



WEEKLY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – FOR THE WEEK ENDING

THURSDAY October 1, 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 505.00

A Grade Heifers 505.00

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

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

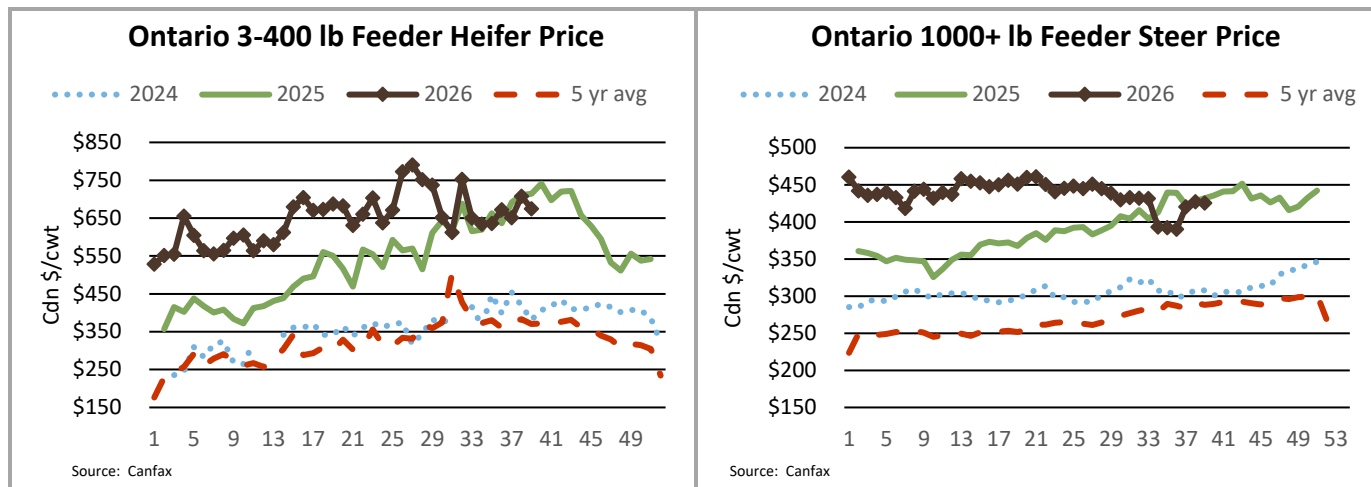
FED CATTLE	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
Large Frame Steers +1250	98	297.93-311.64	304.67	325.00	299.12
Medium Frame Steers +1250	123	280.15-306.59	291.27	329.00	300.58
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	219	286.27-307.97	297.50	329.00	299.24
Large Frame Heifers +1000	161	259.47-311.52	280.88	342.50	287.63
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	106	273.98-313.62	295.91	336.00	296.09
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	267	256.32-312.54	285.81	342.50	291.89
Fed steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250	46	257.52-293.96	274.92	322.50	264.79
Fed heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000	107	211.50-281.35	250.68	308.50	247.23
Cows - All Weights	1579	140.89-225.85	175.41	570.89	169.58
Bulls - All Weights	148	222.44-278.15	249.55	409.50	252.91

STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
1000+	931	402.18-449.83	425.53	465.00	427.21
900-999	351	440.80-487.91	462.71	509.00	461.12
800-899	320	458.82-511.68	491.66	546.00	478.83
700-799	520	496.39-554.71	531.22	582.00	501.47
600-699	852	487.34-625.68	576.55	665.00	564.01
500-599	750	539.71-696.38	637.29	745.00	624.26
400-499	353	610.72-782.70	693.31	885.00	716.42
<399	172	592.15-865.76	749.89	1025.00	775.67

STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

HEIFERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
+900	446	339.25-404.07	373.84	431.50	377.66
800-899	232	423.78-463.59	445.85	495.00	425.29
700-799	266	446.31-493.13	471.67	590.00	444.79
600-699	442	474.65-554.06	518.13	635.00	488.22
500-599	506	496.23-627.54	573.57	700.00	562.44
400-499	347	498.80-674.28	601.69	750.00	629.07
300-399	145	575.21-757.17	674.37	815.00	707.11
<299	29	610.86-843.79	716.77	1080.00	715.20



At Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn: **Sep 26, 2026- 143 cows, 10 fed, 42 stockers, 8 bulls, 54 veal**

	Price Range	Avg	Top
Cows	150.00-250.00	185.55	310.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	245.00-290.00	268.18	290.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	237.00-264.00	253.37	264.00
Veal over 600 lbs	230.00-345.00	277.42	345.00
Veal unvr 125 lbs	775.00-1700.00	1046.20	2000.00

At Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc.: **Sep 29, 2026 -127 Fed Cattle, 78 Cows, 4 Bull, 7 Veal, 165 Drop Calves**

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	304.00-315.00	307.20	316.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	297.00-311.50	304.93	334.50
Fed Steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250 lbs	276.00-309.00	292.80	309.00
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000 lbs	250.00-298.00	286.67	308.50
Cows	160.00-197.00	180.61	287.50
Bulls under 1600 lbs	245.00-250.00	247.00	250.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	267.50-267.50	267.50	267.50
Veal calves over 600 lb	272.50-294.00	284.30	294.00

At Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: **September 30, 2026 - 54 Fed cattle, 113 Stockers, 176 Cows, 2Bull**

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	289.99-300.49	293.99	300.49
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	184.00-329.99	282.10	329.99
Fed Steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250 lbs	285.00-297.99	291.80	297.99
Fed Heifers, dairy & dairy cross 1000+ lbs	173.99-275.00	224.90	275.00
Cows	115.99-235.99	170.30	304.59
Bulls under 1600 lbs	237.50-237.50	237.50	237.50

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at Brussels Livestock: **September 25, 2026 - 1,251 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	384.00-434.00	410.66	460.00	900+	323.00-395.00	359.91	431.50
900-999	406.00-467.00	435.81	478.00	800-899	442.00-471.00	457.13	471.00
800-899	440.00-482.50	465.88	482.50	700-799	440.00-465.00	453.56	465.00
700-799	490.00-512.50	503.14	537.00	600-699	453.00-478.00	469.91	525.00
600-699	526.00-602.00	552.18	632.50	500-599	480.00-545.00	519.72	545.00
500-599	530.00-610.00	573.61	637.50	400-499	525.00-530.00	525.71	530.00
400-499	570.00-655.00	599.17	720.00	300-399	645.00-680.00	666.00	680.00
300-399	730.00-730.00	730.00	730.00				

Stocker sale at **Rainy River: September 26, 2026 – 939 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	289.99-425.99	401.60	425.99				
900-999	409.99-458.99	448.29	458.99	900+	270.00-393.99	381.09	393.99
800-899	339.99-483.00	471.10	483.00	800-899	389.99-466.99	431.40	466.99
700-799	400.00-545.99	511.30	545.99	700-799	450.00-509.99	487.60	509.99
600-699	370.00-619.00	570.09	619.00	600-699	427.50-533.00	509.79	533.00
500-599	420.00-665.00	617.69	665.00	500-599	420.00-597.49	550.19	597.49
400-499	470.00-775.00	649.50	775.00	400-499	440.00-659.99	593.79	659.99
300-399	540.00-812.50	756.40	812.50	300-399	545.00-779.99	657.69	779.99

Stocker sale at **Hoard's Station Sale Barn: September 29, 2026 – 164 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
600-699	515.00-587.50	553.21	587.50	600-699	400.00-580.00	512.86	580.00
500-599	570.00-720.00	640.57	720.00	500-599	585.00-645.00	612.71	645.00
400-499	625.00-795.00	739.80	875.00	400-499	615.00-700.00	654.68	735.00
<399	600.00-860.00	762.12	1000.00	300-399	710.00-812.50	745.71	812.50

Stocker sale at **Keady Livestock Market: September 29, 2026 – 767 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	425.00-465.00	444.21	465.00				
900-999	472.00-509.00	487.94	509.00	900+	342.50-388.00	366.73	405.00
800-899	494.00-527.50	506.91	546.00	800-899	405.00-466.00	451.55	466.00
700-799	530.00-551.00	541.53	579.00	700-799	445.00-455.00	448.28	500.00
600-699	527.50-600.00	573.16	610.00	600-699	462.50-490.00	479.78	515.00
500-599	570.00-685.00	647.83	690.00	400-499	520.00-605.00	581.67	632.50
400-499	665.00-782.50	724.12	782.50				

Stocker sale at **Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: September 29, 2026 – 372 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
700-799	459.99-540.00	489.79	540.00	700-799	420.00-529.99	477.40	529.99
600-699	385.00-647.49	565.89	647.49	600-699	450.00-575.00	514.49	575.00
500-599	529.99-725.00	627.79	725.00	500-599	454.99-609.99	554.99	609.99
400-499	500.00-809.99	647.20	809.99	400-499	400.00-679.99	594.70	679.99
300-399	590.00-950.00	755.19	950.00	300-399	385.00-720.00	619.50	720.00

Stocker sale at **Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: September 30, 2026 – 113 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
800-899	465.00-470.00	467.40	470.00				
				700-799	445.00-517.49	508.00	517.49
				600-699	415.00-534.99	495.89	534.99
500-599	629.99-645.00	637.39	645.00	500-599	504.99-620.00	595.99	620.00

Stocker sale at **Ontario Livestock Exchange: September 30, 2026 – 785 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	412.50-457.00	431.69	457.00				
900-999	425.00-485.00	448.96	485.00	900+	369.00-422.00	388.48	422.00
800-899	472.50-475.00	473.33	475.00	800-899	425.00-442.00	437.47	442.00
700-799	520.00-572.50	565.94	572.50				

Stocker sale at **Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange: September 30, 2026 – 311 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
800-899	447.50-475.00	466.22	475.00				
700-799	440.00-567.50	503.15	567.50	700-799	450.00-477.50	459.84	477.50
600-699	500.00-595.00	536.71	620.00	600-699	492.50-547.50	500.75	547.50
500-599	517.50-688.00	592.05	705.00	500-599	520.00-612.50	565.56	612.50
400-499	575.00-820.00	665.98	820.00	400-499	575.00-695.00	582.45	695.00
<399	770.00-920.00	800.00	920.00	300-399	645.00-785.00	701.91	785.00

Stocker sale at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **October 1, 2026 – 1,116 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	360.00-420.00	385.91	420.00				
900-999	440.00-475.00	451.61	475.00	900+	375.00-405.00	389.69	405.00
800-899	420.00-505.00	470.20	505.00	800-899	407.50-450.00	423.40	450.00
700-799	435.00-570.00	506.67	570.00	700-799	400.00-485.00	441.43	590.00
600-699	520.00-665.00	601.80	665.00	600-699	500.00-630.00	564.39	635.00
500-599	600.00-745.00	680.99	745.00	500-599	555.00-670.00	611.72	700.00
400-499	650.00-790.00	696.37	885.00	400-499	530.00-690.00	597.91	750.00
<399	500.00-910.00	711.79	1025.00	300-399	550.00-750.00	664.50	750.00
				<299	500.00-925.00	675.00	1000.00

Stocker sale at Ontario Stockyards Inc: **October 1, 2026 – 960 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
				900+	395.00-430.00	416.43	430.00
800-899	455.00-525.00	499.72	525.00	800-899	446.00-477.50	461.51	477.50
700-799	545.00-582.00	565.77	582.00	700-799	487.50-515.00	499.57	515.00
600-699	577.50-632.50	601.40	632.50	600-699	521.00-545.00	533.13	552.50
500-599	595.00-675.00	641.39	725.00	500-599	517.50-629.00	568.34	650.00
400-499	710.00-772.50	735.05	840.00	400-499	600.00-690.00	641.06	730.00
<399	715.00-915.00	828.13	1010.00	300-399	655.00-815.00	743.64	815.00

WEEKLY LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS - ONTARIO (USDA)

	Week ending Sep 19, 2026	Previous Week	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported through Ontario ports to the U.S.	2,000	1,544	114,648
Steers & Heifers & Cows	1,827	1,456	109,777
Bulls	173	88	4,871

LIVE CATTLE – CANADA (AAFC/USDA)

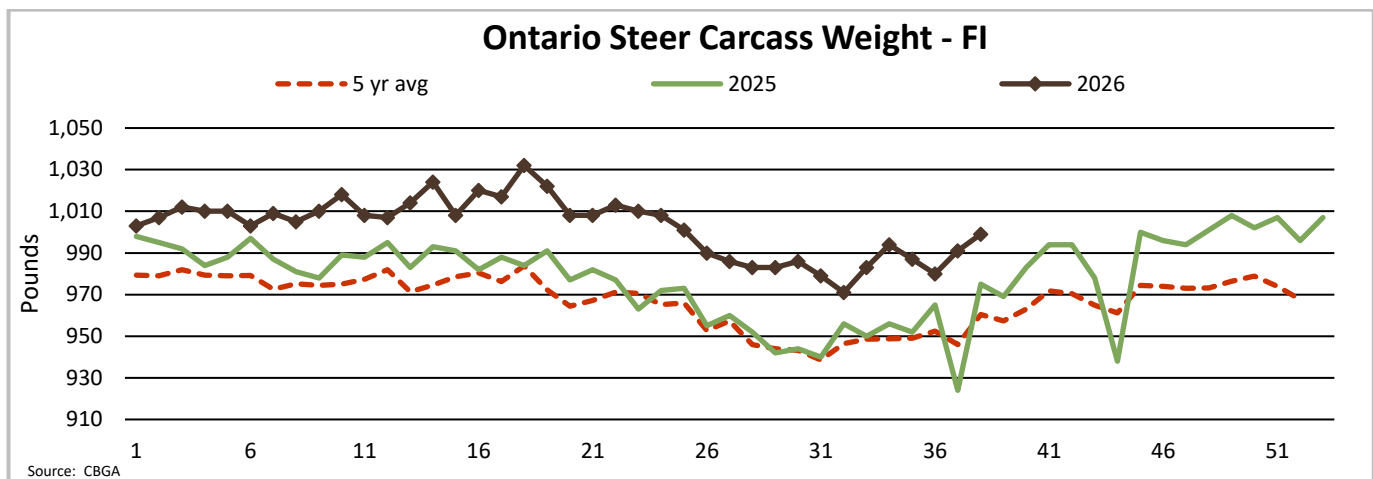
IMPORTS	Import % change from 2025 YTD	EXPORTS	Export % change from 2025 YTD
Jan 1- Jul 31/2026		Jan 1- Sep 5/26	
Pure bred	5,161 204%	Processing steers, heifers & cows	300,372 -17%
Non-pure bred	266,158 33%	Feeder cattle & calves	82,859 -23%
		Bulls	18,423 3%
		Breeding/other	14,344 10%
		Total	415,998 -17%

FEDERALLY INSPECTED PROCESSING - Canfax/CBGA

	Week Ending Sep 26, 2026	# of hd change from week ago	YTD	% Change (Week Ago)	% Change (Year Ago)
ONTARIO	10,790	-178	370,191	-2%	1.5%
CANADA	63,175	770	2,025,433	1%	-2%
Western Processing	50,829	1,235	1,595,215	2%	-3%
Eastern Processing	12,346	-465	430,218	-4%	2%

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – Canfax/CBGA

	CANADA		ONTARIO	
Week ending	Steers	Heifers	Steers	Heifers
26-Sep-26	974	889	999	868
19-Sep-26	976	886	991	873
20-Sep-25	957	884	975	870



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

	September 26, 2026	Wk ago chg	YTD	YTD chg
Fed	53.8	4%	1,624.3	1%
Non-Fed	6.0	-10%	239.2	5%
Total	59.8	2%	1,863.5	2%

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE PROCESSING VOLUME

	Week Ending October 3, 2026	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	548,000	484,000	568,000

CANADIAN BEEF EXPORTS Jan 1 – Jul 31/2026 (Statistics Canada)

	YTD 2026	YTD 2025	% Change
United States	197,824	201,438	-2%
Mexico	24,206	19,376	25%
Japan	18,156	25,213	-28%
SE Asia (excl Taiwan)	9,510	8,315	14%
South Korea	3,747	9,107	-59%
Other	30,884	9,260	234%
Total	284,327	272,710	4%

CANADIAN BEEF IMPORTS Jan 1 – Jul 31/2026 (Statistics Canada)

	YTD 2026	YTD 2025	% Change
United States	43,673	52,250	-16%
Australia	37,076	24,465	52%
Mercosur	29,254	24,742	18%
New Zealand	27,999	23,110	21%
Mexico	8,973	7,334	22%
EU 27	7,906	9,152	-14%
UK	2,755	3,376	-18%
Other	1,534	1,361	13%
Total	159,171	145,790	9%

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

	Price	Change from Last Week
For the week ending October 1, 2026	N/A	N/A

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta's direct trade: for the week ending October 1, 2026

Steers	Live- FOB	N/A	Rail- FOB	492.75-498.00
Heifers	Live- FOB	N/A	Rail- FOB	492.00-497.50

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade: for the week ending October 1, 2026

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:	Live	217.00-222.00
	Rail	345.00-350.00

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Current Five-Day Average	380.31	358.39

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

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

Live Cattle			Feeder Cattle			Corn		
Oct	218.85	-0.45	Oct	334.63	-4.25	Dec	4.9775	-4.4
Dec	221.48	-1.70	Nov	331.15	-5.20	Mar	5.1150	-5.2
Feb	223.15	-2.30	Jan	324.55	-5.15	May	518.50	-5.2
Apr	224.55	-2.60	Mar	320.83	-4.85	Jul	5.2275	-5.2
Jun	219.70	-2.68	Apr	320.68	-4.75	Sep	5.0625	-2.4
Aug	216.55	-2.60	May	319.73	-4.68	Dec	5.1650	-1.2
Soybeans			Soft Red Winter Wheat			Canadian \$		
	US \$/bu			US \$/bu				
Nov	12.782	-5.6	Dec	6.830	+0.2	Spot	70.13	-0.10
Jan	12.944	-6.2	Mar	6.966	-0.2	Dec	70.41	-0.09
Mar	13.046	-6.0	May	7.034	n/c	Mar	70.69	-0.13
May	13.142	-5.2	Jul	7.046	n/c	Jun	70.99	-0.12
Jul	13.204	-4.4	Sep	7.104	+0.6	Sep	71.29	-0.10
Aug	13.042	-4.4	Dec	7.212	+1.4	Dec	71.56	-0.10

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ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER SPECIAL FALL SALES

02-Oct	7:00 PM	Cargill Auction Market	Char. & Exotic Yearlings- Steers & Heifers
07-Oct	10:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	KLC Calf & Yearling Sale
08-Oct	11:00 AM	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special All Vaccinated Calf Sale
09-Oct	9:00 AM	Keady Livestock Market	Special Grass Yearling Sale
10-Oct	11:00 AM	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Vaccinated Calves & Yearlings
10-Oct	1:00 PM	Brussels Livestock	4-H Show & Sale(all proceeds go to 4-H Members & club)
15-Oct	11:00 AM	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special Fall Yearling Sale
16-Oct	10:00 AM	Brussels Livestock	Charolais Influence Sale
16-Oct	5:00pm	Ontario Livestock Exchange	Special Bred Heifer Sale
16-Oct	12:00 PM	Temiskaming Livestock Exchange	Special Calf and Yearling Sale
16-Oct	7:00 PM	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	"Upin the Ante" Charolais Female Sale
17-Oct	8:30 AM	Stratton-Rainy River Cattlemen's Sale	Fall Stocker sale
17-Oct	10:00 AM	Thessalon- Algoma Co-op Livestock Sales	Calves- Farm fresh, 90% vaccinated, sold in farmer lots
19-Oct	7:00 PM	Maple Hill Auctions Ltd	Limousin Influence Calf Sale
21-Oct	10:00 AM	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	KLC Calf & Yearling Sale

Comments for the week ending October 1, 2026

Fed steers and heifers sold through auction markets at 488 head, were up 158 head from the previous week and 123 head larger than the same time last year. Fed steers averaged \$297.50/cwt, down \$1.74/cwt from

the previous week's trade and \$12.94/cwt below year ago prices. Fed heifers averaged \$285.81/cwt, down \$6.08/cwt from the previous week and \$29.86/cwt lower than last year. Auction markets reported fed steers and heifers sold \$3.00-5.00/cwt higher at Brussels Livestock.

In Ontario, very light trade has been reported at \$505/cwt delivered, steady with the previous week. For the week ending September 26th, Eastern Canadian processing was 13.5% above a year ago and 2.5% below the five-year average. YTD processing is 2% above a year ago, with steers up 2% and heifers up 5%, cows down 1% and bulls down 29%. For the week ending September 19th, 2026, Eastern fed cattle and cow exports to the U.S. were 2,035 head, 36% lower than last year and 14% below the five-year average. YTD Eastern fed cattle and cow exports were down 7% from last year.

Cull cow receipts sold through auction markets were 1,579 head, 188 head larger than the previous week and down 77 head from last year. Cows averaged \$175.41/cwt, up \$5.83/cwt from the previous week and down \$12.61/cwt from last year. Beef cow prices averaged \$195.74/cwt, down \$0.84/cwt from the previous week's trade and \$6.46/cwt below year ago prices. For cull cows, auction markets reported beef cows traded fully steady while dairy cows sold stronger at Denfield Livestock Exchange.

Total receipts were 10,049 head with receipts of 6,662 stocker and feeder cattle selling through Ontario auction markets, up 3,549 head from the previous week and 1,191 head less than the same week last year. In the feeder market, steer prices were up \$6.42/cwt on average compared to last week with heifers up \$3.51/cwt. Auction markets reported all classes of stocker and feeder cattle sold actively at steady prices. Actual average prices collected this week saw steers from 400-500 lbs trading \$23.11/cwt weaker than last week on average, 500-600 lbs up \$13.03/cwt, 600-700 lbs up \$12.54/cwt, 700-800 lbs up \$29.75/cwt, 800-900 lbs up \$12.83/cwt, steers 900-1000 lbs up \$1.59/cwt and steers 1000 lbs plus averaged \$1.68/cwt weaker than the previous week's weighted average prices. Heifers from 300-400 lbs were down \$32.74/cwt from last week on average, 400-500 lbs down \$27.38/cwt, 500-600 lbs up \$11.13/cwt, 600-700 lbs up \$29.91/cwt, 700-800 lbs up \$26.88/cwt, 800-900 lbs up \$20.56/cwt and heifers 900 lbs and over averaged \$3.82/cwt weaker than the previous week's weighted average prices. For the week ending September 19th, 2026, Eastern feeder exports to the U.S. were 1,264 head, 1% higher than last year, 20% above the five-year average. YTD Eastern feeder exports are down 9% from last year.

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

Alberta direct trade last week saw light trade reported with dressed sales from \$490-500/cwt (mostly \$500/cwt) delivered. Cattle that traded were scheduled for early November delivery. Alberta fed prices have been trading at a \$15-17/cwt discount against the Nebraska market. The summer price decline for the fed market has exceeded both the 5- and 10-year averages. For the second half of September, cash-to-cash basis levels are the weakest since 2004/2005. For the week ending September 26th, Western Canadian fed processing was 45,763 head, 15.6% above than last year. Since early September the Canadian dollar has declined over 150 basis points.

US cash cattle trade last week saw dressed sales in Iowa and Nebraska from \$345-355/cwt, barely steady with the previous week. A few cattle traded in Nebraska at \$223/cwt, while sales in Iowa at \$220/cwt were steady to a couple of dollars weaker. Business in the Southern feeding states has been slow to develop; live bids of \$220/cwt were being passed in Texas and Kansas. Over the past three weeks, Choice has tried very hard not to drop below \$375/cwt. On September 17th, US domestic 85% trim on the spot market was reported at \$362/cwt but dropped 31% to \$250/cwt by the next day!

On Thursday September 24th, the Santa Teresa port opened to Mexican feeder cattle and some industry officials are expecting 750-1,600 head of cattle to cross the port on a daily basis. The Douglas, Arizona port has been operational for a month now and roughly 6,500 head of cattle have moved through since opening. The September WASDE report showed US beef production for 2027 was revised lower from their August report; forecast to be down 0.2% from 2026. Lack of agriculture news/announcements following the meeting between President Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping weighed on the grain complex.