

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Dalby

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Values increased as supply continues to decline. The quality of the export classes was fair to good and a full panel of export buyers were in attendance and all were keen to purchase stock. The majority of the young cattle either sold to restockers or feeder operators with only a small percentage to the trade. Most of the young cattle generally sold to a dearer market, with restocker lines around 17c/kg better. Vealer heifers and lightweight yearling heifers to local and southern processors improved a further 3c, while a small selection of yearling categories suited to the local butcher market improved 8c to 14c/kg. Heavy yearling steers to feed averaged 8c dearer and the heifer portion improved 11c to 12c/kg. Heavy steers and bullocks to export slaughter sold to a market 5c to 8c dearer, and cow prices were generally firm to 2c/kg better.

Calves to the trade averaged 219c, while restocker lines made to 264.2c to average 233c/kg. A fair selection of vealer heifers mostly sold around 220c, with some to 228.2c/kg. Lightweight yearling steers to feed made to 235.2c to average 231c, and those returning to the paddock averaged 237c and made to 249.2c/kg. Medium weight yearling steers to feed averaged 198c and heavy feeders generally sold around 192c, with some to 200.2c/kg. Lightweight yearling heifers to slaughter averaged 212c and made to 221c, while restocker lines made to 224.2c/kg. A small selection of well presented lightweight lines sold to local butchers at 237.2c, and medium weight classes averaged 205c and made to 217.2c/kg. Heavy yearling heifers to feed averaged 187c and sold to 193.2c/kg.

Heavy steers to export slaughter averaged 183c and made to 189.2c/kg. A fair selection of bullocks made to 190.2c to average 8c dearer at 185c/kg. A handful of bullocks over 750 kg live weight made to 187.2c/kg to return \$1460/head.

Medium weight 2 score cows averaged 126c and 3 scores 137c/kg. Good heavy cows averaged 2c better at 155c with the occasional pen to 166.2c/kg. Heavy Bulls made to 169.2c/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+             | RS          | C            | 1         | 25   | 195.2            | - 226.2 | 208.5 | N/Q    | -                             |       |     | 264               | - 283 | 270 |
|                 | RS          | C            | 2         | 97   | 206.2            | - 264.2 | 233.8 | 1      | -                             |       |     | 225               | - 452 | 382 |
|                 |             | C            | 2         | 23   | 210.2            | - 226.2 | 219.5 | 12     | 397                           | - 427 | 414 | 374               | - 418 | 386 |
|                 |             |              |           | 145  | 195.2            | 264.2   | 227.2 |        | 397                           | 427   | 414 | 225               | 452   | 363 |
| Vealer Steer    |             |              |           |      |                  |         |       |        |                               |       |     |                   |       |     |
| 200-280         | RS          | C            | 2         | 50   | 235.0            | - 238.2 | 236.4 | N/Q    | -                             |       |     | 482               | - 536 | 505 |
|                 |             |              |           | 50   | 235.0            | 238.2   | 236.4 |        | 0                             | 0     |     | 482               | 536   | 505 |
| Vealer Heifer   |             |              |           |      |                  |         |       |        |                               |       |     |                   |       |     |
| 200-280         |             | C            | 2         | 65   | 216.2            | - 224.2 | 220.0 | 3      | 400                           | - 415 | 408 | 443               | - 594 | 482 |
|                 | RS          | C            | 2         | 16   | 218.2            | - 219.2 | 218.8 | N/Q    | -                             |       |     | 471               | - 491 | 479 |
| 280-330         |             | C            | 3         | 4    | 228.2            | - 228.2 | 228.2 | N/Q    | 423                           | - 423 | 423 | 673               | - 673 | 673 |
|                 |             |              |           | 85   | 216.2            | 228.2   | 220.2 |        | 400                           | 423   | 408 | 443               | 673   | 490 |
| Yearling Steer  |             |              |           |      |                  |         |       |        |                               |       |     |                   |       |     |
| 0-330           | FD          | C            | 2         | 104  | 212.2            | - 235.2 | 231.5 | 17     | -                             |       |     | 522               | - 627 | 551 |
|                 | RS          | C            | 2         | 96   | 223.2            | - 249.2 | 237.2 | 17     | -                             |       |     | 504               | - 548 | 531 |
|                 | RS          | D            | 2         | 3    | 192.2            | - 192.2 | 192.2 | 18     | -                             |       |     | 548               | - 548 | 548 |
| 330-400         | FD          | C            | 2         | 87   | 187.2            | - 222.2 | 198.5 | -3     | -                             |       |     | 637               | - 811 | 710 |
|                 | FD          | C            | 3         | 5    | 235.2            | - 235.2 | 235.2 | 28     | -                             |       |     | 788               | - 788 | 788 |
|                 | FD          | D            | 2         | 6    | 182.2            | - 182.2 | 182.2 | 9      | -                             |       |     | 665               | - 665 | 665 |
|                 | FD          | D            | 3         | 4    | 172.2            | - 172.2 | 172.2 | -7     | -                             |       |     | 646               | - 646 | 646 |
| 400+            | FD          | C            | 3         | 177  | 182.2            | - 200.2 | 192.2 | 5      | -                             |       |     | 779               | - 884 | 824 |

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|                            |             |              |           |            | Low              | High         | Avg          | Change | Low                           | High       | Avg        | Low               | High        | Avg         |
|                            |             | C            | 3         | 28         | 190.2            | - 208.2      | 198.0        | 8      | 346                           | - 379      | 360        | 815               | - 886       | 869         |
|                            | FD          | D            | 3         | 10         | 172.2            | - 172.2      | 172.2        | 6      |                               | -          |            | 732               | - 732       | 732         |
|                            |             |              |           | <b>520</b> | <b>172.2</b>     | <b>249.2</b> | <b>209.5</b> |        | <b>346</b>                    | <b>379</b> | <b>360</b> | <b>504</b>        | <b>886</b>  | <b>692</b>  |
| <b>Yearling Heifer</b>     |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |             |             |
| 0-330                      | FD          | C            | 2         | 38         | 190.0            | - 201.2      | 198.7        | N/C    |                               | -          |            | 422               | - 570       | 473         |
|                            | RS          | C            | 2         | 185        | 196.2            | - 224.2      | 216.0        | 2      |                               | -          |            | 454               | - 603       | 540         |
|                            |             | C            | 2         | 104        | 199.2            | - 221.2      | 212.6        | 1      | 369                           | - 410      | 394        | 482               | - 605       | 511         |
|                            |             | C            | 3         | 27         | 220.0            | - 237.2      | 228.0        | N/Q    | 407                           | - 439      | 422        | 670               | - 715       | 684         |
|                            |             | D            | 2         | 9          | 180.0            | - 194.2      | 184.1        | N/Q    | 333                           | - 360      | 341        | 369               | - 414       | 386         |
|                            | RS          | D            | 2         | 30         | 160.0            | - 195.2      | 186.4        | N/Q    |                               | -          |            | 360               | - 447       | 426         |
| 330-400                    | FD          | C            | 2         | 82         | 173.2            | - 194.2      | 185.3        | 10     |                               | -          |            | 607               | - 705       | 668         |
|                            | FD          | C            | 3         | 19         | 185.2            | - 203.2      | 189.6        | 12     |                               | -          |            | 676               | - 717       | 691         |
|                            |             | C            | 3         | 45         | 188.0            | - 217.2      | 205.2        | 14     | 348                           | - 402      | 380        | 686               | - 836       | 757         |
|                            | FD          | D            | 2         | 59         | 151.2            | - 169.2      | 163.7        | 7      |                               | -          |            | 540               | - 618       | 587         |
|                            | RS          | D            | 2         | 5          | 136.2            | - 136.2      | 136.2        | N/Q    |                               | -          |            | 497               | - 497       | 497         |
|                            | FD          | D            | 3         | 38         | 165.0            | - 175.2      | 172.2        | 15     |                               | -          |            | 602               | - 657       | 635         |
|                            |             | D            | 3         | 11         | 170.0            | - 170.2      | 170.0        | N/Q    | 315                           | - 315      | 315        | 604               | - 638       | 631         |
| 400+                       | GF          | C            | 3         | 5          | 218.2            | - 218.2      | 218.2        | N/Q    | 404                           | - 404      | 404        | 927               | - 927       | 927         |
|                            |             | C            | 3         | 32         | 180.2            | - 207.2      | 190.4        | 14     | 334                           | - 384      | 353        | 784               | - 1007      | 896         |
|                            | FD          | C            | 3         | 78         | 176.2            | - 193.2      | 187.8        | 11     |                               | -          |            | 746               | - 843       | 792         |
|                            |             | D            | 3         | 2          | 165.0            | - 165.0      | 165.0        | N/Q    | 306                           | - 306      | 306        | 701               | - 701       | 701         |
|                            |             | D            | 4         | 5          | 152.2            | - 152.2      | 152.2        | N/Q    | 298                           | - 298      | 298        | 829               | - 829       | 829         |
|                            |             |              |           | <b>774</b> | <b>136.2</b>     | <b>237.2</b> | <b>197.3</b> |        | <b>298</b>                    | <b>439</b> | <b>381</b> | <b>360</b>        | <b>1007</b> | <b>616</b>  |
| <b>Grown Steer</b>         |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |             |             |
| 400-500                    |             | C            | 3         | 3          | 169.2            | - 169.2      | 169.2        | N/Q    | 308                           | - 308      | 308        | 821               | - 821       | 821         |
|                            | FD          | C            | 3         | 45         | 170.0            | - 193.2      | 180.9        | 4      |                               | -          |            | 740               | - 829       | 799         |
|                            |             | C            | 4         | 7          | 175.0            | - 179.2      | 176.2        | N/C    | 318                           | - 326      | 320        | 849               | - 869       | 855         |
| 500-600                    |             | C            | 3         | 81         | 167.2            | - 178.0      | 173.2        | 9      | 299                           | - 324      | 314        | 925               | - 1010      | 976         |
|                            |             | C            | 4         | 171        | 176.2            | - 189.2      | 183.8        | 5      | 315                           | - 338      | 328        | 946               | - 1119      | 1026        |
| 600-750                    |             | C            | 3         | 39         | 169.2            | - 178.2      | 172.7        | 1      | 308                           | - 324      | 314        | 1064              | - 1193      | 1115        |
|                            |             | C            | 4         | 288        | 178.2            | - 190.2      | 185.2        | 8      | 318                           | - 340      | 331        | 1114              | - 1389      | 1205        |
| 750+                       |             | C            | 4         | 11         | 183.2            | - 187.2      | 185.0        | N/Q    | 327                           | - 334      | 330        | 1413              | - 1466      | 1428        |
|                            |             |              |           | <b>645</b> | <b>167.2</b>     | <b>193.2</b> | <b>182.1</b> |        | <b>299</b>                    | <b>340</b> | <b>326</b> | <b>740</b>        | <b>1466</b> | <b>1093</b> |
| <b>Grown Heifer</b>        |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |             |             |
| 0-540                      |             | C            | 4         | 28         | 168.2            | - 180.2      | 175.2        | N/Q    | 317                           | - 340      | 333        | 782               | - 964       | 915         |
|                            | RS          | D            | 2         | 4          | 138.2            | - 138.2      | 138.2        | 4      |                               | -          |            | 532               | - 532       | 532         |
| 540+                       |             | C            | 3         | 12         | 175.0            | - 175.0      | 175.0        | N/Q    | 330                           | - 330      | 330        | 954               | - 954       | 954         |
|                            |             | C            | 4         | 60         | 172.2            | - 180.2      | 175.8        | 8      | 325                           | - 340      | 332        | 973               | - 1042      | 1005        |
|                            |             |              |           | <b>104</b> | <b>138.2</b>     | <b>180.2</b> | <b>174.1</b> |        | <b>317</b>                    | <b>340</b> | <b>332</b> | <b>532</b>        | <b>1042</b> | <b>957</b>  |
| <b>Manufacturing Steer</b> |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |             |             |
| 540+                       |             | C            | 3         | 13         | 160.0            | - 160.0      | 160.0        | -4     | 291                           | - 291      | 291        | 1440              | - 1440      | 1440        |
|                            |             | C            | 4         | 21         | 164.2            | - 167.2      | 164.8        | -2     | 299                           | - 304      | 300        | 1254              | - 1297      | 1275        |
|                            |             | D            | 5         | 4          | 161.2            | - 161.2      | 161.2        | N/Q    | 293                           | - 293      | 293        | 1048              | - 1048      | 1048        |
|                            |             |              |           | <b>38</b>  | <b>160.0</b>     | <b>167.2</b> | <b>162.8</b> |        | <b>291</b>                    | <b>304</b> | <b>296</b> | <b>1048</b>       | <b>1440</b> | <b>1308</b> |
| <b>Cows</b>                |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |             |             |

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|-----------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|------|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------------|-------------|------------|
|                 |             |              |           |      | Low              | High         | Avg          | Change       | Low                           | High       | Avg        | Low               | High        | Avg        |
| 0-400           |             | D            | 1         | 12   | 100.0            | - 121.2      | 114.1        | N/Q          | 278                           | - 337      | 317        | 395               | - 479       | 451        |
|                 | RS          | D            | 1         | 50   | 121.2            | - 155.2      | 148.4        | 35           |                               | -          |            | 479               | - 613       | 586        |
| 400-520         | RS          | D            | 1         | 36   | 130.2            | - 138.2      | 134.3        | 6            |                               | -          |            | 566               | - 602       | 583        |
|                 |             | D            | 1         | 22   | 112.2            | - 124.2      | 115.4        | -3           | 312                           | - 345      | 321        | 488               | - 540       | 502        |
|                 |             | D            | 2         | 29   | 116.2            | - 134.2      | 125.9        | -5           | 277                           | - 320      | 300        | 505               | - 678       | 583        |
|                 | RS          | D            | 2         | 10   | 122.2            | - 134.2      | 130.6        | -10          |                               | -          |            | 568               | - 584       | 579        |
|                 |             | D            | 3         | 79   | 132.0            | - 144.2      | 137.5        | N/C          | 269                           | - 294      | 281        | 574               | - 675       | 641        |
|                 |             | D            | 4         | 56   | 141.2            | - 152.2      | 145.2        | -1           | 277                           | - 298      | 285        | 628               | - 753       | 691        |
| 520+            |             | C            | 3         | 10   | 153.2            | - 155.2      | 154.5        | N/Q          | 306                           | - 310      | 309        | 820               | - 931       | 837        |
|                 | DA          | D            | 1         | 3    | 122.0            | - 122.0      | 122.0        | N/Q          | 339                           | - 339      | 339        | 653               | - 653       | 653        |
|                 | DA          | D            | 2         | 2    | 131.2            | - 131.2      | 131.2        | N/Q          | 312                           | - 312      | 312        | 702               | - 702       | 702        |
|                 |             | D            | 3         | 47   | 135.2            | - 148.2      | 142.0        | 2            | 276                           | - 322      | 292        | 723               | - 863       | 778        |
|                 |             | D            | 4         | 80   | 148.2            | - 166.2      | 155.1        | 2            | 291                           | - 326      | 304        | 793               | - 1197      | 868        |
|                 |             | D            | 5         | 2    | 145.0            | - 145.0      | 145.0        | N/Q          | 296                           | - 296      | 296        | 863               | - 863       | 863        |
|                 |             |              |           |      | <b>438</b>       | <b>100.0</b> | <b>166.2</b> | <b>140.8</b> | <b>269</b>                    | <b>345</b> | <b>295</b> | <b>395</b>        | <b>1197</b> | <b>681</b> |
| <b>Bulls</b>    |             |              |           |      |                  |              |              |              |                               |            |            |                   |             |            |
| 0-450           | FD          | C            | 2         | 15   | 165.2            | - 170.0      | 168.4        | N/Q          |                               | -          |            | 603               | - 621       | 615        |
|                 |             | C            | 2         | 5    | 200.2            | - 200.2      | 200.2        | N/Q          | 364                           | - 364      | 364        | 460               | - 460       | 460        |
|                 | RS          | C            | 2         | 10   | 184.2            | - 204.2      | 196.2        | 20           |                               | -          |            | 378               | - 433       | 400        |
|                 | RS          | C            | 3         | 7    | 175.2            | - 190.2      | 183.8        | 14           |                               | -          |            | 639               | - 694       | 671        |
|                 | FD          | C            | 3         | 22   | 164.2            | - 170.2      | 167.4        | 1            |                               | -          |            | 603               | - 740       | 698        |
| 450-600         | FD          | C            | 3         | 4    | 165.2            | - 165.2      | 165.2        | 1            |                               | -          |            | 752               | - 752       | 752        |
|                 |             | C            | 3         | 2    | 146.2            | - 146.2      | 146.2        | N/Q          | 261                           | - 261      | 261        | 694               | - 694       | 694        |
| 600+            |             | C            | 2         | 9    | 117.2            | - 123.2      | 121.2        | -8           | 213                           | - 224      | 220        | 733               | - 770       | 758        |
|                 |             | C            | 3         | 30   | 140.2            | - 169.2      | 154.9        | -14          | 250                           | - 302      | 277        | 876               | - 1588      | 1101       |
|                 |             |              |           |      | <b>104</b>       | <b>117.2</b> | <b>204.2</b> | <b>164.9</b> | <b>213</b>                    | <b>364</b> | <b>274</b> | <b>378</b>        | <b>1588</b> | <b>767</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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