



## Weekly Market Information Report for the week ending Thursday, August 17, 2017

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. Weekly Range:

<b>A Grade Steers</b>	227.00-242.00
<b>A Grade Heifers</b>	226.00-241.00

### ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Ontario auction sales this week saw weighted average price ranges for:

<b>FED CATTLE</b>	<b>Volume</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Last Week Avg</b>
Large Frame Steers +1250	105	127.94-146.80	140.09	151.50	145.96
Medium Frame Steers +1250	81	131.93-144.62	139.14	149.00	142.61
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	176	132.50-147.42	140.85	151.50	145.35
Large Frame Heifers +1000	81	132.09-140.90	137.24	150.00	143.88
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	62	132.02-140.70	136.47	145.99	141.25
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	138	131.55-141.27	137.66	150.00	142.85
Cows - All Weights	1,640	66.59-92.19	79.55	128.00	86.09
Bulls - All Weights	98	106.72-129.09	117.33	146.99	119.00

### STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

<b>STEERS</b>	<b>Volume</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Last Week Avg</b>
<b>1000+</b>	821	155.15-177.62	165.64	181.50	167.86
<b>900-999</b>	340	169.48-181.68	175.05	190.25	177.79
<b>800-899</b>	137	169.33-195.14	185.28	208.00	175.01
<b>700-799</b>	125	152.25-194.88	178.92	219.00	196.69
<b>600-699</b>	159	159.53-208.39	184.66	225.99	186.96
<b>500-599</b>	97	174.26-223.32	204.16	247.50	210.66
<b>400-499</b>	35	184.29-236.77	214.82	264.00	200.17
<b>-399</b>	17	184.88-208.71	199.32	265.00	214.89

<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>Volume</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Last Week Avg</b>
<b>+900</b>	216	141.09-150.69	146.07	156.00	147.39
<b>800-899</b>	96	139.24-154.55	146.47	168.00	166.23
<b>700-799</b>	115	132.59-162.16	150.00	182.00	168.80
<b>600-699</b>	110	145.89-173.01	161.29	191.99	166.11
<b>500-599</b>	86	150.88-182.21	169.75	197.00	176.54
<b>400-499</b>	26	163.46-202.92	185.75	240.00	180.50
<b>300-399</b>	13	184.42-207.35	195.33	240.00	211.86
<b>-299</b>	6	150.00-192.67	169.33	250.00	187.97

At Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn, August 12, 2017 – 3 fed cattle, 24 stockers, 94 cows, 4 bulls, 46 veal

	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Avg.</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>Cows</b>	75.00-104.00	87.03	105.00
<b>Veal 600 lbs &amp; over</b>	110.00-125.00	116.21	125.00
<b>Veal 125 lbs &amp; less</b>	100.00-315.00	151.71	315.00

**Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc., August 15, 2017: 69 Fed Cattle, 34 Veal, 3 Bulls, 58 Cows & 185 Drop Calves**

	Price Range	Top		Price Range	Top
Choice steers	145.00-150.00	155.00	Good beef cows	90.00-100.00	108.50
Good steers	135.00-140.00		Good Holstein cows	80.00-90.00	
Choice heifers	142.00-147.00		D1 & D2 Cows	70.00-80.00	
Good heifers	135.00-140.00		D3 & D4 Cows	60.00-70.00	
Good Holstein veal	127.00-134.00	139.00	Choice drop calves	\$300.00-\$400.00	
Plain & heavy veal	115.00-125.00		Good drop calves	\$200.00-\$300.00	
Good beef bulls	N/A		Plain & Newborns	\$100.00-\$200.00	
Good Hol bulls	93.00-105.00				

**At Renfrew Pontiac Livestock Ltd.: August 15, 2017 – 19 Replacement Calves, 44 Cows, 4 Bulls, and 71 Stockers**

	Price Range	Top
Replacement Calves	110.00-170.00	300.00
Cows D1 & D2	90.00-106.00	113.00
Cows D3	81.00-89.00	
Cows D4	71.00-80.00	
Bulls	110.00-126.00	131.00

**At Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: August 16, 2017 – 47 Veal, 98 Cows, 2 Bulls, 38 Fed Cattle, 9 Stockers, 139 Dollar Calves**

	Price Range	Average	Top
Cows	50.50-100.49	81.10	100.49
Veal over 600 lbs	100.00-146.50	128.40	146.50
Dollar Calves	\$25.00-\$485.00	\$153.70	

**ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE**

**Stocker sale at Brussels Livestock: August 11, 2017 – 625 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+ lbs	153.75-169.50	162.30	170.50	900+ lbs	146.50-153.00	149.68	156.00
900-999	155.50-168.00	161.45	179.00	800-899	153.50-168.00	158.88	168.00
800-899	147.00-188.50	183.06	188.50	700-799	161.00-176.00	165.50	176.00
700-799	172.00-183.50	180.07	183.50	600-699	164.00-180.00	172.10	180.00
600-699	181.00-217.00	197.85	222.00				
500-599	173.00-240.00	231.33	240.00				
400-499	202.00-264.00	236.00	264.00				

**Stocker sale at: Community Livestock Exchange: August 15, 2017 – 161 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
800-899	100.00-179.49	154.09	179.49	900+	89.00-127.00	118.30	127.00
700-799	121.99-195.99	175.89	195.99	600-699	117.99-170.99	149.59	170.99
600-699	128.00-225.99	170.59	225.99	500-599	157.00-186.00	175.80	186.00
500-599	163.99-245.00	211.69	245.00				

*September 15<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 am- first fall Quinte Cattlemen's Sale! 90% vaccinated, catalogued and farm fresh!*

**Stocker sale at: Keady Livestock Market: August 15, 2017 – 370 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	164.00-179.50	176.03	179.50	900+	144.00-144.00	144.00	144.00
900-999	181.50-189.75	185.59	190.25	700-799	85.00-182.00	153.00	182.00
800-899	197.00-208.00	202.09	208.00	600-699	164.00-175.00	170.11	175.00
600-699	217.50-217.50	217.50	217.50				

*September 29<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00 am- first fall yearling steer and heifer sale, selling on overnight stand!* Stocker sale at: **Keady**

Stocker sale at: **Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: August 15, 2017 – 71 Stockers**

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>
<b>800-899</b>	172.00-184.00	<b>800-899</b>	169.00-179.00
<b>700-799</b>	183.00-196.00	<b>700-799</b>	178.00-181.00
<b>600-699</b>	196.00-204.00	<b>600-699</b>	181.00-189.00
<b>500-599</b>	198.00-225.00		

Stocker sale at **Ontario Livestock Exchange: August 16, 2017 – 656 Stockers**

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>1000+</b>	156.00-181.50	166.74	181.50	<b>800-899</b>	N/T		
<b>900-999</b>	165.50-180.00	171.17	180.00				
<b>800-899</b>	157.50-172.00	164.83	172.00				

Stocker sale at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, August 17, 2017 – 171 Stockers**

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>1000+</b>	136.00-172.00	153.00	172.00	<b>800-899</b>	104.00-121.00	109.10	140.00
<b>900-999</b>	151.00-169.00	162.64	169.00	<b>500-599</b>	110.00-172.00	158.00	172.00
<b>700-799</b>	170.00-175.00	172.09	175.00				

Stocker sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc. August 17, 2017 – 288 Stockers**

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>800-899</b>	162.00-189.00	180.67	189.00	<b>900+</b>	125.26-150.00	131.90	155.00
<b>700-799</b>	176.00-217.00	197.76	219.00	<b>800-899</b>	144.00-149.50	146.97	167.50
<b>600-699</b>	149.00-200.00	179.45	216.00	<b>700-799</b>	140.00-167.00	155.03	170.00
<b>500-599</b>	179.00-220.00	198.37	231.00	<b>600-699</b>	148.00-168.00	157.68	185.00
				<b>500-599</b>	166.00-197.00	182.23	197.00

Stocker sale at: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange, August 17, 2017 – 87 Stockers**

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>700-799</b>	121.00-186.00	171.92	186.00	<b>700-799</b>	148.00-170.00	163.11	170.00
<b>600-699</b>	152.00-184.00	169.27	216.00				
<b>500-599</b>	158.00-233.00	202.92	233.00				

**QUEBEC ELECTRONIC AUCTION MARKET (F.O.B. THE FEEDLOT)**

	<b>Price</b>	<b>Change from Last Week</b>
On Thursday, August 17, 2017	235.50-241.75	-4.93

**ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

Week Ending Thursday, August 17, 2017

<b>Steers</b>	Live	143.25	Flat rail	234.50-238.50
<b>Heifers</b>	Live	N/T	Flat rail	235.50-238.50

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

Week Ending Thursday, August 17, 2017

<b>Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:</b>	Live	110.00
	Rail	173.00-175.00

**CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES**

<b>Week Ending - most up to date</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>AA</b>
July 14, 2017	2.7746	2.5574
July 7, 2017	2.8622	2.4437
June 30, 2017	2.9995	2.6467

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Current Five Day Average:	199.12	195.93

### LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending Aug 5, 2017	Week ending July 29, 2017	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ontario to the U.S.	1,888	1,888	80,076
Steers & Heifers	337	337	16,249
Cows	1,075	1,075	47,426
Bulls	476	476	16,401

### USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE PROCESSING VOLUME

	Week Ending August 12, 2017	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	634,000	641,000	602,000

### FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN PROCESSING

	Week Ending Aug 5, 2017	# of hd change from week ago	YTD	% Change (Week Ago)	% Change (Year Ago)
Grand Total	57,645	-7,859	1,637,636	-12%	+9%
Western Slaughter	45,227	-7,780	1,265,362	-15%	+9%
Eastern Slaughter	12,418	-79	372,274	-1%	+8%

### AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
Aug 5, 2017	877	807
July 29, 2017	868	797
Aug 6, 2016	913	813

### LIVE CATTLE – CANADA

IMPORTS		Import % change from 2016 YTD	EXPORTS		Export % change from 2016 YTD
Jan 1- June 30			Jan 1-Aug 5		
Pure bred	2,588	+75%	Slaughter steers & heifers	189,117	+8%
Non-pure bred	24,375	+167%	Feeder steers & heifers	87,453	-39%
			Cows & Bulls	114,507	-26%

### BEEF EXPORTS – CANADA

United States		Change from last year YTD	Mexico	Change from last year YTD
Jan 1 – June 30			Jan 1 – June 30	
Total	128,641 tonnes	+1% or +939 tonnes	8,212 tonnes	+16% or +1,152 tonnes

### BEEF PRODUCTION – CANADA

	Jan 1 – August 12	Last Year Same Time	% Change
Fed	548,715 tonnes	535,801 tonnes	+2%
Non-fed	97,855 tonnes	84,018 tonnes	+16%

### BEEF IMPORTS – CANADA

	Jan 1 – August 12	Last Year Same Time	% Change
United States	75,629 tonnes	75,868 tonnes	0%
Non-NAFTA	29,498 tonnes	40,916 tonnes	-28%
Total	109,312 tonnes	121,654 tonnes	-10%

### CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

Live Cattle			Feeder Cattle			Corn		Soybeans		Canadian \$				
\$/cwt US			\$/cwt US			\$/bu US		¢/bu						
<b>Aug</b>	106.37	-0.75	<b>Aug</b>	140.50	+0.02	<b>Sep</b>	3.520	+1.4	<b>Sep</b>	9.374	+7.2	<b>Spot</b>	79.51	+0.48
<b>Oct</b>	105.90	-0.32	<b>Sep</b>	140.02	-0.70	<b>Dec</b>	3.656	+1.4	<b>Nov</b>	9.376	+4.6	<b>Sep</b>	79.54	+0.48
<b>Dec</b>	107.85	-0.42	<b>Oct</b>	139.92	-0.55	<b>Mar</b>	3.776	+1.4	<b>Jan</b>	9.456	+4.4	<b>Oct</b>	79.57	+0.48
<b>Feb</b>	110.67	+0.07	<b>Nov</b>	140.72	-0.02	<b>May</b>	3.840	+1.6	<b>Mar</b>	9.536	+4.2	<b>Nov</b>	79.58	+0.48
<b>Apr</b>	111.32	UN	<b>Jan</b>	137.85	+0.17	<b>Jul</b>	3.900	+1.6	<b>May</b>	9.606	+4.0	<b>Dec</b>	79.61	+0.48
<b>Jun</b>	105.82	+0.12	<b>Mar</b>	135.82	+0.55	<b>Sep</b>	3.946	+1.2	<b>Jul</b>	9.666	+3.6	<b>Jan</b>	79.63	+0.48

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### ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL FALL SALES

26-Aug	8:30 am	Rainy River Cattlemen's – Stratton	Fall sale- majority yearlings, some early calves
30-Aug	2:00 pm	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Stocker Sale
1-Sep	7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market	Charolais & Exotic cross- steers and heifers
2-Sep	1:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Ontario Autumn Angus Classic
07-Sep	10:00 am	Wiarnton- Grey Bruce Livestock Co-op	Stocker Sale
14-Sep	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special fall yearling sale- with reg sale.
15-Sep	11:00 am	Community Livestock Exchange	Quinte Cattlemen's fall stocker sale

### Comments for the week ending August 17, 2017

There were 314 fed steers and heifers sold through auction markets this week down 107 head from last week, and 158 less than the same time last year. Fed steers sold from \$132.50-\$147.42 averaging \$140.85 down \$4.50 from last week but \$0.05 higher than last year at this time. Fed heifers ranged from \$131.55-\$141.27 averaging \$137.66 down \$5.19 from last week and \$0.83 lower than year ago prices. Auction markets reported trade at easier prices \$3.00-\$5.00 cwt lower and under pressure. Second cut cattle traded on an even lower demand with further losses.

Ontario railgrade prices were down this week, they ranged from \$227.00-\$242.00 dressed for steers and \$226.00-\$241.00 for heifers. This week's average prices were down \$13.00 from last week and \$13.00 below last year at this time.

1,640 cull cows sold through Ontario auction markets this week down 13 head from last week and 355 less than the same time last year. Cull cows ranged from \$66.59-\$92.19 averaging \$79.55 down \$6.54 from last week and \$3.50 less than last year at this time. Auction markets reported trade early in the week as slightly easier. By the end of the week trade was reported as under pressure, slow market with prices anywhere from \$2.00-\$5.00 cwt lower. One market reported steady trade.

2,399 stocker and feeder cattle sold through auction markets this week down 527 head from last week and 850 less than the same time last year. Auction markets reported that trade was steady, to easier with reports of prices \$5.00-\$10.00 cwt lower. Actual average prices for this week saw steers 400-500 lbs up \$14.65 on average, 500-600 lbs down \$6.50, 600-700 lbs were down \$2.30, 700-800 lbs down \$17.77, 800-900 lbs up \$10.27, and steers over 900 lbs were \$2.27 lower than last week on average. Heifers 300-400 lbs were down \$16.33 from last week on average, 400-500 lbs up \$5.25, 500-600 lbs down \$6.79, 600-700 lbs down \$4.82, 700-800 lbs down \$18.80, and heifers over 800 lbs averaged \$11.59 lower than last year at this time.

The Quebec electronic market for the week ranged from \$235.50-\$241.75 dressed, down \$4.93 from the previous week on average.

Alberta direct trade for this past week saw sales reported on the rail, both steers and heifers traded from \$234.50-\$238.50 dressed, and live trade was reported at \$143.25 which was up \$1.65 from last week.

The US cash cattle trade for this week has been fairly quiet. There was trade with live sales averaging \$110.00. On the rail, deals ranged from \$173.00-\$175.00 averaging \$174.00 dressed, down \$10.00 from last week on average.

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