

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Roma Prime

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Yarding Change <sup>1708</sup>  
-1397

comparison date 29/03/2012

Cattle numbers returned to normal and the quality of the yarding slightly improved. Despite the better yarding and a southern State processor buyer being active in the market, the absence of several export buyers resulted in bullocks and grown heifers falling.

A small sample of heavy yearling heifers to the trade sold between 163c and 160c/kg. Medium weight grown steers reached 173c and averaged 172c, down 10c/kg. Heavy bullocks averaged around 174c with a few pens selling to 177c, down 9c/kg. Grown heifers to processors hit 168c and averaged 164c, down 4c/kg.

It was a plainer yarding of cows with a large number of Brahman-cross cows dominating consignments. Overall, medium weight cows declined 8c to 11c and good heavy cows were 2c/kg cheaper. Medium weight 3 score cows sold to 143c and averaged 138c, while medium weight 4 score cows made to 158c and averaged 148c/kg. Heavy weight 3 score cows topped at 145c and averaged 141c, down 11c/kg. Heavy weight 4 score cows reached 168c and averaged 154c, down 2c/kg. Export processors lost interest in heavy bulls which sold 4c lower, only reaching 168c and averaging 162c/kg.

Category Weight	Sale Prefix	Muscle Score	Fat Score	Head	Live Weight c/kg				Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg			Estimated \$/Head		
					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
<b>Yearling Heifer</b>														
0-330		D	2	9	188.0	- 188.0	188.0	51	348	- 348	348	376	- 376	376
330-400		D	3	11	163.2	- 163.2	163.2	14	302	- 302	302	653	- 653	653
400+		D	3	29	160.0	- 160.0	160.0	9	296	- 296	296	688	- 688	688
				<b>49</b>	<b>160.0</b>	<b>188.0</b>	<b>165.9</b>		<b>296</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>688</b>	<b>623</b>
<b>Grown Steer</b>														
400-500		D	3	8	157.2	- 166.2	160.8	-16	286	- 302	292	707	- 831	775
500-600		C	3	5	169.2	- 169.2	169.2	N/Q	308	- 308	308	1015	- 1015	1015
		C	4	27	171.2	- 173.2	171.8	-10	311	- 315	312	967	- 1013	981
		D	3	11	152.2	- 165.2	159.3	-1	277	- 300	290	837	- 950	899
		D	4	45	160.0	- 173.2	168.5	-10	291	- 315	306	895	- 1033	956
600-750		C	4	254	170.2	- 177.2	174.3	-9	310	- 322	317	1106	- 1282	1169
		D	3	5	158.2	- 158.2	158.2	N/Q	288	- 288	288	981	- 981	981
		D	4	47	167.2	- 171.2	169.0	-9	304	- 311	307	1061	- 1110	1092
		D	5	10	160.2	- 160.2	160.2	N/Q	291	- 291	291	1073	- 1073	1073
				<b>412</b>	<b>152.2</b>	<b>177.2</b>	<b>171.6</b>		<b>277</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>1282</b>	<b>1103</b>
<b>Grown Heifer</b>														
0-540		D	3	10	157.2	- 157.2	157.2	-5	291	- 291	291	786	- 786	786
		D	4	100	160.0	- 168.2	163.6	-4	296	- 312	303	800	- 903	831
540+		D	4	14	161.2	- 164.2	162.9	-7	299	- 304	302	944	- 967	954
				<b>124</b>	<b>157.2</b>	<b>168.2</b>	<b>163.0</b>		<b>291</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>967</b>	<b>842</b>
<b>Manufacturing Steer</b>														
540+		D	3	5	166.2	- 166.2	166.2	N/Q	302	- 302	302	1163	- 1163	1163
		D	4	6	158.2	- 158.2	158.2	-10	288	- 288	288	1187	- 1187	1187
				<b>11</b>	<b>158.2</b>	<b>166.2</b>	<b>161.8</b>		<b>288</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>1163</b>	<b>1187</b>	<b>1176</b>
<b>Cows</b>														
400-520		D	2	17	100.0	- 100.0	100.0	-21	217	- 217	217	500	- 500	500

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
		D	3	116	131.2	- 143.2	138.2	-8	268	- 292	280	656	- 734	695
		D	4	122	143.2	- 158.0	147.8	-11	281	- 310	290	711	- 746	730
520+		D	3	95	135.2	- 145.2	140.8	-11	276	- 296	287	710	- 770	743
		D	4	433	145.0	- 168.2	153.6	-2	284	- 330	302	793	- 1093	866
		D	5	50	134.2	- 148.2	136.7	N/Q	274	- 302	279	720	- 881	761
				<b>833</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>168.2</b>	<b>147.0</b>		<b>217</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>1093</b>	<b>795</b>
<b>Bulls</b>														
0-450		C	2	13	167.2	- 180.0	177.0	-27	299	- 321	316	360	- 669	431
	FD	C	3	4	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	N/Q	-	-	-	630	- 630	630
		D	2	1	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	N/Q	250	- 250	250	420	- 420	420
450-600		C	3	10	135.0	- 155.0	145.5	-18	241	- 277	260	743	- 853	800
600+		C	3	12	155.2	- 168.2	161.7	-4	277	- 300	289	1055	- 1328	1222
				<b>40</b>	<b>135.0</b>	<b>180.0</b>	<b>159.9</b>		<b>241</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>1328</b>	<b>780</b>

#### Abbreviations

CATTLE FD: Feeder RS: Restocker GF: Grainfed DA: Dairy PC: Pastoral Cattle SHEEP & LAMB RS: Restocker MR: Merino RM: Restocker Merino 1X: 1st Cross FD: Feeder

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