

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Gunnedah

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Numbers reduced by 30% with some producers adopting a wait and see approach to a falling market. Young cattle and cows dominated supply with a limited number of heavy grown steers. Overall quality was mixed throughout with some very good vealers and cows penned. All regular buyers were in attendance, however not all export processors were operational.

The market for young cattle saw trends cheaper. There were odd exceptions with heavy vealer steers to restock firm and dearer in places for the better quality lines. Limited numbers and a bit of competition were a factor. The lighter end of the vealers to restock were firm to slightly cheaper. Heifer vealers sold to a cheaper trend down 5c to 10c/kg with some quality related price change. Over conditioned vealers suffered. Yearling steers to restock and feed sold to a cheaper trend through all weight ranges, with odd sales remaining firm. These were the better quality lines. There was good demand for medium and heavy heifer yearlings for short term feeding programs with suitable lines selling dearer, while the majority of the heifers sold to a cheaper trend. Another exception being the well finished heavy trade.

The limited numbers of heavy grown steers also carried a bit more age than the previous week. This was a contributing factor in the cheaper prices with the trend around 5c to 8c/kg. The cow market also saw a cheaper trend through all grades with prices down 4c to 8c/kg. The quality of some of the heavy cows helping to limit the falls.

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>Calves</b>																
80+	RS	C	1	25	170.0	- 236.2	201.8	3	-	-	-	230	-	319	272	
				<b>25</b>	<b>170.0</b>	<b>236.2</b>	<b>201.8</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>230</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>272</b>		
<b>Vealer Steer</b>																
0-200	RS	C	2	6	216.2	- 216.2	216.2	13	-	-	-	378	-	378	378	
200-280	RS	C	2	54	180.0	- 209.2	192.2	-11	-	-	-	407	-	551	460	
		C	3	1	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	N/Q	370	-	370	370	560	-	560	560
280-330	RS	C	2	1	180.0	- 180.0	180.0	N/Q	346	-	346	346	522	-	522	522
		C	2	26	208.2	- 213.2	211.3	9	-	-	-	629	-	645	635	
		C	3	1	201.2	- 201.2	201.2	N/Q	373	-	373	373	573	-	573	573
330+	FD	D	2	4	190.2	- 190.2	190.2	N/Q	-	-	-	628	-	628	628	
		C	2	19	185.2	- 190.2	188.4	-8	-	-	-	656	-	713	677	
	RS	C	2	25	192.2	- 199.2	196.7	N/Q	-	-	-	653	-	697	681	
		C	3	3	189.2	- 189.2	189.2	N/Q	-	-	-	814	-	814	814	
		C	3	1	195.0	- 195.0	195.0	N/C	361	-	361	361	780	-	780	780
FD	D	2	11	197.2	- 197.2	197.2	N/Q	-	-	-	680	-	680	680		
				<b>152</b>	<b>180.0</b>	<b>216.2</b>	<b>197.0</b>		<b>346</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>814</b>	<b>581</b>		
<b>Vealer Heifer</b>																
0-200		C	2	11	173.2	- 173.2	173.2	-4	333	-	333	333	329	-	329	329
200-280	RS	C	2	35	150.0	- 179.2	164.3	-9	289	-	345	316	359	-	493	402
		C	2	11	167.2	- 174.2	172.3	-10	-	-	-	368	-	436	417	
		C	3	3	160.0	- 200.0	176.7	-13	308	-	364	331	391	-	560	466
280-330	RS	D	2	3	145.2	- 145.2	145.2	N/Q	290	-	290	290	363	-	363	363
		C	2	10	163.2	- 163.2	163.2	N/Q	-	-	-	490	-	490	490	
		C	3	16	180.0	- 188.2	184.2	19	340	-	349	342	534	-	621	546
		C	4	3	156.2	- 156.2	156.2	N/Q	295	-	295	295	500	-	500	500

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330+	FD	C	2	2	168.0	- 168.0	168.0	N/Q	-			588	- 588	588	
		C	3	3	189.2	- 189.2	189.2	N/Q	350	- 350	350	643	- 643	643	
		C	4	1	180.0	- 180.0	180.0	N/Q	340	- 340	340	630	- 630	630	
				<b>98</b>	<b>145.2</b>	<b>200.0</b>	<b>169.9</b>		<b>289</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>445</b>	
<b>Yearling Steer</b>															
0-330	FD	C	2	54	175.2	- 192.2	181.6	-13	-			456	- 611	542	
		RS	D	2	31	160.0	- 171.2	165.8	-5	-			496	- 514	505
330-400	RS	C	2	21	164.2	- 172.2	169.5	-20	-			603	- 657	621	
		FD	C	2	63	160.0	- 189.2	178.4	-6	-			588	- 701	650
400+	FD	C	2	55	140.0	- 176.2	163.8	-9	-			588	- 777	728	
		C	2	11	150.0	- 165.0	153.2	N/C	289	- 306	292	667	- 825	729	
		RS	C	2	7	156.2	- 175.0	169.6	-13	-			640	- 744	714
		RS	C	3	4	170.2	- 170.2	170.2	N/Q	-			723	- 723	723
				<b>251</b>	<b>140.0</b>	<b>192.2</b>	<b>172.0</b>		<b>289</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>633</b>	
<b>Yearling Heifer</b>															
0-330		C	2	20	141.2	- 153.2	145.6	-17	272	- 295	280	367	- 475	408	
		FD	C	2	14	163.2	- 163.2	163.2	9	-			490	- 490	490
		RS	C	2	15	162.2	- 162.2	162.2	-10	-			487	- 487	487
			C	3	8	170.0	- 170.0	170.0	-7	321	- 321	321	289	- 493	391
			D	2	6	138.2	- 138.2	138.2	-15	276	- 276	276	387	- 387	387
			RS	D	2	28	126.2	- 146.2	139.0	2	-			379	- 435
330-400	FD	D	2	13	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	N/Q	-			448	- 448	448	
		C	2	6	140.0	- 164.2	144.0	-14	269	- 316	277	476	- 657	506	
		FD	C	2	5	161.2	- 168.2	166.8	7	-			556	- 614	602
		RS	C	2	31	160.0	- 167.2	163.2	-4	-			544	- 620	576
		RS	C	3	15	165.0	- 167.2	166.2	-5	-			635	- 665	656
		FD	C	3	57	156.2	- 169.2	166.3	N/Q	-			609	- 626	621
400+		C	3	24	157.2	- 171.2	165.3	-6	304	- 323	315	562	- 659	618	
		C	2	5	156.2	- 156.2	156.2	N/Q	300	- 300	300	687	- 687	687	
		RS	C	3	38	168.2	- 168.2	168.2	N/Q	-			715	- 715	715
		C	3	27	150.0	- 168.2	164.2	-12	289	- 317	311	630	- 706	689	
				<b>322</b>	<b>126.2</b>	<b>176.2</b>	<b>160.2</b>		<b>269</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>809</b>	<b>577</b>	
<b>Grown Steer</b>															
400-500		C	2	29	155.0	- 162.0	158.1	13	298	- 312	304	667	- 810	731	
		RS	C	2	2	160.2	- 160.2	160.2	N/Q	-			697	- 697	697
500-600		C	2	9	150.0	- 160.0	154.4	N/Q	289	- 296	292	780	- 880	824	
		C	3	18	169.2	- 173.2	170.8	-7	309	- 321	316	901	- 978	912	
		C	4	2	171.2	- 175.0	173.1	N/Q	311	- 318	315	942	- 989	965	
600-750		C	3	23	165.0	- 172.0	170.5	-13	306	- 315	313	1056	- 1238	1172	
				<b>83</b>	<b>150.0</b>	<b>175.0</b>	<b>164.3</b>		<b>289</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>667</b>	<b>1238</b>	<b>907</b>	
<b>Grown Heifer</b>															
0-540		C	2	5	130.0	- 150.0	134.0	-14	255	- 289	262	520	- 630	542	
		FD	C	2	2	150.2	- 150.2	150.2	N/Q	-			556	- 556	556

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	RS	C	2	19	142.2	- 142.2	142.2	2	-				654	- 654	654
		C	3	35	148.2	- 169.2	156.7	-4	285	- 319	300	616	- 883	742	
		D	2	6	107.2	- 135.0	130.4	N/Q	223	- 270	262	397	- 513	494	
		D	3	18	125.0	- 150.0	140.3	-1	245	- 294	275	532	- 700	632	
540+		D	4	1	145.0	- 145.0	145.0	N/Q	284	- 284	284	819	- 819	819	
				<b>86</b>	<b>107.2</b>	<b>169.2</b>	<b>146.6</b>		<b>223</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>883</b>	<b>667</b>	
<b>Manufacturing Steer</b>															
540+	DA	D	2	4	130.0	- 130.0	130.0	N/Q	250	- 250	250	754	- 754	754	
				<b>4</b>	<b>130.0</b>	<b>130.0</b>	<b>130.0</b>		<b>250</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>754</b>	<b>754</b>	<b>754</b>	
<b>Cows</b>															
0-400		D	2	3	105.2	- 105.2	105.2	N/Q	234	- 234	234	421	- 421	421	
400-520		D	1	4	86.2	- 86.2	86.2	-26	205	- 205	205	353	- 353	353	
		D	2	103	103.2	- 115.0	109.9	-6	229	- 256	244	428	- 541	483	
		D	3	105	113.2	- 132.2	121.6	-8	241	- 275	258	498	- 661	585	
520+		C	4	3	140.2	- 143.2	141.2	-4	280	- 286	282	855	- 967	892	
		D	2	2	110.0	- 110.0	110.0	N/Q	244	- 244	244	605	- 605	605	
		D	3	48	122.0	- 136.2	129.9	-4	260	- 284	275	641	- 770	705	
		D	4	52	128.0	- 143.2	135.0	-4	267	- 288	279	717	- 924	764	
				<b>320</b>	<b>86.2</b>	<b>143.2</b>	<b>120.8</b>		<b>205</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>967</b>	<b>598</b>	
<b>Bulls</b>															
450-600		C	2	2	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	N/Q	259	- 259	259	798	- 798	798	
600+		B	2	7	158.0	- 166.2	162.2	-5	272	- 287	281	1311	- 1512	1430	
		B	3	1	158.2	- 158.2	158.2	N/Q	283	- 283	283	1978	- 1978	1978	
		C	2	15	143.2	- 158.0	153.9	3	265	- 289	280	916	- 1415	1198	
		D	2	1	134.2	- 134.2	134.2	N/Q	258	- 258	258	1047	- 1047	1047	
				<b>26</b>	<b>134.2</b>	<b>166.2</b>	<b>154.5</b>		<b>258</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>1978</b>	<b>1254</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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