

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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On the back of widespread rain, numbers fell 400 head short of the agents predicted draw. Yearling heifers and steers suitable for the trade were well supplied, while grown steers and bullocks were in reasonable numbers. Secondary cattle were also well supplied and sold to much stronger competition from feedlots and restockers. The usual group of domestic and export buyers were attendance.

The mixed quality supply of vealers sold to a stronger level of demand from all domestic processors, which pushed prices above 300c/kg. The better finished vealers to slaughter ranged from 280c to 308.6c, selling 12c to 20c/kg higher. Medium weight grass finished heifer prices were buoyed by strong demand from export and domestic buyers, which resulted in a dearer trend of 5c/kg. The better finished heifers made from 260c to 291c/kg. Medium trade weight trade steers were keenly sought by feedlots, domestic processors and export buyers which ignited bidding and prices jumped 18c/kg. Well finished steers to slaughter ranged from 280c to 294c, to average 286.3c/kg.

Lighter weight secondary steers and heifers were in limited supply and restockers once again struggled to compete against feedlots and backgrounders for sufficient numbers. Well-bred lighter weight secondary steers returning to the paddock sold 17c dearer, making from 233c to 273c/kg. Light weight steers weighing 200kg reached a top price of 321c/kg. Restockers were unable to compete against feedlots for well-bred secondary heifers, preferring to buy plainer type heifers lacking finish. Restocking heifers sold from 205c to 219c/kg.

Well-bred medium weight C2 yearling steers to feed on sold 9c higher to average 275.7c/kg. Medium weight secondary heifers suitable for lot feeding were in limited supply making from 252c to 280c/kg.

The good quality offering of grown steers and bullocks sold to strong competition from both export and southern domestic buyers, with prices generally 7c/kg higher. The better quality pens of C3 and C4 steers made from 195c to 222c/kg. The high point of the sale was the grown heifer portion, with both domestic and export buyers struggling to acquire adequate supplies. Aged heifers, 400 to 500kg, sold 28c higher, making from 230c to 266c/kg. Bidding intensified for heavy heifers, with buyers paying up to 287.2c, to average 264.3c/kg.

Heavy cows were well supplied and competition weakened, with prices fluctuating as the sale progressed. Heavy D4 cows ranged from 198c to 228c/kg. Lean cows, D2 and D3, sold 8c cheaper, with the D3 medium weight lines averaging 188.9c/kg. Lighter weight store cows returning to the paddock sold from 152c to 199c/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
Calves														
80+		B	2	2	255.0	- 255.0	255.0	N/Q	455	- 455	455	497	- 497	497
		C	2	18	236.0	- 250.0	243.0	18	445	- 472	459	328	- 621	490
	RS	C	2	12	230.0	- 230.0	230.0	-13	-	-	-	458	- 458	458
	RS	D	2	15	226.0	- 238.0	234.0	34	-	-	-	417	- 429	421
				47	226.0	255.0			445	472		328	621	
Vealer Steer														
200-280	FD	B	2	16	255.0	- 255.0	255.0	N/Q	-	-	-	711	- 711	711
	RS	B	2	15	270.0	- 270.0	270.0	N/Q	-	-	-	729	- 729	729
	RS	C	2	31	230.0	- 271.2	250.1	-14	-	-	-	490	- 683	560
	FD	C	2	5	222.0	- 222.0	222.0	N/Q	-	-	-	577	- 577	577
		C	2	11	237.2	- 272.0	262.5	N/Q	424	- 523	496	595	- 732	695
280-330		C	2	12	257.0	- 281.0	275.0	22	476	- 520	509	748	- 806	792
330+		B	2	37	260.0	- 308.2	288.6	20	464	- 550	516	944	- 1349	1078
	FD	B	2	16	266.2	- 280.0	273.1	N/C	-	-	-	1051	- 1106	1079
	FD	C	2	27	255.0	- 271.0	262.9	4	-	-	-	880	- 1012	925

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		C	2	38	276.0	- 290.0	283.5	N/Q	511	- 558	541	953	- 1128	1019
		C	3	4	230.0	- 255.0	248.8	N/Q	411	- 455	444	905	- 1162	969
				212	222.0	308.2			411	558		490	1349	
Vealer Heifer														
200-280		C	2	123	233.0	- 285.0	258.7	24	425	- 510	476	494	- 752	659
	FD	C	2	10	238.2	- 238.2	238.2	6		-		615	- 615	615
		D	2	12	225.0	- 225.0	225.0	N/Q	433	- 433	433	601	- 601	601
280-330		B	2	14	260.0	- 280.0	271.5	12	464	- 500	485	754	- 916	844
		C	2	24	250.2	- 279.0	264.1	13	447	- 517	488	721	- 870	798
		C	5	1	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	407	- 407	407	627	- 627	627
330+		B	2	35	245.0	- 300.6	281.7	9	438	- 537	503	968	- 1395	1078
		C	3	11	265.0	- 280.6	270.6	9	479	- 501	488	914	- 1249	1075
				230	220.0	300.6			407	537		494	1395	
Yearling Steer														
0-200	RS	C	2	24	321.0	- 321.0	321.0	N/Q		-		642	- 642	642
200-280	RS	C	2	57	233.0	- 273.2	263.6	17		-		503	- 762	697
	FD	C	2	24	230.0	- 274.0	263.7	N/Q		-		600	- 751	721
	RS	D	2	19	195.2	- 230.0	215.2	-10		-		470	- 644	533
280-330	FD	C	2	69	242.0	- 285.0	265.2	4		-		702	- 932	830
	RS	C	2	75	244.0	- 268.2	255.1	-5		-		708	- 836	747
	RS	D	2	22	196.2	- 226.6	218.6	13		-		644	- 708	674
330-400	RS	C	2	5	242.0	- 242.0	242.0	-6		-		866	- 866	866
	FD	C	2	124	240.0	- 288.2	274.6	2		-		856	- 1122	1004
		C	2	5	252.0	- 278.0	272.8	47	476	- 496	492	958	- 1031	1017
		C	3	13	278.0	- 290.0	285.4	14	515	- 518	517	1112	- 1148	1134
400+		C	2	52	254.0	- 278.0	272.9	19	472	- 531	520	1154	- 1251	1203
	FD	C	2	384	255.0	- 289.0	275.7	9		-		1063	- 1367	1245
		C	3	130	275.0	- 294.0	286.3	18	491	- 548	525	1132	- 1457	1285
		D	2	5	227.0	- 227.0	227.0	19	437	- 437	437	942	- 942	942
	RS	D	2	3	190.0	- 190.0	190.0	N/Q		-		764	- 764	764
				1011	190.0	321.0			437	548		470	1457	
Yearling Heifer														
200-280		C	2	11	215.0	- 237.0	232.3	-15	414	- 456	447	479	- 659	611
	FD	C	2	21	239.2	- 239.2	239.2	N/Q		-		658	- 658	658
	FD	C	3	10	262.0	- 262.0	262.0	N/Q		-		713	- 713	713
	RS	D	2	16	205.0	- 205.0	205.0	N/Q		-		513	- 513	513
280-330	FD	C	2	8	232.0	- 232.0	232.0	-1		-		759	- 759	759
		C	3	10	266.0	- 266.0	266.0	27	493	- 493	493	862	- 862	862
		D	2	9	225.0	- 225.0	225.0	14	425	- 425	425	682	- 682	682
	RS	D	2	18	209.2	- 219.2	213.6	12		-		609	- 644	625
	DA	D	2	5	206.2	- 206.2	206.2	N/Q	389	- 389	389	635	- 635	635
		D	3	19	210.0	- 220.2	214.3	19	396	- 416	404	630	- 696	658
330-400	FD	C	2	48	230.0	- 263.2	240.2	-9		-		858	- 1024	895
		C	3	85	236.0	- 276.0	257.4	11	437	- 511	474	816	- 1065	938
	RS	D	2	10	204.0	- 205.0	204.7	-1		-		704	- 806	775

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400+	FD	D	3	10	225.0	- 232.0	228.5	12	425	- 430	427	812	- 893	853
		C	2	93	252.0	- 280.0	261.3	8	-	-	1173	- 1355	1209	
		C	3	372	240.0	- 290.6	267.2	6	443	- 524	494	988	- 1400	1216
	FD	C	3	39	265.0	- 265.0	265.0	-2	-	-	1081	- 1081	1081	
		D	3	10	225.0	- 225.0	225.0	20	425	- 425	425	1035	- 1035	1035
				794	204.0	290.6		389	524		479	1400		
Grown Steer														
400-500		C	3	5	236.0	- 270.0	256.4	7	437	- 500	475	1076	- 1283	1200
500-600	FD	C	2	6	255.0	- 255.0	255.0	N/Q	-	-	1318	- 1318	1318	
	FD	C	3	19	265.0	- 275.0	268.7	N/Q	-	-	1338	- 1609	1438	
		C	3	276	196.0	- 297.6	276.9	8	350	- 531	496	1035	- 1726	1509
		C	5	1	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	407	- 407	407	1276	- 1276	1276
600-750		D	4	14	201.6	- 214.2	206.4	N/Q	388	- 412	397	1051	- 1210	1132
		C	4	30	232.0	- 278.6	269.9	8	414	- 498	483	1571	- 1848	1718
750+		C	4	4	255.0	- 255.0	255.0	22	455	- 455	455	1915	- 1915	1915
				355	196.0	297.6		350	531		1035	1915		
Grown Heifer														
0-540		C	3	70	230.0	- 266.2	258.7	28	426	- 493	479	1080	- 1312	1202
		C	4	65	225.2	- 287.0	264.3	12	425	- 532	485	1216	- 1540	1387
540+	RS	D	2	14	175.2	- 228.0	209.1	N/Q	-	-	652	- 1005	879	
		D	4	4	202.0	- 225.0	213.5	-2	381	- 425	403	1071	- 1159	1115
		C	4	50	220.0	- 279.2	263.0	19	415	- 527	484	1243	- 1676	1521
		D	4	11	202.0	- 225.0	214.8	9	381	- 489	444	1111	- 1272	1201
				214	175.2	287.0		381	532		652	1676		
Manufacturing Steer														
0-540		D	2	27	185.0	- 196.0	193.0	22	349	- 392	377	768	- 798	786
540+	DA	D	2	5	196.0	- 196.0	196.0	N/Q	377	- 377	377	1137	- 1137	1137
		D	4	1	215.0	- 215.0	215.0	N/Q	398	- 398	398	1613	- 1613	1613
				33	185.0	215.0		349	398		768	1613		
Cows														
0-400	RS	D	1	25	152.0	- 175.6	170.9	N/Q	-	-	509	- 608	593	
		RS	D	2	13	185.6	- 185.6	185.6	-1	-	-	742	- 742	742
		D	2	10	160.0	- 160.0	160.0	N/Q	364	- 364	364	638	- 638	638
400-520	RS	D	1	18	150.0	- 199.6	170.2	N/Q	-	-	646	- 808	709	
		RS	D	2	92	172.0	- 194.2	184.3	-2	-	-	745	- 913	838
		D	2	3	172.0	- 172.0	172.0	-8	374	- 374	374	843	- 843	843
		D	3	166	176.0	- 201.2	188.9	-8	356	- 419	392	834	- 1046	915
		D	4	35	192.0	- 209.2	200.3	-5	369	- 402	385	983	- 1028	1006
520+		D	5	2	175.0	- 180.0	177.5	N/Q	365	- 375	370	805	- 918	862
		D	2	11	172.0	- 175.0	172.9	N/Q	358	- 395	372	913	- 956	926
	RS	D	2	7	175.0	- 175.0	175.0	-18	-	-	929	- 936	932	
		D	3	280	180.0	- 201.2	194.0	-8	375	- 419	404	972	- 1289	1120
		D	4	487	195.6	- 222.0	206.6	-4	376	- 427	398	1031	- 1732	1281
		D	5	11	186.0	- 195.6	191.2	-2	376	- 388	381	1289	- 1365	1331
		D	6	12	150.0	- 209.2	165.8	-11	326	- 436	354	988	- 1318	1100

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
				1172	150.0	222.0			326	436		509	1732	
Bulls														
0-450		B	2	6	220.0	- 296.2	270.8	N/Q	393	- 494	460	990	- 1081	1051
		C	2	26	220.0	- 235.2	226.0	N/Q	393	- 420	404	682	- 1035	809
	RS	C	2	7	220.2	- 220.2	220.2	4		-		683	- 683	683
		D	2	5	165.0	- 165.0	165.0	-35	295	- 295	295	462	- 462	462
450-600		C	2	23	210.0	- 226.2	224.0	18	375	- 417	403	956	- 1138	1099
600+		B	2	5	250.0	- 263.0	252.6	N/Q	446	- 470	451	2438	- 2538	2458
		C	2	10	200.0	- 260.0	241.6	2	357	- 464	432	1260	- 2613	2169
				82	165.0	296.2			295	494		462	2613	

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 DP: Dorper

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