



Weekly Market Information Report for the week ending Thursday July 9, 2020

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 230.00-240.00

A Grade Heifers 229.00-239.00

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	46	138.68-153.18	147.30	170.50	133.16
Medium Frame Steers +1250	43	140.82-153.94	146.41	169.50	126.11
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	87	136.76-153.33	145.94	170.50	130.90
Large Frame Heifers +1000	53	117.21-148.32	136.46	155.00	129.44
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	80	137.87-149.82	143.37	163.50	130.80
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	133	129.18-151.00	141.93	163.50	130.60
Fed steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250	53	101.17-115.96	107.05	129.00	106.11
Fed heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000	110	85.43-111.84	99.17	119.99	98.91
Cows - All Weights	1,940	63.74-93.54	77.24	125.00	83.79
Bulls - All Weights	90	106.73-128.18	118.36	164.00	119.23

STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
1000+	501	157.20-171.99	164.50	179.00	156.59
900-999	113	165.86-179.71	173.02	184.00	166.68
800-899	63	160.66-182.67	172.40	197.00	177.63
700-799	104	186.13-202.58	196.36	212.25	186.12
600-699	141	195.04-225.41	212.60	258.00	198.45
500-599	90	212.61-242.64	228.05	271.00	219.86
400-499	62	212.55-247.94	233.72	276.00	211.24
-399	16	154.16-194.23	175.59	260.00	167.24

HEIFERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
+900	152	130.51-147.08	140.27	160.00	146.86
800-899	37	136.43-157.51	149.44	165.00	150.32
700-799	87	146.01-174.36	161.84	186.00	159.41
600-699	108	166.12-193.32	180.56	210.00	177.69
500-599	112	156.53-197.33	180.02	225.00	179.19
400-499	89	167.03-193.81	176.63	232.50	189.16
300-399	7	187.43-193.14	190.28	219.00	191.22
-299	6	200.42-201.42	201.08	270.00	N/T

At Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn, July 4, 2020 – 13 fed cattle, 116 cows, 5 bulls, 37 veal, 19 stockers

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Cows	65.00-95.00	78.96	117.50
Veal calves 600 lbs plus	110.00-137.50	116.26	137.50
Veal calves 125 lbs or less	75.00-340.00	143.09	340.00

At **Keady Livestock Market, July 7, 2020 - 146** Stockers, **4** cows, **2** bulls and **55** dollar calves

Steers	Price Range	Heifers	Price Range
1000+	159.00-159.00	900+	157.50-157.50
900-999	159.00-180.00	800-899	138.00-138.00
800-899	125.00-125.00	700-799	179.00-179.00
700-799	206.75-212.25	500-599	172.50-182.50
600-699	219.50-219.50	400-499	152.00-152.00

At **Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc., July 7, 2020 - 86** Fed Cattle, **21** Veal, **70** Cows, **5** bulls, and **2** stockers

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	140.00-158.50	147.08	170.50
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	143.50-155.50	148.70	163.50
Cows	65.50-90.00	76.05	108.00
Veal over 600 lbs	115.00-128.00	121.69	165.00

At **Aylmer Stockyards Inc., July 8, 2020 - 66** veal, **107** Cows, **52** fed cattle, **6** stockers, and **3** bulls

	Price Range	Average	Top
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross 1000+ lbs	70.49-119.99	98.39	119.99
Cows	52.00-98.99	76.30	98.99
Veal over 600 lbs	90.00-167.50	120.10	167.50

At **Ontario Stockyards Inc.: July 8, 2020- 26** fed steers & heifers, **225** Cows, **16** Bulls & **9** Veal

	Price Range	Average	Top
Fed Steers 1250+ lbs.	135.00-147.00	141.20	147.00
Good Beef Cows	65.00-91.50	77.63	125.00
Bulls	118.00-124.00	121.28	129.00

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at **Brussels Livestock: July 3, 2020 – 660** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	157.50-169.50	162.76	169.50	900+	143.25-152.75	148.99	160.00
900-999	163.50-182.00	171.22	183.00	800-899	145.00-165.00	157.65	165.00
800-899	142.00-180.00	159.75	185.00	700-799	145.00-186.00	168.76	186.00
700-799	164.00-174.00	171.30	184.00	600-699	153.00-191.00	167.56	191.00
600-699	195.00-224.00	214.50	231.00	500-599	165.00-191.00	176.41	199.00
500-599	214.00-228.00	219.12	247.00	400-499	159.50-186.00	166.51	215.00
400-499	252.00-267.00	259.54	267.00				

Stocker sale at: **Community Livestock Exchange: July 7, 2020 – 59** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
600-699	Too few in each class			900+	69.99-120.99	93.00	120.99
				500-599	135.00-189.99	158.69	189.99

Stocker sale at: **Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: July 7, 2020 – 72** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	Too few in each class			500-599	117.50-199.50	173.99	199.50

Stocker sale at **Ontario Livestock Exchange: July 9, 2020 – 187** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
900-999	147.50-168.00	165.77	168.00	400-499	175.00-202.50	187.81	202.50
800-899	184.50-197.00	188.25	197.00	600-699			

Stocker sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc: July 9, 2020 – 292** Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
800-899	168.00-184.00	178.41	184.00	700-799	161.00-184.00	174.00	184.00
700-799	186.00-203.00	194.02	203.00	600-699	187.50-210.00	201.12	210.00
600-699	206.00-241.00	223.44	258.00	500-599	175.00-207.00	193.43	225.00
500-599	230.00-271.00	251.30	271.00	400-499	197.50-223.00	207.99	232.50
400-499	230.00-276.00	259.81	276.00				

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

For the week ending July 9, 2020

Steers	Live FOB	132.00	Rail FOB	221.50-223.50
Heifers	Live FOB	N/T	Rail FOB	221.50-223.50

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

For the week ending July 9, 2020

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:	Live	94.00 - 98.00
	Rail	148.00 – 157.00

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

	Price	Change from Last Week
For the week ending July 9, 2020	\$242.00 - \$247.75	+\$8.16

CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

	Week ending June 20, 2020	Week ending June 13, 2020	Year to Date 2020
Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ontario to the U.S.	1,854	1,899	69,473
Steers & Heifers & Cows	1,557	1,593	62,860
Bulls	297	306	6,613

FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN PROCESSING

	Week Ending July 4, 2020	# of hd change from week ago	YTD	% Change (Week Ago)	% Change (Year Ago)
Grand Total	61,385	-4,848	1,462,253	-8%	-8%
Western Slaughter	50,348	-3,524	1,118,928	-7%	-10%
Eastern Slaughter	11,037	-1,324	343,325	-12%	-3%

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
July 4, 2020	871	802
June 27, 2020	876	803
July 6, 2019	874	805

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE PROCESSING VOLUME

	Week Ending July 11, 2020	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	664,000	593,000	658,000

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Current Five Day Average:	204.72	196.58

BEEF EXPORTS – CANADA

United States		<i>Change from last year YTD</i>	Mexico		<i>Change from last year YTD</i>
<i>Jan 1- May 31/20</i>			<i>Jan 1- May 31/20</i>		
Total	111,519 tonnes	-12% or -15,382 tonnes	4,403 tonnes		-23% or -1,313 tonnes
Japan		<i>Change from last year YTD</i>	China		<i>Change from last year YTD</i>
<i>Jan 1- May 31/20</i>			<i>Jan 1- May 31/20</i>		
Total	17,371 tonnes	-6% or +1,200 tonnes	3,685 tonnes		-62% or -5,928 tonnes

LIVE CATTLE – CANADA

IMPORTS		<i>Import % change</i>	EXPORTS		<i>Export % change</i>
<i>Jan 1- May 31/20</i>		<i>from 2019 YTD</i>	<i>Jan 1- June 27/20</i>		<i>from 2019 YTD</i>
Pure bred	1,453	-26%	Slaughter steers & heifers & cows	264,082	+8%
Non-pure bred	87,595	+12%	Feeder cattle & calves	71,037	-51%
			Bulls	19,565	-8%

BEEF PRODUCTION – CANADA

	<i>Jan 1 – July 4 20/20</i>	<i>Last Year Same Time</i>	<i>% Change</i>
Fed	493,972 tonnes	522,126 tonnes	-5%
Non-fed	75,284 tonnes	95,505 tonnes	-21%

BEEF IMPORTS – CANADA

	<i>Jan 1 – July 4/20</i>	<i>Last Year Same Time</i>	<i>% Change</i>
United States	59,412 tonnes	54,593 tonnes	+9%
Non-CUSMA	24,182 tonnes	22,886 tonnes	+6%
EU-28 (beef/veal total)	8,236 tonnes	2,767 tonnes	+198%
Total	97,592 tonnes	84,200 tonnes	15%

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

Live Cattle		Feeder Cattle		Corn		Soybeans		Canadian \$	
Aug	100.10 +0.75	Aug	135.75 +1.22	Jul	3.404 -10.6	Jul	8.914 -6.6	Spot	73.58 -0.04
Oct	104.57 +0.65	Sep	137.32 +1.15	Sep	3.372 -11.4	Aug	8.872 -9.2	Sep	73.60 -0.05
Dec	108.40 +0.95	Oct	138.50 +1.37	Dec	3.446 -12.2	Sep	8.854 -9.6	Dec	73.61 -0.04
Feb	111.72 +0.80	Nov	139.27 +1.42	Mar	3.550 -11.6	Nov	8.906 -10.6	Mar	73.62 -0.05
Apr	113.72 +0.85	Jan	138.97 +1.30	May	3.612 -11.0	Jan	8.962 -10.6	Jun	73.60 -0.04
Jun	107.67 +0.70	Mar	138.65 +1.12	Jul	3.662 -10.0	Mar	8.924 -10.4	Sep	73.57 -0.04

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Comments for the week ending July 9th

There were light receipts of 220 fed steers and heifers sold through auction markets this week, down 363 from last week and 310 less than the same week last year. Fed steers ranged from \$136.76-\$153.33 averaging \$145.94 down \$8.69 from last week on average and \$2.74 above year ago prices. Fed heifers sold from \$129.18-\$151.00 averaging \$141.93 down \$7.28 from last week and \$1.78 higher than year ago prices. Auction markets reported trade at higher prices with a good demand early in the week. A few markets noted prices were \$6.00 - \$10.00 higher.

The Ontario railgrade market reported prices higher than last weeks trade. Steers ranged from \$230.00 - \$240.00 with an average price of \$235.00. Heifers traded from \$229.00-\$239.00 with an average price of \$234.00. Average prices were up \$15.00 and \$15.50 respectively from last week's weighted average and \$7.00-\$7.50 below last year's prices at this time.

This past week saw light receipts of fed/cull cows sold through auction markets. Trade was reported as steady this week. There were 1,940 head sold up 149 from last week and 25 more than this time last year. Cows ranged from \$63.74-\$93.54 averaging \$77.24 down \$6.55 from last week and \$1.92 above year ago prices.

1,688 stocker and feeder cattle sold through auction markets this week down 615 head from last week and 773 less than the same time last year. Auction markets reported steady trade, with yearlings selling slightly higher and steers selling actively at stronger prices. Actual average prices this week saw steers 400-500 lbs down \$3.22 from last week on average, 500-600 lbs were down \$6.85, 600-700 lbs up \$6.25, 700-800 lbs up \$9.18, 800-900 lbs down \$7.42, 900-1,000 lbs up \$9.38 and steers 1,000 lbs and over were up \$3.32 from last week on average. Heifers 300-400 lbs were down \$23.80 from last week, 400-500 lbs down \$12.60, 500-600 lbs down \$11.68, 600-700 lbs down \$10.45, 700-800 lbs up \$1.53, 800-900 lbs down \$3.70 and heifers 900 lbs and over down \$5.03 from last week on average.

The Quebec electronic market for the week ranged from \$242.00-\$247.25 dressed, up \$8.16 from last week on average.

Alberta direct trade, for the past week saw dressed sales ranging from \$221.50-\$223.50 for steers and heifers. Prices were \$7.00-\$10.00 higher than the previous week. Live steers traded at \$132.00. Delivery dates for trades this week are 1-3 weeks out. Higher prices encouraged producers to market cattle.

The US cash cattle trade for the week ending July 9th saw light trade this past week with prices in the north from \$148.00-\$157.00 dressed with live sales from \$94.00-\$98.00. Sales were steady to \$1.00-\$2.00 cwt higher than the previous week on average.

Amber McIntyre on behalf of Jamie Gamble - Beef Farmers of Ontario's market information report.