report due to confidentiality. This is a concern going forward as cattle supplies in Texas are only going to tighten moving forward. Looking at the beef market over the next few days a lot of attention will be on the Choice rib market. The rib market tends to rally the beef complex in December, but this might not be the case this year as Choice rib values are not to far off annual highs.

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	
Dec	231.15	+0.32	Jan	343.32	+3.40	Mar	4.364	-3.2
Feb	230.70	+0.15	Mar	337.60	+2.75	May	4.444	-3.2
Apr	230.27	+0.25	Apr	336.30	+2.52	Jul	4.510	-2.6
Jun	223.70	+0.27	May	334.07	+2.30	Sep	4.474	-1.2
Aug	219.80	+0.35	Aug	334.15	+2.17	Dec	4.594	-1.4
Oct	218.50	+0.37	Sep	331.95	+2.32	Mar	4.726	-1.4
Soybeans			Soft Red Winter Wheat			Canadian \$		
	US \$/bu			US \$/bu				
Jan	10.626	-9.0	Mar	5.094	-11.2	Spot	72.75	+0.14
Mar	10.716	-9.4	May	5.194	-9.4	Dec	72.73	+0.11
May	10.830	-10.0	Jul	5.296	-8.4	Mar	73.02	+0.11
Jul	10.942	-10.0	Sep	5.426	-8.0	Jun	73.30	+0.13
Aug	10.902	-9.6	Dec	5.600	-7.6	Sep	73.51	+0.14
Sep	10.746	-8.4	Mar	5.750	-7.2	Dec	73.67	+0.13

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER SPECIAL FALL SALES

Dec 16	9:00 AM	Keady Livestock Market	Last Sale of 2025
Dec 18	11:00 AM	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special All Breeds Pre-sort Sale
Jan 23	11:00 AM	Hoards Station Sale Barn	Quinte Sale-100% Vaccinated, catalogued- Farm Fresh
Jan 24	11:00 AM	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Annual January Stocker Sale
Jan 28	10:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	Peterborough Cattlemen/ Victoria Beef Producers
Mar TBD	11:00 AM	Hoards Station Sale Barn	Quinte Sale-Vaccinations preferred, catalogued- Farm Fresh
Apr 22	10:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	KLC Calf & Yearling Sale
May 2	10:00 AM	Algoma Co-op Livestock Sales-Thessalon	Stockers- Farm fresh, 50% vaccinated, sold in farmer lots
May 6	10:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	Peterborough Cattlemen/ Victoria Beef Producers
May 7	10:00 AM	Grey-Bruce Livestock Co-op-Wiarton	Stocker Sale – 90% vaccinated
May TBD	11:00 AM	Hoards Station Sale Barn	Quinte Sale-100% Vaccinated, catalogued- Farm Fresh