

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Gunnedah

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There was a small reduction in numbers, with further patchy rain recorded over the weekend. Young cattle and cows were well supplied, along with increased numbers of heavy grown steers. The quality of the offering was fair to good. There were increased numbers of well finished cattle, most coming off supplementary feed programs. There were also quite a few lightweight young cattle. A full field of the regular buyers were in attendance, with export cattle going from Wagga to Rockhampton. Demand was strong through all categories.

Dearer trends were recorded through all categories of young cattle, with the only negative price changes related to quality. Strong demand from restockers for lightweight cattle saw the trend for vealer steers 19c to 25c/kg dearer. This carried through to vealer heifers, trending 17c to 23c/kg dearer. Light and medium weight yearling steers to restock and feed recorded similar price increases, with restockers keen on the lightweights and feeders seeking the medium weights. Heavy yearling feeder steers also experienced strong gains of up to 18c/kg. There were some quality related price changes in a firm to dearer trend through the yearling heifer market. Once again, restockers were active on lightweights while feeders were looking for a bit more weight to take cattle onto the heavy end of the trade carcass specification. Well finished yearlings suitable to the trade also sold to a dearer trend.

Increased demand and an improvement in quality saw heavy grown steers sell to a dearer trend of up to 18c/kg, with premiums for the milk and 2 tooth lots. Strong demand for all classes of cows saw a dearer trend throughout, up 5c to 12c/kg, and more in places. Increased restocker activity saw strong gains in the plainer condition cows standing on good frames.

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	1	6	172.2	- 172.2	172.2	N/Q	-	-	-	224	- 224	224
				<b>6</b>	<b>172.2</b>	<b>172.2</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>224</b>	<b>224</b>	
<b>Vealer Steer</b>														
0-200	RS	C	2	21	190.2	- 200.2	198.8	26	-	-	-	285	- 400	384
	RS	D	1	14	114.2	- 179.2	162.8	N/Q	-	-	-	205	- 287	264
200-280	RS	C	2	39	150.0	- 196.2	184.1	19	-	-	-	353	- 461	435
	RS	D	2	70	124.2	- 175.0	170.3	31	-	-	-	323	- 406	384
				<b>144</b>	<b>114.2</b>	<b>200.2</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>205</b>	<b>461</b>	
<b>Vealer Heifer</b>														
0-200	RS	C	2	10	139.2	- 139.2	139.2	21	-	-	-	258	- 258	258
	RS	D	1	16	110.0	- 129.2	125.6	N/Q	-	-	-	168	- 176	169
	RS	D	2	37	128.2	- 146.2	145.2	25	-	-	-	256	- 292	290
200-280		C	2	15	149.2	- 149.2	149.2	17	287	- 287	287	351	- 351	351
	RS	D	1	4	103.2	- 103.2	103.2	N/Q	-	-	-	227	- 227	227
	RS	D	2	47	120.0	- 143.2	139.2	23	-	-	-	276	- 315	308
				<b>129</b>	<b>103.2</b>	<b>149.2</b>			<b>287</b>	<b>287</b>		<b>168</b>	<b>351</b>	
<b>Yearling Steer</b>														
0-330	FD	C	2	37	155.0	- 175.0	161.0	6	-	-	-	459	- 562	478
	RS	C	2	50	164.0	- 188.2	175.0	18	-	-	-	426	- 574	503
	RS	D	1	4	147.2	- 147.2	147.2	27	-	-	-	294	- 294	294
	RS	D	2	12	146.2	- 173.2	165.2	25	-	-	-	380	- 478	450
	FD	D	2	14	136.2	- 136.2	136.2	10	-	-	-	422	- 422	422
330-400	FD	C	2	57	142.2	- 185.0	171.2	-6	-	-	-	491	- 696	596

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400+	RS	C	2	18	188.2	- 188.2	188.2	13	-	-	-	687	- 687	687
			3	7	197.2	- 197.2	197.2	34	359	- 359	359	759	- 759	759
	FD	C	2	29	164.2	- 193.2	181.9	4	-	-	-	698	- 814	778
			2	3	195.0	- 195.0	195.0	N/Q	375	- 375	375	800	- 800	800
	FD	C	3	77	172.2	- 192.2	188.6	N/Q	-	-	-	732	- 951	910
			3	24	170.2	- 195.0	189.7	16	315	- 355	349	783	- 851	839
			<b>332</b>		<b>136.2</b>	<b>197.2</b>			<b>315</b>	<b>375</b>		<b>294</b>	<b>951</b>	
<b>Yearling Heifer</b>														
0-330	RS	C	2	116	120.0	- 167.2	144.5	-9	-	-	-	342	- 496	434
			2	25	139.2	- 150.0	148.6	N/Q	-	-	-	459	- 495	488
330-400	RS	D	1	6	92.2	- 98.2	94.2	17	-	-	-	196	- 212	207
			2	61	90.2	- 145.2	129.1	13	-	-	-	226	- 436	364
	FD	D	2	9	154.2	- 154.2	154.2	28	-	-	-	509	- 509	509
			2	29	117.2	- 167.2	152.9	-13	-	-	-	404	- 584	534
	C	2	3	3	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	-20	269	- 269	269	560	- 560	560
			2	19	145.0	- 159.2	147.8	-12	-	-	-	494	- 597	528
	RS	C	3	7	165.0	- 165.0	165.0	N/Q	-	-	-	602	- 602	602
			3	34	160.0	- 180.0	167.8	3	302	- 333	318	560	- 681	625
	FD	C	3	11	160.0	- 164.2	162.3	N/Q	-	-	-	624	- 624	624
			2	10	163.2	- 163.2	163.2	N/Q	-	-	-	563	- 563	563
RS	D	2	1	1	138.2	- 138.2	138.2	N/Q	-	-	-	470	- 470	470
			3	6	160.2	- 167.2	166.0	N/Q	-	-	-	681	- 711	706
400+	C	3	17	17	150.0	- 176.2	171.7	N/Q	289	- 326	319	722	- 750	734
			<b>354</b>		<b>90.2</b>	<b>180.0</b>			<b>269</b>	<b>333</b>		<b>196</b>	<b>750</b>	
<b>Grown Steer</b>														
0-400	RS	C	2	8	120.0	- 120.0	120.0	N/Q	-	-	-	456	- 456	456
400-500	FD	C	3	1	160.0	- 160.0	160.0	N/Q	-	-	-	760	- 760	760
			2	2	138.2	- 152.2	145.2	N/Q	-	-	-	622	- 624	623
500-600	C	2	3	3	168.2	- 168.2	168.2	13	312	- 312	312	891	- 891	891
			3	66	182.2	- 193.2	191.4	24	337	- 358	352	966	- 1076	1032
			<b>80</b>		<b>120.0</b>	<b>193.2</b>			<b>312</b>	<b>358</b>		<b>456</b>	<b>1076</b>	
<b>Grown Heifer</b>														
0-540	C	2	5	5	163.2	- 163.2	163.2	9	314	- 314	314	734	- 734	734
			3	27	140.2	- 174.2	165.7	16	270	- 323	313	575	- 903	819
540+	RS	D	2	4	100.0	- 100.0	100.0	-15	-	-	-	375	- 375	375
			3	5	167.2	- 167.2	167.2	N/Q	316	- 316	316	961	- 961	961
			<b>41</b>		<b>100.0</b>	<b>174.2</b>			<b>270</b>	<b>323</b>		<b>375</b>	<b>961</b>	
<b>Cows</b>														
0-400	RS	D	1	31	63.2	- 88.2	72.1	N/Q	-	-	-	234	- 353	276
			1	25	70.0	- 95.2	82.2	21	175	- 238	205	266	- 367	313
			2	12	96.2	- 98.2	97.4	4	214	- 218	216	356	- 393	377
	RS	D	2	9	103.2	- 103.2	103.2	N/Q	-	-	-	392	- 392	392
			E	1	10	35.2	- 35.2	35.2	N/Q	101	- 101	101	127	- 127
400-520	RS	D	1	70	96.2	- 106.2	100.3	N/Q	-	-	-	394	- 448	426
			1	28	93.2	- 101.2	95.8	N/Q	222	- 227	225	400	- 466	435

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520+		D	2	134	92.2	- 126.2	111.3	6	205	- 280	247	378	- 588	485
	RS	D	2	10	103.2	- 103.2	103.2	5		-		454	- 454	454
	DA	D	2	9	103.2	- 103.2	103.2	N/Q	229	- 229	229	537	- 537	537
		D	3	43	115.0	- 142.2	128.4	9	245	- 296	272	552	- 711	636
		C	4	6	155.0	- 155.0	155.0	N/Q	304	- 304	304	977	- 977	977
		D	3	27	130.0	- 145.2	139.4	6	273	- 290	286	702	- 799	767
		D	4	45	130.2	- 150.2	144.7	12	271	- 300	292	733	- 1080	874
				<b>459</b>	<b>35.2</b>	<b>155.0</b>		<b>101</b>	<b>304</b>		<b>127</b>	<b>1080</b>		
<b>Bulls</b>														
0-450		C	2	1	141.2	- 141.2	141.2	N/Q	262	- 262	262	614	- 614	614
450-600		C	2	1	130.2	- 130.2	130.2	N/Q	241	- 241	241	605	- 605	605
600+		B	2	7	156.2	- 160.0	156.7	-9	279	- 286	280	1070	- 1488	1130
		C	2	4	155.0	- 160.2	156.9	16	281	- 297	288	1218	- 1522	1368
		D	2	2	127.2	- 127.2	127.2	N/Q	245	- 245	245	929	- 929	929
				<b>15</b>	<b>127.2</b>	<b>160.2</b>		<b>241</b>	<b>297</b>		<b>605</b>	<b>1522</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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