

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Pakenham

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Yarding Change <sup>894</sup>  
-979

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A dramatic drop in numbers saw only 650 trade cattle and 240 grown steers yarded, with most buyers in attendance. This was due to producers hanging onto stock after the drop in the last sales cheaper prices, but this ground was mostly reclaimed with prices in most categories improving.

In the trade draft, prices were 8c to 15c dearer, with medium and heavy weight C2 vealers making from 197c to 235c and B2 lots topping at 254c/kg. Quality varied in the yearling pens, with heavy C3 steers making from 182c to 211c averaging 201c to be up to 11c/kg dearer. Restockers and feeders were active on the lines with less finish, paying from 175c to 210c/kg.

Numbers in the grown steer pens were down significantly to only 240 head, with the better quality medium and heavy weight C3 lots making from 180c to 200c to average 192c or 8c/kg dearer. One pen of B3 steers made 206c/kg. Grown heifers were generally plain in quality, making from 144c to 175c for D3 and D4 lines, averaging 156c/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
<b>Vealer Steer</b>														
200-280		B	2	3	230.0	- 252.0	244.7	N/Q	418	- 450	439	644	- 706	685
		C	2	17	185.6	- 222.0	195.9	7	346	- 411	364	427	- 599	516
	RS	D	3	1	181.0	- 181.0	181.0	N/Q	-	-	-	453	- 453	453
		D	3	7	176.0	- 196.0	191.1	N/Q	326	- 363	354	458	- 529	511
280-330		B	2	21	205.6	- 254.6	236.3	27	374	- 455	427	637	- 827	760
		C	2	33	192.2	- 230.0	214.8	18	356	- 418	396	557	- 736	673
	RS	C	2	30	197.6	- 210.6	207.3	11	-	-	-	613	- 674	665
	FD	C	2	3	211.6	- 211.6	211.6	13	-	-	-	698	- 698	698
		C	3	1	196.0	- 196.0	196.0	N/Q	363	- 363	363	647	- 647	647
	RS	D	2	4	165.0	- 182.6	170.7	N/Q	-	-	-	479	- 566	504
	RS	D	3	1	175.0	- 175.0	175.0	N/Q	-	-	-	543	- 543	543
	D	3	1	185.0	- 185.0	185.0	N/Q	349	- 349	349	537	- 537	537	
330+		B	2	27	206.6	- 247.6	231.5	N/Q	376	- 450	420	702	- 914	821
		C	2	33	194.6	- 229.6	208.4	8	360	- 425	386	662	- 850	716
	RS	C	2	3	195.0	- 196.2	195.8	1	-	-	-	687	- 702	692
		C	3	4	196.0	- 235.0	211.5	-5	363	- 427	390	745	- 799	775
	RS	C	3	4	192.0	- 192.0	192.0	N/Q	-	-	-	730	- 730	730
		D	3	1	175.0	- 175.0	175.0	N/Q	330	- 330	330	648	- 648	648
				<b>194</b>	<b>165.0</b>	<b>254.6</b>	<b>212.5</b>		<b>326</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>687</b>
<b>Vealer Heifer</b>														
200-280		C	2	2	210.0	- 215.0	212.5	N/Q	389	- 398	394	581	- 588	584
		D	2	2	155.0	- 155.0	155.0	N/C	287	- 287	287	372	- 372	372
	RS	D	2	16	159.6	- 177.2	166.2	N/Q	-	-	-	447	- 478	459
		D	3	5	170.0	- 175.0	173.0	21	321	- 330	326	476	- 490	484
280-330		B	2	10	225.0	- 244.0	235.9	N/Q	417	- 444	431	698	- 756	731
		C	2	39	192.0	- 226.0	211.7	21	356	- 411	391	557	- 733	677
	RS	C	2	2	190.0	- 190.0	190.0	N/Q	-	-	-	570	- 570	570

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	RS	D	2	2	157.6	- 173.2	165.4	N/Q	-			457	- 520	488
	RS	D	3	8	192.6	- 192.6	192.6	39	-			616	- 616	616
		D	3	7	185.0	- 195.0	189.1	11	343	- 361	351	537	- 597	579
330+		C	2	27	190.0	- 229.0	208.7	N/C	352	- 424	387	646	- 779	727
		C	3	3	208.6	- 211.6	210.1	3	386	- 392	389	772	- 783	777
		D	3	8	182.0	- 195.6	190.6	2	337	- 362	353	619	- 704	663
	RS	D	3	1	185.0	- 185.0	185.0	N/Q	-			629	- 629	629
				<b>132</b>	<b>155.0</b>	<b>244.0</b>	<b>200.2</b>		<b>287</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>639</b>
<b>Yearling Steer</b>														
0-330		C	2	1	190.0	- 190.0	190.0	N/Q	352	- 352	352	608	- 608	608
330-400		C	2	15	189.6	- 217.6	205.0	21	358	- 403	381	704	- 870	788
	RS	C	2	11	181.0	- 196.2	187.7	19	-			652	- 764	695
		C	3	1	196.6	- 196.6	196.6	N/Q	364	- 364	364	747	- 747	747
	RS	C	3	1	188.6	- 188.6	188.6	N/Q	-			736	- 736	736
	RS	D	2	1	174.6	- 174.6	174.6	N/Q	-			646	- 646	646
		D	3	1	185.2	- 185.2	185.2	N/Q	349	- 349	349	648	- 648	648
400+		B	2	1	232.6	- 232.6	232.6	N/Q	423	- 423	423	977	- 977	977
		C	2	10	186.0	- 219.6	201.8	34	344	- 407	374	828	- 917	885
	RS	C	2	3	190.0	- 190.0	190.0	12	-			798	- 798	798
		C	3	35	182.0	- 211.6	201.4	11	337	- 392	373	830	- 1056	938
	RS	C	3	14	195.0	- 195.0	195.0	N/Q	-			917	- 917	917
		D	3	1	176.0	- 176.0	176.0	N/Q	332	- 332	332	933	- 933	933
				<b>95</b>	<b>174.6</b>	<b>232.6</b>	<b>198.4</b>		<b>332</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>608</b>	<b>1056</b>	<b>860</b>
<b>Yearling Heifer</b>														
330-400		C	2	6	195.0	- 202.0	197.3	20	361	- 374	365	702	- 727	710
		D	2	4	144.6	- 150.0	146.1	2	278	- 283	280	508	- 540	529
	RS	D	3	10	172.0	- 185.6	173.4	N/Q	-			671	- 687	672
		D	3	19	150.0	- 195.0	182.4	22	283	- 365	342	525	- 747	686
400+		C	2	2	180.6	- 200.0	190.3	N/Q	334	- 370	352	813	- 860	836
		C	3	17	215.0	- 215.0	215.0	32	398	- 398	398	968	- 968	968
		D	2	1	135.0	- 135.0	135.0	N/Q	260	- 260	260	621	- 621	621
		D	3	31	185.0	- 199.6	189.8	24	337	- 370	350	833	- 898	868
		D	4	18	180.0	- 195.0	193.6	32	340	- 361	359	811	- 878	856
				<b>108</b>	<b>135.0</b>	<b>215.0</b>	<b>189.9</b>		<b>260</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>968</b>	<b>808</b>
<b>Grown Steer</b>														
400-500		C	2	2	175.0	- 182.0	178.5	N/Q	324	- 343	334	855	- 858	856
	RS	C	2	5	170.0	- 170.0	170.0	-3	-			765	- 765	765
		C	3	14	185.0	- 198.0	194.3	N/Q	343	- 367	360	925	- 970	957
	RS	D	3	4	152.2	- 180.0	170.6	19	-			715	- 882	789
500-600		B	3	17	206.0	- 206.0	206.0	N/Q	375	- 375	375	1154	- 1154	1154
	RS	C	2	1	188.6	- 188.6	188.6	N/Q	-			981	- 981	981
		C	2	2	179.6	- 187.2	183.4	N/Q	339	- 353	346	916	- 973	945
		C	3	125	182.6	- 200.0	192.2	8	338	- 370	356	938	- 1121	1053
		C	4	4	185.6	- 186.6	186.4	3	344	- 346	345	1095	- 1101	1099
600-750		C	3	22	177.6	- 192.0	186.5	11	329	- 356	346	1083	- 1259	1213

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		C	4	37	162.6	- 190.0	183.2	4	307	- 352	341	1138	- 1339	1259
				<b>233</b>	<b>152.2</b>	<b>206.0</b>	<b>190.2</b>		<b>307</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>715</b>	<b>1339</b>	<b>1089</b>
<b>Grown Heifer</b>														
0-540		C	3	1	179.6	- 179.6	179.6	N/Q	333	- 333	333	934	- 934	934
		D	2	21	132.0	- 140.6	136.7	4	264	- 276	268	562	- 660	606
		D	3	21	144.0	- 175.0	155.8	-13	277	- 330	300	613	- 858	697
		D	4	13	155.0	- 173.6	157.4	6	298	- 322	302	656	- 804	717
		D	5	3	142.6	- 142.6	142.6	N/Q	269	- 269	269	770	- 770	770
540+		D	4	2	138.6	- 138.6	138.6	N/Q	272	- 272	272	804	- 804	804
				<b>61</b>	<b>132.0</b>	<b>179.6</b>	<b>148.8</b>		<b>264</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>934</b>	<b>681</b>
<b>Manufacturing Steer</b>														
0-540		D	2	2	133.6	- 155.6	144.6	N/Q	262	- 299	281	655	- 762	709
		D	3	9	150.0	- 172.6	162.3	9	289	- 326	307	675	- 846	759
540+		C	5	7	157.6	- 165.0	159.7	-5	292	- 306	296	1106	- 1292	1239
		C	6	1	138.6	- 138.6	138.6	N/Q	257	- 257	257	1234	- 1234	1234
				<b>19</b>	<b>133.6</b>	<b>172.6</b>	<b>158.3</b>		<b>257</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>655</b>	<b>1292</b>	<b>955</b>
<b>Bulls</b>														
0-450		B	2	1	186.0	- 186.0	186.0	N/Q	338	- 338	338	651	- 651	651
		D	2	3	120.0	- 120.0	120.0	N/Q	235	- 235	235	468	- 468	468
450-600		C	2	1	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	N/Q	264	- 264	264	700	- 700	700
				<b>5</b>	<b>120.0</b>	<b>186.0</b>	<b>137.2</b>		<b>235</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>551</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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