

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Roma Store

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Yarding Change 6150  
3350

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Numbers jumped 45 percent week-on-week as the flow of Western cattle returns to normal after the recent high rainfall and flooding across a wide area of inland Queensland.

A large number of restocker buyers were present at the sale and most categories of steers improved 2c/kg to 16c/kg in price on average. A noticeable change was the increased numbers of northern New South Wales buyers present in the buying gallery who were eager to secure cattle to return to the paddock. All the usual feedlot buyers were present and operating. Heavy weight feeder steers maintained the previous sale prices, while medium weight yearling heifers to a local feedlot improved 6c/kg. Light weight yearling heifers found plenty of restocker demand, but those going to feedlots for backgrounding were mixed in quality and dropped up to 6c/kg on average. Grown steers averaged 189c/kg, while processors bought grown heifers for an average of 163c/kg. Cows found more competition with restockers willing to pay a premium for good, young breeders.

A few calves sold to 254c/kg, while light weight yearling steers returned to the paddock at a high of 246c and averaged 225c, up 2c/kg. Medium weight yearling steers to restocker buyers hit 230c and averaged 211c, while feedlot buyers paid to 218c and averaged 206c, up 16c/kg. Heavy weight yearling steers to feed reached 197c and averaged 191c, unchanged on last store sale.

Majority of the light weight yearling heifers sold to restockers for up to 244c and averaged 222c, while those to feedlot buyers sold for up to 200c and averaged 197c, down 6c/kg. Medium weight yearling heifers to feed earned to 196c and averaged around 196c, up 6c/kg. Heavy weight yearling heifers to feed averaged 188c, up 3c/kg.

Grown steers sold to 193c and averaged 189c, up 8c/kg, while grown heifers reached 168c and averaged 163c/kg. Medium weight 2 score cows averaged 128c, while medium weight 3 score cows topped at 159c and averaged 154c, up 4c/kg. The medium weight 4 score cows made to 185c and averaged 167c, up 5c/kg, meanwhile, heavy weight 4 score cows topped at 170c and averaged 167c, up 4c/kg. Cows and calves sold to \$1300/unit and averaged \$1067.

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+		C	2	9	254.2	- 254.2	254.2	N/Q	462	- 462	462	381	- 381	381
				<b>9</b>	<b>254.2</b>	<b>254.2</b>	<b>254.2</b>		<b>462</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>381</b>
<b>Yearling Steer</b>														
0-330	FD	C	2	40	200.0	- 209.2	201.2	-12	-	-	-	523	- 660	643
	RS	C	2	1054	195.2	- 246.2	225.3	2	-	-	-	492	- 717	641
	FD	C	3	14	229.2	- 229.2	229.2	35	-	-	-	756	- 756	756
	RS	C	3	180	210.2	- 231.2	219.6	-5	-	-	-	673	- 763	719
	RS	D	2	3	182.2	- 182.2	182.2	-7	-	-	-	456	- 456	456
330-400	RS	C	2	19	204.2	- 204.2	204.2	-9	-	-	-	694	- 694	694
	RS	C	3	688	192.2	- 230.2	210.6	N/C	-	-	-	680	- 813	757
	FD	C	3	401	181.2	- 218.2	205.6	16	-	-	-	707	- 841	788
	RS	D	3	10	194.2	- 194.2	194.2	N/Q	-	-	-	680	- 680	680
		D	3	5	170.0	- 170.0	170.0	N/Q	309	- 309	309	595	- 595	595
400+		C	3	12	183.2	- 183.2	183.2	N/Q	333	- 333	333	1008	- 1008	1008
	FD	C	3	508	180.0	- 197.2	191.0	N/C	-	-	-	729	- 958	862
	RS	C	3	39	190.0	- 203.2	198.5	N/Q	-	-	-	798	- 853	834
		C	4	17	189.2	- 189.2	189.2	N/Q	344	- 344	344	1078	- 1078	1078
				<b>2990</b>	<b>170.0</b>	<b>246.2</b>	<b>211.7</b>		<b>309</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>1078</b>	<b>737</b>
<b>Yearling Heifer</b>														
0-330	RS	C	2	581	200.2	- 244.2	221.8	N/Q	-	-	-	426	- 645	548
	FD	C	2	60	190.0	- 200.2	197.3	-6	-	-	-	470	- 599	507

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		C	2	184	177.2	- 216.2	205.5	-9	328	- 400	381	470	- 551	511
	FD	C	3	77	198.2	- 198.2	198.2	N/Q	-			654	- 654	654
		D	2	48	190.2	- 197.2	195.4	15	352	- 365	362	380	- 569	527
	RS	D	2	100	172.2	- 198.2	192.9	16	-			465	- 611	566
	FD	D	2	80	195.0	- 195.0	195.0	N/C	-			575	- 585	580
	FD	D	3	108	191.2	- 198.2	196.4	-1	-			612	- 634	628
		D	3	27	175.0	- 175.0	175.0	N/Q	324	- 324	324	516	- 516	516
330-400	RS	C	3	38	203.2	- 203.2	203.2	N/Q	-			711	- 711	711
		C	3	25	184.2	- 184.2	184.2	N/Q	341	- 341	341	691	- 691	691
	FD	C	3	194	196.2	- 196.2	196.2	6	-			746	- 746	746
	RS	D	3	32	174.0	- 174.0	174.0	N/Q	-			609	- 609	609
		D	3	139	174.2	- 179.2	177.2	17	323	- 332	328	584	- 708	635
	FD	D	3	60	190.2	- 195.2	194.0	3	-			683	- 694	686
400+	FD	D	3	52	188.2	- 188.2	188.2	3	-			847	- 856	852
				<b>1805</b>	<b>172.2</b>	<b>244.2</b>	<b>202.8</b>		<b>323</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>856</b>	<b>601</b>
<b>Grown Steer</b>														
500-600		C	4	81	185.2	- 193.2	189.0	8	337	- 351	344	954	- 1159	1032
				<b>81</b>	<b>185.2</b>	<b>193.2</b>	<b>189.0</b>		<b>337</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>1159</b>	<b>1032</b>
<b>Grown Heifer</b>														
0-540		D	3	188	146.2	- 168.2	163.4	N/Q	298	- 337	328	585	- 673	654
	FD	D	3	35	180.2	- 180.2	180.2	N/Q	-			901	- 901	901
	RS	D	3	20	196.2	- 196.2	196.2	N/Q	-			893	- 893	893
	RS	D	4	20	173.2	- 173.2	173.2	N/Q	-			866	- 866	866
		D	4	18	175.2	- 175.2	175.2	N/Q	324	- 324	324	911	- 911	911
540+		D	4	8	175.0	- 175.0	175.0	10	324	- 324	324	963	- 963	963
				<b>289</b>	<b>146.2</b>	<b>196.2</b>	<b>169.4</b>		<b>298</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>963</b>	<b>739</b>
<b>Cows</b>														
0-400		D	2	6	110.0	- 110.0	110.0	N/Q	239	- 239	239	440	- 440	440
		D	3	27	146.2	- 146.2	146.2	N/Q	298	- 298	298	585	- 585	585
400-520		D	2	23	128.2	- 128.2	128.2	N/Q	279	- 279	279	526	- 538	533
	RS	D	3	84	190.2	- 192.2	191.3	N/Q	-			951	- 961	957
		D	3	189	130.0	- 159.2	154.1	4	265	- 325	315	585	- 796	768
	RS	D	4	5	176.2	- 176.2	176.2	N/Q	-			881	- 881	881
		D	4	249	161.2	- 185.2	166.9	5	316	- 363	327	806	- 927	835
520+		D	3	11	153.2	- 153.2	153.2	-4	313	- 313	313	812	- 812	812
		D	4	85	166.2	- 170.2	167.0	4	326	- 334	327	881	- 936	895
				<b>679</b>	<b>110.0</b>	<b>192.2</b>	<b>163.6</b>		<b>239</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>815</b>
<b>Bulls</b>														
0-450		C	2	27	177.2	- 242.2	218.1	24	316	- 433	390	509	- 620	550
	RS	C	2	1	195.2	- 195.2	195.2	N/Q	-			683	- 683	683
		C	3	3	165.0	- 165.0	165.0	N/Q	295	- 295	295	660	- 660	660
600+		C	3	3	174.2	- 174.2	174.2	2	311	- 311	311	1132	- 1132	1132
				<b>34</b>	<b>165.0</b>	<b>242.2</b>	<b>208.9</b>		<b>295</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>1132</b>	<b>615</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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