

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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A sharp increase in numbers included a large offering of cattle from western areas. Light and medium weight yearlings dominated supply with a vast variation in quality, weight and condition. There was a fair supply of well finished crop cattle and some very plain lightweights having seen very little feed. In the grown cattle some very good heavy steers and cows were a standout.

Yearling cattle in forward condition were favoured by feedlot orders looking for a shorter finishing time. Restocker orders were less discerning in their purchases as far as condition was concerned. There were lines of plain light weaners, both steers and heifers that were attractive to restockers from a dollar per head perspective that attracted keen demand and realised dearer prices. The market trend for light and medium weight yearling steers to restock and feed were cheaper with the forward condition lines least affected. Light restocker yearling steers were 15c cheaper on 210c/kg. The same portions of yearling heifers were 9c lower on 185c/kg. Plainer quality and condition steers saw the greatest price fall. Heavy feeders sold to a slightly dearer trend. There was little change in the market for trade yearlings with the best high yielding lots slight dearer, while heifers lacking yield potential were a little cheaper.

The quality of heavy grown steers added to price improvement in a dearer market trend. This was also the case in the dearer prices seen for the grown heifers. Light grown heifers were 12c higher on 183c/kg. The majority of the cows fell into the heavy weight classes and showed an improvement in quality. This was reflected in price improvement in a firm market trend. The medium weight cows sold to a slightly cheaper trend to settle around 122c/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														
0-200	RS	D	2	43	178.2	- 240.2	219.7	N/Q	-	-	-	241	- 432	375
200-280	RS	C	2	15	210.0	- 210.0	210.0	-15	-	-	-	546	- 546	546
	RS	D	2	6	176.2	- 176.2	176.2	N/Q	-	-	-	441	- 441	441
				64	176.2	240.2	213.3		0	0		241	546	421
Vealer Heifer														
0-200	RS	D	2	126	146.2	- 196.2	176.5	-4	-	-	-	219	- 341	306
200-280	RS	C	2	3	180.0	- 180.0	180.0	N/Q	-	-	-	378	- 378	378
		C	2	9	170.0	- 190.0	176.1	-25	340	- 365	347	391	- 513	426
		D	2	22	148.2	- 148.2	148.2	N/Q	296	- 296	296	348	- 348	348
280-330		C	3	10	198.0	- 198.2	198.0	N/Q	367	- 374	372	644	- 653	652
				170	146.2	198.2	174.1		296	374	326	219	653	340
Yearling Steer														
0-330		C	2	1	190.0	- 190.0	190.0	N/Q	365	- 365	365	608	- 608	608
	FD	C	2	10	196.2	- 196.2	196.2	-2	-	-	-	647	- 647	647
	RS	C	2	376	160.0	- 228.2	210.2	-15	-	-	-	368	- 753	633
	FD	D	2	20	155.0	- 172.0	166.9	-3	-	-	-	512	- 533	527
		D	2	3	156.2	- 156.2	156.2	N/Q	312	- 312	312	492	- 492	492
330-400	RS	C	2	129	187.2	- 219.2	209.3	-6	-	-	-	646	- 789	731
	FD	C	2	107	188.2	- 213.2	207.4	-5	-	-	-	659	- 853	768
		C	3	1	217.2	- 217.2	217.2	N/Q	395	- 395	395	782	- 782	782
	FD	C	3	10	217.2	- 217.2	217.2	5	-	-	-	836	- 836	836
	RS	C	3	60	205.0	- 217.2	212.7	N/Q	-	-	-	707	- 815	791
400+	FD	C	2	57	185.0	- 209.2	200.5	8	-	-	-	796	- 871	844

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	RS	C	2	5	206.2	- 206.2	206.2	3	-			928	- 928	928
	FD	C	3	48	194.2	- 215.2	202.4	9	-			835	- 932	884
		C	3	16	205.0	- 213.2	210.4	16	380	- 395	390	871	- 923	906
		C	4	1	189.2	- 189.2	189.2	N/Q	350	- 350	350	1041	- 1041	1041
				844	155.0	228.2	207.4		312	395	376	368	1041	712
Yearling Heifer														
0-330		C	2	59	160.2	- 197.2	177.6	-12	308	- 379	344	457	- 556	495
	RS	C	2	358	155.2	- 205.2	185.1	-9	-			417	- 636	542
	FD	C	3	14	199.2	- 199.2	199.2	N/Q	-			657	- 657	657
		C	3	1	190.0	- 190.0	190.0	N/Q	359	- 359	359	570	- 570	570
		D	2	6	129.2	- 150.0	132.7	-41	258	- 300	265	390	- 413	410
	RS	D	2	111	155.0	- 197.2	174.4	19	-			256	- 459	425
330-400	RS	C	2	42	187.0	- 190.0	188.7	-11	-			649	- 673	664
	FD	C	2	49	185.0	- 190.2	188.9	N/Q	-			637	- 694	657
	FD	C	3	34	184.2	- 195.2	188.4	-4	-			664	- 737	704
	RS	C	3	34	181.2	- 193.2	188.8	-9	-			670	- 728	694
		C	3	96	165.0	- 212.0	191.2	-13	317	- 386	361	635	- 797	693
400+		C	2	6	168.2	- 168.2	168.2	N/Q	324	- 324	324	706	- 706	706
	FD	C	3	34	177.2	- 187.2	183.3	-7	-			759	- 797	781
		C	3	36	189.2	- 195.2	192.9	-16	344	- 362	354	800	- 1003	877
		C	4	7	170.0	- 179.2	177.9	-1	327	- 338	337	748	- 860	844
				887	129.2	212.0	184.5		258	386	351	256	1003	592
Grown Steer														
0-400		C	2	7	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	N/Q	280	- 280	280	560	- 560	560
		D	2	6	130.2	- 130.2	130.2	N/Q	260	- 260	260	417	- 417	417
400-500		C	2	2	155.0	- 155.0	155.0	N/Q	298	- 298	298	729	- 729	729
	FD	C	3	2	175.0	- 186.2	180.6	N/Q	-			875	- 894	884
	RS	C	3	6	189.2	- 189.2	189.2	N/Q	-			814	- 814	814
		C	3	1	177.2	- 177.2	177.2	N/Q	328	- 328	328	833	- 833	833
500-600		C	3	41	182.2	- 195.2	190.5	16	337	- 350	345	947	- 1052	1007
		C	4	8	196.2	- 196.2	196.2	N/Q	350	- 350	350	1177	- 1177	1177
600-750		C	3	18	185.2	- 197.2	193.1	N/Q	337	- 352	346	1167	- 1308	1243
		C	4	20	191.2	- 196.2	195.6	N/Q	341	- 350	349	1185	- 1324	1295
				111	130.2	197.2	184.8		260	352	336	417	1324	1030
Grown Heifer														
0-540		C	2	2	146.2	- 146.2	146.2	N/Q	281	- 281	281	629	- 629	629
	FD	C	3	10	179.2	- 187.2	185.6	-2	-			735	- 824	806
		C	3	28	160.0	- 190.2	182.5	12	308	- 352	341	576	- 1008	916
		C	4	13	181.2	- 182.0	181.9	22	342	- 350	349	965	- 978	967
	RS	D	2	6	150.2	- 150.2	150.2	18	-			556	- 556	556
		D	2	11	120.0	- 125.2	124.7	N/Q	240	- 250	250	438	- 451	450
		D	3	4	158.0	- 158.0	158.0	N/Q	310	- 310	310	743	- 743	743
540+		C	3	3	164.0	- 172.2	166.7	-1	315	- 325	319	938	- 1066	1024
		C	4	1	167.2	- 167.2	167.2	N/Q	322	- 322	322	1104	- 1104	1104
				78	120.0	190.2	169.2		240	352	321	438	1104	807

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Cows														
0-400		D	2	10	90.0	- 100.0	93.0	N/Q	214	- 222	217	360	- 380	366
400-520		D	2	28	105.0	- 126.0	120.5	-12	233	- 280	268	451	- 554	527
	RS	D	2	20	122.2	- 122.2	122.2	N/Q		-		513	- 513	513
		D	3	3	125.0	- 128.0	127.0	-11	266	- 272	270	600	- 666	644
520+		C	3	32	148.0	- 155.2	151.3	2	292	- 304	300	907	- 1006	942
		C	4	56	150.0	- 155.2	155.0	3	300	- 304	304	931	- 975	933
		D	3	10	128.0	- 138.2	131.1	-12	272	- 288	277	704	- 857	747
		D	4	74	138.0	- 147.2	143.3	3	286	- 305	292	759	- 994	811
		D	5	1	136.0	- 136.0	136.0	N/Q	283	- 283	283	843	- 843	843
				234	90.0	155.2	139.8		214	305	289	360	1006	775
Bulls														
0-450		C	2	38	125.0	- 150.0	147.3	-23	240	- 289	283	400	- 594	413
	RS	C	2	72	128.2	- 173.2	162.1	N/Q		-		404	- 512	468
450-600		C	2	5	130.0	- 158.0	146.1	-24	241	- 282	266	654	- 869	747
600+		B	2	15	155.0	- 179.2	164.0	-11	281	- 308	291	1118	- 1523	1346
		C	2	14	130.0	- 158.2	143.6	-18	241	- 288	265	898	- 1474	1081
				144	125.0	179.2	156.0		240	308	280	400	1523	614

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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