

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Gunnedah

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Yarding Change 1229
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A useful rain event over the weekend reduced numbers by 950 head. Vealers were well supplied, along with a fair supply of yearlings and cows. The quality of the offering was mostly good and there was a reasonable supply of well finished trade cattle. The usual buyers were in attendance.

Restocker and feedlot demand increased as did that for well finished trade cattle. All the steer vealers and most of the heifer vealers sold to restock and feed orders, with the market trend for steers dearer by 17c to 25c/kg. The heifer portion improved by 4c to 19c/kg. Medium and heavy yearling feeder steers were firm to 8c/kg dearer. 3 score medium and heavy trade steers were 12c to 20c/kg dearer with demand from all buyers high. The heifer yearlings to restock and feed saw similar trends to those of the steers, while the well finished trade heifers were 3c to 6c/kg dearer.

There was a small penning of well finished heavy grown steers that sold to a dearer trend, with price increases boosted by age related premiums. Well finished grown heifers also sold to a slightly dearer trend. There was strong competition from both processors and restockers for the plain condition cows, with 1 and 2 scores showing strong gains. The 3 and 4 score cows were slightly dearer improving by 3c to 4c/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 | C | 2 | 14 | 324.2 | - 339.2 | 334.9 | N/Q | - | - | - | 600 | - 678 | 656 |
| 200-280 | RS | C | 2 | 155 | 315.0 | - 340.2 | 329.3 | 33 | - | - | - | 683 | - 922 | 837 |
| 280-330 | RS | C | 2 | 75 | 321.2 | - 332.2 | 327.1 | 27 | - | - | - | 930 | - 1089 | 993 |
| 330+ | RS | C | 2 | 10 | 317.2 | - 317.2 | 317.2 | 7 | - | - | - | 1110 | - 1110 | 1110 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 70 | 319.2 | - 326.2 | 324.1 | 17 | - | - | - | 1069 | - 1168 | 1132 |
| | | | | 324 | 315.0 | 340.2 | | | 0 | 0 | | 600 | 1168 | |
| Vealer Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-200 | RS | C | 2 | 6 | 300.2 | - 300.2 | 300.2 | N/Q | - | - | - | 600 | - 600 | 600 |
| 200-280 | RS | C | 2 | 44 | 274.2 | - 302.2 | 286.0 | 14 | - | - | - | 644 | - 813 | 708 |
| | | C | 2 | 18 | 276.2 | - 296.2 | 284.8 | 11 | 531 | - 570 | 548 | 746 | - 773 | 754 |
| 280-330 | C | 2 | 6 | 292.2 | - 292.2 | 292.2 | -9 | 562 | - 562 | 562 | 847 | - 847 | 847 | |
| | | FD | C | 2 | 39 | 300.0 | - 300.2 | 300.1 | 6 | - | - | 856 | - 960 | 892 |
| | | RS | C | 2 | 25 | 292.2 | - 313.2 | 304.2 | 16 | - | - | 877 | - 1027 | 951 |
| 400+ | FD | C | 3 | 5 | 298.2 | - 298.2 | 298.2 | 3 | - | - | 969 | - 969 | 969 | |
| | | C | 3 | 2 | 310.0 | - 320.0 | 315.0 | N/Q | 585 | - 604 | 594 | 992 | - 1056 | 1024 |
| | | | | 145 | 274.2 | 320.0 | | | 531 | 604 | | 600 | 1056 | |
| Yearling Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 280-330 | RS | C | 2 | 69 | 295.0 | - 327.2 | 313.0 | 5 | - | - | - | 885 | - 990 | 960 |
| | | C | 3 | 1 | 315.2 | - 315.2 | 315.2 | N/Q | 584 | - 584 | 584 | 1040 | - 1040 | 1040 |
| 330-400 | C | 2 | 6 | 308.0 | - 314.2 | 313.2 | 33 | 592 | - 604 | 602 | 1109 | - 1257 | 1232 | |
| | | RS | C | 2 | 34 | 292.0 | - 318.2 | 305.1 | -5 | - | - | 993 | - 1082 | 1037 |
| | | FD | C | 2 | 83 | 280.0 | - 316.2 | 303.0 | N/C | - | - | 977 | - 1257 | 1148 |
| 400+ | C | 3 | 21 | 272.2 | - 318.2 | 314.4 | 18 | 504 | - 589 | 582 | 1034 | - 1248 | 1118 | |
| | | C | 2 | 1 | 295.0 | - 295.0 | 295.0 | N/Q | 546 | - 546 | 546 | 1269 | - 1269 | 1269 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 21 | 265.0 | - 295.0 | 289.3 | 1 | - | - | 1148 | - 1269 | 1244 | |

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| | | | | | Low | High | Avg | Change | Low | High | Avg | Low | High | Avg | |
| | FD | C | 3 | 4 | 292.2 | - 292.2 | 292.2 | -4 | - | | | | 1359 | - 1359 | 1359 |
| | | C | 3 | 26 | 284.2 | - 305.0 | 298.7 | 9 | 526 | - 565 | 550 | | 1251 | - 1516 | 1433 |
| | | | | 266 | 265.0 | 327.2 | | | 504 | 604 | | 885 | 1516 | | |
| Yearling Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 200-280 | | C | 2 | 1 | 240.2 | - 240.2 | 240.2 | N/Q | 462 | - 462 | 462 | | 673 | - 673 | 673 |
| 280-330 | | C | 2 | 1 | 290.0 | - 290.0 | 290.0 | N/Q | 558 | - 558 | 558 | | 914 | - 914 | 914 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 21 | 294.2 | - 294.2 | 294.2 | 17 | - | | | | 971 | - 971 | 971 |
| | RS | C | 2 | 7 | 263.2 | - 263.2 | 263.2 | N/Q | - | | | | 790 | - 790 | 790 |
| 330-400 | FD | C | 2 | 16 | 277.2 | - 300.0 | 284.3 | -1 | - | | | | 970 | - 1050 | 995 |
| | FD | C | 3 | 14 | 285.0 | - 292.2 | 290.1 | 9 | - | | | | 969 | - 1125 | 1080 |
| | | C | 3 | 23 | 265.0 | - 301.2 | 283.0 | -1 | 510 | - 558 | 539 | | 963 | - 1175 | 1053 |
| 400+ | | C | 3 | 1 | 299.2 | - 299.2 | 299.2 | N/Q | 554 | - 554 | 554 | | 1496 | - 1496 | 1496 |
| | | C | 4 | 5 | 288.2 | - 288.2 | 288.2 | 3 | 544 | - 544 | 544 | | 1297 | - 1297 | 1297 |
| | | | | 89 | 240.2 | 301.2 | | | 462 | 558 | | 673 | 1496 | | |
| Grown Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-400 | FD | C | 2 | 10 | 300.0 | - 300.0 | 300.0 | N/Q | - | | | | 1050 | - 1050 | 1050 |
| 400-500 | FD | C | 2 | 11 | 270.2 | - 270.2 | 270.2 | N/Q | - | | | | 1175 | - 1175 | 1175 |
| 500-600 | | C | 3 | 2 | 280.0 | - 290.2 | 285.1 | N/Q | 519 | - 537 | 528 | | 1512 | - 1596 | 1554 |
| | | C | 4 | 4 | 300.2 | - 300.2 | 300.2 | 17 | 546 | - 546 | 546 | | 1681 | - 1681 | 1681 |
| | | | | 27 | 270.2 | 300.2 | | | 519 | 546 | | 1050 | 1681 | | |
| Grown Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-540 | | C | 2 | 2 | 262.2 | - 262.2 | 262.2 | N/Q | 504 | - 504 | 504 | | 996 | - 996 | 996 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 25 | 265.2 | - 279.2 | 273.4 | 3 | - | | | | 941 | - 1104 | 1057 |
| | FD | C | 3 | 7 | 287.2 | - 287.2 | 287.2 | N/Q | - | | | | 1149 | - 1149 | 1149 |
| | | C | 3 | 8 | 260.0 | - 275.0 | 268.8 | 4 | 500 | - 529 | 517 | | 963 | - 1161 | 1121 |
| 540+ | | C | 3 | 3 | 278.2 | - 278.2 | 278.2 | N/Q | 525 | - 525 | 525 | | 1669 | - 1669 | 1669 |
| | | | | 45 | 260.0 | 287.2 | | | 500 | 529 | | 941 | 1669 | | |
| Cows | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-400 | | D | 1 | 9 | 154.2 | - 154.2 | 154.2 | 24 | 367 | - 367 | 367 | | 617 | - 617 | 617 |
| 400-520 | | D | 1 | 9 | 155.0 | - 168.2 | 162.3 | 16 | 369 | - 401 | 387 | | 651 | - 690 | 672 |
| | | D | 2 | 88 | 165.0 | - 203.2 | 184.9 | 14 | 367 | - 432 | 406 | | 693 | - 1016 | 866 |
| | RS | D | 2 | 7 | 188.2 | - 188.2 | 188.2 | 22 | - | | | | 790 | - 790 | 790 |
| | | D | 3 | 29 | 185.0 | - 205.0 | 188.7 | 4 | 385 | - 427 | 398 | | 814 | - 1025 | 947 |
| 520+ | | D | 2 | 4 | 182.0 | - 182.0 | 182.0 | 4 | 404 | - 404 | 404 | | 992 | - 992 | 992 |
| | | D | 3 | 58 | 185.0 | - 223.2 | 205.3 | 5 | 394 | - 450 | 427 | | 1034 | - 1339 | 1124 |
| | | D | 4 | 32 | 212.0 | - 224.2 | 218.8 | 8 | 436 | - 448 | 442 | | 1219 | - 1364 | 1298 |
| | | D | 5 | 9 | 195.0 | - 210.0 | 205.7 | 19 | 406 | - 438 | 429 | | 1260 | - 1443 | 1350 |
| | | | | 245 | 154.2 | 224.2 | | | 367 | 450 | | 617 | 1443 | | |
| Bulls | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-450 | | C | 2 | 6 | 210.0 | - 255.2 | 217.5 | N/Q | 404 | - 491 | 418 | | 714 | - 893 | 744 |
| | RS | D | 2 | 11 | 264.2 | - 264.2 | 264.2 | N/Q | - | | | | 687 | - 687 | 687 |
| 450-600 | | C | 2 | 5 | 219.2 | - 220.2 | 219.8 | -9 | 406 | - 408 | 407 | | 1019 | - 1145 | 1095 |
| 600+ | | B | 2 | 3 | 244.2 | - 260.2 | 253.5 | 17 | 436 | - 465 | 448 | | 2203 | - 2564 | 2396 |
| | | | | 25 | 210.0 | 264.2 | | | 404 | 491 | | 687 | 2564 | | |

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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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