



DAILY MARKET INFORMATION REPORT – THURSDAY Mar 20, 2025

ONTARIO DIRECT TO PACKER RAILGRADE CATTLE TRADE

Prices are on a carcass weight basis before grade and weight discounts:
Prices reported for Wednesday Mar 19th

A Grade Steers	\$450.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of March 31 st
A Grade Heifers	\$449.00/cwt delivered with delivery for the week of March 31 st

ONTARIO LIVE CATTLE TRADE

Today at Ontario Livestock Exchange: 335 Fed cattle, 585 Cow, 650 Stockers

	Price Range	Top
Good Fed Steers	272.00-276.00	279.00
Good Fed Heifers	266.00-274.25	276.50
Holstein Steers	232.00-248.00	
Good Cows	158.00-192.00	225.00
Stocker Steers 700 lb +	350.00-435.00	
Lightweight Steers	429.00-510.00	
Stocker Heifers 700 lb +	287.00-445.00	
Lightweight Heifers	362.00-475.00	

Fed cows sold on a good demand at steady prices. Fed steers and heifers continue to sell strong at firm prices. Holstein steer also sold strong. Stockers sold actively at firm prices. *Special Vacc Stocker Sales every Wed @ 1:00 pm.*

Today at Brussels Livestock: 145 Veal

	Price Range	Top
Beef Veal	315.00-325.00	
Good Holstein Veal	280.00-290.00	
Slightly Heavy Holstein Veal	270.00-284.00	
Heavy Holstein 800 lb +	240.00-277.00	
Medium Holstein Veal	265.00-279.00	
Plain Holsteins	256.00-264.00	

Veal sold easier. Drop calves sold strong from \$660.00-\$1775.00 per head. *Stocker Sales every Fri @10:00 am.*

Today at Ontario Stockyards Inc: 1,2000 Stockers *Sales at the time of reporting. Results will be posted tomorrow*
. Apr 15th @11:00 pm – Special Spring Stocker Sale

At Aylmer Stockyards Inc.: Mar 19, 2025 – 110 Fed cattle, 56 Stockers, 208 Cows, 3 Bulls, 39 Veal

	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	220.00-272.00	252.99	272.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	200.99-268.99	258.09	268.99
Fed Heifers, dairy & dairy cross 1000+ lbs	162.00-247.50	224.19	247.50
Cows	121.99-235.99	170.10	239.99
Veal 600 lbs and over	243.00-397.50	306.59	397.50

175 Replacement Calves sold between \$50.00 -\$1900.00 for an average of \$1278.91 per head. *Special stocker sales the last Wednesday of each month @ 12:30 pm! Apr 30th @12:00 pm – Special Spring Stocker Sale*

Ontario auction sales on **Wednesday** saw weighted prices for:

	Volume	Price Range	Average	Top
Large & Medium Frame Fed Steers +1250 lbs	27	229.78-270.22	254.29	272.00
Large & Medium Frame Fed Heifers +1000 lbs	36	215.13-267.02	255.81	269.00
Fed Steers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1250 lbs	11	231.72-253.55	236.60	268.00
Fed Heifers, Dairy & Dairy Cross +1000 lbs	74	164.11-243.45	219.99	247.50
Cows	564	135.03-205.94	164.43	239.99
Bulls under 1600 lbs	15	126.00-208.00	156.38	215.00
Bulls over 1600 lbs	11	202.00-229.18	216.59	238.00
Veal 600 lbs and over	33	243.00-397.50	306.59	397.50
Veal 125 lbs and under	206	910.00-1610.00	1133.14	1760.00

To check out individual auction market results on the BFO website go to <http://www.ontariobeef.com/markets/marketreports.aspx>

ONTARIO STOCKER & FEEDER TRADE

Stocker sale at Ontario Livestock Exchange: **Mar 19, 2025 - 806 Stockers**

Steers	Price Range	Average	Top	Heifers	Price Range	Average	Top
1000+	342.00-372.50	357.47	372.50	900+	307.50-328.00	315.47	328.00
900-999	362.50-383.50	373.22	383.50				

Feeder cattle sold actively at stronger prices. **Special Vacc Stocker Sales every Wed @ 1:00 pm.**

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

	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Cutout Values (noon estimate):	328.06	309.36
Change (from yesterday's close):	-1.55	+0.68
Current Five Day Average:	322.41	307.92

ALBERTA DIRECT TRADE

Alberta direct trade on on Wednesday saw light trade develop with dressed sales ranging from \$450.00-455.00/cwt delivered, fully steady with the previous week. Some cattle were purchased flat with no heavy weight carcass discounts. US packer interest has been noted but they are wanting cattle to be delivered before April 2nd. Fed cattle supplies are current, and cattle have been marketed ahead of schedule. Western Canadian packers continue to run lighter hours, since the start of the year there has not been a 40,000 head fed processing week, suggesting at least one packer in running four-day weeks.

Steers	Live FOB	N/T	Rail - Del	N/T
Heifers	Live FOB	N/T	Rail - Del	N/T

U.S. TRADE (U.S. FUNDS)

The U.S. cash cattle trade saw all cattle offered on the Fed Cattle Exchange being passed, with top ends bids in the Southern feeding states reported at \$200.00/cwt, \$2.00/cwt lower than the previous week. This morning, business remains quiet with no bids to speak of. Asking prices in the South are reported at \$207+/cwt live. Significant trade is likely to be delayed until later today or tomorrow. Beef cutout values had a strong day yesterday with Choice cutout values advancing \$6.00/cwt. Choice cutout values are the highest point since early February. US beef cow processing for the week ending March 1st totaled just over 45,000 head, 22% lower than last year. For the end of February this is the smallest processing since 2016. Blizzard conditions in the Midwest have resulted in sizable reductions in processing rates. Daily cattle processing estimates were below 100,000 head. The US feeder index was \$0.54/cwt higher, averaging \$284.65/cwt based at 802 lbs, a new record high. Since the start of the year, the US feeder index has rallied \$20/cwt.

Choice and Select Steers and Heifers:	Live	N/T
	Rail	N/T

CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE

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

Live Cattle			Feeder			Corn		
	US \$ cwt			US \$ cwt			US \$/bu	
Apr	208.47	+1.65	Mar	288.35	+1.52	May	4.690	+7.0
Jun	205.02	+2.17	Apr	288.45	+1.72	Jul	4.754	+6.2
Aug	201.82	+1.75	May	289.10	+1.60	Sep	4.474	+2.2
Oct	201.72	+1.22	Aug	293.55	+1.65	Dec	4.530	+1.4
Dec	202.77	+1.00	Sep	292.15	+1.50	Mar	4.656	+1.4
Feb	203.42	+1.05	Oct	290.05	+1.35	May	4.732	+1.2

Soybeans			Soft Red Winter Wheat			Canadian \$		
	US \$/bu			US \$/bu				
May	10.130	+4.6	May	5.572	-6.2	Spot	69.79	-0.08
Jul	10.252	+3.6	Jul	5.734	-6.4	Jun	70.14	-0.04
Aug	10.202	+2.2	Sep	5.900	-6.6	Sep	70.43	-0.05
Sep	10.064	+1.2	Dec	6.130	-7.0	Dec	70.67	-0.10
Nov	10.102	+0.2	Mar	6.314	-7.0	Mar	70.94	-0.12
Jan	10.224	-0.2	May	6.412	-7.0	Jun	71.18	-0.14

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ONTARIO STOCKER AND BRED COW SPRING SALES

Mar 22	11:00 am	David Carsons Farm & Auctions	Beef Cow & Calf Sale
Mar 26	12:00 pm	Aylmer Stockyards Inc	Special Spring Stocker Sale
Mar 26	1:00 pm	Vankleek Hill Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
Mar 26	7:00 pm	Cargill Auction Market	Special Spring Stocker Sale
Mar 29	10:00 am	Kawartha Lakes Community Sale Barn	KLC Special Spring Stocker Sale
Mar 29	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
Apr 5	2:00 pm	Keady Livestock Market	Sanders' Annual Charolais Bull Sale
Apr 12	11:00 am	Denfield Livestock Exchange	Special Spring Stocker Sale
Apr 15	11:00 am	Ontario Stockyards Inc	Special Spring Stocker Sale