

## Over the hooks report - cattle

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Although young cattle rates remained mostly unchanged, several contributors stated that values are now on the rise. This they say is due to the difficultly in finding enough cattle of good quality and the overall tighter supply of numbers. Grown cattle however have already started to improve in value with several contributors lifting prices for cows and grown steers. Bulls averaged a cheaper trend due to one exporter reducing their rates significantly.

Grade	Weight Range (cwt kg)	Dentition	Muscle Score	Fat Score	Low Price (c/kg cwt)	High Price (c/kg cwt)	Average (c/kg cwt)	Trend
Vealers								
Both	<100	0	A-C	2-3	350	350	350	NC
	100 - 150	0	A-C	2-3	310	350	330	NC
	150 - 180	0	A-C	2-3	310	350	330	NC
	180+	0	A-C	2-3	330	350	337	NC
Yearlings								
Steers	180 - 220	0 - 2	A-C	2-3	310	310	310	NC
	220 - 260	0 - 2	A-C	2-3	310	310	310	NC
	260 - 280	0 - 2	A-C	2-3	310	320	315	2
Heifers	180 - 220	0 - 2	A-C	2-3	310	310	310	NC
	220 - 260	0 - 2	A-C	2-3	300	310	305	NC
	260 - 280	0 - 2	A-C	2-3	265	300	288	2
Grown Steers								
Steers	260 - 300	0 - 2	A-C	3-4	310	320	315	3
		2 - 4	A-C	3-4	310	310	310	8
	300 - 420	0 - 2	A-C	3-4	300	310	305	3
		2 - 4	A-C	3-4	285	310	298	3
Manufacturing Steer	250 - 400	0 - 8	A-D	2-4	270	280	277	-3
Cows								
	<160	8	A-D	2-4	95	220	161	NC
		8	D-E	1-4	95	220	161	NC
	160 - 200	8	A-D	2-4	160	235	200	2
		8	D-E	1-4	160	235	200	2
	200 - 240	8	A-D	2-4	195	245	224	2
		8	D-E	1-4	195	245	224	2
	240 - 280	8	A-E	2-4	210	250	236	2
		8	A-E	5+	170	220	197	-7
	280 - 320	8	A-E	2-4	230	250	241	2
		8	A-E	5+	190	225	208	NC
	320 +	8	A-E	2-4	235	250	245	1
		8	A-E	5+	200	235	216	NC

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	200 - 300	0 - 8	A-E	ALL	180	250	211	NC
	300 - 400	0 - 8	A-E	ALL	200	265	233	NC
	400 +	0 - 8	A-E	ALL	210	265	238	-7

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