

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Wodonga

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Yarding Change 1400
-625

comparison date 15/05/2012

Numbers decreased by almost a third and quality was only fair across all grades with most cattle showing signs of the wintery conditions. Trade cattle numbers were down and quality was plainer across most categories. Feeder steers were well supplied while there was a mixed supply of secondary heifers offered with a large portion sold to manufacturing. Grown steer and bullock numbers declined and quality was mixed compared to the previous week. The regular gallery of buyers were present and competition was steady across most categories.

The reduced supply of prime vealers were up to 15c dearer for the light and medium weights and some exceptional European cross steers and heifers ranged in price from 221c to 232.2c/kg. Yearling steers suitable for restocking were up to 20c dearer and more in places and most of the better C2 steers which were purchased by restockers made from 203c to 219.2c/kg. Medium weight yearling heifers suitable for the trade were 1c dearer averaging 179.8c, while the steer portion sold to an average price of 207.5c topping at 215.2c/kg.

Feeder steers were keenly contested for by an increased number of buyers and lighter grades lifted in price 10c/kg, while medium weight steers sold to firm rates. The C2 medium weight lines averaged 193.6c and topped at 202c/kg.

The mixed quality yarding of grown steers and bullocks sold to fluctuating price trends depending on weight with bullocks over 700kg discounted. Most of the better quality pens were firm with the C3 and C4 steers and bullocks making from 166c to 194c/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 | |
| Vealer Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 200-280 | | C | 2 | 4 | 196.0 | - 210.0 | 206.5 | 8 | 370 | - 389 | 384 | 494 | - 510 | 498 | |
| 280-330 | | B | 2 | 7 | 222.0 | - 222.0 | 222.0 | 17 | 396 | - 396 | 396 | 630 | - 630 | 630 | |
| | | C | 2 | 9 | 195.0 | - 205.0 | 199.4 | 16 | 361 | - 380 | 369 | 605 | - 638 | 618 | |
| | FD | C | 2 | 1 | 180.0 | - 180.0 | 180.0 | N/Q | - | - | - | 567 | - 567 | 567 | |
| | RS | C | 2 | 11 | 180.0 | - 199.2 | 195.6 | 3 | - | - | - | 558 | - 647 | 608 | |
| | | D | 2 | 3 | 205.0 | - 205.0 | 205.0 | N/Q | 360 | - 360 | 360 | 656 | - 656 | 656 | |
| 330+ | FD | B | 2 | 8 | 212.0 | - 212.0 | 212.0 | N/Q | - | - | - | 753 | - 753 | 753 | |
| | | B | 2 | 38 | 208.0 | - 232.2 | 223.6 | 13 | 375 | - 407 | 393 | 734 | - 1012 | 880 | |
| | | B | 5 | 6 | 208.0 | - 214.0 | 212.0 | N/Q | 385 | - 396 | 393 | 811 | - 835 | 827 | |
| | | C | 2 | 18 | 193.6 | - 227.2 | 207.7 | 14 | 357 | - 421 | 382 | 670 | - 859 | 766 | |
| | FD | C | 2 | 2 | 195.0 | - 195.0 | 195.0 | N/Q | - | - | - | 679 | - 679 | 679 | |
| | RS | D | 2 | 2 | 176.0 | - 176.0 | 176.0 | N/Q | - | - | - | 660 | - 660 | 660 | |
| | | | | | 109 | 176.0 | 232.2 | 211.6 | | 357 | 421 | 387 | 494 | 1012 | 753 |
| Vealer Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-200 | | D | 2 | 2 | 149.0 | - 149.0 | 149.0 | N/Q | 281 | - 281 | 281 | 298 | - 298 | 298 | |
| 200-280 | | C | 2 | 12 | 192.0 | - 196.0 | 193.9 | -16 | 356 | - 366 | 361 | 445 | - 538 | 507 | |
| | RS | C | 2 | 8 | 182.0 | - 182.0 | 182.0 | N/Q | - | - | - | 475 | - 475 | 475 | |
| | | D | 2 | 3 | 174.0 | - 174.0 | 174.0 | N/Q | 328 | - 328 | 328 | 419 | - 419 | 419 | |
| 280-330 | | B | 2 | 12 | 204.0 | - 228.0 | 212.6 | 9 | 364 | - 422 | 386 | 617 | - 710 | 639 | |
| | RS | C | 2 | 3 | 185.0 | - 185.0 | 185.0 | 5 | - | - | - | 611 | - 611 | 611 | |
| | | C | 2 | 24 | 178.0 | - 200.0 | 185.0 | -5 | 330 | - 377 | 346 | 535 | - 605 | 561 | |
| | FD | C | 2 | 17 | 182.0 | - 187.2 | 184.8 | -1 | - | - | - | 560 | - 599 | 578 | |
| | FD | D | 2 | 5 | 178.2 | - 178.2 | 178.2 | N/Q | - | - | - | 552 | - 552 | 552 | |

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| | | | | | Low | High | Avg | Change | Low | High | Avg | Low | High | Avg | |
| 330+ | | B | 2 | 41 | 198.0 | - 226.0 | 214.6 | 15 | 367 | - 400 | 378 | 683 | - 832 | 775 | |
| | | C | 2 | 2 | 180.0 | - 190.0 | 185.0 | N/Q | 333 | - 352 | 343 | 648 | - 732 | 690 | |
| | | RS | C | 2 | 2 | 183.6 | - 183.6 | 183.6 | N/Q | - | - | 652 | - 652 | 652 | |
| | | C | 3 | 2 | 184.0 | - 184.0 | 184.0 | N/Q | 341 | - 341 | 341 | 751 | - 751 | 751 | |
| | | C | 4 | 2 | 176.0 | - 176.0 | 176.0 | N/Q | 326 | - 326 | 326 | 607 | - 607 | 607 | |
| | | D | 2 | 2 | 152.0 | - 152.0 | 152.0 | N/Q | 287 | - 287 | 287 | 570 | - 570 | 570 | |
| | | D | 3 | 1 | 162.0 | - 162.0 | 162.0 | N/Q | 306 | - 306 | 306 | 616 | - 616 | 616 | |
| | | | | 138 | 149.0 | 228.0 | 195.0 | | 281 | 422 | 361 | 298 | 832 | 625 | |
| Yearling Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-330 | | B | 2 | 5 | 218.0 | - 218.0 | 218.0 | N/Q | 376 | - 376 | 376 | 619 | - 619 | 619 | |
| | | RS | C | 2 | 8 | 203.6 | - 219.2 | 209.5 | 20 | - | - | 504 | - 566 | 543 | |
| 330-400 | | RS | C | 2 | 7 | 170.0 | - 195.0 | 187.9 | 1 | - | - | 668 | - 722 | 706 | |
| | | FD | C | 2 | 9 | 195.0 | - 195.0 | 195.0 | 10 | - | - | 722 | - 722 | 722 | |
| | | C | 3 | 4 | 213.2 | - 213.2 | 213.2 | 7 | 395 | - 395 | 395 | 827 | - 827 | 827 | |
| 400+ | | B | 2 | 6 | 187.2 | - 214.0 | 205.1 | N/Q | 334 | - 382 | 366 | 908 | - 959 | 942 | |
| | | FD | C | 2 | 90 | 182.0 | - 202.0 | 193.6 | N/C | - | - | 815 | - 985 | 896 | |
| | | RS | C | 2 | 2 | 190.0 | - 190.0 | 190.0 | N/Q | - | - | 836 | - 836 | 836 | |
| | | | C | 3 | 29 | 186.6 | - 215.2 | 207.5 | 20 | 346 | - 399 | 386 | 921 | - 987 | 952 |
| | | | D | 2 | 2 | 160.0 | - 160.0 | 160.0 | N/Q | 308 | - 308 | 308 | 704 | - 704 | 704 |
| | | RS | D | 2 | 4 | 155.0 | - 176.0 | 165.5 | N/Q | - | - | 674 | - 771 | 723 | |
| | | | | 166 | 155.0 | 219.2 | 197.1 | | 308 | 399 | 380 | 504 | 987 | 856 | |
| Yearling Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-330 | | RS | C | 2 | 2 | 179.2 | - 179.2 | 179.2 | N/Q | - | - | 582 | - 582 | 582 | |
| | | RS | D | 2 | 12 | 140.0 | - 180.0 | 157.1 | N/Q | - | - | 392 | - 454 | 421 | |
| | | FD | D | 2 | 5 | 150.0 | - 175.0 | 165.0 | 3 | - | - | 383 | - 476 | 439 | |
| 330-400 | | | C | 2 | 4 | 182.2 | - 182.2 | 182.2 | N/Q | 344 | - 344 | 344 | 671 | - 671 | 671 |
| | | | C | 3 | 3 | 178.0 | - 178.0 | 178.0 | -7 | 330 | - 330 | 330 | 650 | - 650 | 650 |
| | | RS | D | 2 | 3 | 157.0 | - 157.0 | 157.0 | N/Q | - | - | 628 | - 628 | 628 | |
| | | | D | 2 | 15 | 128.0 | - 145.0 | 130.3 | N/Q | 256 | - 279 | 259 | 489 | - 500 | 490 |
| | | | D | 3 | 3 | 164.0 | - 164.0 | 164.0 | N/Q | 309 | - 309 | 309 | 643 | - 643 | 643 |
| | RS | D | 3 | 2 | 160.0 | - 160.0 | 160.0 | N/Q | - | - | 638 | - 638 | 638 | | |
| 400+ | | B | 2 | 4 | 185.0 | - 185.0 | 185.0 | N/Q | 330 | - 330 | 330 | 884 | - 884 | 884 | |
| | | FD | C | 2 | 5 | 190.0 | - 190.0 | 190.0 | 8 | - | - | 840 | - 840 | 840 | |
| | | | C | 3 | 64 | 166.0 | - 218.0 | 179.8 | 1 | 313 | - 404 | 335 | 682 | - 899 | 829 |
| | | FD | C | 3 | 14 | 183.0 | - 183.0 | 183.0 | N/Q | - | - | 824 | - 824 | 824 | |
| | | | C | 4 | 3 | 178.0 | - 178.0 | 178.0 | 2 | 330 | - 330 | 330 | 890 | - 890 | 890 |
| | | | C | 5 | 2 | 166.2 | - 166.2 | 166.2 | N/Q | 314 | - 314 | 314 | 715 | - 715 | 715 |
| | | RS | D | 2 | 2 | 160.0 | - 160.0 | 160.0 | N/Q | - | - | 688 | - 688 | 688 | |
| | | | D | 3 | 8 | 155.0 | - 160.0 | 158.1 | -1 | 293 | - 302 | 298 | 682 | - 744 | 721 |
| | | | | 151 | 128.0 | 218.0 | 170.7 | | 256 | 404 | 320 | 383 | 899 | 722 | |
| Grown Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 400-500 | | FD | C | 2 | 5 | 183.0 | - 183.0 | 183.0 | N/Q | - | - | 875 | - 875 | 875 | |
| | | | C | 3 | 3 | 184.0 | - 184.0 | 184.0 | N/Q | 341 | - 341 | 341 | 920 | - 920 | 920 |
| 500-600 | | | C | 3 | 165 | 168.2 | - 194.0 | 186.2 | N/C | 312 | - 359 | 343 | 875 | - 1133 | 1023 |
| | | RS | C | 3 | 2 | 172.0 | - 172.0 | 172.0 | N/Q | - | - | 908 | - 908 | 908 | |

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| | | | | | Low | High | Avg | Change | Low | High | Avg | Low | High | Avg |
| 600-750 | FD | C | 3 | 18 | 186.0 | - 194.0 | 190.7 | N/Q | - | | | 939 | - 976 | 965 |
| | | C | 4 | 28 | 173.0 | - 188.0 | 181.0 | 1 | 320 | - 348 | 335 | 952 | - 1128 | 986 |
| | | B | 2 | 1 | 188.0 | - 188.0 | 188.0 | N/Q | 336 | - 336 | 336 | 1250 | - 1250 | 1250 |
| | | C | 2 | 1 | 160.0 | - 160.0 | 160.0 | N/Q | 302 | - 302 | 302 | 976 | - 976 | 976 |
| | | C | 4 | 80 | 166.6 | - 189.2 | 184.9 | 1 | 309 | - 350 | 342 | 1092 | - 1199 | 1164 |
| 750+ | | C | 4 | 9 | 167.6 | - 172.6 | 168.2 | -7 | 308 | - 310 | 310 | 1265 | - 1303 | 1270 |
| | | | | 312 | 160.0 | 194.0 | 184.9 | | 302 | 359 | 341 | 875 | 1303 | 1056 |
| Grown Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-540 | | B | 2 | 2 | 194.0 | - 194.0 | 194.0 | N/Q | 359 | - 359 | 359 | 980 | - 980 | 980 |
| | | C | 4 | 10 | 162.0 | - 184.2 | 175.2 | -3 | 300 | - 341 | 325 | 810 | - 941 | 892 |
| | | D | 2 | 2 | 138.0 | - 138.0 | 138.0 | N/Q | 260 | - 260 | 260 | 745 | - 745 | 745 |
| | | D | 3 | 11 | 143.6 | - 165.0 | 155.5 | -4 | 271 | - 311 | 293 | 617 | - 811 | 752 |
| 540+ | | B | 2 | 1 | 188.0 | - 188.0 | 188.0 | N/Q | 336 | - 336 | 336 | 1119 | - 1119 | 1119 |
| | | C | 4 | 32 | 162.0 | - 178.0 | 171.5 | 2 | 300 | - 333 | 319 | 949 | - 1086 | 1024 |
| | | D | 3 | 13 | 135.6 | - 148.0 | 141.4 | N/Q | 251 | - 279 | 272 | 844 | - 882 | 861 |
| | | D | 5 | 4 | 134.2 | - 137.6 | 135.9 | N/Q | 253 | - 260 | 256 | 846 | - 1000 | 923 |
| | | D | 6 | 1 | 132.0 | - 132.0 | 132.0 | N/Q | 264 | - 264 | 264 | 950 | - 950 | 950 |
| | | | | 76 | 132.0 | 194.0 | 162.1 | | 251 | 359 | 303 | 617 | 1119 | 926 |
| Manufacturing Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-540 | | D | 2 | 124 | 113.0 | - 166.0 | 123.7 | -23 | 226 | - 332 | 245 | 364 | - 735 | 437 |
| | FD | D | 2 | 18 | 107.2 | - 127.0 | 117.1 | N/Q | - | | | 314 | - 422 | 368 |
| | | D | 3 | 18 | 134.2 | - 160.0 | 150.1 | -8 | 253 | - 302 | 283 | 587 | - 816 | 734 |
| | | D | 4 | 12 | 154.2 | - 154.2 | 154.2 | N/Q | 291 | - 291 | 291 | 771 | - 771 | 771 |
| 540+ | DA | D | 2 | 8 | 141.2 | - 155.2 | 144.7 | N/C | 266 | - 299 | 274 | 942 | - 1156 | 995 |
| | | D | 2 | 2 | 127.6 | - 127.6 | 127.6 | N/Q | 245 | - 245 | 245 | 702 | - 702 | 702 |
| | | D | 3 | 2 | 139.6 | - 139.6 | 139.6 | N/Q | 263 | - 263 | 263 | 953 | - 953 | 953 |
| | | D | 4 | 6 | 155.0 | - 160.0 | 155.8 | -11 | 293 | - 302 | 294 | 1080 | - 1232 | 1106 |
| | | | | 190 | 107.2 | 166.0 | 129.6 | | 226 | 332 | 255 | 314 | 1232 | 532 |
| Bulls | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-450 | | C | 2 | 2 | 200.0 | - 200.0 | 200.0 | N/Q | 377 | - 377 | 377 | 620 | - 620 | 620 |
| | RS | C | 2 | 1 | 180.0 | - 180.0 | 180.0 | N/Q | - | | | 599 | - 599 | 599 |
| | | | | 3 | 180.0 | 200.0 | 193.3 | | 377 | 377 | 378 | 599 | 620 | 613 |

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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