



WEEKLY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – FOR THE WEEK ENDING THURSDAY OCTOBER 8, 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:

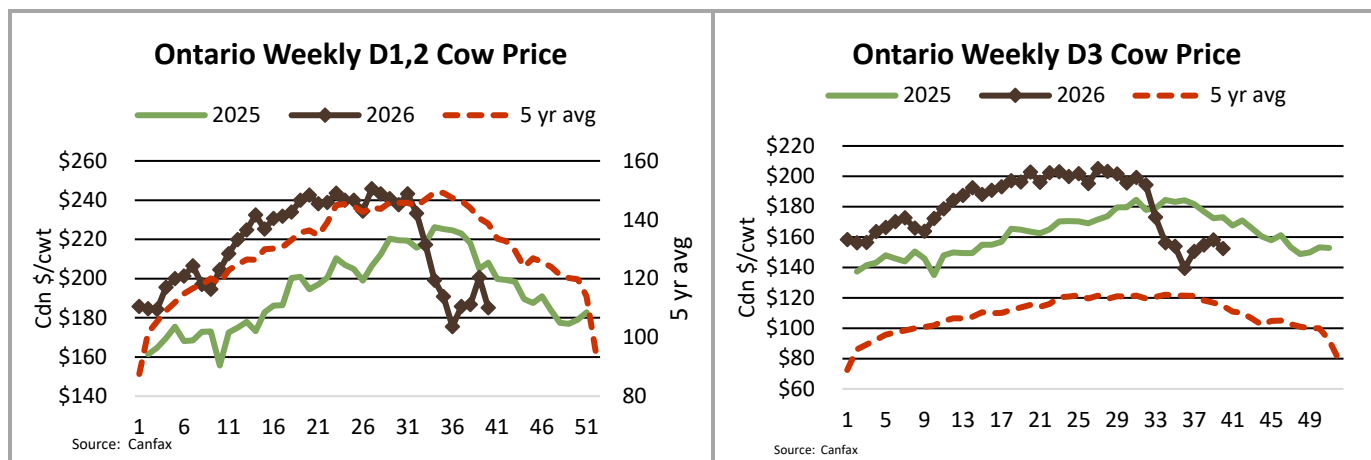
FED CATTLE	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
Large Frame Steers +1250	74	296.97-333.26	313.28	350.00	304.67
Medium Frame Steers +1250	106	284.70-308.73	297.52	318.00	291.27
Large & Medium Frame Steers +1250	176	284.18-311.76	299.82	350.00	297.50
Large Frame Heifers +1000	148	278.87-318.55	299.53	362.50	280.88
Medium Frame Heifers +1000	119	264.13-307.56	290.98	362.50	295.91
Large & Medium Frame Heifers +1000	267	263.44-309.06	292.22	362.50	285.81
Fed steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250	47	249.78-291.59	276.13	315.50	274.92
Fed heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000	112	193.24-268.24	239.56	314.75	250.68
Cows - All Weights	1623	140.42-205.69	164.54	435.00	175.41
Bulls - All Weights	109	218.67-274.79	248.42	332.50	249.55

STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

STEERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
1000+	1245	414.48-453.58	434.67	474.00	425.53
900-999	807	449.50-496.87	474.34	514.00	462.71
800-899	431	474.09-507.87	493.03	531.00	491.66
700-799	324	474.97-549.09	518.65	580.50	531.22
600-699	523	509.52-617.31	570.15	661.00	576.55
500-599	677	580.67-692.00	642.80	740.50	637.29
400-499	340	574.56-784.76	700.30	840.00	693.31
<399	170	561.94-903.72	781.63	1650.00	749.89

STOCKERS - Large and Medium Frame

HEIFERS	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top	Last Week Avg
+900	312	376.28-420.91	398.22	430.00	373.84
800-899	190	415.65-464.77	448.72	503.00	445.85
700-799	206	438.09-495.36	465.06	540.00	471.67
600-699	258	469.96-548.55	510.21	612.50	518.13
500-599	329	482.40-609.48	549.85	677.50	573.57
400-499	234	582.14-695.26	636.23	770.00	601.69
300-399	146	616.63-826.00	727.78	930.00	674.37
<299	35	726.57-917.14	833.24	1000.00	716.77



At Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn: **October 3, 2026- 175 cows, 1 fed, 47 stockers, 16 bulls, 81 veal**

	Price Range	Avg	Top
Cows	150.00-235.00	173.43	262.50
Bulls under 1600 lbs	212.50-280.00	243.68	280.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	225.00-276.00	252.15	276.00
Veal over 600 lbs	277.50-337.50	292.04	337.50
Veal unvr 125 lbs	750.00-1875.00	1145.57	2000.00

At Denfield Livestock Exchange Inc.: **October 6, 2026 -228 Fed Cattle, 117 Cows, 15 Bull, 1 Veal, 189 Drop Calves**

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	304.50-318.00	308.80	349.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	301.50-314.00	307.28	334.00
Fed Steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250 lbs	280.00-303.75	295.06	315.50
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000 lbs	168.00-303.50	263.25	314.75
Cows	150.00-200.00	172.97	248.00
Bulls under 1600 lbs	218.00-265.00	238.92	265.00

At Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: **October 7, 2026 - 48 Fed cattle, 11 Stockers, 165 Cows, 1 Bull**

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	200.00-307.50	284.10	307.50
Fed Steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250 lbs	214.99-285.00	266.90	285.00
Fed Heifers, dairy & dairy cross 1000+ lbs	185.00-275.00	244.60	275.00
Cows	105.00-198.99	159.80	247.99

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at Brussels Livestock: **October 2, 2026 - 975 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	385.00-441.00	415.20	441.00				
900-999	444.00-490.00	473.35	490.00	900+	382.00-422.50	399.42	422.50
800-899	432.50-511.50	485.43	512.00	800-899	387.00-439.00	409.87	439.00
700-799	477.50-565.00	519.65	565.00	700-799	447.00-510.00	497.40	510.00
600-699	537.50-587.00	569.20	599.00	600-699	470.00-525.00	490.33	540.00
500-599	585.00-666.00	640.95	681.00	500-599	410.00-600.00	534.09	630.00
400-499	700.00-759.00	730.71	765.00	400-499	600.00-650.00	628.06	680.00
300-399	700.00-837.50	769.00	920.00				

Stocker sale at Keady Livestock Market: **October 2, 2026 - 1,122 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	429.50-457.00	445.19	474.00				
900-999	471.00-507.00	488.21	507.00				
800-899	500.00-514.00	506.57	525.00	800-899	486.00-486.00	486.00	486.00
700-799	518.00-531.00	525.43	531.00	700-799	476.00-480.00	477.82	480.00
600-699	554.00-554.00	554.00	554.00				

Stocker sale at Hoard's Station Sale Barn: **October 7, 2026 – 198 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
				800-899	335.00-405.00	382.14	405.00
700-799	440.00-490.00	450.00	505.00				
600-699	500.00-552.50	521.09	555.00	600-699	475.00-570.00	529.44	570.00
500-599	575.00-725.00	649.04	725.00	500-599	450.00-595.00	524.33	630.00
400-499	600.00-785.00	701.25	790.00	400-499	637.50-715.00	665.24	722.50
<399	520.00-825.00	725.00	825.00	300-399	640.00-830.00	745.71	830.00
				<299	790.00-1000.00	945.71	1000.00

Stocker sale at Keady Livestock Market: **October 7, 2026 – 563 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	417.00-429.00	427.57	454.00				
900-999	457.50-482.50	470.53	507.50	900+	410.00-430.00	419.29	430.00
800-899	507.00-531.00	518.91	531.00	800-899	431.00-437.50	433.74	437.50
700-799	470.00-540.00	507.59	575.00	700-799	469.00-485.00	476.70	485.00
600-699	545.00-610.00	582.83	615.00	600-699	325.00-527.50	455.00	527.50
500-599	645.00-685.00	664.23	685.00	500-599	490.00-540.00	521.25	565.00

Stocker sale at Renfrew Pontiac Livestock: **October 7, 2026 – 481 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
800-899	440.00-487.50	474.80	487.50				
700-799	429.99-552.50	509.99	552.50				
600-699	475.00-639.90	581.20	639.90	600-699	429.99-527.50	473.89	527.50
500-599	500.00-707.50	636.69	707.50	500-599	479.99-677.50	563.19	677.50
400-499	570.00-840.00	725.10	840.00	400-499	500.00-715.00	644.29	715.00
<399	745.00-950.00	840.79	950.00	300-399	609.99-850.00	714.20	850.00
				<299	700.00-975.00	884.20	975.00

Stocker sale at Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn.: **October 7, 2026 – 499 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	395.00-435.50	423.71	435.50				
900-999	377.50-476.50	464.75	476.50				
800-899	425.00-515.00	456.56	515.00	800-899	400.00-503.00	477.86	503.00
700-799	492.50-580.50	547.37	580.50	700-799	440.00-540.00	476.99	540.00
600-699	545.00-635.00	594.15	645.00	600-699	507.50-612.50	547.24	612.50
500-599	610.00-740.50	678.77	740.50	500-599	440.00-632.50	552.39	632.50
400-499	540.00-790.00	654.44	790.00	400-499	600.00-770.00	666.97	770.00
<399	750.00-887.50	838.75	887.50	300-399	737.50-810.00	747.21	810.00

Stocker sale at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **October 7, 2026 – 657 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	412.50-462.50	434.85	462.50				
900-999	444.00-514.00	468.90	514.00				
800-899	495.00-527.50	511.70	527.50				

Stocker sale at Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange: **October 7, 2026 – 52 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
600-699	445.00-610.00	531.10	610.00				
500-599	615.00-685.00	646.37	685.00				

Stocker sale at Ontario Stockyards Inc: **October 8, 2026 – 824 Stockers**

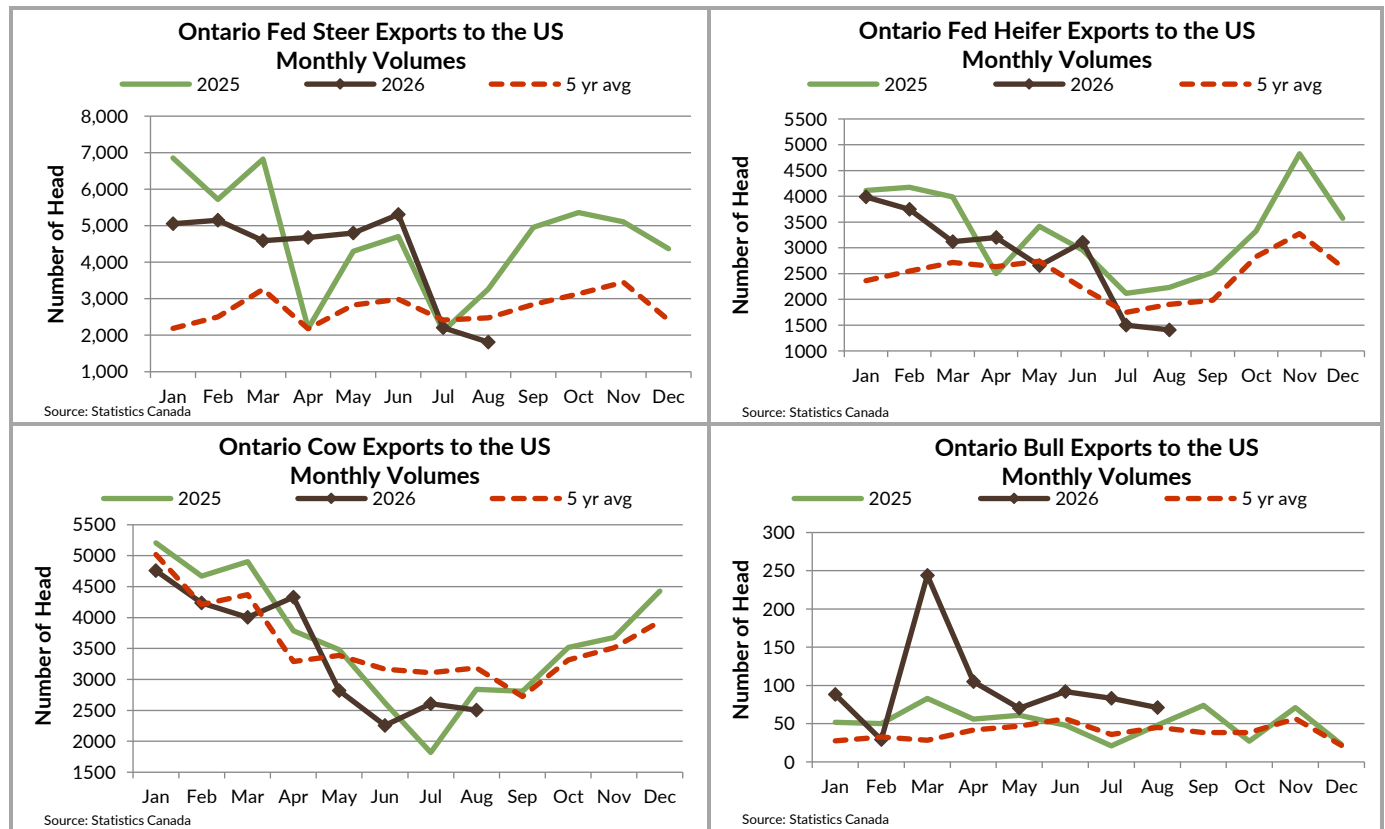
Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
				800-899	372.00-422.50	396.47	422.50
700-799	530.00-564.00	556.71	564.00	700-799	425.00-490.00	451.50	490.00
600-699	535.00-652.00	593.52	661.00	600-699	480.00-562.50	540.00	562.50
500-599	600.00-700.00	648.27	727.50	500-599	525.00-612.50	569.48	612.50
400-499	650.00-805.00	745.86	805.00	400-499	600.00-675.00	630.01	740.00
<399	815.00-910.00	850.87	1000.00	300-399	695.00-930.00	862.89	930.00

Stocker sale at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **October 8, 2026 - 776 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	380.00-420.00	406.14	420.00				
900-999	355.00-440.00	424.55	440.00	900+	230.00-410.00	336.32	410.00
800-899	445.00-480.00	462.88	480.00	800-899	365.00-430.00	408.67	430.00
700-799	415.00-550.00	496.00	550.00	700-799	355.00-490.00	428.94	495.00
600-699	430.00-585.00	520.09	585.00	600-699	470.00-510.00	483.72	510.00
500-599	555.00-635.00	594.75	650.00	500-599	450.00-560.00	520.52	600.00
400-499	450.00-735.00	638.00	735.00	400-499	575.00-685.00	621.83	685.00
<399	250.00-975.00	756.16	1650.00	300-399	575.00-830.00	738.68	830.00
				<299	700.00-950.00	797.50	1000.00

WEEKLY LIVE CATTLE EXPORTS - ONTARIO (USDA)

	Week ending Sep 26, 2026	Previous Week	Year to Date
Total live slaughter cattle exported through Ontario ports to the U.S.	1,746	2,000	116,394
Steers & Heifers & Cows	1,652	1,827	111,429
Bulls	94	173	4,965



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

	Aug 2026	YTD 2026	Jan - Aug 2025	% change from 2025
Steers	1,812	33,592	35,963	-7%
Heifers	1,409	22,722	25,495	-11%
Cows	2,504	27,515	29,335	-6%
Bulls	71	782	419	87%
Feeders	218	4017	3238	24%
Total	6,014	88,628	94,450	-6%

LIVE CATTLE – CANADA (AAFC/USDA)

IMPORTS			EXPORTS		
		Import % change from 2025 YTD			Export % change from 2025 YTD
Jan 1- Jul 31/2026			Jan 1- Sep 19/26		
Pure bred	5,161	204%	Processing steers, heifers & cows	307,784	-20%
Non-pure bred	266,158	33%	Feeder cattle & calves	85,850	-23%
			Bulls	19,390	0%
			Breeding/other	13,595	4%
			Total	426,619	-19%

FEDERALLY INSPECTED PROCESSING - Canfax/CBGA

	Week Ending Oct 3, 2026	# of hd change from week ago	YTD	% Change (Week Ago)	% Change (Year Ago)
ONTARIO	10,788	-2	380,979	0%	1.6%
CANADA	59,406	-3,769	2,084,839	-6%	-1%
Western Processing	47,049	-3,780	1,642,264	-7%	-2%
Eastern Processing	12,357	11	442,575	0%	2%

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHTS – Canfax/CBGA

	CANADA		ONTARIO	
Week ending	Steers	Heifers	Steers	Heifers
3-Oct-26	979	888	994	887
26-Sep-26	974	889	999	868
27-Sep-25	963	870	969	859

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

	Oct 3, 2026	Wk ago chg	YTD	YTD chg
Fed	49.8	-7%	1,673.1	1%
Non-Fed	6.3	5%	245.6	5%
Total	56.2	-6%	1,918.7	2%

USDA ESTIMATED CATTLE PROCESSING VOLUME

	Week Ending October 10, 2026	Previous Week	Year Ago
Grand Total	531,000	548,000	551,000

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

	YTD 2026	YTD 2025	% Change
United States	232,258	233,520	-1%
Mexico	26,911	21,615	25%
Japan	20,596	28,049	-27%
SE Asia (excl Taiwan)	10,544	9,718	8%
South Korea	4,124	9,883	-58%
Other	38,217	10,283	272%
Total	332,649	313,069	6%

CANADIAN BEEF IMPORTS Jan 1 – Aug 31/2026 (Statistics Canda)

	YTD 2026	YTD 2025	% Change
United States	49,338	58,902	-16%
Australia	42,219	28,740	47%
Mercosur	31,660	27,092	17%
New Zealand	30,951	24,642	26%
Mexico	10,554	8,236	28%
EU 27	9,749	10,486	-7%
UK	2,976	3,955	-25%
Other	1,841	1,412	30%
Total	179,289	163,465	10%

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

For the week ending October 8, 2026	Price 498.00-498.25	Change from Last Week N/A
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ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta's direct trade: for the week ending October 8, 2026

Steers	Live- FOB	N/A	Rail- FOB	492.00-497.50
Heifers	Live- FOB	N/A	Rail- FOB	491.50-497.75

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

The U.S. cash cattle trade: for the week ending October 8, 2026

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:	Live	218.00-220.00
	Rail	343.00-350.00

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

	Choice	Select
	600-900	600-900
Current Five-Day Average	376.37	355.07

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

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

Live Cattle			Feeder Cattle			Corn		
Oct	224.98	+3.10	Oct	343.85	+5.83	Dec	4.796	-20.4
Dec	227.05	+3.50	Nov	341.95	+7.08	Mar	4.942	-21.0
Feb	229.48	+3.63	Jan	336.35	+7.93	May	5.020	-20.2
Apr	230.58	+3.30	Mar	332.18	+7.95	Jul	5.074	-19.0
Jun	225.20	+3.05	Apr	331.45	+7.68	Sep	500.6	-8.0
Aug	221.53	+2.68	May	329.70	+7.30	Dec	511.6	-6.0

Soybeans			Soft Red Winter Wheat			Canadian \$		
	US \$/bu			US \$/bu				
Nov	12.920	+4.4	Dec	6.710	-12.2	Spot	70.09	-0.20
Jan	13.086	+4.4	Mar	6.852	-12.4	Dec	70.32	-0.21
Mar	13.186	+4.6	May	6.920	-12.0	Mar	70.64	-0.21
May	13.270	+4.0	Jul	6.950	-10.0	Jun	70.95	-0.19
Jul	13.324	+3.6	Sep	7.014	-8.4	Sep	71.26	-0.17
Aug	13.146	+4.0	Dec	7.124	-7.2	Dec	71.53	-0.18

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ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER SPECIAL FALL SALES

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	5:00 PM	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 8, 2026

Fed steers and heifers sold through auction markets at 447 head, were down 41 head from the previous week and 128 head larger than the same time last year. Fed steers averaged \$299.82/cwt, up \$2.32/cwt from the previous week's trade and \$4.86/cwt below year ago prices. Fed heifers averaged \$292.22/cwt, up \$6.41/cwt from the previous week and \$17.93/cwt lower than last year. Auction markets reported fed steers and heifers sold actively at stronger prices at Brussels Livestock.

In Ontario, light trade has been reported at \$505/cwt delivered, steady with the previous week. For the week ending October 3rd, Eastern Canadian processing was 4.1% above a year ago and 4.6% below the five-year average. YTD processing is 2% above a year ago, with steers up 2% and heifers up 5%, cows steady and bulls down 31%. For the week ending September 26th, 2026, Eastern fed cattle and cow exports to the U.S. were 1,783 head, 48% lower than last year and 28% below the five-year average. YTD Eastern fed cattle and cow exports were down 8% from last year.

Cull cow receipts sold through auction markets were 1,623 head, 44 head larger than the previous week and down 151 head from last year. Cows averaged \$164.54/cwt, down \$10.87/cwt from the previous week and down \$15.75/cwt from last year. Beef cow prices averaged \$188.07/cwt, down \$7.67/cwt from the previous week's trade and \$6.06/cwt below year ago prices. Auction markets reported a large offering of cull cows sold barely steady.

Total receipts were 10,155 head with receipts of 6,227 stocker and feeder cattle selling through Ontario auction markets, down 435 head from the previous week and 392 head more than the same week last year. In the feeder market, steer prices were up \$2.24/cwt on average compared to last week with heifers up \$10.99/cwt. Auction markets reported all classes of stocker and feeder cattle sold fully steady. Actual average prices collected this week saw steers from 400-500 lbs trading \$6.99/cwt stronger than last week on average, 500-600 lbs up \$5.51/cwt, 600-700 lbs down \$6.40/cwt, 700-800 lbs down \$12.57/cwt, 800-900 lbs up \$1.37/cwt, steers 900-1000 lbs up \$11.63/cwt and steers 1000 lbs plus averaged \$9.14/cwt stronger than the previous week's weighted average prices. Heifers from 300-400 lbs were up \$53.41/cwt from last week on average, 400-500 lbs up \$34.54/cwt, 500-600 lbs down \$23.72/cwt, 600-700 lbs down \$7.92/cwt, 700-800 lbs down \$6.61/cwt, 800-900 lbs up \$2.87/cwt and heifers 900 lbs and over averaged \$24.38/cwt stronger than the previous week's weighted average prices. For the week ending September 26th, 2026, Eastern feeder exports to the U.S. were 825 head, 4% higher than last year, and 21% below the five-year average. YTD Eastern feeder exports are down 6% from last year.

The Quebec electronic market this week sold at \$498.00-498.25/cwt dressed on a picked-up basis.

Alberta direct trade last week saw dressed sales reported from \$495-500/cwt delivered, steady to \$5/cwt higher than the previous week. A small group of Saskatchewan cattle sold at \$300/cwt FOB the feedlot. For the month of September, Alberta fed steers averaged \$297/cwt, down \$16/cwt (-5%) from August. For the week ending October 3rd, Western Canadian fed processing was 41,787 head, 11.4% above than last year. The Alberta cash-to-futures basis is at -12.08, the third weakest basis in the last decade. Historically, October is when basis reaches its annual low.

Early last week US cash cattle trade in the North was reported from \$348-350/cwt dressed. By Thursday, dressed sales were at \$345-350/cwt, steady to \$5/cwt softer than last week's wider range. Most of the Northern live trade ranged from \$220-221/cwt, steady to \$2/cwt lower than the previous week. There was some trade in Iowa as low as \$217/cwt, and as high as \$222/cwt in Nebraska. Live Southern trade was reported at \$226/cwt in both Kansas and Texas, steady with the previous week's after-hours trade. At around \$6/cwt, the North-South price spread encouraged Southern packers to pull from Northern feedlots. Some North-South trade occurred this week at \$220/cwt. From a seasonal perspective, Choice cutout values could still see downward pressure over the next couple of weeks, possibly revisiting the low \$360's/cwt.

USDA recently released their quarterly grain stocks report. Corn ending stocks on September 1st, were 2.1 billion bushels, up 35% from last year. This is also 173 million bushels larger than what USDA reported in their September WASDE report. From September 29th to September 30th, the December corn contract dropped 22 cents per bushel on the news. In overseas markets, Brazil has filled its China quota and is now subject to a 67% tariff, effectively shutting Brazil out of its largest market until November when shipping for January resumes.