

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Roma Prime

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Yarding Change <sup>1518</sup>  
-519

comparison date 16/02/2012

A large number of the cattle penned were from the Maranoa and Balonne district with a few consignments from central west Queensland. All the usual buyers were in attendance, but the major processors appeared more reserved when buying heavy bullocks. Overall, most bullocks were few and far between in the yarding and sold around 182c/kg to be a touch softer with losses up to 2c/kg on average. Grown heifers continued to find solid competition and held firm in price. Heavy cows were mostly firm to a shade easier, while some good lines of medium weight cows were fully firm in price. A good yarding of bulls attracted plenty of processor competition and gained 4c/kg on average.

A small sample of heavy weight yearling heifers to the trade averaged 176c, up 3c/kg. Medium weight grown steers reached 185c and averaged 183c, down 2c, while good bullocks topped at 184c and most sold to around 182c, down 2c/kg. A good sample of grown heifers earned to 180c and averaged 172c to 173c/kg, unchanged in price. Heavy weight grown heifers also hit 180c and averaged 175c, up 10c/kg.

Medium weight 3 score cows made to 153c and averaged 147c, up 1c, while medium weight 4 score cows sold to 165c and averaged 157c, up 1c/kg. Heavy weight 3 score cows reached 158c and averaged 148c, up 1c/kg, while good heavy 4 score cows made to 176c to return \$1189/head, but most sold to around 159c, down 1c. Heavy bulls topped at 179c and averaged 169c, up 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
Yearling Heifer														
400+	C	3	12		176.2	- 176.2	176.2	3	326	- 326	326	916	- 916	916
	D	4	25		170.0	- 170.0	170.0	7	315	- 315	315	833	- 833	833
			37		170.0	176.2	172.0		315	326	319	833	916	860
Grown Steer														
400-500	C	3	5		181.2	- 181.2	181.2	3	330	- 330	330	906	- 906	906
	D	3	5		160.0	- 160.0	160.0	-6	291	- 291	291	720	- 720	720
500-600	C	4	166		177.2	- 185.2	183.0	-2	322	- 337	333	975	- 1087	1047
	D	3	3		175.2	- 175.2	175.2	N/Q	319	- 319	319	1051	- 1051	1051
	D	4	16		166.2	- 178.0	173.6	-4	302	- 324	316	914	- 979	955
600-750	C	4	123		178.0	- 184.2	182.4	-2	324	- 335	332	1121	- 1216	1168
	D	4	56		172.2	- 177.6	175.1	-7	313	- 323	318	1110	- 1286	1143
			374		160.0	185.2	180.8		291	337	329	720	1286	1091
Grown Heifer														
0-540	D	3	12		158.0	- 158.0	158.0	-9	293	- 293	293	822	- 822	822
	D	4	190		166.2	- 180.0	172.5	N/C	308	- 333	320	722	- 936	853
540+	D	4	66		170.2	- 180.2	174.7	10	315	- 334	324	936	- 1021	973
			268		158.0	180.2	172.4		293	334	319	722	1021	881
Cows														
400-520	D	2	11		124.2	- 128.0	127.3	14	261	- 270	263	614	- 621	616
	D	3	98		135.0	- 153.2	147.2	1	276	- 313	300	675	- 797	750
	D	4	240		155.2	- 165.0	157.1	1	304	- 324	308	776	- 838	795
	D	5	11		141.2	- 141.2	141.2	N/Q	288	- 288	288	706	- 706	706
520+	D	3	43		135.0	- 158.2	147.6	1	276	- 316	301	709	- 870	793
	D	4	216		155.0	- 176.2	159.3	-1	299	- 346	312	815	- 1189	884

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
<b>Bulls</b>		D	5	17	148.2	- 148.2	148.2	N/Q	302	- 302	302	815	- 815	815
				<b>636</b>	<b>124.2</b>	<b>176.2</b>	<b>154.7</b>		<b>261</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>614</b>	<b>1189</b>	<b>814</b>
450-600		C	3	19	153.2	- 176.2	169.1	1	274	- 315	302	766	- 969	908
		D	2	1	123.2	- 123.2	123.2	N/Q	220	- 220	220	678	- 678	678
		D	3	6	150.2	- 150.2	150.2	30	268	- 268	268	751	- 751	751
600+		C	3	42	146.2	- 179.2	168.6	4	261	- 320	301	950	- 1577	1180
		D	3	1	128.0	- 128.0	128.0	N/Q	229	- 229	229	960	- 960	960
				<b>69</b>	<b>123.2</b>	<b>179.2</b>	<b>165.9</b>		<b>220</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>1577</b>	<b>1057</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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