



## WEEKLY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – FOR THE WEEK ENDING THURSDAY MARCH 5, 2026

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      **535.00**  
A Grade Heifers    **535.00**

### ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

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

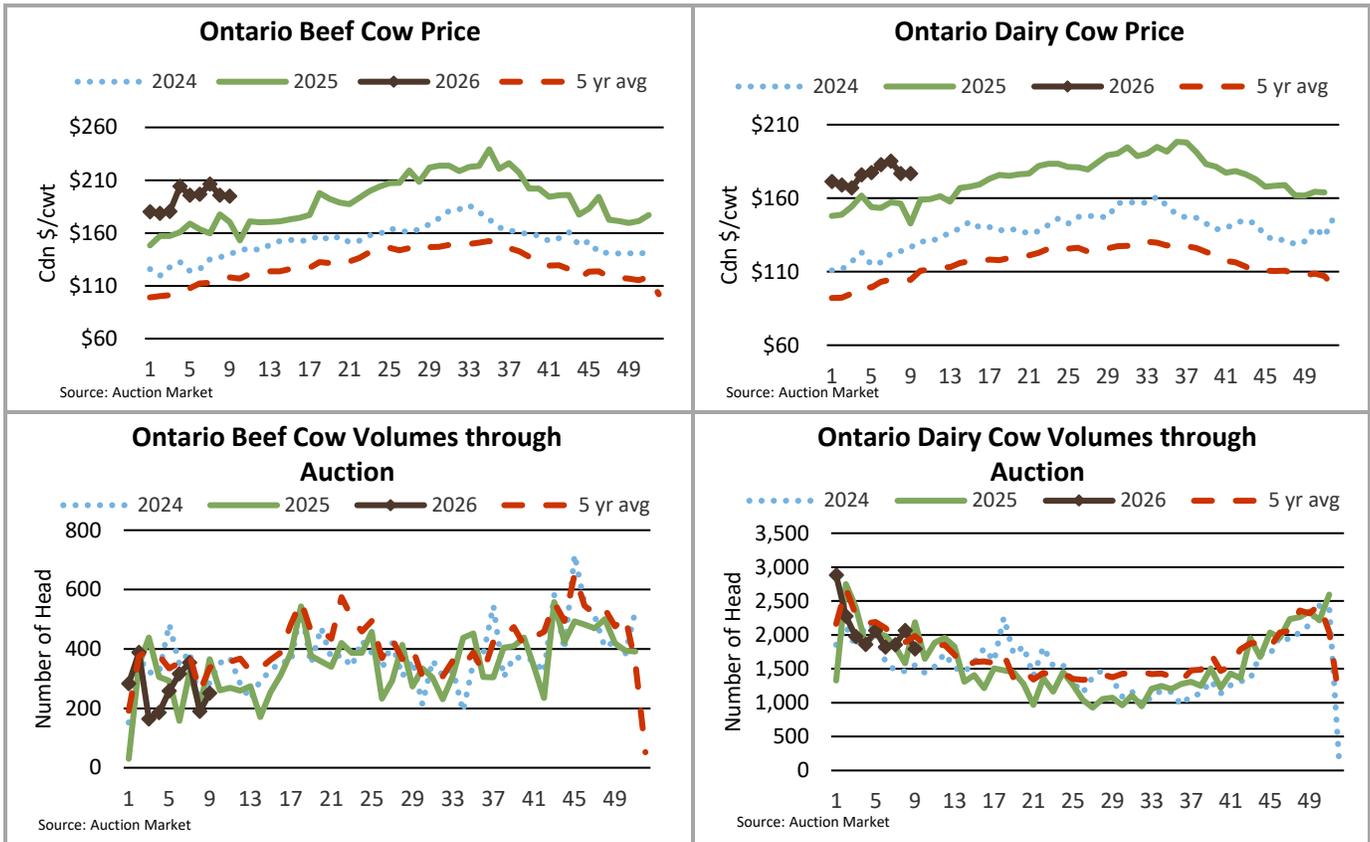
FED CATTLE	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
Large Frame Steers +1250	97	294.64-324.41	311.49	346.00	319.51
Medium Frame Steers +1250	117	306.59-321.82	315.25	332.50	314.16
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	214	303.45-326.04	314.91	346.00	317.98
Large Frame Heifers +1000	95	290.58-329.88	315.59	390.00	321.20
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	164	286.08-317.72	306.62	352.00	318.89
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	259	285.07-321.52	308.37	390.00	319.87
Fed steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250	26	249.10-298.92	282.57	334.50	271.16
Fed heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000	119	207.02-269.97	243.28	318.25	238.89
Cows - All Weights	2044	150.04-211.30	177.65	307.50	179.38
Bulls - All Weights	82	218.07-277.94	249.28	504.99	239.11

#### STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
1000+	578	422.88-464.65	443.89	470.00	441.32
900-999	250	447.66-492.44	469.44	505.00	483.44
800-899	124	453.51-524.29	499.19	545.00	495.72
700-799	163	477.64-568.13	539.14	625.00	516.15
600-699	225	469.60-618.63	563.79	659.99	564.86
500-599	196	521.44-684.64	604.54	750.00	605.36
400-499	129	529.88-704.45	638.69	795.00	646.87
<399	51	564.61-817.25	710.02	1830.00	609.98

#### STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

HEIFERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
+900	340	343.46-402.37	369.19	440.00	393.11
800-899	93	393.25-461.04	445.24	508.99	420.34
700-799	141	390.07-494.37	465.82	510.00	442.56
600-699	142	403.59-542.25	486.27	580.99	469.42
500-599	257	465.04-583.83	530.33	635.00	519.44
400-499	137	439.52-608.43	548.83	737.50	538.64
300-399	40	509.28-676.15	596.43	812.00	564.62
<299	12	425.00-1054.17	644.67	1870.00	779.44



At Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn: **February 28, 2026 – 159 cows, 5 fed, 40 stockers, 5 bulls, 80 veal**

	Price Range	Avg.	Top
<b>Cows</b>	172.50-220.00	187.56	235.00
<b>Bulls over 1600 lbs</b>	230.00-261.00	247.06	261.00
<b>Veal 600 lbs &amp; over</b>	310.00-392.50	340.24	392.50
<b>Veal calves 125 lbs &amp; under</b>	1300.00-2250.00	1690.80	2500.00

At Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc.: **Mar 3, 2026 – 176 Fed Cattle, 68 Cows, 5 Bulls, 3 Veal, 174 Drop calves**

	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>Large &amp; Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs</b>	312.00-327.00	320.59	332.00
<b>Large &amp; Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs</b>	317.75-325.25	321.47	352.00
<b>Fed Heifers, Dairy &amp; Dairy Cross +1000 lbs</b>	315.25-318.25	316.39	318.25
<b>Cows</b>	168.00-210.00	187.45	260.00
<b>Bulls under 1600 lbs</b>	200.00-284.00	231.33	284.00

At Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: **March 4, 2026 – 75 Fed cattle, 33 Stockers, 225 Cows, 1 Bulls, 6 Veal**

	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>Large &amp; Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs</b>	214.99-314.99	300.00	314.99
<b>Fed Heifers, dairy &amp; dairy cross 1000+ lbs</b>	200.00-275.49	247.99	275.49
<b>Cows</b>	119.99-250.99	180.40	258.00

### ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at Brussels Livestock: **February 27, 2026 – 959 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>1000+</b>	415.00-457.00	439.12	464.00				
<b>900-999</b>	431.00-480.00	457.52	480.00	<b>900+</b>	358.50-409.00	377.25	440.00
<b>800-899</b>	455.00-505.00	489.33	505.00	<b>800-899</b>	397.50-455.00	440.03	455.00
<b>700-799</b>	515.00-572.50	549.71	572.50	<b>700-799</b>	445.00-499.00	486.46	499.00
<b>600-699</b>	555.00-655.00	611.71	655.00	<b>600-699</b>	485.00-550.00	506.28	560.00
<b>500-599</b>	533.25-720.00	618.34	740.00	<b>500-599</b>	538.32-575.00	563.72	635.00
<b>400-499</b>	650.00-755.00	714.57	795.00	<b>400-499</b>	600.00-690.00	646.11	737.50
<b>&lt;399</b>	720.00-825.00	789.29	830.00	<b>300-399</b>	812.00-812.00	812.00	812.00

Stocker sale at Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: **Mar 3, 2026: 418 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
				<b>800-899</b>	250.00-435.00	392.86	435.00
<b>700-799</b>	410.00-445.00	427.50	480.00	<b>700-799</b>	360.00-460.00	410.50	460.00
<b>600-699</b>	500.00-520.00	504.64	590.00	<b>600-699</b>	315.00-535.00	457.22	535.00
<b>400-499</b>	550.00-730.00	652.33	730.00	<b>400-499</b>	600.00-665.00	613.93	670.00
<b>&lt;399</b>	400.00-650.00	551.43	650.00	<b>300-399</b>	290.00-655.00	528.57	655.00

Stocker sale at Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: **Mar 3, 2026: 418 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>800-899</b>	445.00-502.50	485.09	502.50	<b>800-899</b>	472.49-508.99	505.60	508.99
<b>700-799</b>	395.00-545.99	521.60	545.99	<b>700-799</b>	385.00-502.50	480.79	502.50
<b>600-699</b>	379.99-659.99	569.20	659.99	<b>600-699</b>	379.99-580.99	507.30	580.99
<b>500-599</b>	550.00-662.50	624.00	662.50	<b>500-599</b>	445.00-622.40	545.69	622.40
<b>400-499</b>	500.00-729.99	651.60	729.99	<b>400-499</b>	329.99-650.00	563.49	650.00
<b>&lt;399</b>	625.00-850.00	705.90	850.00	<b>300-399</b>	550.00-725.00	620.09	725.00

Stocker sale at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **March 4, 2026 – 586 Stockers**

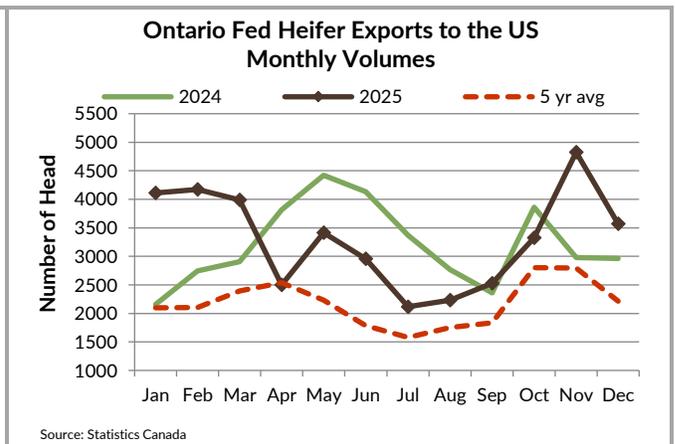
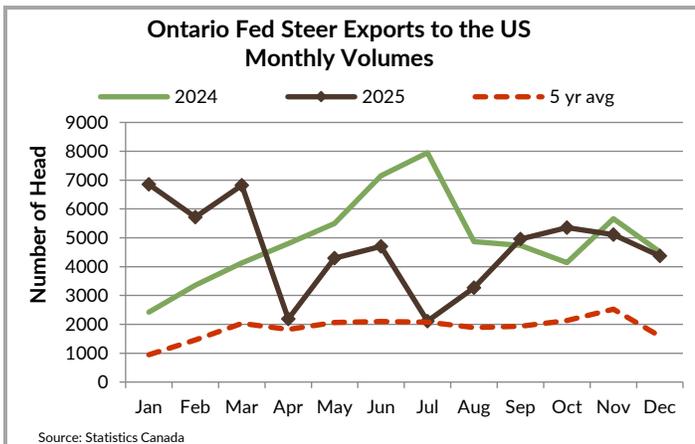
Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>1000+</b>	430.00-470.00	448.68	470.00				
<b>900-999</b>	463.00-505.00	481.85	505.00				

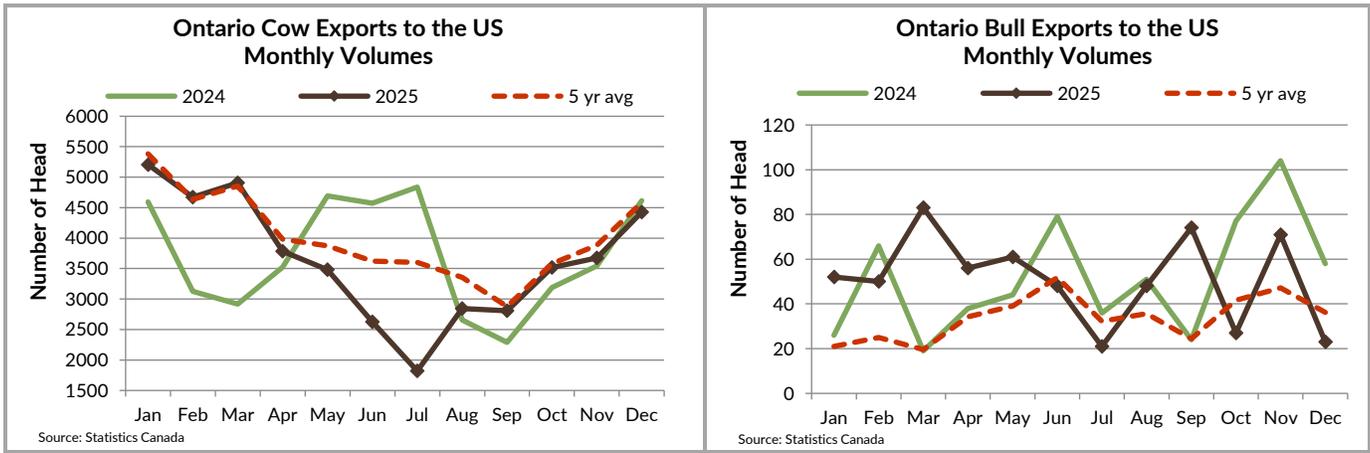
Stocker sale at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **March 5, 2026 – 723 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
<b>1000+</b>	320.00-420.00	385.45	420.00				
<b>900-999</b>	370.00-460.00	421.50	460.00	<b>900+</b>	275.00-385.00	337.50	390.00
<b>800-899</b>	460.00-545.00	513.21	545.00	<b>800-899</b>	375.00-455.00	437.50	455.00
<b>700-799</b>	480.00-587.50	551.59	625.00	<b>700-799</b>	360.00-510.00	466.46	510.00
<b>600-699</b>	470.00-585.00	545.27	655.00	<b>600-699</b>	400.00-500.00	458.09	530.00
<b>500-599</b>	495.00-695.00	602.02	750.00	<b>500-599</b>	440.00-580.00	508.65	580.00
<b>400-499</b>	454.00-650.00	575.10	750.00	<b>400-499</b>	460.00-575.00	532.50	675.00
<b>&lt;399</b>	425.00-770.00	656.67	770.00				

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

	Week ending Feb 21, 2026	Previous Week	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported through Ontario ports to the U.S.	<b>4,343</b>	<b>4,195</b>	<b>30,824</b>
Steers & Heifers & Cows	<b>4,212</b>	<b>4,081</b>	<b>30,021</b>
Bulls	<b>131</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>803</b>





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

	Dec 2025	YTD 2025	Jan 1-Dec 2024	% change from 2024
<b>Steers</b>	4,366	55,756	59,234	-6%
<b>Heifers</b>	3,572	39,740	38,475	3%
<b>Cows</b>	4,428	43,766	44,547	-2%
<b>Bulls</b>	23	614	622	-1%
<b>Feeders</b>	67	4566	3557	28%
<b>Total</b>	12,456	144,442	146,435	-1%

**LIVE CATTLE - CANADA (AAFC/USDA)**

IMPORTS	Import % change from 2025 YTD	EXPORTS	Export % change from 2025 YTD
Jan 1- Dec 31/2026		Jan 1- Feb 14/26	
Pure bred	4,040 5%	Processing steers, heifers & cows	71,359 -23%
Non-pure bred	546,558 36%	Feeder cattle & calves	10,999 -45%
		Bulls	1,967 -5%
		Breeding/other	2,806 -7%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>87,131 -26%</b>

**FEDERALLY INSPECTED PROCESSING - Canfax/CBGA**

	Week Ending Feb 28, 2026	# of hd change from week ago	YTD	% Change (Week Ago)	% Change (Year Ago)
<b>ONTARIO</b>	10,158	1,478	79,292	17%	0.2%
<b>CANADA</b>	53,455	8,374	427,769	19%	-2%
Western Processing	41,640	6,762	335,125	19%	-3%
Eastern Processing	11,815	1,612	92,644	16%	1%

**AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS - Canfax/CBGA**

Week ending	CANADA		ONTARIO	
	Steers	Heifers	Steers	Heifers
28-Feb-26	974	884	1,005	904
21-Feb-26	973	878	1,009	897
22-Feb-25	946	873	981	871

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

	February 28, 2026	Wk ago chg	YTD	YTD chg
Fed	42.0	18%	340.5	3%
Non-Fed	6.9	20%	54.4	-12%
<b>Total</b>	<b>49.0</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>395.0</b>	<b>1%</b>

## USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE PROCESSING VOLUME

	Week Ending March 7, 2026	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	521,000	519,000	579,000

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

	Price	Change from Last Week
For the week ending March 5, 2026	N/A	N/A

## ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta's direct trade: for the week ending March 5, 2026

Steers	Live- FOB	N/A	Rail- FOB	532.50-537.50
Heifers	Live- FOB	N/A	Rail- FOB	532.75-537.50

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade: for the week ending March 5, 2026

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:	Live	240.00-240.00
	Rail	375.00-376.00

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Current Five-Day Average	384.94	378.41

## CANADIAN BEEF EXPORTS Jan 1 – Dec 31/2026 (AAFC)

	Tonnes	% chg	vol chg		Tonnes	% chg	vol chg
<b>United States</b>	<b>364,944</b>	<b>-3%</b>	<b>-9,401</b>	<b>Mexico</b>	<b>32,744</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>3,902</b>
<b>Japan</b>	<b>41,170</b>	<b>-4%</b>	<b>-1,798</b>	<b>South Korea</b>	<b>12,904</b>	<b>-13%</b>	<b>-1,868</b>
<b>Vietnam</b>	<b>14,110</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>1,205</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>486,135</b>	<b>-2%</b>	<b>-8,291</b>

## BEEF IMPORTS – CANADA (AAFC)

	Jan 1 – Feb 21, 2026	Last Year Same Time	% Change
United States	13,700	15,157	-10%
Australia	9,741	5,082	92%
New Zealand	9,186	5,129	79%
Uruguay	1,423	1,926	-26%
Mexico	1,600	1,228	30%
Non-CUSMA	27,504	19,178	43%
EU-27 (beef/veal total)	945	2,029	-53%
<b>Total</b>	<b>64,099</b>	<b>49,729</b>	<b>29%</b>

## CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

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

Live Cattle			Feeder Cattle			Corn		
<b>Apr</b>	234.58	-3.95	<b>Mar</b>	355.63	-6.98	<b>Mar</b>	4.470	+5.4
<b>Jun</b>	231.48	-3.80	<b>Apr</b>	351.63	-7.38	<b>May</b>	4.604	+7.0
<b>Aug</b>	229.25	-4.15	<b>May</b>	348.08	-7.45	<b>Jul</b>	4.710	+8.2
<b>Oct</b>	228.00	-4.38	<b>Aug</b>	348.23	-7.43	<b>Sep</b>	4.720	+7.6
<b>Dec</b>	228.35	-4.48	<b>Sep</b>	346.50	-7.40	<b>Dec</b>	4.844	+6.4
<b>Feb</b>	228.45	-4.33	<b>Oct</b>	344.45	-7.40	<b>Mar</b>	4.940	+5.0

Soybeans			Soft Red Winter Wheat			Canadian \$		
	<i>US \$/bu</i>			<i>US \$/bu</i>				
<b>Mar</b>	11.850	+21.2	<b>Mar</b>	6.112	+28.4	<b>Spot</b>	73.61	+0.57
<b>May</b>	12.006	+21.4	<b>May</b>	6.166	+33.0	<b>Mar</b>	73.63	+0.56
<b>Jul</b>	12.130	+20.4	<b>Jul</b>	6.252	+32.2	<b>Jun</b>	73.91	+0.56
<b>Aug</b>	11.972	+16.6	<b>Sep</b>	6.364	+31.6	<b>Sep</b>	74.17	+0.56
<b>Sep</b>	11.552	+12.4	<b>Dec</b>	6.520	+30.2	<b>Dec</b>	74.40	+0.57
<b>Nov</b>	11.466	+10.2	<b>Mar</b>	6.636	+27.6	<b>Mar</b>	74.55	+0.53

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## ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER SPECIAL SPRING SALES

13-Mar	11:00 AM	Hoards Station Sale Barn	Quinte Sale-Vaccinations preferred, catalogued- Farm Fresh
14-Mar	1:00 PM	Brussels Livestock	Special Bred Cow/Heifer Sale
14-Mar	11:00 AM	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
25-Mar	12:00 PM	Aylmer Stockyards Inc	Special Spring Stocker Sale
25-Mar	1:00 PM	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
28-Mar	11:00 AM	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
11-Apr	1:00 PM	Brussels Livestock	Special Bred Cow/Heifer Sale
11-Apr	11:00 AM	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
18-Apr	8:30 AM	Rainy River Cattlemens Sale	Special Spring Stocker Sale/Cows/Bulls
22-Apr	10:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	KLC Special Spring Stocker Sale
Apr 22	10:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	KLC Calf & Yearling Sale
25-Apr	11:00 AM	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Bred Cow & Cow Calf Pair Sale
29-Apr	12:00 PM	Aylmer Stockyards Inc	Special Spring Stocker Sale
29-Apr	1:00 PM	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale

### Comments for the week ending March 5, 2026

Fed steers and heifers sold through auction markets, at 473 head, were down 8 head from the previous week and 302 head larger than the same time last year. Fed steers averaged \$314.91/cwt, down \$3.07/cwt from the previous week's trade and \$83.90/cwt above year ago prices. Fed heifers averaged \$308.37/cwt, down \$11.50/cwt from the previous week and \$74.41/cwt higher than last year. Auction markets reported that fed steers and heifers sold under pressure.

In Ontario, dressed sales have been reported at \$535/cwt delivered, steady with the previous week. For the week ending February 28, 2026, Eastern Canadian processing was 17.3% above a year ago and 2.4% higher than the five-year average. YTD processing is 1% above a year ago, with steers up 2% and heifers down 1%, cows keep steady and bulls down 29%. For the week ending February 21, 2026, Eastern fed cattle and cow exports to the U.S. were 4,345 head, 4% below last year and 35% above the five-year average. YTD Eastern fed cattle and cow exports were up 6% from last year.

Cull cow receipts sold through auction markets were 2,044 head, down 208 head from the previous week and up 136 head from last year. Cows averaged \$177.65/cwt, down \$1.73/cwt from the previous week and up \$33.22/cwt from last year. Beef cow prices averaged \$194.87/cwt, down \$0.98/cwt from the previous week's trade and \$41.87/cwt above year ago prices. Auction markets reported that beef cull cows sold lower while dairy cull cows sold steady.

Total receipts were 7,186 head, with receipts of 2,878 stocker and feeder cattle selling through Ontario auction markets, down 970 head from the previous week and 49 head more than the same week last year. Auction markets reported all classes of stockers sold on a very strong market and feeders sold at barely steady prices. In the feeder market, steer prices were up \$0.71/cwt on average compared to last week with heifers up \$13.43/cwt. Actual average prices collected this week saw steers from 400-500 lbs trading \$8.18/cwt lower than last week on average, 500-600 lbs down \$0.82/cwt, 600-700 lbs down \$1.07/cwt, 700-800 lbs up \$22.99/cwt, 800-900 lbs up \$3.47/cwt, steers 900-1000 lbs down \$14.00/cwt and steers 1000 lbs plus averaged \$2.57/cwt stronger than the previous week's weighted average prices. Heifers from 300-400 lbs were up \$31.81/cwt from last week on average, 400-500 lbs up \$10.19/cwt, 500-600 lbs up \$10.89/cwt, 600-700 lbs up \$16.85/cwt, 700-800 lbs up \$23.26/cwt, 800-900 lbs up \$24.90/cwt and heifers 900 lbs and over averaged \$23.92/cwt weaker than the previous week's weighted average prices. For the week ending February 21, 2026, Eastern feeder exports to the U.S. were 752 head, 14% higher than last year and 15% above the five-year average. YTD Eastern feeder exports are down 24% from last year.

The Quebec electronic market prices are not available at press time.

Alberta direct trade last week saw dressed sales from \$530-535/cwt delivered. Since the start of the year, fed prices have rallied \$22/cwt or 7%. Very similar to the past three years when prices strengthened 7-9% from early January to late February. Averaging on either side of \$320/cwt, fed prices established new record highs last week. For the week ending February 28, 2026, Western Canadian fed processing was 35,167 head. YTD processing is 5.7% higher than last year. Sales to the US were in the low \$320's/cwt FOB the feedlot. For January/February, Canadian AAA and Prime grading have been running 84-86%, a record high for this time of the year. According to Statistics Canada, in 2025, retail beef prices averaged \$25.12/kg, up 13% from 2024.

The U.S. cash cattle trade last week saw live sales in the North start out at \$245/cwt however, by the end of the week, cattle were trading at \$239-240/cwt, \$4-9/cwt lower than last week. Dressed sales in Iowa and Nebraska ranged from \$383-384/cwt, \$4-6/cwt lower. Sales in the Southern feeding states were at \$244/cwt, \$6/cwt softer. In 2025, beef exports were down 14% compared to 2024. Choice cutouts jumped nearly \$13/cwt from last week with Select up \$11/cwt. Cutouts are \$65-68/cwt stronger than last year. Lean 90% trim ended the week at \$433/cwt, a modest \$1/cwt shy of its most recent high set in September 2025. Fatty 50% trim and 73% ground were steady to \$0.50/cwt softer than last week but are \$50-81/cwt stronger than the same week last year.

USDA hosted its annual Ag Outlook Forum the other day; 2026 corn acres are forecasted at 94 million acres, down nearly 5 million acres from last year. The December corn contract has been on an uptrend since the start of the year. Talks are likely on-going between the union and management at the JBS Greely, CO beef plant. Both parties seem far apart on reaching a deal.