



## Weekly Market Information Report for the week ending Thursday October 29, 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** No trade reported

**A Grade Heifers** No trade reported

### 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	194	132.18-139.73	135.32	151.00	137.72
Medium Frame Steers +1250	158	129.38-138.53	135.29	166.00	131.26
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	352	132.14-140.04	135.60	166.00	135.90
Large Frame Heifers +1000	84	109.84-136.15	130.39	155.50	132.42
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	140	124.24-139.96	134.93	147.00	128.62
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	224	120.43-138.76	133.47	155.50	130.06
Fed steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250	38	94.18-115.66	108.54	119.00	94.75
Fed heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000	117	69.91-103.77	91.06	108.00	88.96
Cows - All Weights	2,797	48.85-72.52	59.59	132.00	60.88
Bulls - All Weights	131	78.49-100.06	89.60	134.00	95.19

### STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
1000+	517	158.91-179.35	168.82	184.50	176.03
900-999	484	166.37-188.07	179.72	195.00	183.26
800-899	347	168.91-185.77	178.45	213.75	179.90
700-799	733	176.63-200.16	190.29	218.50	186.89
600-699	1,257	184.45-219.72	203.95	236.00	195.51
500-599	1,406	191.69-239.24	219.52	265.00	210.78
400-499	521	198.57-255.27	234.60	292.00	225.05
-399	175	186.48-252.24	223.37	310.00	222.93

HEIFERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
+900	443	130.78-158.10	148.40	178.00	150.86
800-899	371	148.63-173.24	162.71	185.00	166.88
700-799	448	146.48-176.31	163.85	194.00	153.26
600-699	858	156.95-189.35	174.04	205.00	169.58
500-599	1,068	161.88-202.53	185.57	228.00	183.58
400-499	570	171.76-219.60	198.17	269.00	184.07
300-399	120	169.66-213.94	193.81	272.00	182.27
-299	25	145.86-181.34	165.22	225.00	160.16

At **Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn, October 24, 2020** –193 cows, 11 bulls, 29 veal, 48 stockers, 7 fed cattle

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
Cows	48.00-80.00	59.39	132.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	75.00-93.00	80.56	93.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	81.00-96.00	88.21	96.00
Veal calves 600 lbs & over	85.00-117.50	100.00	117.50
Veal calves 125 lbs or less	44.43-212.50	100.00	212.50

**Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc., October 27, 2020: 203 Fed Cattle, 33 Veal, 82 Cows, 11 bulls, 1 stocker**

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	130.00-142.00	137.74	166.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	135.00-141.75	139.09	155.50
Cows	45.00-69.00	56.20	83.50
Veal over 600 lbs	112.00-124.00	119.04	128.00

**At Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: October 28, 2020 – 34 veal, 216 Cows, 60 fed cattle, 9 bulls**

	Price Range	Average	Top
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross 1000+ lbs	61.99-108.00	97.49	108.00
Cows	40.99-87.50	62.29	107.00
Veal over 600 lbs	93.00-131.00	116.99	131.00

**ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE**

**Stocker sale at Brussels Livestock: October 23, 2020 – 1,535 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	159.00-178.00	169.22	178.00	900+	142.00-160.50	154.93	164.00
900-999	168.00-189.25	180.16	192.00	800-899	160.00-180.00	171.13	185.00
800-899	174.50-190.00	183.61	195.00	700-799	156.00-176.50	168.18	182.50
700-799	169.50-199.00	186.98	206.00	600-699	156.00-205.00	178.90	205.00
600-699	170.00-209.00	194.67	228.00	500-599	158.00-197.00	178.52	213.00
500-599	194.00-244.00	220.19	256.00	400-499	169.00-216.00	191.63	216.00
400-499	195.00-255.00	230.04	260.00	300-399	185.00-225.00	211.00	225.00
399	270.00-297.00	285.31	310.00				

**Stocker sale at: Temiskaming Livestock Exchange, October 26, 2020 – 105 stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
600-699	130.00-180.50	173.63	180.50	500-599	150.00-168.00	159.57	168.00
500-599	176.00-189.00	181.00	214.00	400-499	153.00-195.00	186.60	195.00
400-499	209.00-229.50	221.86	229.50				

**Stocker sale at: Community Livestock Exchange: October 27, 2020 – 275 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
700-799	102.49-177.00	158.69	177.00	600-699	135.00-173.99	153.89	173.99
600-699	142.50-200.00	175.89	200.00	500-599	112.50-214.00	163.79	214.00
500-599	130.00-239.00	200.30	239.00	400-499	114.99-200.00	175.80	200.00
400-499	147.50-270.00	216.19	270.00	300-399	182.49-197.50	190.19	197.50
399-	220.00-242.49	232.20	242.49				

**Stocker sale at: Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: October 27, 2020 – 583 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
700-799	122.50-195.99	173.99	195.99	900+	73.99-132.49	107.69	178.00
600-699	137.50-222.99	190.30	222.99	800-899	117.50-170.99	149.59	170.99
500-599	160.00-239.00	220.99	239.00	700-799	130.00-182.00	178.00	182.00
400-499	162.50-262.99	238.09	262.99	600-699	100.00-190.99	164.70	190.99
399-	182.49-270.00	243.80	270.00	500-599	137.99-212.00	192.10	212.00
				400-499	157.49-245.00	204.30	245.00
				300-399	182.49-229.99	202.89	229.99

Stocker sale at **Aylmer Stockyards Inc, October 28, 2020- 158** 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>	117.50-185.00	143.19	185.00	<b>700-799</b>	107.00-175.00	131.00	175.00
<b>600-699</b>	122.50-229.00	175.69	229.00	<b>500-599</b>	107.49-187.99	162.00	187.99
<b>500-599</b>	114.99-225.99	187.40	225.99	<b>400-499</b>	110.00-180.0	158.89	180.00

Stocker sale at **Ontario Livestock Exchange, October 28, 2020- 489** 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>	160.00-184.00	170.87	184.00	<b>900+</b>	130.00-162.00	152.29	162.00
<b>900-999</b>	172.00-187.50	179.99	187.50	<b>800-899</b>	130.00-163.00	157.58	163.00
<b>800-899</b>	174.50-190.00	177.60	190.00	<b>700-799</b>	150.00-170.00	164.38	170.00
<b>700-799</b>	186.00-198.00	192.50	198.00	<b>600-699</b>	157.50-173.00	168.67	173.00
<b>600-699</b>	195.00-220.00	203.00	220.00				
<b>500-599</b>	182.50-205.00	196.88	205.00				

Stocker sale at **Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange, October 28, 2020- 379** 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>	150.00-175.00	162.78	175.00	<b>800-899</b>	140.00-152.00	145.46	152.00
<b>700-799</b>	170.00-186.00	176.86	192.00	<b>700-799</b>	142.00-178.00	157.09	178.00
<b>600-699</b>	170.00-229.00	188.89	229.00	<b>600-699</b>	144.00-197.00	167.50	197.00
<b>500-599</b>	171.00-240.00	201.49	240.00	<b>500-599</b>	152.00-205.00	181.99	205.00
<b>400-499</b>	146.00-236.00	197.14	236.00	<b>400-499</b>	178.00-232.00	190.87	232.00
<b>399-</b>	188.00-242.00	223.67	242.00	<b>300-399</b>	148.00-232.00	174.21	232.00

Stocker sale at **Ontario Livestock Exchange: October 29, 2020 – 424** 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>	124.00-152.00	141.46	152.00	<b>900+</b>	114.00-125.00	120.55	145.00
<b>900-999</b>	137.50-157.50	146.39	157.50	<b>800-899</b>	127.50-145.00	136.25	145.00
<b>800-899</b>	145.00-165.00	153.82	188.00	<b>700-799</b>	115.00-140.00	128.75	145.00
<b>700-799</b>	127.50-165.00	150.90	184.00	<b>600-699</b>	115.00-175.00	144.38	175.00
<b>600-699</b>	152.50-190.00	170.87	195.00	<b>500-599</b>	112.50-165.00	134.57	175.00
<b>500-599</b>	147.50-195.00	176.99	222.50	<b>400-499</b>	90.00-180.00	135.88	205.00
<b>400-499</b>	145.00-230.00	195.40	230.00	<b>300-399</b>	110.00-145.00	130.96	177.50
<b>399</b>	125.00-255.00	197.97	270.00	<b>299-</b>	115.00-170.00	141.43	215.00

Stocker sale at **Ottawa Livestock Exchange: October 29, 2020– 244** 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>	146.00-184.00	168.00	184.00	<b>600-699</b>	132.00-178.00	155.69	178.00
<b>600-699</b>	162.00-188.00	177.24	188.00	<b>500-599</b>	140.00-186.00	163.86	186.00
<b>500-599</b>	162.00-234.00	194.68	240.00	<b>400-499</b>	146.00-184.00	162.24	192.00
<b>400-499</b>	198.00-244.00	216.33	258.00	<b>300-399</b>	140.00-194.00	159.60	194.00
<b>399</b>	190.00-242.00	225.33	242.00				

Stocker sale at: **Ontario Stockyards Inc: October 29, 2020– 1,195** Stockers , **19** bred cows, **4** cow/calf pairs.

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>800-1000</b>	145.00-191.75	192.00	<b>800+</b>	130.00-166.00	172.50
<b>700-800</b>	170.00-204.00	206.00	<b>600-800</b>	150.00-200.00	206.00
<b>500-700</b>	175.00-235.00	240.00	<b>300-600</b>	165.00-255.00	265.00
<b>300-500</b>	219.00-275.00	277.50			

### **ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL FALL SALES**

Stocker sale at **Community Livestock Exchange: October 23, 2020 – 822** 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>900-999</b>	140.99-180.00	169.99	180.00	<b>900+</b>	119.99-156.00	145.59	156.00
<b>800-899</b>	160.00-179.00	170.19	179.00	<b>800-899</b>	145.99-169.99	151.80	169.99
<b>700-799</b>	152.49-200.00	178.60	200.00	<b>700-799</b>	119.99-176.00	160.29	176.00
<b>600-699</b>	150.00-222.50	190.50	222.50	<b>600-699</b>	121.99-192.99	169.90	192.99
<b>500-599</b>	169.99-241.00	214.29	241.00	<b>500-599</b>	132.49-196.99	183.29	196.99
<b>400-499</b>	189.99-272.00	239.59	272.00	<b>400-499</b>	130.00-197.99	180.40	194.99
<b>399-</b>	150.00-227.49	209.29	227.49				

Quinte Cattlemen's Association- Fall Stocker Sale. There was a strong quality offering of 822 comprised of 388 steers and 434 heifers. Fancy lightweight steer prices were quite strong but demand was increasingly softer through the 6-weights and higher, reflecting the present Ontario downtrend in market prices, generally. There were 50 consignors and 22 purchasing buyers.

Stocker sale at **Denfield Livestock Exchange: October 24, 2020 – 579** 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>	150.00-170.00	161.25	170.00	<b>900-</b>	151.00-172.00	161.80	176.00
<b>900-999</b>	172.00-193.00	181.19	195.00	<b>800-899</b>	159.00-182.00	174.29	182.00
<b>800-899</b>	177.00-199.00	185.78	205.50	<b>700-799</b>	153.50-194.00	168.66	194.00
<b>700-799</b>	186.00-204.50	193.57	204.50	<b>600-699</b>	155.00-181.00	168.64	194.00
<b>600-699</b>	179.00-199.00	192.18	199.00	<b>500-599</b>	165.00-191.00	179.94	191.00
<b>500-599</b>	175.00-213.00	193.07	213.00	<b>400-499</b>	186.00-194.00	190.50	194.00
<b>400-499</b>	185.00-215.00	201.57	215.00				

Stocker sale at **Keady Livestock Market, October 24, 2020- 1,139** 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>	213.50-213.75	213.69	213.75	<b>700-799</b>	178.50-185.80	180.93	185.50
<b>700-799</b>	213.50-217.00	213.95	218.50	<b>600-699</b>	185.50-197.50	192.11	201.00
<b>600-699</b>	218.50-231.50	224.38	235.00	<b>500-599</b>	196.00-217.00	206.94	228.00
<b>500-599</b>	224.00-250.00	238.96	265.00	<b>400-499</b>	210.00-247.00	225.86	269.00
<b>400-499</b>	250.00-278.00	266.47	292.00	<b>300-399</b>	202.50-272.00	246.67	272.00
<b>399-</b>	272.50-300.00	289.38	300.00				

Bruce Peninsula Charolais Calf Club- Presort Sale: A good group of vaccinated, presorted Charolais calves sold with active buyer interest at prices comparable to last year!

Stocker sale at: **Maple Hill Auctions Ltd, October 26, 2020 – 365** stockers- Local Calf Sale

<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>	183.50-184.50	184.02	184.50	<b>800-899</b>	154.00-174.50	171.70	174.50
<b>900-999</b>	181.00-194.00	189.54	194.00	<b>700-799</b>	144.00-170.00	165.71	170.00
<b>800-899</b>	162.00-176.00	167.60	176.00	<b>500-599</b>	200.00-217.00	210.63	217.00
<b>700-799</b>	180.00-191.00	187.33	191.00	<b>400-499</b>	217.00-223.00	221.36	223.00
<b>600-699</b>	211.00-221.00	217.36	221.00	<b>300-399</b>	210.00-235.00	216.25	235.00
<b>500-599</b>	219.00-227.00	223.86	233.00				
<b>399-</b>	233.00-262.00	250.40	262.00				

Stocker sale at: **Carson's Farm and Auction Services: October 27, 2020 – 515** Stockers

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>900-999</b>	161.00	172.00	<b>800-899</b>	161.00	166.00
<b>800-899</b>	199.00	205.00	<b>700-799</b>	182.00	201.00
<b>700-799</b>	194.00	243.00	<b>600-699</b>	182.00	236.00
<b>600-699</b>	218.00	236.00	<b>500-599</b>	215.00	231.00
<b>500-599</b>	218.00	266.00	<b>400-499</b>	185.00	230.00
<b>400-499</b>	225.00	258.00			

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The market was strong with a nice selection of local calves on offer, with great quality.

Stocker sale at: **Keady Livestock Market: October 27, 2020 – 1,024** Stockers – Presort sale.

<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>	157.00-176.00	175.05	207.25	<b>700-799</b>	166.00-173.00	169.56	184.00
<b>700-799</b>	200.50-208.00	205.70	215.00	<b>600-699</b>	168.00-184.50	173.68	189.00
<b>600-699</b>	211.00-225.00	218.58	236.00	<b>500-599</b>	177.50-206.00	191.04	225.50
<b>500-599</b>	225.00-240.50	234.10	262.00	<b>400-499</b>	222.00-257.50	238.76	257.50
<b>400-499</b>	241.00-259.50	252.51	277.50	<b>300-399</b>	235.00-242.50	240.25	245.00
<b>399-</b>	255.00-285.00	272.50	285.00				

Georgian Bay Charolais Calf Club Presort Sale- Good quality pre-sorted, vaccinated steer calves sold steady while heavier heifers sold under pressure.

Stocker sale at **Kawartha Lakes Community Sales Barn, October 28, 2020- 399** 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>	125.00-164.00	145.06	164.00	<b>700-799</b>	159.50-168.50	165.81	168.50
<b>900-999</b>	75.00-185.00	154.25	185.00	<b>600-699</b>	160.00-189.50	171.81	189.50
<b>800-899</b>	171.00-191.00	182.78	191.00	<b>500-599</b>	167.00-213.50	192.59	213.50
<b>700-799</b>	142.50-194.00	172.68	194.00	<b>400-499</b>	159.00-225.00	198.65	225.00
<b>600-699</b>	191.00-221.00	203.52	221.00	<b>300-399</b>	160.00-224.00	201.33	224.00
<b>500-599</b>	205.00-245.00	224.00	245.00				
<b>400-499</b>	202.50-237.00	234.34	237.00				
<b>399</b>	225.00-240.00	237.05	240.00				

Calves sold actively at steady prices.

Stocker sale at **Keady Livestock Market, October 29, 2020- 788** stockers- Bluewater Black Calf Presort Sale

<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>	209.50-210.75	210.19	210.75	<b>700-799</b>	166.00-169.00	167.50	169.00
<b>600-699</b>	209.50-223.00	218.16	226.00	<b>600-699</b>	170.00-182.00	173.32	190.00
<b>500-599</b>	230.00-239.50	235.46	239.50	<b>500-599</b>	177.50-194.00	184.98	196.50
<b>400-499</b>	220.00-265.00	250.15	265.00	<b>400-499</b>	185.50-196.00	189.61	196.00
<b>399-</b>	210.00-277.00	254.67	277.00	<b>300-399</b>	194.00-225.00	219.36	225.00

Good quality pre-sorted, vaccinated calves sold steady to Tuesday's market.

Stocker sale at **Wiarthon- Grey Bruce Livestock Cooperative Sales, October 29, 2020 – 680** stockers

<b>Steers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Heifers</b>	<b>Price Range</b>	<b>Top</b>
<b>810 lbs</b>	179.00		<b>500-700</b>	185.00-220.00	
<b>600-700</b>	215.00-224.00		<b>400-500</b>	201.00-221.00	
<b>500-600</b>	219.00-245.00		<b>300-400</b>	222.00-230.00	
<b>300-500</b>	212.00-280.00				

Top quality grass cattle, including Charolais cross, Red Angus, Black Angus, Hereford, Gelbvieh, Limousin and Simmental, sold at prices on par with the current market trends.

### **CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO**

	<b>Week ending Oct 3, 2020</b>	<b>Week ending Sep 26, 2020</b>	<b>Year to Date 2020</b>
<b>Total live slaughter cattle exported from Ontario to the U.S.</b>	<b>1,824</b>	<b>1,827</b>	<b>95,010</b>
<b>Steers &amp; Heifers &amp; Cows</b>	<b>1,672</b>	<b>1,618</b>	<b>84,959</b>
<b>Bulls</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>10,051</b>

### **ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE**

For the week ending October 29, 2020

<b>Steers</b>	Live <b>FOB</b>	130.00	Rail <b>FOB</b>	216.50-225.50
<b>Heifers</b>	Live <b>FOB</b>	131.00	Rail <b>FOB</b>	219.00

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

For the week ending October 29, 2020

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:	Live	101.00-106.25
	Rail	158.00-163.00

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

	Price	Change from Last Week
For the week ending October 29, 2020	227.00-230.00	-1.50

### FEDERALLY INSPECTED CANADIAN PROCESSING

	Week Ending Oct 24, 2020	# of hd change from week ago	YTD	% Change (Week Ago)	% Change (Year Ago)
Grand Total	66,575	+6,274	2,482,240	+10%	-5%
Western Slaughter	53,360	+1,124	1,944,107	+8%	-6%
Eastern Slaughter	13,215	+2,240	538,133	+20%	-3%

### AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
Oct 24, 2020	961	870
Oct 17, 2020	949	872
Oct 26, 2019	937	858

### USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE PROCESSING VOLUME

	Week Ending Oct 31, 2020	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	638,000	643,000	659,000

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Current Five Day Average:	207.03	189.87

### BEEF EXPORTS – CANADA

	United States	Change from last year YTD	Mexico	Change from last year YTD
	Jan 1- Aug 31/20		Jan 1- Aug 31/20	
Total	202,089 tonnes	-4% or -9,522 tonnes	7,722 tonnes	-27% or -2,810 tonnes
	Japan	Change from last year YTD	China	Change from last year YTD
	Jan 1- Aug 31/20		Jan 1- Aug 31/20	
Total	29,454 tonnes	-9% or -2,996 tonnes	5,690 tonnes	-50% or -5,785 tonnes

### LIVE CATTLE – CANADA

IMPORTS			EXPORTS		
		Import % change from 2019 YTD			Export % change from 2019 YTD
	Jan 1- Aug 31/20			Jan 1- Oct 17/20	
Pure bred	2,325	-22%	Slaughter steers & heifers & cows	386,988	+5%
Non-pure bred	142,280	+13%	Feeder cattle & calves	95,002	-44%
			Bulls	34,584	-7%

### BEEF PRODUCTION – CANADA

	Jan 1 – Oct 24/20	Last Year Same Time	% Change
Fed	860,469 tonnes	876,190 tonnes	-2%
Non-fed	113,840 tonnes	141,242 tonnes	-19%



### **BEEF IMPORTS – CANADA**

	<i>Jan 1 – Oct 24/20</i>	<i>Last Year Same Time</i>	<i>% Change</i>
United States	93,443 tonnes	89,080 tonnes	+5%
Non-CUSMA	43,378 tonnes	33,143 tonnes	+31%
EU-28 (beef/veal total)	12,207 tonnes	2,565 tonnes	+376%
Total	159,166 tonnes	131,560 tonnes	+21%

### **CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE**

Closing quotes on futures today were as follows:

<b>Live Cattle</b>			<b>Feeder Cattle</b>			<b>Corn</b>			<b>Soybeans</b>			<b>Canadian \$</b>		
<b>Oct</b>	105.97	-0.30	<b>Nov</b>	137.40	+1.67	<b>Dec</b>	3.984	+0.0	<b>Nov</b>	10.564	+4.6	<b>Spot</b>	75.08	+0.04
<b>Dec</b>	108.30	+0.32	<b>Jan</b>	134.12	+2.77	<b>Mar</b>	4.032	+1.6	<b>Jan</b>	10.562	+5.6	<b>Dec</b>	75.09	+0.04
<b>Feb</b>	110.40	+0.02	<b>Mar</b>	133.52	+2.55	<b>May</b>	4.060	+2.6	<b>Mar</b>	10.480	+7.6	<b>Mar</b>	75.12	+0.04
<b>Apr</b>	113.65	+0.12	<b>Apr</b>	135.05	+2.37	<b>Jul</b>	4.072	+3.0	<b>May</b>	10.446	+8.4	<b>Jun</b>	75.13	+0.04
<b>Jun</b>	107.87	+0.12	<b>May</b>	135.75	+2.17	<b>Sep</b>	3.872	+3.6	<b>Jul</b>	10.432	+8.4	<b>Sep</b>	75.12	+0.03
<b>Aug</b>	107.32	+0.35	<b>Aug</b>	142.35	+1.70	<b>Mar</b>	3.872	+3.4	<b>Aug</b>	10.324	+8.0	<b>Dec</b>	75.12	+0.03

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### **ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL FALL SALES**

Oct 30 7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market	Local Calf Sale
Oct 31 9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Central Ontario Calf Producers-all breeds, owner lots.
Nov 3 11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	All Vaccinated Stocker Sale
Nov 4 10:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Community Sales Barn	Peterborough/Victoria Counties Fall Stocker Sale
Nov 6 9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Special Calf Sale
Nov 6 10:00 am	Brussels Livestock	Angus Influence Sale- in regular sale
Nov 6 7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market	Local Calf and yearling sale
Nov 7 8:30 am	Stratton- Rainy River Cattlemens	Calves & Yearlings, cows etc
Nov 7 11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Local Calf Sale (must be vacc by Oct 15 <sup>th</sup> )
Nov 11 10:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Community Sales Barn	Fall Stocker Sale
Nov 13 9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Special Grass & Yard Yearling Sale
Nov 14 1:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Vancise/Walnut Driver Female Sale

### **Comments for the week ending October 29<sup>th</sup>**

Larger receipts of fed steers and heifers sold through auction markets this week at 576 head, up 215 from last week but 163 fewer than the same week last year. Fed steers traded from \$132.14-\$140.04 averaging \$135.60 down \$0.30 from last week and \$4.76 stronger than year ago prices. Fed heifers ranged from \$120.43-\$138.76 averaging \$133.47 up \$3.41 from last week and \$11.04 stronger than year ago prices. Auction markets reported trade as steady with one market noting prices down \$2.00-\$3.00 on a good offering.

The Ontario railgrade market was very quiet this week with limited packer interest. Prices dropped by \$2.00 cwt the previous week as packers procured ample supplies with delivery out to the week of November 9<sup>th</sup>. No bids or sales this week were reported. Last year at this time there was very limited packer interest with a few sales averaging \$234.50, but not enough repeatable trade to establish a price last year either.

Lighter receipts of fed/cull cows sold through auction markets this week at 2,797 head, down 310 from last week and 163 fewer than the same time last year. Cows sold from \$48.85-\$72.52 averaging \$59.59 down \$1.29 from last week but \$6.94 stronger than the same week last year. Auction markets reported trade as steady to lower, with good quality steady and plainer types under pressure. By mid-week, beef cows were steady to stronger and dairy cows steady. Trade ended the week on an active trade at higher prices.

10,528 stocker and feeder cattle sold through auction markets this week up 688 head from last week and 1,660 more than the same time last year. Included this week was several special stocker sales along with three of pre-sort calf sales. Auction markets reported good quality calves as steady to strong, with second cut calves under some pressure. The pre-sort calf sales noted a good demand with prices comparable to last year's market and steady across the board. Yearlings were reported as steady to easier with softer demand. Actual average prices this week saw steers 400-500 lb up \$9.55 on average from last week, 500-600 lbs up \$8.74, 600-700 lbs up \$8.44, 700-800 lbs up \$3.40, 800-900 lbs down \$1.45, 900-1000 lbs down \$3.54 and steers 1000 lbs and over averaged \$7.21 easier than last week. Heifers from 300-400 lbs were up \$11.54, 400-500 lbs up \$14.10, 500-600 lbs up \$1.99, 600-700 lbs up \$4.46, 700-800 lbs up \$10.59, 800-900 lbs down \$4.17 and heifers 900 lbs and over averaged \$2.46 below last week's weighted average prices.

The Quebec electronic market on Wednesday ranged from \$227.00-\$230.00 dressed, down \$1.50 from the previous week on average.

Alberta direct trade this week was extremely light with Canfax reporting volumes the lightest since May. Canfax reports live trade from \$130.00-\$131.00 on a picked up basis, down around \$6.00 from last week's live trade. On a dressed basis, Canfax reported trade from \$221.00-\$227.00 delivered, mostly \$221.00-\$222.00 down around \$4.00 on average. On a picked up basis trade was reported from \$216.50-\$225.50 with steers averaging \$222.26 down \$1.28 while heifers averaged \$219.00 down \$4.62. Canfax reports: "With weaker basis levels and softer prices many producers opted to carry cattle into next week. Cattle that traded this week would be lifted in 3-6 weeks depending on who bought the cattle."

The US cash cattle trade, for the week ending October 23<sup>rd</sup>, was light to moderate with live sales for the week, reported by the USDA Mandatory Price Report, from \$103.00-\$106.50 live. Most trade in the south was from \$105.00-\$106.00, the north \$104.00-\$105.00 and Iowa was from \$103.00-\$105.00. On average prices were noted at \$105.07 for steers down \$2.45 from the previous week on average, while heifers averaged \$105.31 down \$2.54. On the rail trade ranged from \$162.00-\$167.00 dressed, with steers averaging \$163.95 down \$4.40 from the previous week, while heifers averaged \$164.45 down \$3.91.

This week the market has been very quiet with just a handful sold at the online market on Wednesday, 1,257 head from \$105.50-\$106.25 which is steady to \$1.00 lower than last week's trade. A couple of deals here and there were noted from \$158.00-\$160.00 dressed, but not nearly enough to establish a market. Bids of \$104.00 were being passed and asking prices were holding at \$108.00 live in the south and \$168.00 dressed in the north. Cattle futures have rebounded slightly from last week's downward pressure despite the larger on feed report. Thursday saw a light test in parts of Texas and Kansas at \$106.00 live, steady to last week. A couple of deals in the north were also reported at \$103.00-\$104.00 live, down \$1.00 from last week's northern trade but not enough to establish a market. Today, a light test has surfaced in Nebraska at \$105.00-\$106.00 live which is \$1.00-\$2.00 higher than last week's northern trade, with bids at \$162.00 dressed and no selling interest noted at that price. Bids in Kansas are also reported at \$106.00 live but sellers have resisted. The rest of the country remains quiet but trade is expected to develop later today. Asking prices are reported at \$110.00 live in the south and \$168.00 dressed in the north.