

Feeder report - cattle

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Eastern States

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Paddock feeder rates closely resembled the easing price trends observed in the physical markets. Lower demand and tough export trading conditions for grain fed beef has affected prices, whilst supplies were at a reasonable level. The heavy rain across central Queensland is expected to delay cattle in the coming weeks.

Domestic Paddock Sales

| Category | Weight Range | Dentition | Low Price c/kg (live) | High Price c/kg (live) | Average c/kg (live) | Trend |
|----------|--------------|-----------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------|
| Steers | 280-350 | 0 | 210 | 255 | 225 | -2 |
| Heifer | 280-350 | 0 | 205 | 220 | 212 | -1 |

Export Paddock Sales

| Category | Weight Range | Breed | Dentition | Low Price c/kg (live) | High Price c/kg (live) | Average c/kg (live) | Trend |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------|
| Short Fed Steers (100-120 DOF) | 380-500 | Angus | 0-2 | 180 | 225 | 207 | -8 |
| | | Hereford | 0-2 | 180 | 205 | 198 | -8 |
| | | Shorthorn | 0-2 | 180 | 205 | 195 | -11 |
| | | Other Breeds | 0-2 | 180 | 200 | 193 | -9 |
| | | Bos Indicus | 0-2 | 175 | 185 | 180 | -8 |
| Medium Fed Steers (120-220 DOF) | 360-460 | Angus | 0-2 | 200 | 220 | 208 | -1 |
| | | Hereford | 0-2 | 190 | 205 | 199 | -6 |
| Long Fed Steers (200 DOF +) | 300-420 | Angus | 0-2 | 210 | 250 | 223 | -1 |

Saleyard Prices

| Category | Weight Range | Muscle Score | Fat Score | Low Price c/kg (live) | High Price c/kg (live) | Average c/kg (live) | Trend |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------|
| Yearling Steer | 0-330 | C | 2 | 165 | 258 | 225 | -5 |
| | | C | 2 | 161 | 237 | 206 | -11 |
| | 400+ | C | 3 | 170 | 241 | 206 | -17 |
| | | C | 2 | 166 | 215 | 193 | -17 |
| | | C | 3 | 169 | 224 | 195 | -11 |
| Yearling Heifers | 0-330 | C | 2 | 154 | 229 | 201 | -6 |
| | | C | 2 | 162 | 240 | 189 | -8 |
| | C | 3 | 170 | 240 | 200 | -1 | |
| Grown Steer | 400-500 | C | 3 | 166 | 201 | 185 | -8 |

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