



WEEKLY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – FOR THE WEEK ENDING THURSDAY OCTOBER 30, 2025

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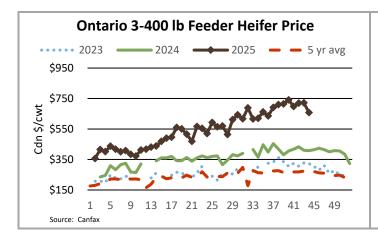
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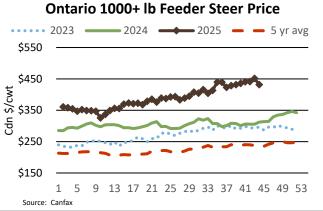
Prices are on a carcass weight basis before grade and weight discounts:

A Grade Steers 520.00 A Grade Heifers 520.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Ontario auction sales thi	s week saw weighted	• .	_	_		
FED CATTLE		Volume	Price Range	Average	Тор	Last Week Avg
Large Frame Steers +12		71	289.63-315.89	305.09	330.00	311.95
Medium Frame Steers		87	278.99-314.74	296.96	330.00	305.71
Large & Medium Frame		158	281.88-313.40	300.45	330.00	308.93
Large Frame Heifers +1		86	297.49-324.05	308.77	405.00	311.82
Medium Frame Heifers		92	273.54-317.28	297.60	402.50	307.69
Large & Medium Frame		178	287.21-326.33	306.19	405.00	310.19
Fed steers, Dairy & Dai	-	60	234.75-269.20	253.12	295.00	280.83
Fed heifers, Dairy & Da	airy Cross +1000	96	200.67-264.32	232.50	300.00	232.17
Cows - All Weights		2099	147.61-205.64	173.23	295.00	180.59
Bulls - All Weights		158	185.23-254.90	222.31	359.62	268.31
STOCKERS - Large and I						
STEERS	Volume		e Range	Average	Тор	Last Week Avg
1000+	453		8-466.41	431.42	490.00	451.57
900-999	202		9-483.90	454.82	520.00	474.94
800-899	269		5-519.92	487.33	557.50	504.35
700-799	596		8-578.27	540.88	660.00	508.05
600-699	991		6-658.80	609.42	735.00	580.62
500-599	1206		4-703.13	648.44	797.50	637.91
400-499	749		9-750.94	674.13	900.00	708.14
<399	348	632.2	4-874.76	760.68	1120.00	832.22
STOCKERS - Large and I	Madium Frama					
HEIFERS	Volume	Drice	e Range	Average	Тор	Last Week Avg
+900	548		2-405.72	382.46	460.00	391.86
800-899	225		6-441.75	413.59	471.00	442.00
700-799	282		4-513.59	468.00	566.00	465.72
600-699	708		0-578.79	521.98	630.00	510.38
500-599	933		3-620.96	567.79	677.00	580.96
400-499	601		0-688.56	615.18	740.00	613.02
300-399	237		2-734.08	657.53	934.99	721.64
<299	56		2-734.06 0-884.91	732.58	1670.00	721.04 781.12
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At Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn: October 25, 2025 - 186 cows, 92 stockers, 11 bulls, 48 veal, 18 fed cattle

,	Price Range	Avg.	Тор
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lb	310.00-325.00	317.28	325.00
Cows	157.50-222.50	177.89	280.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	175.00-380.00	259.04	380.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	212.50-339.23	246.96	339.23
Veal calves over 600 lb	270.00-365.00	318.28	365.00
Veal calves 125 lbs & under	800.00-1575.00	1290.24	2200.00

At Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc.: Oct 28, 2025 - 137 Fed Cattle, 80 Cows, 6 Bulls, 6 Veal, 150 Drop Calves

	Price Range	Average	Тор
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	305.00-322.00	312.25	323.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	305.00-322.00	311.98	335.00
Fed Steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250 lbs	220.00-264.00	240.38	275.00
Cows	150.00-195.00	175.88	275.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	202.00-258.00	223.00	258.00

At Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: October 29, 2025 - 34 Fed cattle, 199 Stockers, 188 Cows, 4 Bulls, 29 Veal

	Price Range	Average	тор
Fed Heifers, dairy & dairy cross 1000+ lbs	229.99-289.99	256.09	289.99
Cows	118.99-249.00	183.40	249.00
Veal 600 lbs and over	254.99-391.00	371.60	391.00

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at Brussels Livestock: October 24, 2025 – 1,289 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
1000+	395.00-458.00	434.54	458.00				
900-999	455.00-493.00	473.64	493.00	900+	365.00-410.00	383.48	445.00
800-899	518.00-551.00	534.66	551.00	800-899	378.00-471.00	432.65	471.00
700-799	522.50-610.00	577.41	610.00	700-799	415.00-480.00	437.19	480.00
600-699	580.00-686.00	648.92	715.00	600-699	430.00-570.00	515.74	570.00
500-599	625.00-775.00	737.63	775.00	500-599	465.00-658.00	580.74	658.00
400-499	705.00-805.00	765.53	845.00	400-499	540.00-710.00	650.17	710.00
<399	700.00-870.00	794.23	965.00	300-399	515.00-720.00	620.83	720.00

Stocker sale at Hoard's Station Sale Barn: October 24, 2025 - 835 Stockers

Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
900-999	404.99-470.00	452.20	470.00	900+	320.00-417.99	396.89	417.99
800-899	445.00-508.99	487.80	508.99	800-899	345.00-470.00	428.59	470.00
700-799	400.00-596.99	557.89	596.99	700-799	350.00-520.00	460.79	520.00
600-699	400.00-654.99	624.09	654.99	600-699	360.00-537.50	487.89	537.50
500-599	445.00-747.40	696.10	747.40	500-599	400.00-612.50	526.19	612.50
400-499	509.99-802.50	708.30	802.50	400-499	400.00-700.00	616.19	700.00
<399	579.99-890.00	798.20	890.00	300-399	670.00-834.99	753.20	834.99

Stocker sal	e at Keady Livestock	Market: Octo	ber 25, 202	5 - 1,052 Sto	ockers		
Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
800-899	520.00-573.00	538.02	573.00				
700-799	573.00-611.00	583.65	660.00	700-799	515.00-566.00	540.82	566.00
600-699	629.00-705.00	664.23	735.00	600-699	532.00-605.00	560.37	627.50
500-599	675.00-752.50	722.73	797.50	500-599	585.00-650.00	623.15	665.00
400-499	750.00-830.00	801.02	870.00	400-499	655.00-740.00	696.94	740.00
<399	860.00-965.00	920.37	965.00	300-399	700.00-700.00	700.00	715.00
Stocker sal	e at Hoard's Station S	Sale Barn: Oct	: 28, 2025: 2	66 Stockers			
Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
600-699	400.00-629.99	537.39	629.99	600-699	364.99-504.99	451.10	504.99
500-599	400.00-700.00	569.39	700.00	500-599	490.00-579.99	538.90	579.99
400-499	450.00-715.00	616.69	715.00	400-499	400.00-704.99	610.09	704.99
<399	534.99-919.99	704.00	919.99	300-399	529.99-750.00	667.40	750.00
Stocker sal	e at Keady Livestock	Market: Oct	28 2025·1·	105 Stockers			
Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
800-899	507.00-577.50	529.35	577.50	800-899	410.00-465.00	443.85	465.00
700-799	548.00-592.50	566.16	640.00	700-799	465.00-560.00	506.25	560.00
600-699	605.00-667.50	642.97	686.00	600-699	545.00-630.00	579.06	630.00
500-599	670.00-705.00	685.63	747.50	500-599	570.00-630.00	591.99	660.00
400-499	700.00-810.00	747.16	900.00	400-499	550.00-730.00	660.27	730.00
<399	810.00-900.00	850.00	900.00	300-399	630.00-630.00	630.00	690.00
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	e at Renfrew Pontiac					_	_
Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
800-899	409.99-500.00	477.79	500.00				
700-799	389.99-559.99	493.20	559.99	700-799	375.00-470.00	424.50	470.00
600-699	350.00-645.00	570.99	645.00	600-699	379.99-590.00	526.99	590.00
500-599	425.00-720.00	612.60	720.00	500-599	370.00-645.00	566.39	645.00
400-499	400.00-740.00	644.59	740.00	400-499	420.00-709.99	597.29	709.99
<399	609.99-900.00	744.50	1100.00	300-399	550.00-750.00	679.69	750.00
				<299	640.00-1000.00	774.50	1000.00
tocker sale	at Ontario Livestock	Exchange: O	ctober 29, 2	025 - 439 St	ockers		
Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
1000+	422.50-490.00	449.08	490.00				
900-999	449.00-510.00	475.93	510.00	900+	375.00-400.00	392.16	400.00
800-899	495.00-530.00	519.42	530.00	800-899	387.50-400.00	396.38	400.00
Stocker sal	e at Aylmer Stockyar	ds Inc.: Octob	er 29. 2025	- 199 Stock	ers		
Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
00000		711010.00		900+	350.00-372.50	362.59	372.50
700-799	304.99-525.00	454.10	525.00	700-799	400.00-454.99	424.50	454.99
600-699	409.99-600.00	529.30	600.00	600-699	320.00-500.00	468.90	500.00
500-599	509.99-690.00	598.50	690.00	000 077	020.00 000.00	100.70	300.00
400-499	590.00-700.00	643.70	700.00				
<399	500.00-819.99	670.99	1019.99	300-399	540.00-770.09	684.19	770.09
Stocker sal	e at Kawartha Lakes	Community S	ales Barn∙ O	ctober 29 20	125 - 295 Stockers		
Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
1000+	430.00-560.00	495.00	560.00	. icijei s	i nee nange	, werage	i op
600-699	390.00-625.00	532.91	625.00	600-699	370.00-533.00	444.86	533.00
500-599	522.50-702.50	615.13	702.50	500-577	405.00-617.50	513.59	617.50
400-499	535.00-787.50	650.37	787.50	400-499	450.00-645.00	561.56	645.00
<399	750.00-767.30	791.28	855.00	300-399	500.00-790.00	670.99	790.00
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Stocker sale	e at Vankleek Hill Liv	estock Exchan	ge : Octobe	er 29,2025 -	389 Stockers		
Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
800-899	442.50-485.00	462.05	485.00				
700-799	400.00-540.00	472.62	540.00	700-799	395.00-475.00	430.25	475.00
600-699	440.00-650.00	535.50	650.00	600-699	410.00-565.00	461.56	565.00
500-599	520.00-670.00	580.43	670.00	500-599	430.00-590.00	504.02	590.00
400-499	465.00-675.00	591.90	715.00	400-499	450.00-625.00	529.68	625.00
<399	560.00-855.00	700.52	855.00	300-399	520.00-720.00	591.09	720.00
Stocker sale	e at Ontario Livestoc	_					
Steers	Price Range	Average	Тор	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Тор
1000+	267.50-340.00	305.14	410.00				
900-999	380.00-470.00	418.25	470.00	900+	235.00-365.00	314.64	405.00
800-899	360.00-465.00	426.63	490.00	800-899	385.00-435.00	419.46	435.00
700-799	350.00-520.00	449.82	520.00	700-799	400.00-515.00	460.42	515.00
600-699	400.00-635.00	507.73	635.00	600-699	400.00-505.00	427.32	520.00
500-599	420.00-620.00	538.03	725.00	500-599	410.00-560.00	495.29	605.00
400-499	550.00-705.00	625.66	840.00	400-499	430.00-650.00	570.00	650.00
<399	625.00-775.00	720.18	850.00	300-399	720.00-830.00	784.38	830.00
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Stocker sale	e at Ontario Stockyaı Price Range	rds Inc: Octobe Average	Top	- 852 Stock	ers Price Range	Average	Тор
900-999	265.00-427.00	382.00	427.00	900+	300.00-350.00	335.23	350.00
800-899	350.00-427.50	426.75	487.50	800-899	295.00-380.00	362.07	380.00
700-799	460.00-505.00	480.66	505.00	700-799	330.00-455.00	415.00	490.00
600-699	517.50-610.00	570.57	615.00	600-699	340.00-555.00	413.00	575.00
					350.00-541.00		
500-599	570.00-650.00	615.00	680.00	500-599		476.46	619.00
400-499	560.00-725.00	659.25	810.00	400-499	500.00-655.00	580.44	655.00
<399	660.00-895.00	780.34	1120.00	300-399	550.00-730.00	638.52	800.00
				<299	600.00-890.00	743.64	1000.00
Stocker sale	e at Wiarton- Grey B	ruce Livestock	Co-on: Oc	toher 30, 201	25 - 385 Stockers (303 Steers	82 Heifers)
Steers	Price Range	idee Livestock	со-ор. ос	Heifers	Price Range	Job Steers, (oz Hellers)
600-699	590.00-662.50			1101,010	. Hoo Hallgo		
500-599	670.00-755.00			500-599	650.00-682.50		
400-499	730.00-850.00			400-499	580.00-700.00		
300-399	745.00-830.00			300-399	690.00-740.00		
200-299	1200.00-1200.00			200-299	800.00-825.00		
100-199	1000.90-1000.90			200 277	000.00 023.00		
100 177	1000.70 1000.70						
		WFFKIYI	IVF CATT	I F FXPOR	TS - ONTARIO	(USDA)	
				Oct 18, 2025	Previous	•	Year to Date
Total live	slaughter cattle expo		2,80		2,50		136,780
	ntario ports to the U.S		,		,		,
	leifers & Cows		2,6	50	2,47	1	131,802
Bulls			21		31		4,978
		LIVE CAT	TLE - CAN	NADA (AA	FC/USDA)		
IMPORTS		Import % char	nge EXP	ORTS			Export %
		from 2024 YT	Ď				change from
							2024 YTD
Jan 1- Aug	31/2025		Jan	1- Oct 11/25			
Pure bred		-48%	Pro	cessing steer	s, heifers & cows	414,427	-7%
Non-pure	,	16%		der cattle & o		119,087	-3%
pare		==-3	Bull			21,474	-10%
				eding/other		14,577	26%
			Tota			569,565	-6%

FEDERALLY INSPECTED PROCESSING - Canfax/CBGA

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	Week Ending Oct 25, 2025	# of hd change from week ago	YTD	% Change (Week Ago)	% Change (Year Ago)
ONTARIO	10,780	2,019	415,012	23%	5.5%
CANADA	57,189	8,223	2,330,970	17%	-5%
Western Processing	44,651	5,878	1,851,188	15%	-7%
Eastern Processing	12,538	2,345	479,782	23%	4%

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS - Canfax/CBGA

	CAN	NADA	ONTARIO		
Week ending	Steers	Heifers	Steers	Heifers	
25-Oct-25	974	893	978	864	
18-Oct-25	986	895	994	861	
26-Oct-24	972	872	982	851	

DOMESTIC BEEF PRODUCTION - CANADA (million pounds) (Canfax/CBGA)

	October 25, 2025	Wk ago chg	YTD	YTD chg
Fed	47.3	16%	1,830.1	-5%
Non-Fed	6.1	16%	256.7	-4%
Total	53.4	16%	2.086.8	-5%

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE PROCESSING VOLUME

Week Ending Previous Week Year Ago November 1, 2025

Grand Total 559,000 573,000 616,000

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

Price Change from Last Week

For the week ending October 30, 2025 518.00-519.00 +5.50

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta's direct trade: for the week ending October 30, 2025

 Steers
 Live- FOB
 N/A
 Rail- FOB
 491.50-503.50

 Heifers
 Live- FOB
 N/A
 Rail- FOB
 491.50-503.50

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade: for the week ending October 30, 2025

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers: Live 228.00-235.50
Rail 360.00-352.00

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

Choice Select 600-900 600-900 Current Five-Day Average 378.59 360.19

CANADIAN BEEF EXPORTS Jan 1 - Aug 31/2025 (AAFC)

	Tonnes	% chg	vol chg		Tonnes	% chg	vol chg
United States	233,522	-4%	-8,733	Mexico	21,653	4%	922
Japan	28,073	-10%	-3,280	South Korea	9,883	-1%	-140
Vietnam	8,015	5%	373	Total	313,017	-4%	-12,440

BEEF IMPORTS - CANADA (AAFC)

	Jan 1 – Oct 18, 2025	Last Year Same Time	% Change
United States	79,078	81,819	-3%
Australia	38,421	22,812	68%
New Zealand	27,791	20,632	35%
Uruguay	10,068	9,670	4%
Mexico	6,584	9,104	-28%
Non-CUSMA	95,643	61,877	55%
EU-27 (beef/veal total)	9,533	11,677	-18%
Total	267,118	217,591	23%

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

Closing quotes on futures *today* were as follows:

Live Cat	ttle	-	Feeder	Cattle		Corn		
Oct	236.60	_1.33	Nov	338.88	-2.95	Dec	4.314	+1.2
Dec	229.68	-1.43	Jan	331.90	-2.33	Mar	4.440	+0.2
Feb	227.68	-1.83	Mar	327.13	-2.10	May	4.522	n/c
Apr	226.73	-1.98	Apr	325.73	-2.18	Jul	4.586	n/c
Jun	219.40	-2.18	May	323.38	-2.25	Sep	4.526	-0.6
Aug	215.48	-2.10	Aug	322.13	-2.33	Dec	4.634	-1.0

Soybeans	5		Soft Re	d Winter Whe	eat	Canadia	ın \$	
	US \$/bu			US \$/bu				
Nov	10.996	+8.4	Dec	5.340	+9.6	Spot	71.32	-0.18
Jan	11.152	+7.4	Mar	5.484	+8.0	Dec	71.52	-0.16
Mar	11.236	+8.0	May	5.576	+6.0	Mar	71.83	-0.16
May	11.336	+8.4	Jul	5.672	+4.2	Jun	72.10	-0.16
Jul	11.416	+9.0	Sep	5.800	+2.6	Sep	72.34	-0.16
Aug	11.330	+9.4	Dec	5.970	+1.4	Dec	72.53	-0.15

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ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER SPECIAL FALL SALES

Oct 31	7:00 PM	Cargill Auction Market	Local Calf Sale
Oct 31	12:00 PM	Temiskaming Livestock Market	Bred Cow Sale
Nov 1	11:00 AM	Denfield Livestock Market	Local Vaccinated Calf Sale
Nov 1	9:00 AM	Keady Livestock Market	Central Calf Sale -vaccinated & selling in owner lots
Nov 1	1:00 PM	Maple Hill Auction LTd	Top Cut Bred Heifer Sale
Nov 5	11:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	Peterborough Cattlemen/ Victoria Beef Producers -
Nov 6	11:00 AM	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special All Vaccinated Calf Sale
Nov 6	10:30 AM	Ontario Livestock Exchange	Special Local Vaccinated calf sale, in conjunction with regular sale
Nov 7	10:00 AM	Brussels Livestock	Angus Influence Sale/Hereford Influence Sale
Nov 7	7:00 PM	Cargill Auction Market	Local Calf & Yearling Sale
Nov 7	9:00 AM	Keady Livestock Market	Special Calf Sale, selling in owner lots- vaccinated
Nov 8	8:30 AM	Rainy River Cattlemens - Stratton	Cows and bulls start the sale at 8:00 am.
Nov 13	11:00 AM	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special Angus/Hereford Sale
Nov 14	9:00 AM	Keady Livestock Market	Special Grass & Yard Yearling Sale
Nov 15	11:00 AM	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Bred Cow & Cow/Calf Pair Sale
Nov 15	1:00 PM	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Ontario Shorthorn Association Fall Classic
Nov 19	10:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	Peterborough Cattlemen/ Victoria Beef Producers-

Comments for the week ending October 30, 2025

Fed steers and heifers sold through auction markets this week at 336 head, were down 208 head from the previous week and 46 head larger than the same time last year. Fed steers averaged \$300.45/cwt, down \$8.48/cwt from the previous week's trade and \$60.92/cwt above year ago prices. Fed heifers averaged \$306.19/cwt, down \$4.00/cwt from last week and \$71.16/cwt higher than last year. Auction markets reported fed steers and heifers at Brussels Livestock sold easier due to CME futures selloff. On October 30th, fed steers and heifers sold \$2.00-\$3.00/cwt lower.

In Ontario, dressed sales have been reported at \$520/cwt delivered, \$10/cwt lower than the previous week. Cattle are being booked for the week of November 10th delivery. For the week ending October 25th Eastern Canadian processing was 3.9% below a year ago and 7.8% below the five-year average. YTD processing is up 4% from a year ago, with steers up 2% and heifers up 6%, cows up 9% and bulls down 16%. For the week ending October 18th, Eastern fed cattle and cow exports to the U.S. were 2,822 head, 18% below last year and 11% 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 2,099 head, down 410 head from last week and down 12 head from last year. Cows averaged \$173.23/cwt, down \$7.36/cwt from last week and up \$29.52/cwt from last year. Beef cow prices averaged \$177.37/cwt, down \$18.71/cwt from the previous week's trade and \$29.01/cwt above year ago prices. Auction markets reported cull cows remained on a steady market.

Total receipts were 12,801 head this week. Receipts of 8,404 stocker and feeder cattle sold through Ontario auction markets this week, up 1,443 head from the previous week and 659 less than the same week last year. Auction markets reported feeder cattle sold steady while stockers sold selectively at easier prices. In the feeder market, steer prices were down \$2.73/cwt on average compared to last week with heifers down \$14.15/cwt. Actual average prices collected this week saw steers from 400-500 lbs trading \$34.01/cwt weaker than last week on average, 500-600 lbs up \$10.53/cwt, 600-700 lbs up \$28.80/cwt, 700-800 lbs up \$32.83/cwt, 800-900 lbs were down \$17.02/cwt, steers 900-1000 lbs down \$20.12/cwt and steers 1,000 lbs plus averaged \$20.15/cwt weaker than the previous week's weighted average prices. Heifers from 300-400 lbs were down \$64.11/cwt from last week on average, 400-500 lbs up \$2.16/cwt, 500-600 lbs down \$13.17/cwt, 600-700 lbs up \$11.60/cwt, 700-800 lbs up \$2.28/cwt, 800-900 lbs down \$28.14/cwt and heifers 900 lbs and over averaged \$9.40/cwt weaker than the previous week's weighted average prices. For the week ending October 18th, Eastern feeder exports to the U.S. were 752 head, 64% lower than last year and 24% below the five-year average. YTD Eastern feeder exports are down 15% from last year.

The Quebec electronic market this week sold at \$518.00-519.00/cwt dressed on a picked-up basis, which is up \$5.50/cwt from the previous week's trade on average.

Alberta direct trade last week saw dressed sales reported from \$500-\$505/cwt delivered, \$3-5/cwt lower than the previous week. Live sales were reported at \$295.50/cwt FOB the feedlot. The Alberta cash-to-futures basis is -34.15, 21.71 weaker than the five-year average. Alberta fed prices closed the week trading at \$299/cwt and \$297/cwt respectively, down \$2-3/cwt from the previous week. For the week ending October 25th, Western Canadian fed processing was 39,090 head, 5.5% higher than last year. This week on October 29th, light trade developed with dressed sales ranging from \$495-505/cwt delivered, steady to \$5/cwt lower than last week.

The U.S. cash cattle trade last week saw live trade in Nebraska range from \$235-239/cwt, \$2-5/cwt lower than the previous week. Dressed sales were at \$370/cwt, \$2-3/cwt softer. In the South, sales were at \$238/cwt, \$2/cwt softer than the previous week. Choice notched a \$7/cwt increase with Select largely keeping pace, climbing \$6/cwt. Trims and grinds are barely steady to \$25/cwt stronger than the previous week and \$63-91/cwt stronger than last year. Last week, it was announced that Argentina's quota level was increased to 80,000 metric tonnes, up from 20,000 metric tonnes. Argentina is the ninth largest supplier into the US, representing 2.1% of total imports YTD.

Due to the US government shutdown, USDA did not publish its monthly cattle on feed report in October. Pre-report estimates still provide the industry with some valuable insights. Based on pre-report estimates October 1st cattle on feed inventories are expected to be 1.9% lower than last year, putting on feed inventories around 11.4 million head. Fed cattle marketings are estimated to be 4% lower than last year. Pre-report estimates were indicating September feedlot placements to be down 8.6% versus last year (1.97 million head). USDA is currently forecasting beef production for 2026 to be down 1.3% versus 2025.