

Weekly Market Information Report for the week ending Thursday, November 3, 2022

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 303.00-306.00 A Grade Heifers 302.00-305.00

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ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Ontario auction sales th	Ontario auction sales this week saw weighted average price ranges for:							
FED CATT	LE	Volume	Price Range	Average	Тор	Last Week Avg		
Large Frame Ste	ers +1250	103	177.48-186.57	182.98	189.00	179.97		
Medium Frame St	eers +1250	90	174.09-186.80	180.88	191.00	174.53		
Large & Medium Fram	ne Steers +1250	193	175.03-186.26	181.73	191.00	178.94		
Large Frame Heif	fers +1000	56	157.52-182.06	170.46	195.00	178.88		
Medium Frame He	eifers +1000	190	174.43-185.00	180.15	229.00	170.93		
Large & Medium Fram	e Heifers +1000	246	170.22-185.04	178.09	229.00	175.81		
Fed steers, Dairy & Dai	•	93	147.74-170.83	163.80	182.75	151.23		
Fed heifers, Dairy & Da	airy Cross +1000	104	117.19-163.85	145.15	182.50	139.25		
Cows - All W	eights	2,367	62.35-98.00	78.84	169.00	83.39		
Bulls - All We	eights	167	98.86-129.51	113.28	200.00	119.08		
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STOCKERS - Large and STEERS	Volume		Drice Bange	Average	Ton	Last Wook Ava		
1000+	497		Price Range 21.73-245.94	Average 236.69	Top 255.00	Last Week Avg 231.10		
900-999	266		32.44-254.18	246.13	267.00	238.23		
800-899	229		08.15-250.26	237.97	272.50	238.57		
700-799	469		13.96-253.17	237.23	294.00	249.67		
600-699	1,077		25.69-269.60	252.10	315.00	260.84		
500-599	1,264		27.36-291.35	262.96	340.00	279.05		
400-499	603		34.63-313.28	275.87	365.00	281.42		
-399	205		27.29-333.87	280.30	390.00	280.08		
-355	203		.27.25 555.67	200.50	330.00	200.00		
STOCKERS - Large and	Medium Frame							
HEIFERS	Volume		Price Range	Average	Тор	Last Week Avg		
+900	275	1	72.69-205.29	189.35	226.00	196.47		
800-899	237	1	82.54-219.51	204.92	238.00	215.02		
700-799	183	1	74.12-215.79	196.40	270.00	212.44		
600-699	463	1	86.67-226.93	209.43	250.00	227.95		
500-599	898	1	90.66-245.23	220.59	290.00	245.08		
400-499	603		90.67-253.91	226.04	330.00	251.01		
300-399	130	1	75.79-263.34	221.43	355.00	248.73		

At Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn: October 29, 2022 – 160 cows, 12 bulls, 34 veal, 13 fed cattle

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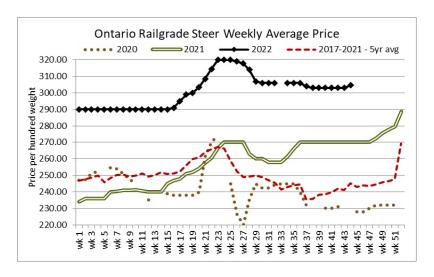
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	Price Range	Avg.	Тор
Cows	65.00-108.00	79.54	140.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	111.00-127.00	117.40	127.00
Veal 600 lbs +	145.00-179.00	162.12	179.00
Veal -125 lbs	70.00-265.00	147.02	265.00

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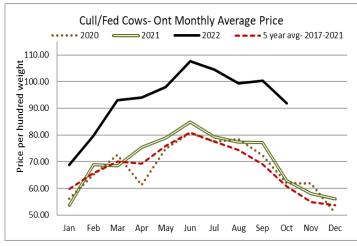


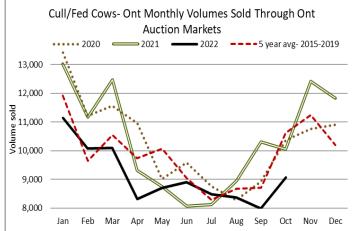
Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc., November 1, 2022: 272 Fed Cattle, 20 Veal, 115 Cows, 7 Bulls, 28 stockers

	Price Kange	Average	тор
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	180.00-187.25	184.57	191.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	183.00-187.50	185.40	229.00
Cows	56.00-97.00	77.20	118.00
Veal calves 600 lbs +	164.00-198.00	185.16	198.00

At Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: November 2, 2022 - 18 veal, 170 Cows, 3 fed cattle, 1 bull, 17 stockers

	Price Range	Average	гор
Cows	61.99-113.99	81.59	150.00
Veal 600+ lbs	141.99-210.00	186.69	210.00





ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at Brussels Livestock: October 28, 2022 – 1,371 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
1000+	226.00-255.00	243.42	255.00	900+	192.50-215.00	204.78	215.00
900-999	245.00-259.75	254.08	259.75	800-899	188.50-229.75	207.06	229.75
800-899	235.00-272.50	261.29	272.50	700-799	191.00-270.00	224.19	270.00
700-799	221.00-261.50	245.86	269.00	600-699	197.00-230.00	216.20	238.00
600-699	221.00-265.00	248.98	265.00	500-599	219.00-271.00	249.36	271.00
500-599	234.00-302.00	268.85	302.00	400-499	218.00-294.00	258.36	294.00
400-499	230.00-324.00	284.01	338.00	300-399	165.00-355.00	268.86	355.00
399-	160.00-367.50	278.25	367.50				

Stocker sale	at Kawartha Lakes Co	mmunity Sa	les Barn: Oct	tober 29, 20	22 – 97 Stockers		
Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
600-699	160.00-237.50	195.23	237.50	500-599	147.50-207.50	184.72	207.50
500-599	185.00-287.50	226.18	287.50	400-499	157.50-207.50	176.36	207.50
Stocker cale	at Temiskaming Lives	tock Evebon	go: Octobor	21 2022 _ 2	1/2 stockors		
Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	31, 2022 – 2 Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
700-799	190.00-206.00	200.25	206.00	500-599	184.00-219.50	200.19	231.00
600-699	184.00-215.00	200.23	215.00	400-499	195.00-221.00	205.78	252.50
500-599	200.00-251.00	226.38	264.00	300-399	200.00-227.50	205.78	245.00
400-499	200.00-251.00	225.43	271.00	299-	200.00-227.30	200.13	220.00
399-	240.00-302.50	282.50	322.50	233-	200.00-220.00	207.30	220.00
333	240.00 302.30	202.50	322.30				
Stocker sale	at: Community Livest	_					
Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
700-799	169.99-229.99	206.70	229.99	600-699	107.49-212.99	174.79	212.99
600-699	150.00-260.00	219.70	260.00	500-599	119.99-222.99	190.19	222.99
500-599	150.00-262.99	226.90	262.99	400-499	114.99-239.00	192.10	239.00
400-499	164.99-322.99	261.10	322.99	300-399	144.99-232.50	187.20	232.50
399-	169.99-242.49	194.90	320.00				
Stocker sale	at: Keady Livestock N	larket: Nov	ember 1, 202	22 – 567 Sto	ckers		
Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
1000+	218.00-224.00	220.50	224.00	900+	157.50-225.00	198.68	225.00
800-899	180.00-223.00	212.98	225.00	800-899	198.00-238.0	230.35	238.00
700-799	215.00-225.00	222.50	235.00	700-799	200.00-219.00	214.96	219.00
600-699	220.00-286.00	261.02	286.00	600-699	162.50-335.00	190.58	226.00
500-599	230.00-308.00	275.38	330.00	500-599	180.00-258.00	219.97	264.00
400-499	287.50-355.00	317.67	365.00	400-499	235.00-265.00	248.68	320.00
399-	300.00-390.00	348.64	390.00	300-399	242.50-320.00	276.00	330.00
				299-	250.00-290.00	270.00	290.00
Stocker sale	at: Renfrew Pontiac L	ivestock: N	ovember 1. 2	2 022 – 497 S	tockers		
Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
700-799	144.99-229.99	204.59	229.99	600-699	169.99-242.49	223.49	242.49
600-699	189.99-270.99	242.49	270.99	500-599	180.00-264.99	238.09	264.99
500-599	185.00-304.99	261.69	304.99	400-499	160.00-262.00	239.29	262.00
400-499	210.00-335.00	295.19	335.00	300-399	182.49-260.00	230.20	260.00
399-	204.99-360.00	278.79	360.00	299-	180.00-250.00	218.90	250.00
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1000+	Price Range 227.00-249.00	Average 241.13	Top 249.00	900+	Price Range 184.00-226.00	Average 201.43	Top 226.00
900-999	242.00-259.00	241.13	259.00	800-899	190.00-202.50	197.19	202.50
800-899	205.00-257.00	240.00	257.00	800-833	190.00-202.30	137.13	202.30
	at Ontario Livestock I	_				_	_
Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
1000+	152.50-185.00	172.05	185.00	900+	152.50-180.00	169.34	180.00
900-999	167.50-267.00	250.25	267.00	800-899	165.00-192.50	174.17	192.50
800-899	137.50-195.00	175.42	195.00	700-799	155.00-190.00	172.33	190.00
700-799	165.00-250.00	191.00	250.00	600-699	130.00-175.00	153.18	185.00
600-699	180.00-255.00	226.14	267.50	500-599	110.00-180.00	149.46	190.00
500-599	170.00-257.50	226.10	257.50	400-499	152.50-190.00	169.55	222.50
400-499	225.00-270.00	254.29	270.00				
399-	150.00-170.00	160.00	272.50				

Stocker sale at Ontario Stockyards Inc: November 3, 2022 – 830 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
1000+	130.00-213.00	175.83	213.00	900+	132.50-180.00	159.50	185.00
900-999	170.00-218.00	189.33	218.00	800-899	152.50-201.00	186.03	201.00
800-899	162.50-237.50	213.29	237.50	700-799	160.00-212.50	187.13	216.00
700-799	190.00-224.00	209.19	235.00	600-699	152.50-196.00	177.80	237.00
600-699	205.00-242.50	225.52	250.00	500-599	165.00-224.00	191.43	250.00
500-599	200.00-259.00	233.56	289.00	400-499	170.00-217.50	193.53	232.50
400-499	220.00-303.00	258.31	340.00	300-399	155.00-285.00	213.33	325.00
399-	220.00-325.00	264.35	340.00				

Stocker sale at Ottawa Livestock Exchange: November 3, 2022 – 93 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
700-799	168.00-210.00	192.00	210.00	500-599	172.00-198.00	185.38	216.00
600-699	182.00-228.00	199.00	228.00				
500-599	206.00-238.00	224.20	238.00				
400-499	208.00-246.00	226.83	246.00				
399-	150.00-252.00	184.00	252.00				

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL FALL SALE

Stocker sale at Keady Livestock Market: October 29, 2022 – 710 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
800-899	225.00-270.00	266.25	270.00	600-699	220.00-231.00	225.65	234.50
700-799	270.00-294.00	282.12	294.00	500-599	226.00-256.00	242.71	290.00
600-699	290.00-315.00	304.37	315.00	400-499	240.00-312.50	269.37	330.00
500-599	300.00-340.00	316.63	340.00	300-399	275.00-345.00	312.19	345.00
400-499	305.00-350.00	328.92	360.00				
399-	350.00-380.00	356.67	380.00				

Central Ontario Calf Producers sale selling in owner lots, on a strong active trade.

Stocker sale at Ontario Stockyards Inc: November 1, 2022 – 990 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
900-999	155.00-214.00	197.25	214.00	800-899	184.00-190.00	186.77	190.00
800-899	185.00-220.00	199.00	230.00	700-799	207.00-233.00	219.18	233.00
700-799	222.00-250.25	240.36	250.25	600-699	222.00-242.50	236.56	242.50
600-699	235.50-264.00	252.87	271.50	500-599	202.50-233.00	216.79	246.00
500-599	244.00-297.00	275.15	308.50	400-499	202.50-252.00	233.74	262.50
400-499	250.00-281.00	264.99	301.00	300-399	155.00-272.50	232.78	272.50
399-	230.00-370.00	292.73	370.00				

Special All Vaccinated Calf Sale – All classes of cattle sold on a steady market.

Stocker sale at Kawartha Lakes Community Sales Barn, November 2, 2022 – 1,006 stockers

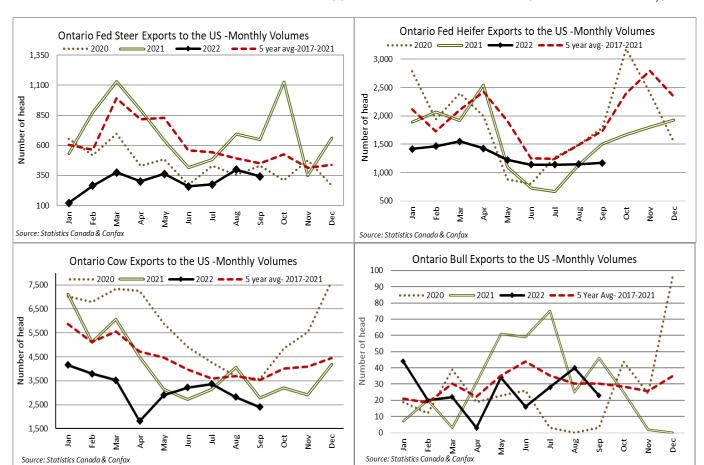
Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
800-899	226.00-256.00	249.96	256.00	800-899	180.00-199.00	192.53	199.00
700-799	207.50-264.00	241.31	264.00	700-799	182.50-213.00	195.14	213.00
600-699	225.00-272.00	251.71	277.50	600-699	205.00-246.00	223.87	250.00
500-599	242.50-290.00	263.76	305.00	500-599	205.00-265.00	234.96	275.00
400-499	255.00-335.00	286.53	337.50	400-499	195.0-265.00	231.78	269.00
399-	280.00-352.50	312.32	352.50	300-399	187.50-252.50	218.70	252.50

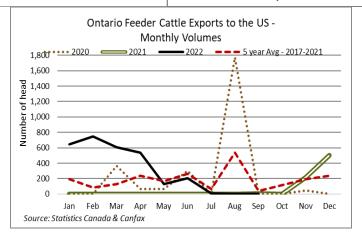
Peterborough Cattlemen & Victoria Beef Farmer Counties Special Vaccinated Calf Sale- A good offering of cattle sold actively at strong to premium prices.

WEEKLY LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS-ONTARIO

Total live slaughter cattle exported through Ontario ports to the U.S. Steers & Heifers & Cows
Bulls







MONTHLY LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS TO THE U.S. FROM ONTARIO (Canfax/Stats Canada)

	September 2022	2022 - YTD	Sept 2021- YTD	% change from 2021- YTD
Steers	343	2,703	6,319	-57%
Heifers	1,171	11,687	13,563	-14%
Cows	2,398	28,003	38,627	-28%
Bulls	2	230	327	-30%
Feeders	5	2,895	7	+41,257%
Total	3,940	45,518	58,843	

CANADIAN- FEDERALLY INSPECTED PROCESSING

	Week Ending Oct 29, 2022	# of hd change from week ago	YTD	% Change (Week Ago)	% Change (Year Ago)
Grand Total	66,972	+3,675	2,709,400	+6%	-0%
Western Processing	53,214	+4,175	2,154,647	+0%	-0%
Eastern Processing	13,758	-500	564,357	+34%	-0%

ONTARIO- FEDERALLY INSPECTED PROCESSING

	Week Ending	# of hd change from	YTD	% Change	% Change
	Oct 29, 2022	week ago		(Week Ago)	(Year Ago)
Grand Total	12,311	-572	493,361	-4.4%	+0.05%

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – CANADA

	Steers	Heifers
Oct 29 2022	973	862
Oct 22 2022	972	870
Oct 30, 2021	949	845

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – ONTARIO

	Steers	Heifers
Oct 29 2022	960	828
Oct 22 2022	963	818
Oct 30, 2021	942	832

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE PROCESSING VOLUME

	Week Ending	Previous Week	Year Ago	
	Nov 5, 2022			
Grand Total	667,000	668,000	652,000	

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta's direct trade: for the week ending Nov 3, 2022

 Steers
 Live FOB
 N/T
 Rail FOB
 301.00-301.75

 Heifers
 Live FOB
 178.00
 Rail FOB
 301.00-302.00

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade: for the week ending Nov 3, 2022

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers: Live 149.00-155.00

Rail 236.00-245.00

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Current Five Day Average	263.64	233.58

BEEF EXPORTS - CANADA (AAFC)

	United States Jan 1- Aug 31/2022	Change from last year YTD	Mexico Jan 1- Aug 31/2022	Change from last year YTD
Total	232,121 tonnes	-1% or – 1,616 tonnes	16,976 tonnes	+6% or + 931 tonnes
	Japan	Change from last year YTD	South Korea	Change from last year YTD
	Jan 1- Aug 31/2022		Jan 1- Aug 31/2022	
Total	48,876 tonnes	+22% or + 8,838 tonnes	14,063 tonnes	+104% or + 7,185 tonnes

		LIVE CA	TTLE - C	CANADA (AAFC)		
IMPORTS		Import % change from 2020 YTD		EXPORTS		xport % change from 2021 YTD
Jan 1- Aug 31	1/2022			Jan 1- Oct 15/22		
Pure bred	9,628	-22%	Slaught	ter steers & heifers & cows	378,284	+11%
Non-pure bred	137,755	-50%	Feeder cattle & calves		170,157	+70%
				Bulls	33,811	+11%
		BEEF PROL	DUCTION	I – CANADA (AAFC)		
		Jan 1 – Oct 22/22		Last Year Same Time	st Year Same Time % Change	
	Fed 924,416 tonnes		onnes	920,217 tonnes	+0%	
	Non-fed	124,790 to	onnes	124,350 tonnes	+0%	
		BEEF IM	PORTS –	- CANADA (AAFC)		
		Jan 1 – Oct	22/22	Last Year Same Time	% Change	
Unit	ed States	86,103 tonnes		81,242 tonnes	+6%	
Non	-CUSMA	26,151 to	nnes	27,372 tonnes	-4%	
EU-27 (be	eef/veal total) 11,545 tor	nnes	12,197 tonnes	-5	5%
Total 134,097 tonnes		nnes	131,753 tonnes	+2	2%	

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures *today* were as follows:

Live Cattl	le		Feeder (Cattle		Corn		
Dec	151.65	-0.30	Nov	177.82	-0.17	Dec	6.810	+1.6
Feb	154.37	-0.50	Jan	179.62	+0.20	Mar	6.866	-2.0
Apr	158.00	-0.30	Mar	181.62	-0.15	May	6.866	+2.0
Jun	153.85	-0.17	Apr	184.52	-0.22	Jul	6.820	+2.4
Aug	153.62	-0.10	May	187.27	-0.02	Sep	6.394	+3.2
Oct	157.42	+0.15	Aug	199.27	-0.45	Dec	6.254	+1.6
Soybeans	s		Soft Red	Winter Wheat	t	Canadia	n \$	
Nov	14.514	+24.6	Dec	8.476	+7.2	Spot	74.20	+1.35
Jan	14.622	+25.2	Mar	8.666	+7.0	Dec	74.23	+1.36
Mar	14.690	+25.0	May	8.772	+7.4	Mar	74.35	+1.36
May	14.760	+24.6	Jul	8.804	+9.2	Jun	74.49	+1.35
Jul	14.782	+24.2	Sep	8.864	+10.2	Sep	74.62	+1.32
Aug	14.594	+22.6	Dec	8.936	+11.0	Dec	74.75	+1.30

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ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE SPECIAL FALL SALES

Nov 5	8:00 am	Rainy River Cattlemen's- Stratton	Stocker Sale, Cows & bulls at 8:00 am
Nov 5	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Annual Local Vaccinated Calf Sale
Nov 11	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Special Grass & Yard Fed Yearling Sale
Nov 12	12:00 pm	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Bred Cow & Cow/Calf Pair Sale
Nov 12	1:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Commercial Bred Heifer Sale
Nov 15	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	All Vaccinated Calf Sale
Nov 16	11:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Community Sales Barn	Peterborough/Victoria Counties Special Sale
Nov 18	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Special Local Calf Sale
Nov 19	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Vaccinated Calf & Yearling Sale
Nov 19	1:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Ontario Shorthorn Sale
Nov 23	7:00 pm	Kawartha Lakes Community Sales Barn	Bred Cow Sale
Nov 25	11:00 am	Community Livestock Exchange (Hoards)	Quinte Cattlemen's All Vaccinated Sale
Nov 25	5:00 pm	Keady Livestock Market	Special Bred Cow & Heifer Sale
Nov 25	6:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Bred Cow Sale
Nov 26	1:00 pm	Renfrew Pontiac Livestock	Bred Cow & Cow/Calf Pair Sale
Nov 30	11:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Community Sales Barn	Fall Stocker Sale
Nov 30	12:00 pm	Aylmer Stockyards Inc	Stocker Sale
Nov 30	1:00 pm	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Stocker Sale

Comments for the week ending November 3, 2022

Larger receipts of 439 fed steers and heifers sold through auction markets this week up 98 head from the previous week and 8 more than the same time last year. Fed steers sold from \$175.03-\$186.26 averaging \$2.79 higher at \$181.73 and \$23.30 above last year at this time. Fed heifers ranged from \$170.22-\$185.04 up \$2.28 on average at \$178.09, and \$19.65 stronger than year ago prices. Auction markets reported trade as active with prices steady to \$1.00 cwt higher.

The Ontario railgrade market this week started out the previous Friday with bids steady at \$303.00 dressed for steers and \$302.00 for heifers but sellers were noted as resisting the bids. On Monday a couple of deals were noted at \$303.00 dressed for steers and \$302.00 for heifers which is steady but volumes were very limited. By Wednesday, trade was reported at \$306.00 dressed for steers and \$305.00 for heifers, up \$3.00 from last week's trade. Delivery of the cattle sold was reported for the week of November 14th. This week's average prices are up \$1.50 from last week on average and \$34.50 higher than this time last year.

The Boxed Beef report by Kevin Grier notes last week's market overview: "Prices rose sharply last week as the seasonal demand for the ends kicked in and middle demand remained good. Holiday buying on middles spilled over to keep the spot middle market strong. Meanwhile, Canadian grocers continue to pay for U.S. demand while experiencing Canadian demand levels. Add in the weaker C\$ to rub salt on the cost wound. Canadian retailers continue to struggle with the new regular price versus feature consumer buying patterns. Consumer resistance to higher regular priced items is causing case stocking re-balancing and new buying models. Regular turn business volumes are notably declining."

2,367 fed/cull cows sold through auction markets this week down 105 head from last week but 107 more than the same week last year, at lower prices. Cows ranged from \$62.35-\$98.00 averaging \$78.84 down \$4.55 from last week but \$18.26 higher than last year at this time. Cows have declined by \$20.24 on average, since the first week in October. Auction market reports were mixed with most reporting prices under pressure and considerably lower, with a couple steady to last week's easier market. By mid-week prices were steady to \$2.00 cwt stronger. 669 of the cows sold this week were beef cows up 109 head from last week, averaging \$81.33 down \$7.42 from last week's beef cow average price. Generally this time of year we see cow volumes sold increasing to between 2500-3500 per week, however this could be reduced this year as one dairy incentive day has been added to both November and December.

Lighter receipts of 7,435 stocker and feeder cattle sold through auctions this week down 2,765 from the previous week but 1,031 more than the same week last year. Auction markets reported calves as selling on a strong active trade at prices steady to fully steady, with one special sale noting stronger prices. As the week progressed trade was steady on top quality cattle with medium quality selling just steady to selectively. Yearlings sold \$3.00-\$5.00 cwt higher to start, but as the week progressed sales were noted as steady to stronger and ended steady with quality considered and second cut selling on a selective demand. Actual average prices saw steers 400-500 lbs down \$5.55 from last week, 500-600 lbs down \$16.09, 600-700 lbs down \$8.74, 700-800 lbs down \$12.44, 800-900 lbs down \$0.60, 900-1000 lbs up \$7.90 and steers 1000 lbs and over averaged \$5.59 higher than last week's weighted average prices. Heifers from 300-400 lbs were down \$27.30, 400-500 lbs down \$24.97, 500-600 lbs down \$24.49, 600-700 lbs down \$18.52, 700-800 lbs down \$16.04, 800-900 lbs down \$10.10 and heifers 900 lbs plus averaged \$7.12 easier than last week on average. Average prices continue at a premium to this time last year by \$30.00-\$60.00 cwt.

Alberta direct trade this week was light to moderate with prices reported by Canfax from \$303.00-\$304.00 cwt delivered on a dressed basis, up \$1.00-\$2.00 from last week. Canfax reports: "A few cattle traded at 178.00 FOB lot, a couple dollars lower than last week's weighted average prices. Cattle that traded this week were being scheduled for the middle of December delivery."

The U.S. cash cattle trade the week ending October 28th was strong with business in the south at \$148.00-\$150.00 live, majority at \$150.00 up \$2.00 cwt from the previous week's southern average price. In the north some live trade ranged from \$150.00-\$155.00, mostly \$153.00 up \$2.00 cwt, while dressed trade ranged from \$235.00-\$244.00, mainly \$240.00 cwt. This week's overall weighted average prices, reported by the USDA Mandatory Price Report, saw live steers average \$151.95 up \$1.88 with heifers at \$152.12 up \$2.26. On the rail steers averaged \$239.85 up \$4.57 cwt while heifers averaged \$239.73 up \$4.21.

This week the U.S. cash cattle trade remained limited with just a couple of deals Wednesday at \$149.00 live in Texas on some lower quality cattle, down \$1.00 from last week, while a few deals in the north were noted at \$153.00-\$155.00 live and \$242.00-\$243.00 dressed, up \$2.00-\$3.00 cwt, but not enough sold to establish a trend. Thursday trade was light to moderate with sales mainly steady, to \$2.00 cwt higher. Business in Texas was at \$150.00 live on Thursday which is fully steady while in Kansas trade started out steady at \$150.00 live but was up \$1.00-\$2.00 by days end from \$151.00-\$152.00, however the majority sold steady to last week. In the north live trade ranged from \$153.00-\$155.00 live, steady to \$2.00 stronger, with dressed deals ranging from \$236.00-\$245.00, mainly \$242.00 cwt up \$2.00 from last week. Today the market is quiet with no bids on the table and it appears that business for the week is completed.