



Weekly Market Information Report for the week ending Thursday October 3, 2019

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:

A Grade Steers	232.00-234.00- limited packer interest
A Grade Heifers	232.00-233.00- limited packer interest

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

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

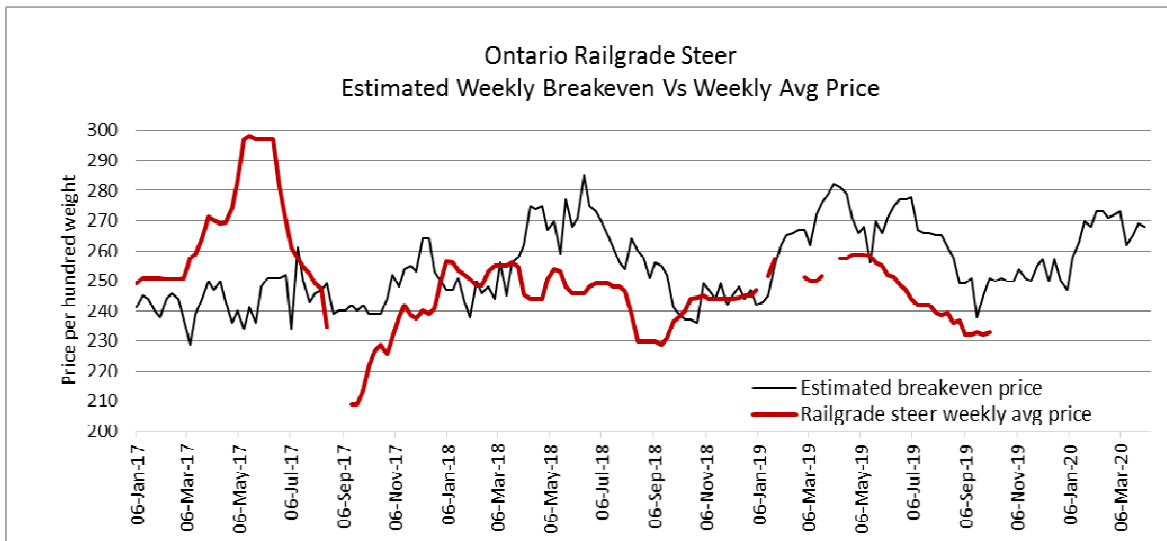
FED CATTLE	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
Large Frame Steers +1250	134	121.36-140.19	132.90	151.50	123.83
Medium Frame Steers +1250	73	120.05-136.37	127.66	143.50	128.65
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	207	120.33-139.58	131.66	151.50	130.37
Large Frame Heifers +1000	123	123.74-137.68	131.39	147.00	131.47
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	93	106.83-130.84	120.87	145.00	124.20
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	216	113.82-140.05	129.17	147.00	128.84
Fed steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250	66	93.21-107.93	101.08	114.00	104.72
Fed heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000	94	71.33-103.49	86.56	131.00	86.06
Cows - All Weights	2,083	49.93-76.51	61.27	129.59	62.43
Bulls - All Weights	129	79.94-100.96	89.91	127.00	90.27

STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
1000+	1,087	166.61-180.60	173.89	186.25	167.20
900-999	1,357	172.55-189.44	183.29	196.00	183.27
800-899	838	176.73-198.35	190.34	210.75	180.57
700-799	553	169.14-204.86	190.42	219.00	188.27
600-699	811	158.59-214.09	193.02	228.50	190.50
500-599	780	150.50-222.78	196.79	237.00	204.86
400-499	464	170.28-244.39	212.94	267.50	206.62
-399	248	173.46-254.23	223.35	275.00	204.27
HEIFERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
+900	455	130.60-158.44	148.28	173.50	150.65
800-899	454	157.04-172.94	167.37	182.75	166.06
700-799	580	146.93-176.47	164.52	190.00	162.37
600-699	374	138.42-181.31	162.95	200.00	161.00
500-599	575	124.04-202.80	168.25	224.00	167.93
400-499	364	130.35-201.59	173.92	226.00	176.36
300-399	166	150.77-211.24	183.46	233.00	168.72
-299	34	136.35-176.37	156.20	252.99	142.21

At Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn, September 28, 2019- 145 cows, 4 bulls, 38 stockers, 27 veal

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Cows	55.00-81.00	63.50	87.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	95.00-110.00	100.46	110.00
Veal over 600 lbs	90.00-118.00	96.56	118.00
Veal 125-	15.00-160.00	63.78	160.00



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Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc., October 1, 2019: 79 Fed Cattle, 32 Veal, 2 Bulls, 54 Cows

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	132.00-142.75	135.88	142.75
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	135.00-144.50	138.57	145.00
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross	85.00-95.00	89.17	108.00
Cows	50.00-70.00	61.22	100.00
Veal over 600 lbs	101.00-126.00	114.55	127.00

At Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: October 2, 2019- 31 Veal, 197 Cows, 34 Fed Cattle, 16 stockers, 6 bulls

	Price Range	Average	Top
Fed heifers, dairy and dairy cross 100+ lbs	58.49-131.00	96.29	131.00
Cows	40.99-85.49	62.19	92.00
Veal over 600 lbs	104.00-129.00	114.79	129.00

ONTARIO STOCKER AND FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at **Brussels Livestock: September 27, 2019 – 1,493 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	157.00-186.25	176.86	186.25	900+	136.00-160.00	150.17	170.50
900-999	167.00-188.75	179.15	188.75	800-899	146.50-174.25	164.82	174.25
800-899	177.00-197.75	187.88	197.75	700-799	150.00-171.25	163.18	177.50
700-799	163.00-208.00	192.20	208.00	600-699	155.50-185.00	171.48	185.00
600-699	186.00-215.00	202.60	228.50	500-599	170.00-195.00	184.02	195.00
500-599	177.00-223.00	197.56	232.00	400-499	153.00-195.00	177.97	205.00
400-499	177.00-210.00	193.17	235.00	300-399	172.00-207.00	194.44	207.00
399-	205.00-247.00	233.49	247.00	299-	165.00-180.00	172.50	180.00

Stocker sale at: **Community Livestock Exchange: October 1, 2019 – 225 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
700-799	147.50-208.99	170.39	208.99	700-799	75.00-147.99	112.00	168.99
600-699	150.00-214.99	189.10	214.99	600-699	87.50-180.49	137.50	180.49
500-599	107.00-235.00	184.00	235.00	500-599	105.00-194.99	160.0	194.99
400-499	180.00-262.99	225.89	262.99	400-499	110.00-202.99	159.49	202.99
399-	217.49-268.00	235.70	268.00	300-399	119.99-185.00	156.80	185.00

Stocker sale at **Keady Livestock Market, October 1, 2019- 665** stockers

<i>Steers</i>	Price Range	Average	Top	<i>Heifers</i>	Price Range	Average	Top
900-999	176.75-190.50	185.31	191.00	900+	125.00-172.00	162.31	172.00
800-899	170.00-193.00	181.36	193.00	800-899	168.00-176.00	172.22	182.75
700-799	182.50-207.00	201.90	207.00	700-799	155.00-173.25	165.51	182.50
600-699	206.00-212.00	209.80	212.00	600-699	162.50-170.00	166.71	170.00
500-599	200.00-228.00	223.33	228.00	500-599	171.00-183.00	177.60	183.00

Stocker sale at: **Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: October 1, 2019 – 421** Stockers

<i>Steers</i>	Price Range	Average	Top	<i>Heifers</i>	Price Range	Average	Top
800-899	165.99-190.99	180.80	190.99	700-799	140.99-173.79	168.10	173.79
700-799	102.49-200.00	154.69	200.00	600-699	133.00-190.99	177.60	190.99
600-699	112.50-222.00	192.50	222.00	500-599	131.00-210.99	179.29	210.99
500-599	127.48-237.00	213.60	237.00	400-499	120.99-208.00	190.90	208.00
400-499	177.00-254.99	233.59	254.99	300-399	120.99-218.99	174.90	218.99
399-	134.00-268.99	224.69	268.99				

Stocker sale at **Ontario Livestock Exchange: October 2, 2019 – 667** Stockers

<i>Steers</i>	Price Range	Average	Top	<i>Heifers</i>	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	165.50-182.00	172.26	182.00	900+	143.00-159.00	154.92	159.00
900-999	176.00-188.00	180.90	188.00				
800-899	184.50-193.50	188.99	193.50				
700-799	168.00-180.00	177.00	180.00				

Stocker sale at: **Ontario Livestock Exchange, October 3, 2019– 485** Stockers

<i>Steers</i>	Price Range	Average	Top	<i>Heifers</i>	Price Range	Average	Top
800-899	122.50-177.50	155.68	197.50	900+	122.00-144.50	138.14	144.50
700-799	145.00-200.00	176.28	200.00	800-899	125.00-156.00	146.65	156.00
600-699	107.50-195.00	161.60	202.50	700-799	90.00-152.50	123.21	165.00
500-599	110.00-182.50	157.47	227.50	600-699	117.50-162.50	144.21	175.00
400-499	125.00-245.00	182.00	245.00	500-599	115.00-172.50	136.39	172.50
399-	107.50-230.00	176.74	235.00	400-499	115.00-170.00	142.58	210.00
				300-399	107.50-165.00	135.25	200.00

Stocker sale at **Ontario Stockyards Inc., October 3, 2019– 794** Stockers

<i>Steers</i>	Price Range	Average	Top	<i>Heifers</i>	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	88.00-165.50	132.09	165.50	900+	104.00-141.00	116.30	161.00
800-899	152.50-177.00	168.36	177.00	800-899	147.00-168.00	162.43	168.00
700-799	161.00-194.00	181.35	194.00	700-799	141.00-178.50	159.04	178.50
600-699	167.50-209.00	191.10	218.00	600-699	147.50-199.00	167.52	199.00
500-599	165.50-217.00	196.38	223.00	500-599	132.50-177.50	160.25	224.00
400-499	205.00-267.50	239.91	267.50	400-499	150.00-206.00	179.47	226.00
399-	210.00-267.00	248.37	267.00	300-399	160.00-217.50	188.06	217.50
				299-	160.00-167.50	161.42	190.00

Stocker sale at: **Ottawa Livestock Exchange, October 3, 2019– 177** Stockers

<i>Steers</i>	Price Range	Average	Top	<i>Heifers</i>	Price Range	Average	Top
600-699	164.00-212.00	184.44	212.00	600-699	120.00-168.00	151.00	168.00
500-599	160.00-214.00	179.39	214.00	500-599	130.00-190.00	162.31	190.00
400-499	172.00-234.00	200.33	238.00	400-499	126.00-190.00	165.26	202.00
300-399	32.00-210.00	144.43	238.00				

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL FALL SALES

Stocker sale at **Keady Livestock Market: September 27, 2019 – 1,422** stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	174.75-180.75	178.22	180.75	900+	173.50-44 hd		
900-999	181.25-193.25	186.30	196.00	800-899	170.00-174.50	171.98	174.50
800-899	196.00-210.75	204.11	210.75	700-799			
700-799	213.50-219.00	216.02	219.00	600-699			

Light weight grass cattle sold slightly higher while heavier cattle sold on a steady market.

Stocker sale at **Rainy River Cattlemen's Sale- Stratton: September 28, 2019 – 1,427** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	155.00-183.00	176.49	183.00	900+	97.99-162.99	145.70	162.99
900-999	103.49-185.00	170.99	185.00	800-899	100.00-171.99	157.00	171.99
800-899	109.00-208.30	173.90	208.30	700-799	110.00-181.00	149.19	181.00
700-799	150.00-218.99	195.10	218.99	600-699	130.00-186.00	173.70	186.00
600-699	150.00-231.00	204.30	231.00	500-599	110.00-220.00	170.79	220.00
500-599	160.00-249.00	212.80	249.00	400-499	119.99-220.00	181.29	220.00
400-499	169.99-275.00	225.49	275.00	300-399	179.00-229.99	209.10	229.99

Lighter weights sold a touch softer than the last sale while the heavier/grass type cattle were steady to stronger in spots.

Stocker sale at **Ontario Stockyards Inc, October 1, 2019- 676** stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	170.50-173.50	171.64	173.50	900+	90.00-153.00	137.15	153.00
900-999	167.25-176.50	172.48	178.50	800-899	167.00-178.25	174.67	178.25
800-899	170.00-187.00	181.50	187.00	700-799	163.00-190.00	179.27	190.00
700-799	184.00-200.50	191.36	205.00	600-699	153.00-180.00	164.58	200.00
600-699	171.50-214.50	191.65	214.50	500-599	150.00-175.00	165.86	177.50
500-599	142.50-202.50	163.63	217.50				

Better quality yearlings sold steady, with medium quality and light weight yearlings selling slightly lower.

Stocker sale at **Kawartha Lakes Community Sales Barn, October 2, 2019 - 667** stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	175.00-184.25	180.46	184.25	900+	125.00-159.00	151.28	159.00
900-999	161.00-188.75	186.15	188.75	800-899	117.50-138.00	153.55	168.00
800-899	171.00-188.00	184.96	188.00	700-799	144.00-180.50	163.80	180.50
700-799	159.00-169.00	162.15	169.00	600-699	115.00-189.00	162.12	189.00
600-699	155.00-208.00	180.09	208.00	500-599	137.50-224.00	200.31	224.00
500-599	155.00-222.50	194.59	222.50	400-499	175.00-233.00	209.73	233.00
400-499	175.00-249.00	227.84	249.00				
399-	212.50-264.00	245.05	264.00				

A good offering of replacement cattle sold actively at slightly higher prices.

LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending Sep 14, 2019	Week ending Sep 7, 2019	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ontario to the U.S.	2,061	2,030	89,788
Steers & Heifers & Cows	1,818	1,698	78,913
Bulls	243	332	10,875

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
Sept 28, 2019	931	852
Sept 21, 2019	919	845
Sept 29, 2019	930	844

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN PROCESSING

	<i>Week Ending Sept 28, 2019</i>	<i># of hd change from week ago</i>	<i>YTD</i>	<i>% Change (Week Ago)</i>	<i>% Change (Year Ago)</i>
Grand Total	68,389	+7,601	2,365,856	+13%	+5%
Western Slaughter	56,646	+8,388	1,859,019	+17%	+6%
Eastern Slaughter	11,743	-787	506,837	-6%	+3%

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE PROCESSING VOLUME

	<i>Week Ending October 5, 2019</i>	<i>Previous Week</i>	<i>Year Ago</i>
Grand Total	639,000	648,000	640,000

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

For the week ending October 3, 2019

Steers	Live FOB	139.75-142.00	Rail FOB	235.00-236.50
Heifers	Live FOB	139.75	Rail FOB	235.00-236.50

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

For the week ending October 3, 2019

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:	Live	104.00-107.00
	Rail	165.00-170.00

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

	Price	Change from Last Week
For the week ending October 3, 2019	227.00-233.00	+2.80

CANADIAN BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES

Week Ending	AAA	AA
September 20, 2019	2.7407	2.4794
September 13, 2019	2.8582	2.5219
September 6, 2019	2.9190	2.6053

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Current Five Day Average:	212.70	187.22

BEEF EXPORTS – CANADA

	United States	<i>Change from last year YTD</i>	Mexico	<i>Change from last year YTD</i>
	<i>Jan 1- July 31</i>		<i>Jan 1- July 31</i>	
Total	182,104 tonnes	+10% or +16,061 tonnes	8,631 tonnes	0% or -6 tonnes

LIVE CATTLE – CANADA

IMPORTS			<i>Import % change from 2018 YTD</i>	EXPORTS			<i>Export % change from 2018 YTD</i>
<i>Jan 1- July 31</i>				<i>Jan 1- Sept 21, 2019</i>			
Pure bred	2,346		-40%	Slaughter steers & heifers & cows	331,553		+23%
Non-pure bred	106,150		+40%	Feeder cattle & calves	165,224		+7%
				Bulls	33,411		+2%

BEEF PRODUCTION – CANADA

	<i>Jan 1 – Sept 28/19</i>	<i>Last Year Same Time</i>	<i>% Change</i>
Fed	789,001 tonnes	732,052 tonnes	+8%
Non-fed	129,515 tonnes	126,830 tonnes	+2%

BEEF IMPORTS – CANADA

	<i>Jan 1 – Sept 28/19</i>	<i>Last Year Same Time</i>	<i>% Change</i>
United States	79,995 tonnes	91,622 tonnes	-13%
Non-CUSMA	27,468 tonnes	36,926 tonnes	-26%
EU-28 (beef/veal total)	3,821 tonnes	1,574 tonnes	+143%
Total	117,214 tonnes	136,813 tonnes	-14%

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

Live Cattle			Feeder Cattle			Corn			Soybeans			Canadian \$		
Oct	107.35	+0.55	Oct	141.97	-0.37	Dec	3.846	-4.0	Nov	9.162	+4.4	Spot	75.05	+0.02
Dec	110.77	-0.05	Nov	141.37	-0.72	Mar	3.970	-3.6	Jan	9.302	+4.2	Dec	75.10	+0.01
Feb	116.62	-0.37	Jan	137.70	-0.55	May	4.024	-3.4	Mar	9.406	+4.2	Mar	75.14	+0.02
Apr	119.22	-0.32	Mar	137.10	-0.40	Jul	4.056	-2.6	May	9.500	+3.6	Jun	75.12	+0.01
Jun	112.15	-0.30	Apr	138.45	-0.32	Sep	4.004	-1.4	Jul	9.582	+3.4	Sep	75.10	+0.03
Aug	110.17	-0.30	May	139.30	-0.35	Dec	4.042	-1.2	Aug	9.614	+3.0	Dec	75.07	+0.04

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UPCOMING FALL STOCKER AND FEEDER SALES

Oct 5	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Stockers & Bred Cow & Cow/calf Pairs
Oct 5	2:00 pm	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	Herd Dispersal
Oct 9	10:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	Fall Stocker Sale
Oct 10	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	CDN Angus Program/CDN Hereford Assoc Sale
Oct 11	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market`	Grass Yearling Sale- Overnight Stand
Oct 11	12:00 pm	Temiskaming Livestock Exchange	Calf & Yearling Sale
Oct 12	10:00 am	Brussels Livestock	4H Show & Sale
Oct 12	1:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Bluewater Angus Sale
Oct 16	10:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	Fall Stocker Sale
Oct 16	7:00 pm	Brussels Livestock	Bred Cow, Cow/Calf Pair Sale
Oct 17	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Leeds/Grenville Calf Sale
Oct 18	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Grass Yearling Sale- Overnight Stand
Oct 18	11:00 am	Community Livestock Exchange	Quinte Cattlemen's Sale- 100% Vaccinated
Oct 19	8:30 am	Rainy River Cattlemen – Stratton	Later Season Calves, Yearlings, Cows Etc.
Oct 19	10:00 am	Algoma Co-op Livestock Sales-Thessalon	Calf Sale
Oct 19	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Stockers & Bred Cow, Cow/Calf Pair Sale
Oct 19	1:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	"Upin the Ante" Charolais Sale

Comments for the week ending October 3, 2019

There were 423 fed steers and heifers sold through auction markets this week, up 126 head from last week and 94 more than this time last year. Fed steers ranged from \$120.33-\$139.58, with a weekly weighted average of \$131.66 up \$1.29 from last week, but \$6.69 below year ago prices. Fed heifers sold from \$113.82-\$140.05 averaging \$129.17 up \$0.33 from last week and \$3.89 lower than this time last year. Auction markets reported trade as active with prices steady, with quality considered, to \$2.00-\$3.00 cwt stronger than last week. As the week progressed, trade was holding steady.

The Ontario railgrade trade was very quiet from the previous Friday until Tuesday of this week, as two federal packers were not buying. By Wednesday, trade was reported from \$232.00-\$234.00 dressed for steers and \$232.00-\$233.00 for heifers, with one of those packers buying again. By Thursday the on packer had pulled their bid again. Trade was up \$0.50-\$0.75 on average from last week and \$5.00 below this time last year. Delivery was anywhere from next week to the last week in October.

The CDN Boxed Beef Report by Kevin Grier this week reported the overview for last week: "The cutout weakened last week as most primals were under downward pressure. Only the AAA/Choice rib showed any life which is not surprising from a seasonal perspective. Loins were hardest hit as the key cuts took a beating. Beef demand is supportive."

2,083 fed/cull cows sold through auction markets this week, down 250 head from last week and 684 less than last year at this time. Cows sold from \$49.93-\$76.51 averaging \$61.27 down \$1.16 from last week, but \$4.35 above year ago prices. Auction markets reported trade as barely steady to steady to start. As the week progressed the market was steady to fully steady to stronger, and ended the week holding steady.

9,140 stocker and feeder cattle sold through auction markets this week, up 1,592 from last week but 910 less than the same week last year. Auction markets reported calves as steady to stronger with one market noting prices up \$2.00-\$3.00 cwt. Grass types were reported as selling on a good demand at slightly higher prices. Yearlings/heavier cattle were steady to start. As the week progressed, trade was steady on the good quality, while medium quality and light weight yearlings sold slightly lower. By Wednesday, a stronger trade saw prices up \$3.00-\$5.00 cwt, with trade by Thursday noted as firm. Actual average prices this week saw steers 400-500 lbs up \$6.32 from last week on average, 500-600 lbs down \$8.07, 600-700 lbs up \$2.52, 700-800 lbs

up \$2.15. 800-900 lbs up \$9.77, 900-1000 lbs up \$0.02 and steers 1000 lbs and over averaged \$6.69 higher than last week on average. Heifers averaging 300-400 lbs were up \$14.74 from last week, 400-500 lbs down \$2.44, 500-600 lbs up \$0.32, 600-700 lbs up \$1.95, 700-800 lbs up \$2.15, 800-900 lbs up \$1.31 and heifers 900 lbs and over averaged \$2.37 lower than last week's weighted average prices.

The Quebec electronic market this week ranged from \$227.00-\$233.00 cwt dressed, up \$2.80 from last week's weighted average price.

Alberta direct trade was stronger this week, with Canfax reporting dressed deals at \$238.00 cwt delivered on a dressed basis, up \$3.00-\$4.00 from last week. Canfax reported sales on a picked up basis this week from \$139.75-\$142.00 live, with steers averaging \$139.97 up \$2.72, while heifers sold at \$139.75 with no live sales for heifers last week to compare too. Dressed prices on a picked up basis ranged from \$235.00-\$236.50, with steers averaging \$236.18 up \$3.24 from last week, while heifers averaged \$236.26 up \$2.76. Canfax reports that: "Buyers were indicating cattle that they bought this week were being scheduled for the week of October 21st delivery. From their lows three weeks ago weighted average steer prices have strengthened 4.00. Even though cash to futures basis levels did weaken, stronger prices week over week did encourage producers to market cattle. For the most part this week's cash offering has been cleaned up."

The US cash cattle trade for the week ending September 27th was stronger, with trade for the week overall, reported by the USDA Mandatory Price report, listing live sales from \$102.00-\$107.00 with steers averaging \$104.93 up \$3.01 from the previous week, while heifers averaged \$104.62 up \$3.04. On the rail trade ranged from \$162.00-\$167.00 dressed, with steers averaging \$165.29 up \$2.82, while heifers averaged \$165.14 up \$2.27. Trade in the north continued to be at a premium to the south.

This week the market has been fairly quiet with just a couple of sales here and there noted at \$105.00 live in the south, up \$2.00 from last week. In the north a couple of sales have been spotted at \$106.00 live and \$165.00-\$166.00 dressed which is fully steady, but only a few hundred head have traded which is not enough to establish a market trend for the week. On Wednesday, at the Fed Cattle Exchange online auction, there were 846 head on offer, in 4 lots with delivery in 1-17 days for two lots in the north, and 1-9 days on two southern lots. One lot in the north was asking \$111.00 live while the remaining three lots on offer ranged from \$106.00-\$107.00 live, with no bids offered and all cattle left unsold. Thursday saw a light test develop in Texas at \$106.00 live up \$3.00 from last week on average, while the rest of the country resisted bids of \$105.00 live in the north and \$106.00 live in Kansas. Today, business in the south is up \$1.00 from yesterday and \$4.00 stronger than last week's weighted average. In the north, light to moderate trade has developed this afternoon with sales at \$169.00-\$170.00 dressed, up \$4.00-\$5.00 from last week on average. Business will continue this afternoon but the market tone has been established.