

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Gunnedah

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Yarding Change ²⁹³⁷/₉₅₂

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There was a sharp increase in numbers with the largest offering for some time. Young cattle were plentiful, with a large percentage of vealers in the yarding. Cows were also in fair numbers with a minimal number of heavy grown steers of mixed quality. The regular buyers were in attendance. Overall the quality and condition of the offering was mixed.

The market trend for steer vealers to restock was cheaper, down 6c to 9c/kg, with the heavier weights less affected. There were larger numbers of heavier steers penned in each weight category with this having the effect of adding to some price change averages. Despite the large offering, heifer vealers saw little change in the market with more restocker competition. Light and medium weight yearling steers sold to restockers at slightly dearer prices with the inclusion of some early weaned steers. The average quality of the heavy yearling steers to feed improved to show average prices increase. Heifer yearlings to the trade sold to a dearer trend under increased demand. Restocker heifers followed a similar trend, underpinned by the demand for heifers to process.

The quality of the heavy steers was mixed with a fair supply of secondary quality manufacturing grades. The market for the better quality heavy steers saw quality related changes, while manufacturing steers made little more than cow prices. The cow market was firm to 1c/kg dearer for the best heavy weights.

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
Vealer Steer														
0-200	RS	C	2	2	211.2	- 211.2	211.2	N/Q	-			380	- 380	380
200-280	RS	C	2	288	195.0	- 239.2	215.6	-14	-			429	- 619	565
		C	2	25	192.2	- 204.2	198.0	-4	370	- 393	381	429	- 540	477
280-330	FD	C	2	9	176.2	- 205.2	188.4	-35	-			535	- 630	581
	RS	C	2	245	199.2	- 228.2	212.4	-13	-			581	- 719	651
		C	3	14	214.2	- 214.2	214.2	N/Q	383	- 383	383	707	- 707	707
330+	FD	C	2	52	205.2	- 216.2	211.7	N/Q	-			697	- 800	751
	RS	C	2	26	207.2	- 211.2	209.4	-1	-			760	- 798	778
		C	3	7	208.2	- 208.2	208.2	8	-			770	- 770	770
	C	3	7	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	-2	370	- 370	370	700	- 700	700	
				675	176.2	239.2	212.6		370	393	380	380	800	621
Vealer Heifer														
0-200		C	2	1	190.0	- 190.0	190.0	N/Q	365	- 365	365	333	- 333	333
		RS	C	2	15	204.2	- 204.2	204.2	N/Q	-			408	- 408
200-280	RS	C	2	166	190.0	- 205.2	200.7	N/C	-			490	- 554	516
		C	2	74	185.0	- 205.2	197.6	1	356	- 395	380	422	- 548	493
	RS	C	3	2	190.2	- 190.2	190.2	N/Q	-			533	- 533	533
		C	3	1	204.2	- 204.2	204.2	N/Q	385	- 385	385	562	- 562	562
280-330		C	2	1	188.2	- 188.2	188.2	N/Q	362	- 362	362	621	- 621	621
	RS	C	2	26	175.0	- 205.0	195.7	3	-			519	- 677	623
	RS	C	3	18	190.0	- 200.0	191.8	-12	-			551	- 638	589
		C	3	52	190.0	- 225.0	205.3	-1	359	- 404	382	542	- 720	649
330+		C	3	1	195.0	- 195.0	195.0	N/Q	368	- 368	368	722	- 722	722
	RS	C	3	31	197.2	- 206.2	203.3	15	-			730	- 732	731
				388	175.0	225.0	200.2		356	404	380	333	732	554

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Yearling Steer															
0-330	RS	C	2	31	198.2	- 211.2	205.7	16	-			628	- 697	662	
	RS	D	2	5	174.2	- 174.2	174.2	N/Q	-			462	- 462	462	
		D	2	6	152.2	- 152.2	152.2	N/Q	304	- 304	304	411	- 411	411	
330-400	RS	C	2	38	180.0	- 204.2	195.3	12	-			659	- 786	716	
	FD	C	2	20	152.2	- 194.2	179.3	-13	-			533	- 709	660	
		C	3	22	203.2	- 208.2	206.3	-2	363	- 372	368	750	- 813	785	
	FD	C	3	30	175.0	- 196.2	188.2	N/Q	-			613	- 785	724	
400+	FD	C	2	68	170.0	- 194.2	190.2	9	-			799	- 833	820	
		C	2	5	184.2	- 184.2	184.2	N/Q	354	- 354	354	774	- 774	774	
	RS	C	3	11	194.2	- 194.2	194.2	N/Q	-			816	- 816	816	
		C	3	5	179.2	- 182.0	179.8	-2	332	- 337	333	753	- 801	762	
				241	152.2	211.2	191.9		304	372	352	411	833	735	
Yearling Heifer															
0-330		C	2	14	175.0	- 191.2	183.5	-10	337	- 368	353	551	- 621	582	
		FD	C	2	9	169.2	- 169.2	169.2	N/Q	-		508	- 508	508	
		RS	C	2	50	172.0	- 192.2	185.9	26	-		499	- 627	581	
			C	3	6	190.0	- 192.0	190.3	N/Q	359	- 362	359	551	- 576	555
		FD	D	2	5	130.0	- 149.2	141.5	N/Q	-		364	- 463	423	
			D	2	3	159.2	- 159.2	159.2	N/Q	306	- 306	306	446	- 446	446
330-400		C	2	39	165.0	- 181.2	177.0	10	317	- 349	340	567	- 652	633	
		FD	C	3	13	169.2	- 169.2	169.2	-5	-		677	- 677	677	
		RS	C	3	15	189.2	- 189.2	189.2	N/Q	-		728	- 728	728	
		C	3	58	168.2	- 186.2	179.9	-10	324	- 356	344	622	- 741	680	
400+		C	3	3	176.2	- 177.2	176.9	N/C	333	- 334	334	815	- 855	828	
				215	130.0	192.2	179.6		306	368	343	364	855	627	
Grown Steer															
0-400	RS	D	2	4	157.2	- 157.2	157.2	N/Q	-			629	- 629	629	
400-500	FD	C	3	16	177.2	- 177.2	177.2	N/Q	-			824	- 824	824	
		C	3	9	179.2	- 191.2	185.9	N/Q	332	- 354	344	896	- 927	913	
500-600		C	3	34	179.2	- 187.2	183.7	1	332	- 340	337	968	- 1011	986	
		C	4	5	183.2	- 183.2	183.2	N/Q	333	- 333	333	1044	- 1044	1044	
600-750		C	3	9	180.2	- 186.2	182.2	-6	328	- 333	329	1117	- 1173	1136	
				77	157.2	191.2	181.0		328	354	336	629	1173	947	
Grown Heifer															
0-540		B	2	3	182.2	- 182.2	182.2	N/Q	337	- 337	337	838	- 838	838	
		C	2	11	170.2	- 173.2	171.6	N/Q	315	- 333	323	719	- 851	791	
		FD	C	2	3	168.0	- 168.0	168.0	N/Q	-		722	- 722	722	
			C	3	18	151.2	- 178.2	169.0	13	291	- 342	323	544	- 876	744
			C	4	15	165.0	- 185.2	172.5	12	311	- 349	325	710	- 939	835
		RS	D	2	15	140.2	- 140.2	140.2	5	-		519	- 519	519	
		D	3	2	145.2	- 145.2	145.2	N/Q	285	- 285	285	610	- 610	610	
540+		C	3	14	173.2	- 176.2	174.8	11	327	- 337	334	955	- 1039	971	
		C	4	3	167.2	- 182.2	177.2	-10	322	- 344	336	993	- 1104	1030	
				84	140.2	185.2	166.0		285	349	326	519	1104	774	

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Manufacturing Steer														
0-540		C	2	28	137.2	- 140.2	139.1	N/Q	264	- 280	275	604	- 617	612
		D	2	63	126.2	- 138.2	136.0	N/Q	252	- 276	272	530	- 608	574
				91	126.2	140.2	137.0		252	280	273	530	617	586
Cows														
0-400		D	1	10	95.0	- 95.0	95.0	N/Q	226	- 226	226	380	- 380	380
		D	2	35	100.0	- 125.2	113.7	8	222	- 278	253	380	- 501	441
400-520		C	3	1	135.0	- 135.0	135.0	N/Q	270	- 270	270	675	- 675	675
	RS	D	2	118	105.0	- 138.2	125.8	2	-	-	-	462	- 671	569
		D	2	98	112.0	- 128.2	116.4	-4	249	- 285	259	459	- 573	500
		D	3	59	122.2	- 139.2	131.5	5	260	- 296	280	587	- 708	647
		D	4	1	133.2	- 133.2	133.2	N/Q	278	- 278	278	666	- 666	666
520+		C	2	6	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	N/Q	280	- 280	280	742	- 742	742
		C	3	19	143.2	- 146.2	144.1	-1	286	- 292	288	802	- 894	817
		C	4	12	139.2	- 145.0	144.1	N/Q	278	- 290	288	807	- 870	859
		D	2	4	122.0	- 122.0	122.0	-3	271	- 271	271	647	- 647	647
		D	3	31	129.2	- 140.2	132.4	1	275	- 292	280	689	- 771	722
		D	4	33	129.2	- 146.2	137.3	-1	269	- 294	283	749	- 869	806
		D	5	6	138.2	- 138.2	138.2	N/C	288	- 288	288	898	- 898	898
				433	95.0	146.2	125.8		222	296	270	380	898	605
Bulls														
0-450	RS	C	2	2	135.2	- 135.2	135.2	N/Q	-	-	-	581	- 581	581
450-600		B	2	4	156.2	- 157.2	156.5	N/Q	279	- 281	279	859	- 920	874
	RS	C	2	29	146.2	- 160.0	146.7	N/Q	-	-	-	687	- 880	694
		C	2	15	125.0	- 151.2	130.9	-15	232	- 280	242	650	- 832	697
600+		B	2	11	152.0	- 173.2	162.7	1	271	- 300	289	1193	- 1444	1380
		C	2	11	140.2	- 157.2	150.0	3	260	- 287	275	942	- 1352	1093
				72	125.0	173.2	146.6		232	300	267	581	1444	867

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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