



DAILY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – THURSDAY December 18, 2025

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

Prices are on a carcass weight basis before grade and weight discounts for December 17, 2025:

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

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **160 Fed cattle, 630 Cow, 540 Stockers**

	Price Range	Top
Good Fed Steers	304.00-317.00	322.00
Good Fed Heifers	288.00-297.00	315.00
Holstein Steers	233.00-278.00	290.00
Good Cows	162.00-195.00	260.00
Stocker Steers 700 lb +	415.00-550.00	
Lightweight Steers	522.00-775.00	885.00
Stocker Heifers 700 lb +	388.00-465.00	
Lightweight Heifers	457.00-687.00	875.00

Fed cows sold at steady prices on good demand. Fed steers and heifers sold actively \$4.00-5.00/cwt higher.

Holstein steers also sold higher. Stockers continue to sell at firm to higher prices. **Vacc Stocker Sales every Wed @ 1:00pm, Regular Stocker Sales every Thursday @ 11:00am.**

Today at Brussels Livestock: **165 Veal**

	Price Range	Top
Beef Veal	-	-
Good Holstein Veal	380.00-394.00	
Slightly Heavy Holstein Veal	375.00-387.00	
Heavy Holstein 800 lb +	330.00-367.00	
Medium Holstein Veal	370.00-379.00	
Plain Holsteins	355.00-369.00	

Veal sold steady. Drop calves also sold steady from \$1600-\$2475.00 per head. Plain drop calves from \$1175.00-\$1550.00 per head. **Stocker Sales every Fri @10:00 am.**

Today at Ontario Stockyards Inc: **900 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
900-999	465.00-470.00	466.72	470.00	900+	255.00-360.00	317.86	360.00
800-899	470.00-520.00	505.16	520.00	800-899	405.00-446.00	422.37	446.00
700-799	500.00-565.00	542.15	584.00	700-799	320.00-485.00	418.33	485.00
600-699	580.00-640.00	607.95	652.50	600-699	445.00-532.50	502.99	532.50
500-599	545.00-702.50	613.00	702.50	500-599	500.00-570.00	536.19	575.00
400-499	510.00-712.50	598.29	760.00	400-499	525.00-607.50	577.43	615.00
<399	600.00-750.00	657.05	820.00	300-399	480.00-667.50	587.17	667.50

Quality considered, calves sold on a very strong market. This will be our last sale for 2025. Thank you to all our customers, both buyers and sellers, for your patronage in 2025 and we look forward to working with you in 2026! Our first sale back will be Monday, January 5th, 2026.

At Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: **December 17, 2025 – 62 Fed cattle, 366 Cows, 5 Bulls, 22 Veal**

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	279.99-304.00	293.99	304.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	285.00-318.00	299.40	318.00
Fed Heifers, dairy & dairy cross 1000+ lbs	151.00-266.00	231.80	266.00
Cows	110.00-245.99	178.09	254.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	155.00-254.99	200.49	254.99
Veal 600 lbs and over	285.00-417.49	347.40	417.49

259 Replacement Calves sold between \$50.00- \$2,555.00 for an average of \$1,782.22 per head. **Special stocker sales the last Wednesday of each month @ 12:30 pm!**

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

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	34	286.47-300.12	294.37	304.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	39	289.49-311.26	298.87	318.00
Fed Heifers, dairy & dairy cross 1000+ lbs	39	148.00-253.17	221.10	266.00
Cows	858	128.58-212.97	168.48	254.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	10	141.50-244.20	188.65	254.99
Bulls over 1600 lbs	18	178.72-218.44	200.64	266.00
Veal 600 lbs and over	33	265.61-389.62	331.90	417.49
Veal 125 lbs and under	196	1230.00-2180.00	1562.15	2340.00

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

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **December 17, 2025 – 332 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	425.00-482.00	451.43	482.00	900+	387.00-402.50	394.75	402.50
900-999	474.00-490.00	483.64	490.00				

Feeder cattle sold steady. **Vacc Stocker Sales every Wed @ 1:00pm, Regular Stocker Sales every Thursday @ 11:00am.**

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	357.28	343.97
Change (from yesterday's close):	+1.19	-2.46
Current Five Day Average:	357.99	346.10

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade on Wednesday saw light trade develop with dressed sales reported at \$495.00/cwt delivered, steady to a couple dollars higher than last week. Competition on the cash market is limited with one packer off the market. US packer interest has been noted but no sales have been confirmed. US packers are wanting cattle committed on the five-area average. For the first half of December Alberta fed prices have been trading at a \$19.00/cwt discount against the US market. Currently the discount is wide enough to encourage cattle to move south.

Steers	Live	N/T	Rail - Del	495.00-495.00
Heifers	Live	N/T	Rail - Del	495.00-495.00

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

The **U.S. cash cattle trade** saw no new trade to report yesterday. Beef cutout values closed \$2.00/cwt lower and trading at the lowest point since May. US beef exports for the month of September were 24% below last year. Less beef ended up being shipped to Japan, China and South Korea. Beef imports in September were 2% lower than last year. Beef imports from Australia were strong while imports from Brazil slowed to a crawl with the higher tariff rates. Today, live bids of \$228.00/cwt and dressed bids of \$355.00/cwt have been reported in Nebraska. Both live and dressed bids are steady with last week. Business in the Southern US has been quiet.

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	228.42	-1.87	Jan	340.27	-1.25	Mar	4.444	+4.0
Feb	228.40	-1.15	Mar	334.60	-1.72	May	4.522	+4.4
Apr	228.15	-0.97	Apr	333.17	-1.85	Jul	4.580	+4.4
Jun	222.10	-0.65	May	330.80	-1.92	Sep	4.512	+2.4
Aug	218.42	-0.47	Aug	330.60	-2.25	Dec	4.622	+1.6
Oct	217.17	-0.50	Sep	328.60	-2.20	Mar	4.756	+2.0
Soybeans			Soft Red Winter Wheat			Canadian \$		
	US \$/bu			US \$/bu				
Jan	10.522	-6.0	Mar	5.076	+1.4	Spot	72.56	+0.03
Mar	10.620	-6.6	May	5.186	+1.4	Mar	72.86	+0.04
May	10.732	-6.6	Jul	5.296	+2.0	Jun	73.10	+0.03
Jul	10.850	-6.2	Sep	5.436	+2.4	Sep	73.30	+0.03
Aug	10.820	-5.2	Dec	5.620	+2.4	Dec	73.45	+0.02
Sep	10.666	-4.0	Mar	5.784	+2.4	Mar	73.58	+0.01

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ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER SPECIAL FALL SALES

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