

Feeder report - cattle

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Eastern States

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Prices across most categories declined by 5¢ and more in places as cattle supply continue to be buoyant. Heavy weight lines are still in good supply however rates have started to ease, especially through saleyards this week. Demand for heifers has also slipped by 5¢ to 11¢/kg and more in places which is considerably more than steers in recent weeks.

Domestic Paddock Sales

| Category | Weight Range | Dentition | Low Price c/kg (live) | High Price c/kg (live) | Average c/kg (live) | Trend |
|----------|--------------|-----------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------|
| Steers | 280-350 | 0 | 220 | 260 | 247 | -4 |
| Heifer | 280-350 | 0 | 205 | 240 | 228 | -5 |

Export Paddock Sales

| Category | Weight Range | Breed | Dentition | Low Price c/kg (live) | High Price c/kg (live) | Average c/kg (live) | Trend |
|---------------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------|
| Short Fed Steers (100-120 DOF) | 380-500 | Angus | 0-2 | 220 | 285 | 256 | -2 |
| | | Hereford | 0-2 | 250 | 250 | 250 | -3 |
| | | EU | 0-2 | 245 | 280 | 271 | -4 |
| Medium Fed Steers (120-220 DOF) | 360-460 | Angus | 0-2 | 220 | 285 | 257 | -2 |
| | | Hereford | 0-2 | 255 | 255 | 255 | -5 |
| | | Shorthorn | 0-2 | 255 | 255 | 255 | NC |
| Long Fed Steers (200 DOF +) | 300-420 | Angus | 0-2 | 250 | 285 | 265 | -2 |

Saleyard Prices

| Category | Weight Range | Muscle Score | Fat Score | Low Price c/kg (live) | High Price c/kg (live) | Average c/kg (live) | Trend |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------|
| Yearling Steer | 330-400 | C | 2 | 185 | 265 | 241 | -5 |
| | | C | 3 | 168 | 273 | 242 | -9 |
| | 400+ | C | 2 | 208 | 264 | 235 | -7 |
| | | C | 3 | 210 | 265 | 241 | -10 |
| Yearling Heifers | 330-400 | C | 2 | 170 | 236 | 212 | -11 |
| | | C | 3 | 185 | 247 | 218 | -7 |
| Grown Steer | 400-500 | C | 3 | 177 | 256 | 229 | -2 |

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