

Feeder report - cattle

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Eastern States

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A firm to slightly cheaper trend was evident across most categories. There were only a couple of northern contributors that lowered their prices 5¢/kg as they have sufficient cattle on hand. Despite the rain across NSW and Queensland supply for most feeders has experienced only minor disruptions.

At the physical market last week there were large numbers of yearling steers purchased by feeders with most being cheaper. The heifer portions were firm to slightly dearer while grown steers were also dearer.

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 | 195 | 230 | 206 | -1 |
| Heifer | 280-350 | 0 | 185 | 205 | 193 | NC |

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 | 185 | 215 | 200 | NC |
| | | Hereford | 0-2 | 185 | 200 | 193 | NC |
| | | Shorthorn | 0-2 | 185 | 200 | 193 | -1 |
| | | Other Breeds | 0-2 | 175 | 195 | 188 | -1 |
| | | Bos Indicus | 0-2 | 175 | 185 | 180 | -1 |
| Medium Fed Steers (120-220 DOF) | 360-460 | Angus | 0-2 | 200 | 210 | 206 | NC |
| | | Hereford | 0-2 | 195 | 205 | 200 | NC |
| Long Fed Steers(200 DOF +) | 300-420 | Angus | 0-2 | 200 | 220 | 213 | NC |

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 | С | 2 | 150 | 220 | 198 | -2 |
| | 330-400 | С | 2 | 155 | 221 | 192 | -2 |
| | | С | 3 | 170 | 210 | 196 | -2 |
| | 400+ | С | 2 | 161 | 199 | 188 | 1 |
| | | С | 3 | 164 | 204 | 188 | -2 |
| Yearling Heifers | 0-330 | С | 2 | 150 | 198 | 182 | 1 |
| | 330-400 | С | 2 | 160 | 200 | 178 | 3 |
| | | С | 3 | 160 | 194 | 179 | NC |
| Grown Steer | 400-500 | С | 3 | 165 | 191 | 182 | 5 |

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