

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Gunnedah

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There was an increase in numbers with the inclusion of a large line of calves and vealers. Yearlings and cows were in large numbers also, while heavy grown steers were limited. The overall quality of the offering was fair to good, with a fair supply of well-finished young cattle. There was great variation in condition through all categories, with lean lines predominant. The dry seasonal conditions forced large numbers of lean light cattle onto the market, however the quality of those offered was quite good. The usual processors were in operation along with the regular restocker and feeder orders. There were a couple of Southern restocker orders in attendance operating on few cattle. Demand was strong throughout most categories, particularly heavy cattle and the very light young cattle.

Trends were dearer through the young cattle, with confidence boosted by forecasts of good rain. Lightweight calves and vealers to restock experienced strong gains, with some large price increases. A lot of the price increase was due to the opportunity to put together large lines of similar cattle. Both steers and heifers attracted strong support. Lightweight yearling steers to restock and feed sold to a dearer trend, averaging 2c/kg, with some quality related price changes. Demand for medium and heavy steers to feed was high, with buyers looking for heavy weights, trending 7c to 10c/kg dearer. The leaner yearling heifers also attracted keen demand from both restocker and feeder orders, with the market trend 7c to 11c/kg dearer. Well-finished trade yearlings also sold to a dearer trend.

With supplies of heavy cattle in the north on the decline, demand was strong from export processors. Heavy grown steers sold to a dearer trend, up 7c to 10c/kg. Heavy well-finished cows also gained strong support, selling 5c to 8c/kg dearer. Plain conditioned cows attracted both restocker and processor competition, with the market trend firm to dearer. Breed quality was a factor in some strong price gains.

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
Calves														
0-80	RS	C	1	5	110.2	- 119.2	115.6	N/Q	-	-	-	72	- 77	75
	RS	D	1	47	170.2	- 187.5	173.9	N/Q	-	-	-	75	- 136	123
	RS	E	1	121	116.7	- 312.5	206.6	N/Q	-	-	-	35	- 125	77
80+	RS	C	1	69	121.2	- 176.2	164.6	65	-	-	-	109	- 220	195
		D	1	6	128.2	- 128.2	128.2	N/Q	256	- 256	256	141	- 141	141
				248	110.2	312.5	185.0		256	256	256	35	220	120
Vealer Steer														
0-200	RS	C	1	128	159.2	- 188.2	184.7	N/Q	-	-	-	239	- 296	261
		C	2	10	145.0	- 154.2	146.8	-12	279	- 297	282	285	- 290	289
		D	1	13	116.2	- 116.2	116.2	N/Q	232	- 232	232	203	- 203	203
200-280	RS	C	2	6	156.2	- 156.2	156.2	9	-	-	-	414	- 414	414
330+		C	2	1	155.0	- 155.0	155.0	N/Q	298	- 298	298	519	- 519	519
				158	116.2	188.2	175.4		232	298	256	203	519	265
Vealer Heifer														
0-200	RS	D	1	90	157.2	- 164.2	159.8	46	-	-	-	157	- 205	175
		RS	D	2	84	162.2	- 162.2	162.2	24	-	-	268	- 268	268
		D	2	12	145.2	- 145.2	145.2	N/Q	290	- 290	290	247	- 247	247
200-280		C	2	13	134.2	- 156.2	148.2	-1	268	- 300	287	342	- 406	381
		C	3	2	166.2	- 178.0	172.1	N/Q	314	- 330	322	454	- 457	455
				201	134.2	178.0	159.3		268	330	291	157	457	234
Yearling Steer														
0-330	FD	C	2	73	125.0	- 172.2	160.0	2	-	-	-	365	- 568	496

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330-400	RS	C	2	40	148.2	- 169.2	153.0	-3	-			383	- 541	407
		C	3	1	175.0	- 175.0	175.0	N/Q	324	- 324	324	578	- 578	578
	RS	D	1	7	116.2	- 125.2	120.1	N/C	-			188	- 261	230
	FD	D	1	6	81.2	- 81.2	81.2	N/Q	-			203	- 203	203
	FD	D	2	14	165.0	- 165.0	165.0	27	-			536	- 536	536
	RS	D	2	1	114.2	- 114.2	114.2	N/Q	-			257	- 257	257
	FD	C	2	122	159.2	- 177.2	171.7	8	-			557	- 697	633
	RS	C	2	13	171.2	- 174.2	173.5	7	-			592	- 625	600
		C	2	1	166.2	- 166.2	166.2	N/Q	320	- 320	320	582	- 582	582
		C	3	3	155.0	- 155.0	155.0	-6	287	- 287	287	581	- 581	581
400+	RS	C	3	6	171.2	- 171.2	171.2	7	-			642	- 642	642
	FD	C	3	8	169.2	- 169.2	169.2	10	-			609	- 609	609
	FD	C	2	35	154.2	- 175.0	172.1	8	-			681	- 788	744
	FD	C	3	27	167.2	- 178.2	176.8	N/Q	-			711	- 829	785
		C	3	19	159.2	- 175.0	171.7	6	295	- 324	318	716	- 849	824
				376	81.2	178.2	164.9		287	324	314	188	849	592
Yearling Heifer														
0-330	RS	C	2	109	117.2	- 149.2	135.9	2	-			205	- 477	398
		C	2	79	120.0	- 142.2	127.4	-11	237	- 274	250	308	- 428	352
	FD	C	2	61	145.2	- 153.2	151.0	11	-			436	- 502	459
	FD	C	3	15	155.2	- 155.2	155.2	N/Q	-			512	- 512	512
		C	3	36	143.2	- 170.0	150.8	-3	275	- 315	285	445	- 544	474
		D	1	3	80.2	- 80.2	80.2	-34	160	- 160	160	192	- 192	192
	RS	D	1	6	100.2	- 100.2	100.2	-24	-			225	- 225	225
	RS	D	2	98	80.0	- 135.0	121.9	-3	-			192	- 397	283
		D	2	1	100.0	- 100.0	100.0	N/Q	200	- 200	200	270	- 270	270
	FD	D	2	33	120.0	- 150.0	140.0	31	-			360	- 473	435
330-400	FD	C	2	77	147.2	- 158.2	153.1	7	-			508	- 609	547
	RS	C	2	21	153.2	- 160.2	156.9	11	-			521	- 553	538
	FD	C	3	4	151.2	- 151.2	151.2	4	-			529	- 529	529
400+		C	3	72	141.2	- 169.2	154.2	1	266	- 313	290	480	- 601	535
	FD	C	4	3	169.2	- 169.2	169.2	N/Q	-			719	- 719	719
				618	80.0	170.0	140.2		160	315	270	192	719	428
Grown Steer														
0-400	FD	C	2	20	141.2	- 149.2	144.8	N/Q	-			494	- 574	530
	FD	D	2	13	142.2	- 142.2	142.2	N/Q	-			512	- 512	512
400-500		C	2	30	162.0	- 171.2	167.0	23	300	- 318	312	768	- 813	797
	FD	C	2	20	160.2	- 168.2	164.6	13	-			681	- 757	723
500-600		C	3	7	169.2	- 175.0	174.2	2	313	- 324	323	744	- 849	834
		C	3	39	175.0	- 186.2	183.0	9	318	- 333	328	910	- 1013	963
600-750		C	4	3	186.2	- 186.2	186.2	10	333	- 333	333	1117	- 1117	1117
		C	3	5	187.2	- 187.2	187.2	19	334	- 334	334	1207	- 1207	1207
		C	4	3	183.2	- 192.2	186.2	6	333	- 343	337	1163	- 1249	1192
				140	141.2	192.2	167.6		300	343	323	494	1249	800
Grown Heifer														

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0-540		C	2	16	130.0	- 152.2	143.9	N/Q	250	- 293	272	468	- 639	542
	FD	C	2	53	133.2	- 150.2	142.7	N/Q	-			440	- 623	535
	FD	C	3	11	173.2	- 173.2	173.2	N/Q	-			840	- 840	840
		C	3	63	153.2	- 174.2	157.3	-2	295	- 329	302	628	- 871	688
		C	4	1	171.2	- 171.2	171.2	N/Q	317	- 317	317	890	- 890	890
	RS	D	2	13	97.2	- 110.2	101.2	-28	-			321	- 358	332
		D	2	12	85.0	- 110.0	103.8	-24	170	- 220	208	298	- 440	404
		D	3	27	115.0	- 135.0	131.7	-22	226	- 270	260	420	- 533	500
540+	C	3	2	168.2	- 168.2	168.2	N/Q	317	- 317	317	925	- 925	925	
	C	4	10	168.2	- 170.2	168.6	1	312	- 321	313	984	- 1021	991	
				208	85.0	174.2	144.2		170	329	282	298	1021	601
Manufacturing Steer														
540+		C	4	10	166.2	- 170.0	168.5	20	308	- 315	312	1122	- 1267	1209
				10	166.2	170.0	168.5		308	315	312	1122	1267	1209
Cows														
0-400	RS	D	1	70	45.2	- 98.0	84.9	N/Q	-			163	- 392	330
		D	2	19	85.0	- 108.2	106.0	9	189	- 240	236	340	- 417	409
400-520		D	1	36	80.0	- 96.2	95.3	21	200	- 229	227	336	- 399	396
		D	2	116	85.0	- 122.2	110.3	1	189	- 272	245	374	- 615	499
		D	3	124	120.0	- 143.2	133.2	N/C	255	- 298	280	540	- 727	653
520+		D	3	62	138.2	- 147.2	142.4	4	276	- 296	289	745	- 864	776
		D	4	142	139.2	- 152.2	146.5	8	286	- 311	295	766	- 963	842
				569	45.2	152.2	123.6		189	311	272	163	963	618
Bulls														
450-600		C	2	1	132.2	- 132.2	132.2	N/Q	245	- 245	245	641	- 641	641
600+		B	2	7	156.2	- 156.2	156.2	-4	279	- 279	279	1250	- 1367	1350
		C	2	15	128.2	- 161.2	144.9	5	237	- 288	266	1000	- 1470	1232
		D	2	1	134.2	- 134.2	134.2	N/Q	249	- 249	249	1295	- 1295	1295
				24	128.2	161.2	147.2		237	288	268	641	1470	1244

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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