



## WEEKLY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – FOR THE WEEK ENDING THURSDAY AUGUST 21, 2025

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:

A Grade Steers **527.00**  
A Grade Heifers **527.00**

### ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

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

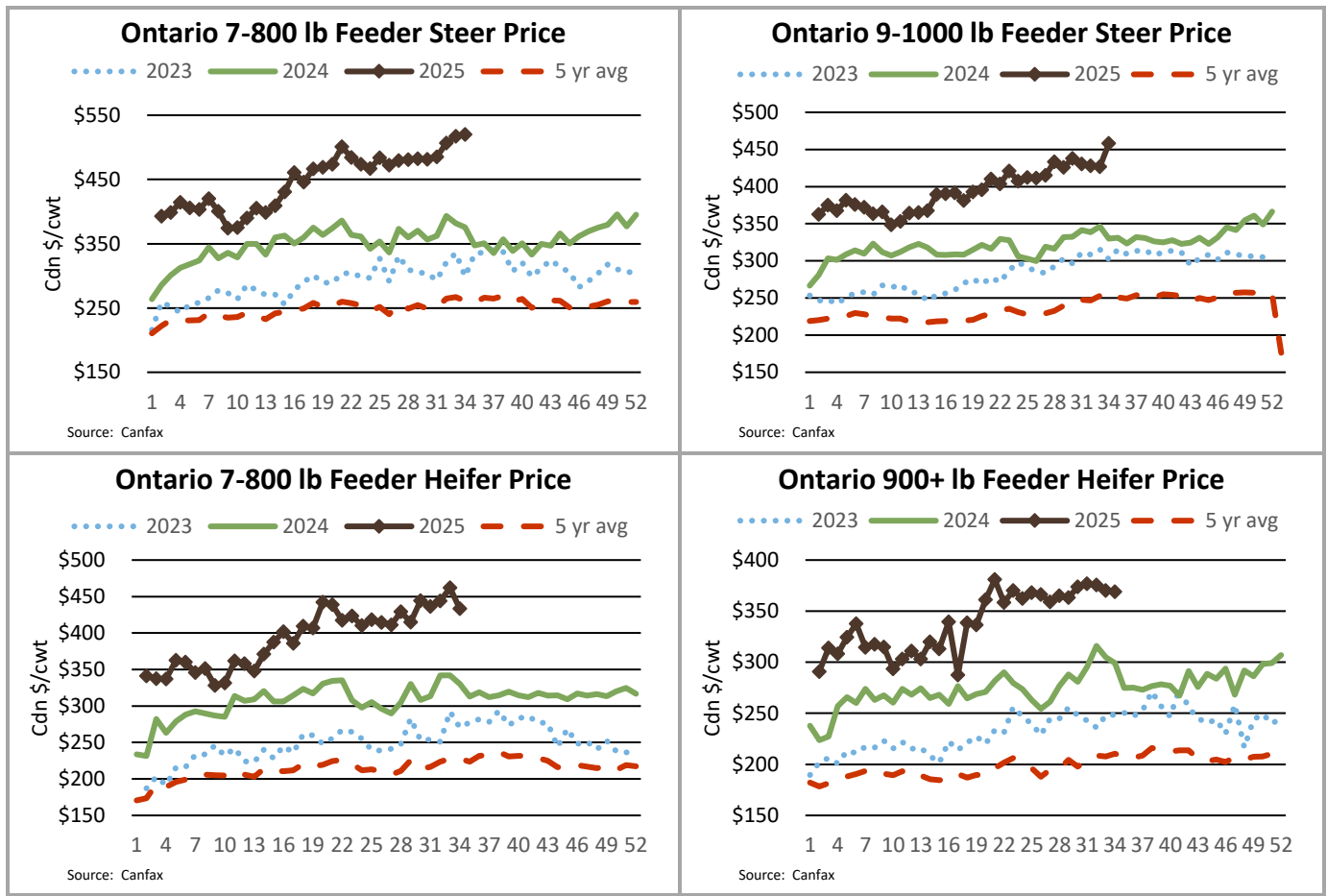
FED CATTLE	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
Large Frame Steers +1250	88	296.66-338.88	327.78	344.50	323.89
Medium Frame Steers +1250	113	297.35-330.57	315.96	337.50	310.11
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	190	305.51-334.83	322.85	344.50	321.37
Large Frame Heifers +1000	130	314.08-332.98	324.21	360.00	315.94
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	130	300.93-328.29	318.12	348.00	307.18
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	260	303.15-332.33	322.48	360.00	312.15
Fed steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250	73	286.18-302.68	296.07	331.75	276.52
Fed heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000	136	218.46-281.27	257.31	331.00	244.27
Cows - All Weights	1684	164.75-248.16	204.25	362.50	196.32
Bulls - All Weights	101	229.57-273.86	252.32	316.25	248.86

#### STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
1000+	743	396.22-439.05	413.06	456.00	404.08
900-999	612	436.41-476.08	458.22	485.00	426.88
800-899	384	441.30-514.00	481.16	539.00	450.42
700-799	263	459.75-559.71	520.08	610.00	517.42
600-699	313	480.06-624.50	564.00	691.00	573.62
500-599	276	491.38-659.75	606.21	705.00	613.13
400-499	188	562.37-740.30	658.27	785.00	644.76
<399	105	647.19-970.29	801.23	1640.00	816.84

#### STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

HEIFERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
+900	300	341.24-398.19	368.87	440.00	370.22
800-899	154	352.50-433.15	391.47	450.00	406.85
700-799	129	390.34-461.02	433.30	506.00	461.91
600-699	189	414.24-524.10	472.64	607.00	490.81
500-599	166	463.28-609.45	553.28	670.00	535.24
400-499	152	447.57-662.15	560.99	695.00	601.97
300-399	65	459.81-729.31	619.85	875.00	615.54
<299	35	685.71-874.29	751.82	1400.00	N/A



At Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn: **August 16, 2025– 167 cows, 12 bulls, 64 veal, 12 fed cattle, 36 stockers**

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
<b>Cows</b>	174.00-247.00	198.06	297.50
<b>Bulls under 1600 lbs</b>	185.00-257.50	223.17	257.50
<b>Bulls over 1600 lbs</b>	240.00-280.00	262.81	280.00
<b>Veal calves 600 lbs &amp; over</b>	270.00-325.00	285.20	325.00
<b>Veal calves 125 lbs &amp; under</b>	600.00-1650.00	998.05	1850.00

At Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc.: **Aug 19, 2025 – 202 Fed Cattle, 62 Cows, 3 Bulls, 2 Veals, 234 Drop Calves**

	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>Large &amp; Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs</b>	318.00-334.50	325.89	344.50
<b>Large &amp; Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs</b>	322.50-334.00	329.10	341.50
<b>Fed Steers, Dairy &amp; Dairy Cross +1250 lbs</b>	320.00-331.75	328.27	331.75
<b>Fed Heifers, Dairy &amp; Dairy Cross +1000 lbs</b>	250.00-331.00	317.92	331.00
<b>Cows</b>	175.00-248.00	216.99	273.0
<b>Bulls over 1600 lbs</b>	236.00-283.00	265.67	283.00

At Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: **August 20, 2025 – 46 Fed cattle, 17 Stockers, 128 Cows, 2 Bulls, 17 Veal**

	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>Large &amp; Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs</b>	250.00-329.99	309.39	329.99
<b>Large &amp; Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs</b>	229.99-331.00	316.50	331.00
<b>Fed Heifers, dairy &amp; dairy cross 1000+ lbs</b>	171.99-267.49	235.00	267.49
<b>Cows</b>	130.00-289.99	216.19	289.99
<b>Veal 600 lbs and over</b>	304.99-445.00	346.39	445.00

## ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at Brussels Livestock: **August 15, 2025 – 703 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	384.00-423.00	404.79	427.00				
900-999	420.00-465.00	447.36	475.00	900+	366.00-405.00	382.45	421.25
800-899	448.00-499.00	479.09	499.00	800-899	377.50-445.00	394.41	445.00
700-799	475.00-537.50	515.34	537.50	700-799	402.00-432.00	420.12	449.00
600-699	467.50-600.00	554.76	610.00	600-699	370.00-421.00	406.00	490.00
500-599	510.00-550.00	535.56	610.00	500-599	390.00-534.00	465.00	534.00
400-499	650.00-710.00	665.00	710.00	400-499	560.00-660.00	600.00	660.00
<399	670.00-950.00	758.06	950.00	<299	770.00-850.00	805.56	850.00

Stocker sale at Hoard's Station Sale Barn: **Aug 19, 2025: 196 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
900-999	195.99-400.00	304.40	400.00	900+	180.00-354.99	251.39	395.00
				800-899	325.00-440.00	401.79	440.00
600-699	429.99-600.00	535.09	600.00				
500-599	400.00-670.00	558.99	670.00				
400-499	550.00-759.99	688.60	759.99	400-499	400.00-632.50	535.50	632.50

Stocker sale at Keady Livestock Market: **Aug 19, 2025: 1,142 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	407.50-422.50	414.48	430.00				
900-999	447.50-482.50	466.06	485.00	900+	275.00-440.00	381.88	440.00
800-899	462.50-539.00	501.02	539.00	800-899	370.00-442.50	401.02	442.50
700-799	545.00-610.00	589.97	610.00	700-799	440.00-450.00	446.47	450.00
600-699	550.00-691.00	617.78	691.00	600-699	425.00-520.00	493.94	555.00
500-599	612.50-702.50	691.53	702.50	500-599	610.00-645.00	623.08	645.00

Stocker sale at Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: **Aug 19, 2025: 263 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
800-899	425.00-492.49	456.89	492.49	800-899	239.99-425.00	364.50	425.00
700-799	295.00-527.50	471.69	527.50				
600-699	404.99-637.50	556.79	637.50	600-699	379.99-540.00	471.10	540.00
500-599	354.99-667.49	596.10	667.49	500-599	429.99-607.50	562.10	607.50
400-499	540.00-729.99	665.70	729.99	400-499	550.00-695.00	616.80	695.00
<399	645.00-1100.00	846.40	1100.00	300-399	415.00-875.00	659.29	875.00

Stocker sale at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **August 20, 2025 – 502 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	404.00-456.00	421.41	456.00				
900-999	437.50-479.00	462.00	479.00	900+	312.50-383.00	365.91	383.00

Stocker sale at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **August 21, 2025 – 715 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	395.00-415.00	396.82	425.00				
900-999	350.00-420.00	397.00	445.00	900+	345.00-395.00	375.15	395.00
800-899	405.00-455.00	438.21	485.00	800-899	345.00-420.00	384.63	450.00
700-799	400.00-530.00	466.02	575.00	700-799	405.00-475.00	436.70	475.00
600-699	460.00-600.00	536.35	640.00	600-699	410.00-485.00	445.56	520.00
500-599	495.00-685.00	615.29	685.00	500-599	440.00-605.00	540.91	605.00
400-499	510.00-740.00	635.19	780.00	400-499	370.00-670.00	520.83	692.50
<399	640.00-900.00	767.40	950.00	300-399	510.00-710.00	639.76	825.00

Stockers sale at Ontario Stockyards Inc: **August 21, 2025 – 470 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	195.00-380.00	287.86	380.00				
900-999	440.00-462.50	448.37	462.50	900+	355.00-401.00	386.43	401.00
800-899	350.00-502.50	446.98	502.50	800-899	405.00-440.00	418.67	440.00
700-799	460.00-547.50	490.22	572.50	700-799	365.00-506.00	456.66	506.00
600-699	510.00-639.00	591.39	639.00	600-699	457.50-607.50	519.29	607.50
500-599	565.00-700.00	657.22	705.00	500-599	450.00-640.00	572.57	670.00
400-499	660.00-785.00	705.61	785.00	400-499	520.00-680.00	643.24	680.00
<399	700.00-880.00	786.15	880.00	300-399	350.00-750.00	640.00	750.00

**WEEKLY LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS - ONTARIO (USDA)**

	Week ending Aug 9, 2025	Week ending Mar 30, 2025	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported through Ontario ports to the U.S.	2,631	2,502	107,522
Steers & Heifers & Cows	2,444	2,471	104,284
Bulls	187	31	3,238

**LIVE CATTLE – CANADA (AAFC/USDA)**

IMPORTS	Import % change from 2024 YTD	EXPORTS	Export % change from 2024 YTD
Jan 1- Jun 30/2025		Jan 1- Aug 2/25	
Pure bred	1,209 -45%	Processing steers, heifers & cows	317,681 -5%
Non-pure bred	177,043 23%	Feeder cattle & calves	96,229 1%
		Bulls	13,889 -16%

**FEDERALLY INSPECTED PROCESSING - Canfax/CBGA**

	Week Ending Aug 16, 2025	# of hd change from week ago	YTD	% Change (Week Ago)	% Change (Year Ago)
ONTARIO	9,194	3,152	318,317	52%	9.7%
CANADA	56,069	7,265	1,783,764	15%	-5%
Western Processing	45,334	4,039	1,415,963	10%	-8%
Eastern Processing	10,735	3,226	367,801	43%	7%

**AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – Canfax/CBGA**

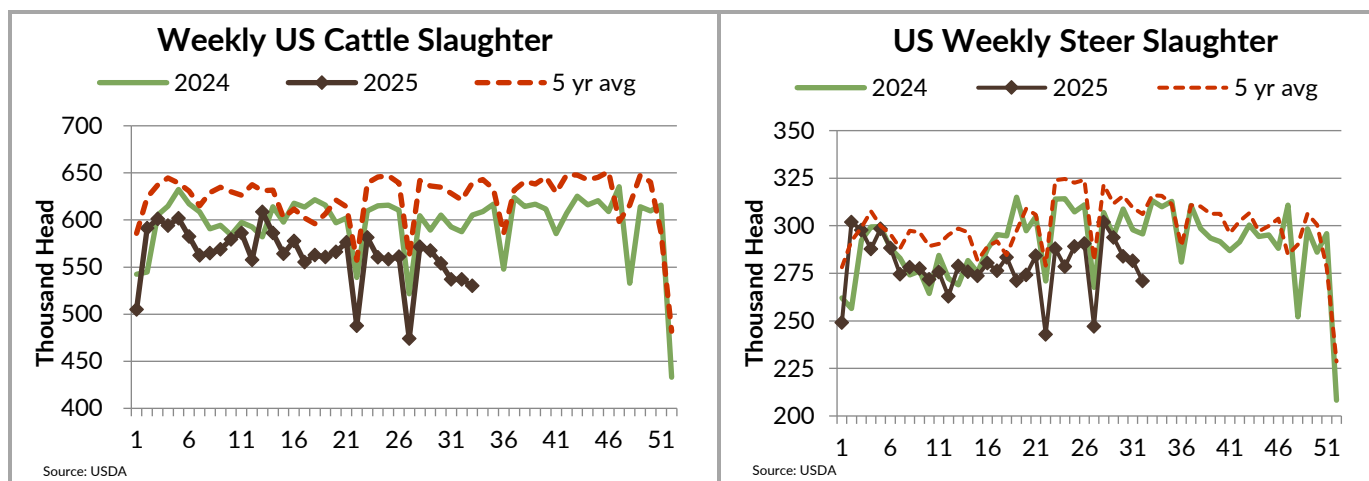
	CANADA		ONTARIO	
Week ending	Steers	Heifers	Steers	Heifers
16-Aug-25	915	837	950	861
9-Aug-25	919	840	956	879
17-Aug-24	926	834	977	856

**DOMESTIC BEEF PRODUCTION – CANADA (million pounds) (Canfax/CBGA)**

	August 16, 2025	Wk ago chg	YTD	YTD chg
Fed	44.8	16%	1,378.7	-5%
Non-Fed	4.8	1%	203.7	-4%
Total	49.5	14%	1,582.4	-5%

**USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE PROCESSING VOLUME**

	Week Ending Aug 23, 2025	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	547,000	530,000	609,000



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

For the week ending August 21, 2025

Price	Change from Last Week
<b>522.25-522.75</b>	<b>N/A</b>

## ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta's direct trade: for the week ending August 21, 2025

<i>Steers</i>	Live- FOB	<b>N/A</b>	Rail- FOB	<b>502.50-508.50</b>
<i>Heifers</i>	Live- FOB	<b>N/A</b>	Rail- FOB	<b>503.50-508.50</b>

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade: for the week ending August 21, 2025

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:	Live	<b>240.00-249.00</b>
	Rail	<b>380.00-390.00</b>

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

	Choice	
	600-900	<b>378.88</b>
Current Five-Day Average		
		<b>405.14</b>

## CANADIAN BEEF EXPORTS Jan 1 – Jun 30/2025 (AAFC)

	Tonnes	% chg	vol chg		Tonnes	% chg	vol chg
<b>United States</b>	<b>172,762</b>	<b>-7%</b>	<b>-12,832</b>	<b>Mexico</b>	<b>16,328</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>888</b>
<b>Japan</b>	<b>21,993</b>	<b>-16%</b>	<b>-4,055</b>	<b>South Korea</b>	<b>7,989</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>305</b>
<b>Vietnam</b>	<b>5,823</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>233,604</b>	<b>-7%</b>	<b>-16,961</b>

## BEEF IMPORTS – CANADA (AAFC)

	Jan 1 – Aug 9, 2025	Last Year Same Time	% Change
United States	<b>62,416</b>	<b>63,652</b>	<b>-2%</b>
Australia	<b>25,110</b>	<b>17,458</b>	<b>44%</b>
New Zealand	<b>22,794</b>	<b>14,500</b>	<b>57%</b>
Uruguay	<b>5,523</b>	<b>7,931</b>	<b>-30%</b>
Mexico	<b>7,368</b>	<b>7,071</b>	<b>4%</b>
Non-CUSMA	<b>71,982</b>	<b>46,309</b>	<b>55%</b>
EU-27 (beef/veal total)	<b>7,581</b>	<b>8,357</b>	<b>-9%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>202,774</b>	<b>165,278</b>	<b>23%</b>

## CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures **today** were as follows:

Live Cattle			Feeder Cattle			Corn		
Aug	239.95	+1.30	Aug	360.35	+3.98	Sep	3.882	+1.0
Oct	237.88	+3.15	Sep	362.68	+4.65	Dec	4.114	-0.2
Dec	239.15	+2.75	Oct	362.50	+4.40	Mar	4.286	-1.0
Feb	240.20	+2.43	Nov	360.85	+4.20	May	4.386	-1.2
Apr	239.80	+1.80	Jan	353.95	+4.05	Jul	4.456	-1.0
Jun	231.60	+1.13	Mar	348.73	+4.03	Sep	4.452	-0.6
Soybeans			Soft Red Winter Wheat			Canadian \$		
	US \$/bu			US \$/bu				
Sep	10.364	+2.0	Sep	5.046	-2.2	Spot	72.36	+0.39
Nov	10.584	+2.4	Dec	5.272	-2.4	Sep	72.41	+0.38
Jan	10.770	+3.2	Mar	5.446	-2.4	Dec	72.70	+0.36
Mar	10.902	+2.4	May	5.560	-1.6	Mar	72.97	+0.37
May	10.996	+1.0	Jul	5.650	-1.2	Jun	73.19	+0.35
July	11.064	+0.2	Sep	5.782	-1.2	Sep	73.35	+0.34

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## ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER SPECIAL FALL SALES

Aug 27	12:00pm	Aylmer Stockyards Inc	Fall Stocker sale
Aug 27	1:00pm	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Stocker sale
Aug 30	5:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Autumn Angus Classic
Sep 4	11:00 am	Ontario Livestock Exchange	Special Vaccinated Calf Sale
Sep 5	7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market	Char. & Exotic Yearlings-Steers & Heifers
Sep 6	1:00 pm	Maple Hill Auction Ltd	Bred Cow Sale
Sep 6	8:30 am	Rainy River Cattlemens – Stratton	Cows and bulls start the sale at 8:00 am.
Sep 12	11:00 am	Hoards Station Sale Barn	Quinte Sale – Mixed sale, Vacc preferred, catalogued- Farm Fresh
Sep 13	1:00 pm	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Ontario Autumn Simmental Classic
Sep 16	10:00 am	Algoma Co-op Livestock Sales-Thessalon	Yearlings, farm fresh, 80% vaccinated
Sep 18	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special All breeds Pre-sort Sale
Sep 20	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Vaccinated Calves & yearlings
Sep 24	12:00 pm	Aylmer Stockyards Inc	Fall Stocker Sale
Sep 24	1:00 pm	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Stocker sale
Sep 25	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special Fall Yearling Sale
Sep 26	7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market	Char. & Exotic Yearlings-Steers & Heifers
Sep 26	9:00 am	Keady Livestock Market	Special Grass Yearling Sale
Sep 27	8:30 am	Rainy River Cattlemens – Stratton	Cows and bulls start the sale at 8:00 am.

## Comments for the week ending August 21, 2025

Fed steers and heifers sold through auction markets this week at 461 head, were up 106 head from the previous week and 184 head larger than the same time last year. Fed steers averaged \$322.85/cwt, up \$1.48/cwt from the previous week's trade and \$77.27/cwt above year ago prices. Fed heifers averaged \$322.48/cwt, up \$10.33/cwt from last week and \$91.85/cwt higher than last year. Auction markets reported fed steers and heifers sold steady on a good demand.

Light trade has been reported in Ontario this week with dressed sales reported at \$527/cwt, cattle are being booked for next week's delivery. For the week ending August 16th Eastern Canadian processing was 12.8% below a year ago and 15.6% below the five-year average. YTD processing is up 7% from a year ago, with steers up 6% and heifers up 10%, cows up 9% and bulls down 31%. For the week ending August 9th, Eastern fed cattle and cow exports to the U.S. were 2,552 head, 21% below last year and 16% above the five-year average. YTD Eastern fed cattle and cow exports were 1% lower than last year.



Cull cow receipts sold through auction markets this week were 1,684 head, up 170 head from last week and up 311 head from last year. Cows averaged \$204.25/cwt, up \$7.93/cwt from last week and up \$42.06/cwt from last year. Beef cow prices averaged \$223.55/cwt, up \$0.90/cwt from the previous week's trade and \$43.69/cwt above year ago prices. Auction markets reported cull cows and bulls sold slightly higher.

Total receipts were 8,224 head this week. Receipts of 4,074 stocker and feeder cattle sold through Ontario auction markets this week, up 1,217 head from the previous week and 1,302 head more than the same week last year. Auction markets reported good quality stockers and feeder cattle sold actively. Stockers continued to sell very high on excellent demand. In the feeder market, steer prices were up \$10.10/cwt on average compared to last week with heifers down \$11.73/cwt. Actual average prices collected this week saw steers from 400-500 lbs trading \$13.51/cwt stronger than last week on average, 500-600 lbs down \$6.92/cwt, 600-700 lbs down \$9.62/cwt, 700-800 lbs up \$2.66/cwt, 800-900 lbs were up \$30.74/cwt, steers 900-1000 lbs up \$31.34/cwt and steers 1,000 lbs plus averaged \$8.98/cwt stronger than the previous week's weighted average prices. Heifers from 300-400 lbs were up \$4.31/cwt from last week on average, 400-500 lbs down \$40.98/cwt, 500-600 lbs up \$18.04/cwt, 600-700 lbs down \$18.17/cwt, 700-800 lbs down \$28.61/cwt, 800-900 lbs down \$15.38/cwt and heifers 900 lbs and over averaged \$1.35/cwt weaker than the previous week's weighted average prices. For the week ending August 9th, Eastern feeder exports to the U.S. were 1,030 head, 6% higher than last year and 32% above the five-year average. YTD Eastern feeder exports are down 13% from last year.

The Quebec electronic market this week sold at \$522.25-\$522.75/cwt dressed on a picked-up basis.

Alberta direct trade last week saw fed steers and heifers average \$302.23/cwt and \$299.90/cwt respectively, \$1.00-\$2.00/cwt stronger than the previous week. Dressed sales were reported at \$505.00-506.00/cwt delivered, \$1.00-5.00/cwt higher than last week. The Alberta cash-to-futures basis was near the annual low at -21.06, 17.05 weaker than the five-year average. This week on August 20th, Alberta and Saskatchewan direct cattle sales saw light trade develop with dressed sales and bids ranging from \$505-510/cwt delivered, steady to \$5/cwt higher than last week. Asking prices are holding at \$515/cwt delivered. For the week ending August 16th, Western Canadian fed processing was 41,036 head, 4.2% lower than last year.

The U.S. cash cattle trade last week saw light trade in the North at \$243/cwt live and \$378-385/cwt dressed. Live trade was \$2/cwt softer than the previous week, while dressed trade was steady to \$5/cwt softer. On the Fed Cattle Exchange, trade in Colorado and Iowa was at \$242-245/cwt, selling Bid-the-Grid. Choice cutouts ended the week \$15/cwt stronger with Select up \$13/cwt. 50% trim was \$20/cwt stronger while 73% ground was \$33/cwt softer. This week on August 20<sup>th</sup>, light trade was reported in Nebraska with dressed sales ranging from \$380-392/cwt with a weighted average price of \$387.63/cwt, \$4/cwt higher than last week. Live sales in Iowa and Nebraska were at \$245/cwt, steady \$2/cwt stronger. Sales in Kansas were at \$237/cwt, \$2/cwt higher. On Thursday August 21st, live bids of \$245/cwt have been renewed in the Northern feeding states, and a few cattle have traded.

According to USDA, the All-fresh beef retail price for the month of July was reported at \$8.90/lb, a new record high. Last week, Agriculture Secretary Brooks Rollins and Texas Governor Greg Abbott held a press conference to address the New World Screwworm threat. A five-step plan was put forth to prevent New World Screwworm from entering the US, including a \$750 million investment into a domestic sterile fly production facility near the US-Mexican border. The August USDA WASDE report shows corn production for 2025-26 was revised up one billion bushels from the July report and up 1.8 billion bushels from 2024-25. Increases in yield (+7.8 bushels/ac) and acreage (+1.9 million acres) contributed to larger production. Based on the latest Supply and Demand report, beef production for 2026 is forecasted to be 1.8% lower than 2025. In 2026, beef imports are forecasted to down 6.1% while exports are to be down 5.1% compared to 2025.