

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Wagga

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Numbers fell notably on the back of last week's cheaper trend. Once again quality was mixed, with the bulk of the yearling cattle in secondary condition. Not all major feedlots operated fully and buyers were more selective when making purchases. There were less numbers of heavy cattle offered, while cows supplies were similar to the previous market.

There were increased numbers of vealers suitable to slaughter, with the best vealers selling a few cents dearer. European vealers and their crosses sold from 300c to 326c/kg. Vealer steers and heifers lacking finish sold to restockers and feedlots, selling at 285c to 376c/kg. There was limited numbers of yearling steers suitable for the trade and buyer competition increased, owing to the public holiday in Victoria. Trade steers sold 3c higher, selling from 310c to 323c/kg. Medium weight trade heifers attracted most buyers, selling 3c easier to average 286c/kg. Secondary weaner steers attracted stronger restocker competition, with buyers keen to buy well-bred lighter weights. The highest price achieved was 376c/kg for a pen of light weight Angus steers weighing 230kg.

Medium weight C2 feeder steers suitable to feed-on sold to subdued bidding, easing 5c to average 308c/kg. Lighter weight well-bred feed steers met with steady demand, with prices unchanged to average 312c/kg. Yearling feeder heifers sold to a smaller group of buyers and lighter conditioned heifers were affected by a slightly cheaper trend of 3c, while medium weights found solid support selling up to 4c/kg dearer.

The mixed quality supply of heavy grown steers sold 10c/kg cheaper, with not all major processors interested in buying. Much of the bullock offering contained well finished steers however some lines were aged. Prime finished C4 bullocks to slaughter fell 17c to average 272c/kg.

Not all buyers attended or operated in the cow market again this week. The lack of demand and erratic competition resulted in a wide ranging price spread for heavy well finished types. Well finished heavy cows made from 207c to 234c/kg. The bulk of the lean types sold from 150c to 215c/kg. Young plainer conditioned cows returning to the paddock ranged from 155c to 225c/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+	RS	C	2	26	280.0	368.2	335.5	8	-	-	-	554	774	699
				<b>26</b>	<b>280.0</b>	<b>368.2</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>554</b>	<b>774</b>	
<b>Vealer Steer</b>														
200-280		B	2	7	345.0	345.0	345.0	N/Q	639	639	639	845	845	845
		C	2	1	306.2	306.2	306.2	N/Q	578	578	578	842	842	842
	RS	C	2	62	309.2	376.0	342.0	29	-	-	-	671	865	781
280-330	RS	C	2	35	303.2	335.0	317.8	13	-	-	-	910	1018	951
		C	2	8	311.2	314.0	313.7	2	587	593	592	936	996	943
	FD	C	2	12	314.2	316.2	315.5	-2	-	-	-	974	1002	993
330+		B	2	12	312.0	326.0	317.4	-1	555	582	572	1127	1206	1171
	FD	B	2	5	317.6	317.6	317.6	1	-	-	-	1108	1108	1108
	FD	C	2	80	299.2	327.0	313.0	-9	-	-	-	1018	1239	1143
		C	2	1	310.0	310.0	310.0	N/Q	574	574	574	1271	1271	1271
				<b>223</b>	<b>299.2</b>	<b>376.0</b>			<b>555</b>	<b>639</b>		<b>671</b>	<b>1271</b>	
<b>Vealer Heifer</b>														
200-280	FD	B	2	2	294.0	294.0	294.0	N/Q	-	-	-	823	823	823
		C	2	4	285.0	301.0	289.0	-20	538	568	545	576	674	600
280-330		B	2	9	304.0	304.0	304.0	N/Q	563	563	563	970	970	970
		C	2	12	280.0	294.0	288.7	-18	528	544	539	827	947	900

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330+	FD	C	2	55	285.0	- 308.0	298.2	2	-			835	- 991	933
		B	2	20	309.0	- 320.0	314.9	2	572	- 604	588	1076	- 1190	1134
		C	2	14	292.0	- 310.0	302.9	3	541	- 574	561	1113	- 1159	1140
	FD	C	2	5	303.2	- 303.2	303.2	N/Q	-			1158	- 1158	1158
	FD	C	3	9	292.0	- 292.0	292.0	N/Q	-			1042	- 1042	1042
		C	3	10	300.0	- 310.0	304.0	4	556	- 574	563	1054	- 1170	1124
				<b>140</b>	<b>280.0</b>	<b>320.0</b>					<b>528</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>1190</b>
<b>Yearling Steer</b>														
200-280	FD	C	2	19	315.2	- 315.2	315.2	-6	-			864	- 864	864
	RS	C	2	93	276.2	- 347.2	315.1	-17	-			583	- 920	753
280-330	RS	C	2	33	285.0	- 335.0	307.7	10	-			827	- 1018	922
	FD	C	2	172	275.0	- 330.0	315.2	2	-			839	- 1086	981
	RS	D	2	3	255.0	- 255.0	255.0	-19	-			793	- 793	793
330-400	RS	C	2	12	317.2	- 335.6	331.0	23	-			1175	- 1240	1191
	FD	C	2	403	290.0	- 335.0	312.6	1	-			1012	- 1259	1130
		C	3	4	310.0	- 310.0	310.0	N/Q	574	- 574	574	1234	- 1234	1234
400+	FD	C	2	409	282.0	- 327.2	308.5	-5	-			1179	- 1518	1362
		C	2	3	250.0	- 260.0	253.3	-29	472	- 500	481	1144	- 1238	1206
	FD	C	3	4	299.2	- 299.2	299.2	-19	-			1212	- 1212	1212
		C	3	16	310.0	- 323.0	313.0	3	574	- 598	580	1262	- 1477	1412
				<b>1171</b>	<b>250.0</b>	<b>347.2</b>					<b>472</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>1518</b>
<b>Yearling Heifer</b>														
200-280	FD	C	2	14	276.2	- 280.0	278.4	-13	-			739	- 773	754
	RS	C	2	5	280.0	- 280.0	280.0	-25	-			638	- 638	638
280-330	RS	C	2	10	284.2	- 284.2	284.2	N/Q	-			892	- 892	892
	FD	C	2	94	270.0	- 304.2	290.9	-7	-			840	- 985	924
330-400	FD	C	2	211	285.0	- 304.2	292.1	-3	-			943	- 1172	1081
		C	2	9	300.0	- 300.0	300.0	N/Q	566	- 566	566	1047	- 1047	1047
		C	3	5	289.2	- 295.0	292.7	N/C	536	- 546	542	986	- 1165	1094
		D	3	3	240.0	- 240.0	240.0	N/Q	453	- 453	453	881	- 881	881
400+	FD	C	2	216	278.0	- 302.0	292.2	4	-			1163	- 1465	1250
		C	3	112	272.0	- 304.0	286.6	-3	504	- 563	531	1126	- 1394	1253
	FD	C	3	16	289.6	- 289.6	289.6	N/C	-			1239	- 1239	1239
		C	4	3	242.0	- 242.0	242.0	N/Q	448	- 448	448	1225	- 1225	1225
				<b>698</b>	<b>240.0</b>	<b>304.2</b>					<b>448</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>1465</b>
<b>Grown Steer</b>														
0-400	FD	C	3	7	290.0	- 298.2	293.5	N/Q	-			731	- 751	740
400-500	FD	C	3	5	270.0	- 288.2	277.3	N/Q	-			1196	- 1427	1288
500-600	FD	C	3	64	290.0	- 307.2	297.6	-5	-			1480	- 1749	1572
		C	3	42	260.0	- 294.0	283.5	-10	482	- 544	525	1313	- 1684	1598
600-750		C	4	90	255.0	- 295.2	272.2	-17	472	- 547	504	1581	- 2016	1756
				<b>208</b>	<b>255.0</b>	<b>307.2</b>					<b>472</b>	<b>547</b>	<b>731</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Grown Heifer</b>														
0-540	RS	C	2	2	280.2	- 280.2	280.2	N/Q	-			1435	- 1435	1435
	FD	C	3	13	278.0	- 278.0	278.0	N/Q	-			1209	- 1209	1209

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540+		C	3	19	246.2	- 250.2	248.7	-12	456	- 463	461	1128	- 1200	1172	
		D	3	52	226.0	- 245.0	240.7	4	454	- 502	470	915	- 1115	1062	
		RS	D	3	2	230.0	- 230.0	230.0	N/Q	-		1081	- 1081	1081	
			D	4	14	235.0	- 240.0	238.9	-28	443	- 453	448	1092	- 1260	1178
			C	2	5	272.0	- 272.0	272.0	N/Q	504	- 504	504	1540	- 1540	1540
			C	4	27	229.2	- 288.2	265.7	-5	424	- 534	492	1503	- 1989	1633
				<b>134</b>	<b>226.0</b>	<b>288.2</b>			<b>424</b>	<b>534</b>		<b>915</b>	<b>1989</b>		
<b>Manufacturing Steer</b>															
0-540		C	2	8	210.0	- 210.0	210.0	N/Q	404	- 404	404	664	- 664	664	
			D	3	8	215.0	- 215.0	215.0	-24	414	- 414	414	806	- 806	806
					<b>16</b>	<b>210.0</b>	<b>215.0</b>			<b>404</b>	<b>414</b>		<b>664</b>	<b>806</b>	
<b>Cows</b>															
0-400			D	1	6	140.0	- 145.0	144.2	-6	342	- 354	352	490	- 490	490
		RS	D	2	28	188.0	- 222.0	214.4	-5	-		541	- 870	794	
			D	3	3	170.0	- 170.0	170.0	N/Q	354	- 354	354	656	- 656	656
400-520		A	1	19	226.2	- 226.2	226.2	N/Q	452	- 452	452	1090	- 1090	1090	
		RS	D	1	35	155.0	- 211.0	190.0	-21	-		701	- 939	850	
			D	1	5	150.0	- 152.0	150.4	-3	366	- 371	367	638	- 684	647
			D	2	9	190.0	- 198.0	193.6	-10	432	- 450	440	901	- 925	914
		RS	D	2	21	166.0	- 225.2	198.0	-16	-		725	- 993	868	
		RS	D	3	23	200.0	- 206.0	205.2	-7	-		962	- 1028	1019	
			D	3	92	195.0	- 298.0	210.0	-10	406	- 621	438	901	- 1317	1032
520+			D	4	32	184.2	- 238.0	206.3	-22	410	- 458	432	849	- 1216	1026
			D	2	3	185.0	- 185.0	185.0	-14	421	- 421	421	999	- 999	999
			D	3	127	202.0	- 215.0	209.8	-7	421	- 448	436	1060	- 1315	1191
			D	4	353	207.2	- 234.2	219.1	-12	414	- 468	437	1199	- 1797	1376
					<b>756</b>	<b>140.0</b>	<b>298.0</b>			<b>342</b>	<b>621</b>		<b>490</b>	<b>1797</b>	
<b>Bulls</b>															
0-450		C	2	4	240.0	- 240.0	240.0	N/Q	444	- 444	444	876	- 924	900	
		RS	C	2	7	261.2	- 261.2	261.2	26	-		786	- 786	786	
			D	2	2	230.0	- 230.0	230.0	N/Q	426	- 426	426	955	- 955	955
450-600		C	2	2	240.2	- 240.2	240.2	N/Q	429	- 429	429	1225	- 1225	1225	
			D	2	1	236.2	- 236.2	236.2	N/Q	446	- 446	446	1275	- 1275	1275
				<b>16</b>	<b>230.0</b>	<b>261.2</b>			<b>426</b>	<b>446</b>		<b>786</b>	<b>1275</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 DP: Dorper

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