

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Gunnedah

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There was an increase in numbers as the warmer weather, falling market trends and deteriorating seasonal conditions brought cattle forward. Yearlings and cows made up the bulk of the penning. There was a fair supply of heavy grown steers however there was a drop in average weight. The quality and condition of the offering was fair to good. All regular processors and most of the restocker and feedlot orders were in attendance. Overall market trends were cheaper.

The majority of the yearlings were in the light and medium weight classes, with a fair supply of heavy yearling steers. Despite the downturn in export markets, demand for yearling steers to restock and feed was quite high. Whilst cheaper, the trend was minimal, down 2c to 4c/kg. Strong demand for heavy feeders saw that weight class the least affected. Well finished heavy steers suitable to the trade remained firm. Secondary quality steers to restock and feed were heavily discounted and showed substantial price reductions, with breed quality also contributing. Yearling heifers to restock and feed followed a similar trend to that of the steers, with the plain quality lots showing significant falls. The well finished heifers suitable to the trade remained firm with an isolated sale to the local butchers up to 5c/kg dearer.

There was a reasonable selection of grown steers suitable to feedlot buyers. Those over 400 kilograms and carrying a maximum of 2 teeth sold to a dearer trend. Heavy grown steers with 4 or more teeth sold to a cheaper trend, up to 10c/kg. The heavy milk and 2 tooth steers sold onto the domestic market and experienced little change. There was a large penning of cows with both medium and heavyweights well represented. Demand was much weaker for well finished 3 and 4 scores, with the market trend 15c to 22c/kg cheaper. There was an improved quality penning of leaner 2 score cows that showed stronger yield potential. These factors contributed to a market trend of only 5c/kg cheaper. The best of the heavy bulls sold to a dearer trend, up to 5c/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>Calves</b>														
80+		C	1	13	150.0	180.0	160.0	N/Q	289	346	308	173	234	211
				<b>13</b>	<b>150.0</b>	<b>180.0</b>			<b>289</b>	<b>346</b>		<b>173</b>	<b>234</b>	
<b>Vealer Steer</b>														
0-200	RS	D	1	17	200.0	200.0	200.0	N/Q	-	-	-	280	280	280
200-280	RS	C	2	2	180.0	180.2	180.1	N/Q	-	-	-	396	504	450
280-330		C	2	11	205.0	205.0	205.0	N/Q	380	380	380	677	677	677
		C	3	1	195.0	195.0	195.0	N/Q	361	361	361	644	644	644
330+		C	3	3	205.0	209.2	207.8	3	380	387	385	697	879	769
				<b>34</b>	<b>180.0</b>	<b>209.2</b>			<b>361</b>	<b>387</b>		<b>280</b>	<b>879</b>	
<b>Vealer Heifer</b>														
0-200	RS	D	1	20	168.2	168.2	168.2	-8	-	-	-	219	219	219
200-280		C	2	19	168.0	182.2	171.5	-8	323	350	330	383	477	395
280-330		C	3	20	189.2	205.0	194.3	14	357	380	366	566	615	580
330+		C	3	4	200.0	200.0	200.0	N/C	370	370	370	710	710	710
				<b>63</b>	<b>168.0</b>	<b>205.0</b>			<b>323</b>	<b>380</b>		<b>219</b>	<b>710</b>	
<b>Yearling Steer</b>														
0-330		C	2	35	174.2	180.0	175.9	N/Q	335	346	338	425	540	449
		FD	C	2	78	175.0	201.2	181.1	-19	-	-	490	664	549
		RS	C	2	199	175.2	215.2	198.1	-4	-	-	456	666	559
		RS	D	1	16	133.2	161.2	145.5	-57	-	-	246	419	322
		RS	D	2	103	155.0	211.2	188.5	-12	-	-	359	528	472
		FD	D	2	1	150.0	150.0	150.0	N/Q	-	-	450	450	450

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330-400		D	2	2	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	N/Q	280	- 280	280	392	- 392	392
		B	1	1	185.0	- 185.0	185.0	N/Q	330	- 330	330	685	- 685	685
	FD	B	2	8	208.0	- 208.0	208.0	N/Q	-	-	-	790	- 790	790
	FD	C	2	235	185.2	- 214.2	200.2	-4	-	-	-	665	- 857	730
	RS	C	2	88	196.2	- 208.0	203.2	-2	-	-	-	697	- 828	718
400+	FD	C	3	7	205.0	- 205.0	205.0	8	-	-	-	779	- 779	779
		C	3	2	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	N/Q	370	- 370	370	800	- 800	800
		B	2	1	208.0	- 208.0	208.0	N/Q	371	- 371	371	936	- 936	936
	FD	C	2	124	201.2	- 216.2	210.6	2	-	-	-	861	- 1027	900
	RS	C	2	9	206.2	- 206.2	206.2	N/Q	-	-	-	845	- 845	845
	RS	C	3	14	207.2	- 207.2	207.2	N/Q	-	-	-	870	- 870	870
	FD	C	3	145	200.2	- 215.0	208.1	-1	-	-	-	837	- 1046	940
	C	3	27	165.0	- 209.2	188.3	-12	306	- 387	349	693	- 946	893	
				<b>1095</b>	<b>133.2</b>	<b>216.2</b>		<b>280</b>	<b>387</b>		<b>246</b>	<b>1046</b>		
<b>Yearling Heifer</b>														
0-330	RS	C	2	150	165.2	- 180.0	173.2	1	-	-	-	438	- 578	531
		C	2	74	142.2	- 177.2	153.8	-18	274	- 341	297	356	- 468	399
	FD	C	2	26	165.0	- 172.2	171.5	-8	-	-	-	502	- 560	537
		C	3	40	153.2	- 185.0	164.0	-15	295	- 349	314	480	- 611	502
	RS	C	3	12	172.0	- 172.0	172.0	N/Q	-	-	-	568	- 568	568
	RS	D	1	8	101.2	- 125.2	110.2	-59	-	-	-	233	- 294	256
	RS	D	2	57	149.2	- 169.2	156.7	N/Q	-	-	-	341	- 448	375
330-400		D	2	72	130.0	- 168.2	151.6	N/Q	260	- 336	303	299	- 418	356
	FD	C	2	128	151.2	- 185.0	177.7	-1	-	-	-	567	- 728	667
		C	2	10	166.2	- 166.2	166.2	-13	320	- 320	320	632	- 632	632
	RS	C	2	12	160.0	- 170.0	165.8	-15	-	-	-	552	- 604	582
	FD	C	3	87	160.0	- 188.2	180.4	-5	-	-	-	612	- 725	660
		C	3	97	150.0	- 200.0	170.0	-1	289	- 377	324	548	- 760	617
400+	FD	C	2	12	193.2	- 193.2	193.2	N/Q	-	-	-	792	- 792	792
	FD	C	3	68	175.2	- 190.0	182.0	7	-	-	-	738	- 833	786
		C	3	31	160.0	- 190.0	181.1	N/C	308	- 359	342	677	- 859	814
		C	4	1	190.0	- 190.0	190.0	N/Q	352	- 352	352	950	- 950	950
	FD	C	4	10	160.0	- 160.0	160.0	N/Q	-	-	-	696	- 696	696
				<b>895</b>	<b>101.2</b>	<b>200.0</b>		<b>260</b>	<b>377</b>		<b>233</b>	<b>950</b>		
<b>Grown Steer</b>														
0-400		C	2	1	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	N/Q	280	- 280	280	518	- 518	518
	FD	C	2	9	186.2	- 186.2	186.2	-12	-	-	-	698	- 698	698
	FD	D	2	8	180.2	- 180.2	180.2	35	-	-	-	676	- 676	676
400-500		C	2	26	142.2	- 185.0	146.0	-44	274	- 343	280	611	- 851	648
	FD	C	2	42	197.2	- 210.2	205.8	1	-	-	-	828	- 925	894
	FD	C	3	33	174.2	- 213.2	208.2	-3	-	-	-	775	- 1023	995
500-600	FD	C	2	6	188.2	- 197.2	195.7	N/Q	-	-	-	979	- 1016	1009
		C	3	98	186.2	- 215.2	198.4	-3	345	- 391	365	988	- 1231	1084
600-750		C	3	15	195.0	- 204.2	202.4	-15	355	- 365	363	1307	- 1404	1326
		C	4	1	194.2	- 194.2	194.2	N/Q	360	- 360	360	1223	- 1223	1223

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					<b>239</b>	<b>140.0</b>	<b>215.2</b>			<b>274</b>	<b>391</b>		<b>518</b>	<b>1404</b>	
<b>Grown Heifer</b>															
0-540	FD	C	2	10	161.2	- 173.2	170.8	-4	-				621	- 753	723
		C	2	8	134.2	- 169.2	138.6	-37	258	- 325	267		537	- 558	540
	FD	C	3	10	163.2	- 168.0	164.6	-14	-				635	- 764	731
		C	3	84	129.2	- 187.2	167.4	-14	249	- 347	318		452	- 992	783
		C	4	17	173.2	- 180.2	174.8	2	327	- 340	330		901	- 935	927
	RS	D	2	1	121.2	- 121.2	121.2	N/Q	-				412	- 412	412
		D	2	4	112.0	- 130.0	121.8	N/Q	224	- 260	244		396	- 520	454
		D	3	11	140.0	- 159.2	148.7	-7	275	- 306	289		539	- 828	680
540+		C	3	9	171.2	- 179.2	177.9	-10	317	- 338	335		959	- 1157	1050
		C	4	7	168.2	- 179.2	176.1	-8	317	- 345	337		967	- 1111	1070
					<b>161</b>	<b>112.0</b>	<b>187.2</b>		<b>224</b>	<b>347</b>		<b>396</b>	<b>1157</b>		
<b>Manufacturing Steer</b>															
540+		C	3	1	172.0	- 172.0	172.0	N/Q	319	- 319	319		1376	- 1376	1376
		C	4	1	165.0	- 165.0	165.0	N/Q	306	- 306	306		1353	- 1353	1353
					<b>2</b>	<b>165.0</b>	<b>172.0</b>		<b>306</b>	<b>319</b>		<b>1353</b>	<b>1376</b>		
<b>Cows</b>															
0-400	RS	D	2	12	118.0	- 118.0	118.0	N/Q	-				443	- 443	443
400-520		D	1	4	118.2	- 118.2	118.2	-22	281	- 281	281		508	- 508	508
		D	2	108	120.0	- 153.2	136.6	-5	267	- 326	297		510	- 766	633
		D	3	137	115.0	- 154.2	141.2	-11	245	- 328	299		483	- 802	683
520+		C	3	27	158.0	- 176.2	169.0	-19	316	- 346	335		861	- 1189	1042
		C	4	9	165.0	- 167.2	166.7	-22	317	- 334	331		978	- 1320	1054
		D	2	73	145.0	- 158.2	154.7	5	322	- 337	330		790	- 838	831
		D	3	152	142.0	- 174.2	159.5	-15	302	- 348	327		767	- 1075	891
		D	4	158	150.0	- 175.0	166.5	-12	313	- 350	333		825	- 1191	991
		D	5	18	141.2	- 169.2	145.3	-30	300	- 338	306		819	- 1066	862
		D	6	4	120.0	- 140.0	127.3	N/Q	250	- 292	265		780	- 864	824
					<b>702</b>	<b>115.0</b>	<b>176.2</b>		<b>245</b>	<b>350</b>		<b>443</b>	<b>1320</b>		
<b>Bulls</b>															
0-450		C	2	2	166.2	- 166.2	166.2	N/Q	308	- 308	308		715	- 715	715
450-600		B	2	1	182.2	- 182.2	182.2	N/Q	325	- 325	325		1057	- 1057	1057
		C	2	7	154.2	- 177.2	157.5	-18	297	- 328	301		725	- 1028	768
		D	2	8	152.2	- 164.2	153.7	-11	293	- 316	296		852	- 985	869
600+		B	2	45	183.2	- 226.2	206.3	-3	327	- 386	357		1191	- 2344	1778
		C	2	19	165.0	- 201.2	192.3	3	306	- 359	346		1023	- 1902	1453
		D	2	10	140.2	- 191.2	177.4	N/Q	270	- 354	331		981	- 1491	1361
					<b>92</b>	<b>140.2</b>	<b>226.2</b>		<b>270</b>	<b>386</b>		<b>715</b>	<b>2344</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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