

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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A combination of the approaching Easter break and a decline in market prices reduced numbers by 53%. Buyer attendance in the export section was not as good as the previous sale however a good number of restocker buyers were present along with a large contingent of onlookers. Overall quality was very mixed and virtually no good bullocks were penned. Most classes generally fell in price. A small sample of vealer heifers averaged 13c/kg less. Nevertheless well-bred lines of lightweight yearling steers to restockers still experienced strong competition. Prices for cows continued to slide averaging 2c to 6c/kg cheaper.

Calves returning to the paddock generally sold around 170c with some plain lines at 143c/kg. Vealer steers to restockers mostly sold around 202c, while vealer heifers to slaughter averaged 150c/kg. Lightweight yearling steers returning to the paddock averaged 184c and sold to 199.2c, while D muscle lines averaged 172c/kg. Well-bred medium weights to feed made 190c to average 184c, and lesser quality lines averaged 146c/kg. Lightweight yearling heifers to restockers averaged 161c, while medium weights to feed were firm at 155c, and D muscle lines averaged 138c/kg.

A relatively small number of heavy grown steers to export slaughter averaged 164c selling to 168.2c/kg.

Medium weight 2 score cows averaged 2c less at 113c, and 3 scores sold 4c cheaper at 122c/kg. Good heavy cows lost 4c to average 132c with sales to 134.2c/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>Calves</b>         |             |              |           |           |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |            |            |
| 80+                   | RS          | C            | 2         | 42        | 147.2            | - 184.2      | 170.3        | -3     | -                             | -          | -          | 243               | - 359      | 315        |
|                       | RS          | D            | 2         | 26        | 137.2            | - 152.2      | 143.1        | -30    | -                             | -          | -          | 254               | - 282      | 265        |
|                       |             |              |           | <b>68</b> | <b>137.2</b>     | <b>184.2</b> | <b>159.9</b> |        | <b>0</b>                      | <b>0</b>   |            | <b>243</b>        | <b>359</b> | <b>296</b> |
| <b>Vealer Steer</b>   |             |              |           |           |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |            |            |
| 200-280               | RS          | C            | 2         | 58        | 200.2            | - 202.2      | 201.9        | N/Q    | -                             | -          | -          | 415               | - 470      | 422        |
|                       |             |              |           | <b>58</b> | <b>200.2</b>     | <b>202.2</b> | <b>201.9</b> |        | <b>0</b>                      | <b>0</b>   |            | <b>415</b>        | <b>470</b> | <b>422</b> |
| <b>Vealer Heifer</b>  |             |              |           |           |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |            |            |
| 200-280               |             | C            | 2         | 12        | 148.2            | - 152.0      | 150.4        | -13    | 274                           | - 282      | 279        | 333               | - 350      | 343        |
|                       | RS          | D            | 2         | 3         | 136.2            | - 136.2      | 136.2        | N/Q    | -                             | -          | -          | 320               | - 320      | 320        |
|                       |             | D            | 2         | 5         | 147.2            | - 147.2      | 147.2        | N/Q    | 273                           | - 273      | 273        | 331               | - 331      | 331        |
|                       |             |              |           | <b>20</b> | <b>136.2</b>     | <b>152.0</b> | <b>147.5</b> |        | <b>273</b>                    | <b>282</b> | <b>277</b> | <b>320</b>        | <b>350</b> | <b>337</b> |
| <b>Yearling Steer</b> |             |              |           |           |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |            |            |
| 0-330                 | FD          | C            | 2         | 25        | 162.2            | - 179.2      | 174.2        | -2     | -                             | -          | -          | 457               | - 499      | 480        |
|                       | RS          | C            | 2         | 125       | 177.2            | - 199.2      | 184.1        | -11    | -                             | -          | -          | 421               | - 544      | 466        |
|                       | RS          | D            | 2         | 82        | 148.2            | - 179.2      | 172.9        | 8      | -                             | -          | -          | 376               | - 494      | 445        |
|                       |             | D            | 2         | 2         | 165.0            | - 165.0      | 165.0        | N/Q    | 300                           | - 300      | 300        | 371               | - 371      | 371        |
|                       | FD          | D            | 2         | 5         | 168.2            | - 168.2      | 168.2        | 6      | -                             | -          | -          | 395               | - 395      | 395        |
| 330-400               | FD          | C            | 2         | 115       | 161.2            | - 184.2      | 172.5        | -13    | -                             | -          | -          | 540               | - 682      | 640        |
|                       | RS          | C            | 2         | 36        | 175.0            | - 175.0      | 175.0        | N/Q    | -                             | -          | -          | 604               | - 604      | 604        |
|                       | FD          | C            | 3         | 26        | 180.2            | - 190.0      | 184.7        | 16     | -                             | -          | -          | 604               | - 713      | 654        |
|                       | FD          | D            | 2         | 57        | 135.0            | - 156.2      | 146.8        | -6     | -                             | -          | -          | 452               | - 601      | 521        |
|                       |             | D            | 2         | 5         | 140.2            | - 140.2      | 140.2        | N/Q    | 255                           | - 255      | 255        | 512               | - 512      | 512        |
|                       |             | E            | 1         | 3         | 80.2             | - 90.0       | 86.7         | N/Q    | 146                           | - 164      | 158        | 293               | - 329      | 317        |
| 400+                  | RS          | C            | 2         | 14        | 161.2            | - 161.2      | 161.2        | 2      | -                             | -          | -          | 669               | - 669      | 669        |

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|----------------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------------|------------|------------|-----|
|                            |             |              |           |            | Low              | High         | Avg          | Change | Low                           | High       | Avg        | Low               | High       | Avg        |     |
|                            | FD          | C            | 2         | 21         | 161.2            | - 163.2      | 162.2        | -3     | -                             |            |            |                   | 694        | - 701      | 697 |
|                            | FD          | C            | 3         | 6          | 161.2            | - 161.2      | 161.2        | -4     | -                             |            |            |                   | 685        | - 685      | 685 |
|                            |             | C            | 3         | 11         | 164.2            | - 166.2      | 165.8        | -19    | 299                           | - 302      | 302        |                   | 714        | - 823      | 803 |
|                            | FD          | D            | 2         | 12         | 159.2            | - 159.2      | 159.2        | -1     | -                             |            |            |                   | 645        | - 645      | 645 |
|                            | RS          | D            | 2         | 11         | 158.2            | - 158.2      | 158.2        | N/Q    | -                             |            |            |                   | 688        | - 688      | 688 |
|                            |             |              |           | <b>556</b> | <b>80.2</b>      | <b>199.2</b> | <b>171.0</b> |        | <b>146</b>                    | <b>302</b> | <b>270</b> | <b>293</b>        | <b>823</b> | <b>553</b> |     |
| <b>Yearling Heifer</b>     |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |            |            |     |
| 0-330                      | RS          | C            | 2         | 65         | 153.2            | - 165.2      | 161.7        | N/C    | -                             |            |            |                   | 318        | - 360      | 341 |
|                            | RS          | D            | 1         | 8          | 120.2            | - 120.2      | 120.2        | N/Q    | -                             |            |            |                   | 222        | - 222      | 222 |
|                            | RS          | D            | 2         | 94         | 127.2            | - 145.0      | 137.6        | -9     | -                             |            |            |                   | 289        | - 341      | 317 |
|                            |             | D            | 2         | 27         | 141.2            | - 145.0      | 143.8        | 3      | 262                           | - 269      | 266        |                   | 296        | - 382      | 326 |
|                            | FD          | D            | 2         | 6          | 143.2            | - 143.2      | 143.2        | N/C    | -                             |            |            |                   | 379        | - 379      | 379 |
| 330-400                    | FD          | C            | 2         | 141        | 147.2            | - 160.2      | 154.9        | N/C    | -                             |            |            |                   | 493        | - 601      | 563 |
|                            | FD          | C            | 3         | 15         | 147.2            | - 155.2      | 150.9        | -13    | -                             |            |            |                   | 535        | - 552      | 544 |
|                            |             | C            | 3         | 33         | 147.2            | - 177.2      | 163.0        | 4      | 273                           | - 328      | 302        |                   | 567        | - 665      | 614 |
|                            | FD          | D            | 2         | 120        | 125.0            | - 149.2      | 137.9        | -3     | -                             |            |            |                   | 419        | - 536      | 496 |
|                            |             | D            | 2         | 8          | 140.0            | - 140.0      | 140.0        | -5     | 259                           | - 259      | 259        |                   | 511        | - 511      | 511 |
|                            | RS          | D            | 2         | 14         | 144.2            | - 148.2      | 147.1        | 5      | -                             |            |            |                   | 497        | - 571      | 550 |
| 400+                       | FD          | C            | 3         | 16         | 148.2            | - 149.2      | 148.7        | -5     | -                             |            |            |                   | 600        | - 649      | 625 |
|                            |             | C            | 3         | 7          | 147.2            | - 147.2      | 147.2        | -6     | 273                           | - 273      | 273        |                   | 596        | - 596      | 596 |
|                            | FD          | D            | 3         | 14         | 140.0            | - 145.0      | 142.9        | -5     | -                             |            |            |                   | 595        | - 616      | 607 |
|                            |             |              |           | <b>568</b> | <b>120.2</b>     | <b>177.2</b> | <b>147.5</b> |        | <b>259</b>                    | <b>328</b> | <b>282</b> | <b>222</b>        | <b>665</b> | <b>470</b> |     |
| <b>Grown Steer</b>         |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |            |            |     |
| 0-400                      | FD          | C            | 2         | 6          | 158.2            | - 158.2      | 158.2        | N/Q    | -                             |            |            |                   | 609        | - 609      | 609 |
| 400-500                    |             | D            | 1         | 4          | 107.2            | - 107.2      | 107.2        | N/Q    | 195                           | - 195      | 195        |                   | 466        | - 466      | 466 |
|                            |             | D            | 2         | 2          | 120.0            | - 120.0      | 120.0        | N/Q    | 218                           | - 218      | 218        |                   | 540        | - 540      | 540 |
| 500-600                    |             | C            | 3         | 20         | 151.2            | - 154.2      | 153.0        | -4     | 275                           | - 280      | 278        |                   | 854        | - 871      | 864 |
|                            |             | C            | 4         | 34         | 163.2            | - 168.2      | 164.7        | -1     | 291                           | - 300      | 294        |                   | 922        | - 955      | 932 |
|                            |             | D            | 3         | 7          | 146.2            | - 146.2      | 146.2        | -1     | 266                           | - 266      | 266        |                   | 826        | - 826      | 826 |
|                            |             |              |           | <b>73</b>  | <b>107.2</b>     | <b>168.2</b> | <b>154.8</b> |        | <b>195</b>                    | <b>300</b> | <b>278</b> | <b>466</b>        | <b>955</b> | <b>841</b> |     |
| <b>Grown Heifer</b>        |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |            |            |     |
| 0-540                      |             | D            | 2         | 18         | 121.2            | - 134.2      | 129.9        | 5      | 253                           | - 280      | 271        |                   | 491        | - 530      | 517 |
|                            |             |              |           | <b>18</b>  | <b>121.2</b>     | <b>134.2</b> | <b>129.9</b> |        | <b>253</b>                    | <b>280</b> | <b>271</b> | <b>491</b>        | <b>530</b> | <b>517</b> |     |
| <b>Manufacturing Steer</b> |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |            |            |     |
| 0-540                      |             | D            | 2         | 4          | 142.2            | - 142.2      | 142.2        | N/Q    | 259                           | - 259      | 259        |                   | 761        | - 761      | 761 |
| 540+                       |             | D            | 2         | 2          | 110.2            | - 110.2      | 110.2        | N/Q    | 204                           | - 204      | 204        |                   | 716        | - 716      | 716 |
|                            |             | D            | 3         | 10         | 135.2            | - 156.2      | 140.0        | N/Q    | 246                           | - 284      | 255        |                   | 879        | - 976      | 902 |
|                            |             |              |           | <b>16</b>  | <b>110.2</b>     | <b>156.2</b> | <b>136.8</b> |        | <b>204</b>                    | <b>284</b> | <b>249</b> | <b>716</b>        | <b>976</b> | <b>844</b> |     |
| <b>Cows</b>                |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |            |            |     |
| 0-400                      |             | D            | 1         | 79         | 61.2             | - 110.2      | 86.7         | N/C    | 153                           | - 276      | 217        |                   | 236        | - 441      | 329 |
|                            | RS          | D            | 1         | 60         | 80.2             | - 107.2      | 91.2         | -1     | -                             |            |            |                   | 305        | - 407      | 349 |
|                            |             | E            | 1         | 12         | 55.0             | - 55.0       | 55.0         | N/Q    | 145                           | - 145      | 145        |                   | 209        | - 209      | 209 |
| 400-520                    | RS          | D            | 1         | 14         | 109.2            | - 114.2      | 112.1        | 12     | -                             |            |            |                   | 464        | - 497      | 483 |
|                            |             | D            | 1         | 14         | 85.2             | - 119.2      | 109.2        | 8      | 213                           | - 283      | 261        |                   | 371        | - 519      | 472 |
|                            |             | D            | 2         | 106        | 103.2            | - 119.2      | 113.5        | -2     | 235                           | - 273      | 259        |                   | 464        | - 566      | 514 |

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|-----------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------------|-------------|------------|
|                 |             |              |           |            | Low              | High         | Avg          | Change | Low                           | High       | Avg        | Low               | High        | Avg        |
| 520+            | RS          | D            | 2         | 5          | 116.2            | - 116.2      | 116.2        | N/C    | -                             |            |            | 523               | - 523       | 523        |
|                 |             | D            | 3         | 38         | 118.2            | - 126.2      | 122.7        | -4     | 241                           | - 277      | 252        | 514               | - 602       | 572        |
|                 |             | D            | 4         | 60         | 125.2            | - 128.2      | 127.2        | -6     | 246                           | - 251      | 249        | 577               | - 609       | 595        |
|                 |             | D            | 3         | 23         | 124.2            | - 130.0      | 125.4        | -2     | 254                           | - 265      | 256        | 664               | - 689       | 670        |
|                 |             | D            | 4         | 52         | 127.2            | - 134.2      | 132.4        | -4     | 249                           | - 263      | 260        | 681               | - 805       | 762        |
|                 |             | D            | 5         | 2          | 122.0            | - 122.0      | 122.0        | N/Q    | 249                           | - 249      | 249        | 653               | - 653       | 653        |
|                 |             |              |           | <b>465</b> | <b>55.0</b>      | <b>134.2</b> | <b>109.7</b> |        | <b>145</b>                    | <b>283</b> | <b>245</b> | <b>209</b>        | <b>805</b>  | <b>503</b> |
| <b>Bulls</b>    |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |        |                               |            |            |                   |             |            |
| 0-450           | RS          | C            | 2         | 3          | 150.2            | - 150.2      | 150.2        | N/Q    | -                             |            |            | 353               | - 353       | 353        |
|                 | FD          | C            | 2         | 23         | 120.0            | - 164.2      | 143.5        | 4      | -                             |            |            | 343               | - 480       | 374        |
|                 | FD          | C            | 3         | 8          | 139.2            | - 139.2      | 139.2        | N/Q    | -                             |            |            | 418               | - 418       | 418        |
|                 | RS          | D            | 1         | 5          | 181.2            | - 181.2      | 181.2        | N/Q    | -                             |            |            | 661               | - 661       | 661        |
|                 | RS          | D            | 2         | 29         | 110.0            | - 150.2      | 132.1        | N/Q    | -                             |            |            | 277               | - 398       | 330        |
|                 | FD          | D            | 2         | 35         | 115.2            | - 140.0      | 129.7        | -9     | -                             |            |            | 371               | - 493       | 433        |
| 450-600         | RS          | C            | 3         | 3          | 154.2            | - 154.2      | 154.2        | N/Q    | -                             |            |            | 825               | - 825       | 825        |
| 600+            |             | C            | 2         | 4          | 124.2            | - 130.0      | 125.7        | -12    | 226                           | - 236      | 229        | 845               | - 851       | 849        |
|                 |             | C            | 3         | 3          | 143.2            | - 143.2      | 143.2        | -2     | 256                           | - 256      | 256        | 1360              | - 1360      | 1360       |
|                 | RS          | C            | 3         | 2          | 148.0            | - 153.2      | 150.6        | N/Q    | -                             |            |            | 925               | - 973       | 949        |
|                 |             |              |           | <b>115</b> | <b>110.0</b>     | <b>181.2</b> | <b>137.7</b> |        | <b>226</b>                    | <b>256</b> | <b>240</b> | <b>277</b>        | <b>1360</b> | <b>460</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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