

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Toowoomba Elders

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Yarding Change <sup>920</sup>/<sub>313</sub>

comparison date 07/04/2014

With no sale for two weeks numbers lifted by 51% and young cattle dominated the selling pens. Buyer attendance was good, with representatives covering all slaughter and feeder classes and a few extra restocker buyers active. Prices for light weight young cattle generally improved by 3c to 12c/kg with stronger support from processors and restockers. Medium and heavy weight feeders generally met strong demand, while local trade descriptions increased in price. The small selection of heavy grown steers to export slaughter sold to a dearer trend. Cows experienced stronger demand to average 8c/kg dearer.

Calves to the trade averaged 151c while restocker lines averaged 162c and made to 180.2c/kg. Vealer steers to restockers made to 206.2c to average 10c dearer at close to 190c/kg. Vealer heifers improved 3c to average 161c, with some to butchers at 194.2c/kg. Lightweight yearling steers to feed and returning to the paddock made to 193.2c and averaged 181c/kg. Medium weights to feed and the trade averaged 182c and sold to 193.2c, while heavyweights to feed and the trade averaged 180c/kg. Lightweight yearling heifers to feed averaged close to 160c, while those to processors averaged 151c and made to 163.2c/kg. Medium weights to the trade reached 177c, with a fair sample at 164c/kg.

Heavy grown steers made to 195.2c to average 187c/kg. Medium weight 2 score cows averaged 114c and a good sample of 3 scores averaged 146c/kg. Good heavy cows made to a top of 174.2c and averaged 160c/kg. Heavy bulls made to 166.2c/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>         |             |              |           |           |                  |              |       |        |                               |            |     |                   |            |     |
| 0-80                  | RS          | C            | 2         | 5         | 130.0            | - 130.0      | 130.0 | N/Q    | -                             | -          | -   | 85                | - 85       | 85  |
| 80+                   | RS          | C            | 2         | 36        | 144.2            | - 180.2      | 161.9 | -16    | -                             | -          | -   | 230               | - 315      | 263 |
|                       |             | C            | 2         | 15        | 130.0            | - 155.0      | 151.2 | 4      | 245                           | - 293      | 285 | 215               | - 285      | 247 |
|                       | RS          | D            | 1         | 4         | 95.2             | - 95.2       | 95.2  | N/Q    | -                             | -          | -   | 133               | - 133      | 133 |
|                       |             |              |           | <b>60</b> | <b>95.2</b>      | <b>180.2</b> |       |        | <b>245</b>                    | <b>293</b> |     | <b>85</b>         | <b>315</b> |     |
| <b>Vealer Steer</b>   |             |              |           |           |                  |              |       |        |                               |            |     |                   |            |     |
| 200-280               |             | C            | 2         | 2         | 165.2            | - 165.2      | 165.2 | N/Q    | 300                           | - 300      | 300 | 438               | - 438      | 438 |
|                       | FD          | C            | 2         | 3         | 187.2            | - 187.2      | 187.2 | N/Q    | -                             | -          | -   | 459               | - 459      | 459 |
|                       | RS          | C            | 2         | 24        | 180.2            | - 206.2      | 189.9 | 10     | -                             | -          | -   | 369               | - 433      | 400 |
|                       |             | C            | 3         | 1         | 187.2            | - 187.2      | 187.2 | N/Q    | 340                           | - 340      | 340 | 459               | - 459      | 459 |
| 280-330               |             | C            | 2         | 1         | 166.2            | - 166.2      | 166.2 | N/Q    | 302                           | - 302      | 302 | 474               | - 474      | 474 |
|                       |             | C            | 3         | 2         | 199.2            | - 199.2      | 199.2 | N/Q    | 362                           | - 362      | 362 | 598               | - 598      | 598 |
|                       |             |              |           | <b>33</b> | <b>165.2</b>     | <b>206.2</b> |       |        | <b>300</b>                    | <b>362</b> |     | <b>369</b>        | <b>598</b> |     |
| <b>Vealer Heifer</b>  |             |              |           |           |                  |              |       |        |                               |            |     |                   |            |     |
| 200-280               |             | C            | 2         | 25        | 150.2            | - 168.2      | 161.2 | 3      | 278                           | - 312      | 299 | 338               | - 399      | 379 |
|                       | FD          | C            | 2         | 3         | 153.2            | - 153.2      | 153.2 | 3      | -                             | -          | -   | 360               | - 360      | 360 |
| 280-330               |             | C            | 3         | 16        | 172.2            | - 194.2      | 177.3 | N/Q    | 319                           | - 360      | 328 | 499               | - 604      | 528 |
|                       |             |              |           | <b>44</b> | <b>150.2</b>     | <b>194.2</b> |       |        | <b>278</b>                    | <b>360</b> |     | <b>338</b>        | <b>604</b> |     |
| <b>Yearling Steer</b> |             |              |           |           |                  |              |       |        |                               |            |     |                   |            |     |
| 0-330                 |             | C            | 2         | 12        | 159.2            | - 159.2      | 159.2 | 18     | 290                           | - 290      | 290 | 374               | - 374      | 374 |
|                       | FD          | C            | 2         | 41        | 160.0            | - 193.2      | 181.5 | 21     | -                             | -          | -   | 448               | - 580      | 517 |
|                       | RS          | C            | 2         | 17        | 171.2            | - 193.2      | 181.6 | -5     | -                             | -          | -   | 454               | - 473      | 463 |
| 330-400               | RS          | C            | 2         | 10        | 178.2            | - 178.2      | 178.2 | 8      | -                             | -          | -   | 606               | - 606      | 606 |
|                       | FD          | C            | 2         | 85        | 165.0            | - 193.2      | 182.1 | -1     | -                             | -          | -   | 570               | - 686      | 640 |
|                       | FD          | C            | 3         | 9         | 186.2            | - 188.2      | 187.3 | -1     | -                             | -          | -   | 717               | - 725      | 721 |

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|                        |             |              |           |            | Low              | High         | Avg          | Change     | Low                           | High       | Avg        | Low               | High       | Avg  |
| 400+                   |             | C            | 3         | 20         | 160.2            | - 192.2      | 181.6        | 6          | 291                           | - 350      | 330        | 561               | - 721      | 674  |
|                        | FD          | D            | 2         | 8          | 150.0            | - 165.2      | 163.3        | 23         | -                             |            |            | 578               | - 578      | 578  |
|                        |             | D            | 2         | 1          | 139.2            | - 139.2      | 139.2        | N/Q        | 253                           | - 253      | 253        | 466               | - 466      | 466  |
|                        |             | C            | 3         | 27         | 169.2            | - 190.0      | 180.6        | -5         | 308                           | - 346      | 328        | 760               | - 855      | 793  |
|                        | FD          | C            | 3         | 30         | 167.2            | - 190.2      | 181.2        | -1         | -                             |            |            | 719               | - 856      | 788  |
|                        |             |              |           | <b>260</b> | <b>139.2</b>     | <b>193.2</b> |              | <b>253</b> | <b>350</b>                    |            | <b>374</b> | <b>856</b>        |            |      |
| <b>Yearling Heifer</b> |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |            |                               |            |            |                   |            |      |
| 0-330                  | FD          | C            | 2         | 38         | 153.2            | - 163.2      | 159.5        | 12         | -                             |            |            | 405               | - 452      | 418  |
|                        |             | C            | 2         | 38         | 143.2            | - 163.2      | 151.2        | 3          | 265                           | - 302      | 280        | 341               | - 455      | 381  |
|                        |             | C            | 3         | 2          | 167.2            | - 167.2      | 167.2        | N/Q        | 310                           | - 310      | 310        | 393               | - 393      | 393  |
|                        |             | D            | 2         | 5          | 104.2            | - 129.2      | 119.2        | 39         | 193                           | - 235      | 218        | 297               | - 388      | 351  |
| 330-400                | FD          | D            | 2         | 6          | 120.0            | - 120.0      | 120.0        | N/Q        | -                             |            |            | 282               | - 282      | 282  |
|                        |             | C            | 2         | 9          | 163.0            | - 163.0      | 163.0        | 24         | 302                           | - 302      | 302        | 595               | - 595      | 595  |
|                        | FD          | C            | 2         | 5          | 163.2            | - 174.2      | 172.0        | N/Q        | -                             |            |            | 596               | - 636      | 628  |
|                        | FD          | C            | 3         | 18         | 156.2            | - 168.2      | 164.2        | -5         | -                             |            |            | 570               | - 614      | 592  |
|                        |             | C            | 3         | 56         | 136.2            | - 177.2      | 164.3        | 12         | 252                           | - 328      | 304        | 470               | - 682      | 610  |
| 400+                   |             | D            | 2         | 1          | 70.0             | - 70.0       | 70.0         | N/Q        | 130                           | - 130      | 130        | 242               | - 242      | 242  |
|                        | FD          | D            | 2         | 5          | 126.2            | - 126.2      | 126.2        | N/Q        | -                             |            |            | 435               | - 435      | 435  |
|                        |             | D            | 3         | 2          | 132.2            | - 132.2      | 132.2        | N/Q        | 245                           | - 245      | 245        | 469               | - 469      | 469  |
|                        | FD          | C            | 3         | 1          | 155.2            | - 155.2      | 155.2        | N/C        | -                             |            |            | 660               | - 660      | 660  |
|                        |             | C            | 3         | 32         | 156.2            | - 191.2      | 178.7        | 14         | 289                           | - 354      | 331        | 664               | - 903      | 815  |
|                        |             |              |           |            | <b>218</b>       | <b>70.0</b>  | <b>191.2</b> |            | <b>130</b>                    | <b>354</b> |            | <b>242</b>        | <b>903</b> |      |
| <b>Grown Steer</b>     |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |            |                               |            |            |                   |            |      |
| 0-400                  |             | D            | 2         | 9          | 120.0            | - 120.0      | 120.0        | N/Q        | 218                           | - 218      | 218        | 438               | - 438      | 438  |
| 400-500                |             | D            | 2         | 2          | 128.0            | - 128.0      | 128.0        | N/Q        | 233                           | - 233      | 233        | 634               | - 634      | 634  |
| 500-600                |             | C            | 3         | 3          | 168.2            | - 168.2      | 168.2        | -4         | 306                           | - 306      | 306        | 984               | - 984      | 984  |
|                        |             | C            | 4         | 21         | 179.2            | - 195.2      | 187.5        | N/C        | 320                           | - 349      | 335        | 1048              | - 1134     | 1089 |
| 600-750                |             | C            | 4         | 5          | 186.2            | - 186.2      | 186.2        | N/Q        | 333                           | - 333      | 333        | 1275              | - 1275     | 1275 |
|                        |             |              |           | <b>40</b>  | <b>120.0</b>     | <b>195.2</b> |              | <b>218</b> | <b>349</b>                    |            | <b>438</b> | <b>1275</b>       |            |      |
| <b>Grown Heifer</b>    |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |            |                               |            |            |                   |            |      |
| 0-540                  |             | C            | 3         | 4          | 169.0            | - 169.0      | 169.0        | N/Q        | 319                           | - 319      | 319        | 904               | - 904      | 904  |
|                        |             | C            | 4         | 5          | 182.2            | - 182.2      | 182.2        | N/Q        | 344                           | - 344      | 344        | 975               | - 975      | 975  |
|                        |             | D            | 2         | 6          | 110.0            | - 110.0      | 110.0        | -15        | 229                           | - 229      | 229        | 468               | - 468      | 468  |
|                        |             | D            | 3         | 2          | 157.2            | - 157.2      | 157.2        | N/Q        | 302                           | - 302      | 302        | 778               | - 778      | 778  |
|                        |             |              |           | <b>17</b>  | <b>110.0</b>     | <b>182.2</b> |              | <b>229</b> | <b>344</b>                    |            | <b>468</b> | <b>975</b>        |            |      |
| <b>Cows</b>            |             |              |           |            |                  |              |              |            |                               |            |            |                   |            |      |
| 0-400                  |             | D            | 1         | 5          | 80.0             | - 80.0       | 80.0         | 7          | 182                           | - 182      | 182        | 320               | - 320      | 320  |
|                        |             | E            | 1         | 1          | 30.0             | - 30.0       | 30.0         | N/Q        | 68                            | - 68       | 68         | 120               | - 120      | 120  |
| 400-520                | DA          | D            | 1         | 3          | 119.2            | - 119.2      | 119.2        | 36         | 271                           | - 271      | 271        | 590               | - 590      | 590  |
|                        |             | D            | 1         | 4          | 72.2             | - 72.2       | 72.2         | -19        | 164                           | - 164      | 164        | 307               | - 307      | 307  |
|                        |             | D            | 2         | 18         | 105.0            | - 116.2      | 114.6        | -5         | 226                           | - 253      | 246        | 446               | - 570      | 531  |
|                        | DA          | D            | 2         | 10         | 118.2            | - 132.2      | 121.0        | N/Q        | 257                           | - 287      | 263        | 585               | - 654      | 599  |
|                        |             | D            | 3         | 30         | 139.2            | - 149.2      | 146.2        | 8          | 284                           | - 305      | 298        | 627               | - 689      | 665  |
|                        |             | D            | 4         | 27         | 152.2            | - 156.2      | 155.5        | N/Q        | 298                           | - 306      | 305        | 753               | - 773      | 770  |
| 520+                   | DA          | D            | 2         | 5          | 128.2            | - 128.2      | 128.2        | 3          | 279                           | - 279      | 279        | 686               | - 686      | 686  |

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|                 |             |              |           |            | Low              | High         | Avg   | Change | Low                           | High       | Avg | Low               | High        | Avg  |
|                 |             | D            | 3         | 3          | 146.2            | - 146.2      | 146.2 | 16     | 298                           | - 298      | 298 | 782               | - 782       | 782  |
|                 |             | D            | 4         | 63         | 152.2            | - 174.2      | 160.7 | 8      | 298                           | - 342      | 315 | 862               | - 1071      | 886  |
|                 |             | D            | 5         | 1          | 146.2            | - 146.2      | 146.2 | N/Q    | 298                           | - 298      | 298 | 826               | - 826       | 826  |
|                 |             |              |           | <b>170</b> | <b>30.0</b>      | <b>174.2</b> |       |        | <b>68</b>                     | <b>342</b> |     | <b>120</b>        | <b>1071</b> |      |
| <b>Bulls</b>    |             |              |           |            |                  |              |       |        |                               |            |     |                   |             |      |
| 0-450           |             | C            | 3         | 4          | 173.2            | - 180.0      | 174.9 | N/Q    | 309                           | - 327      | 314 | 657               | - 779       | 749  |
|                 | FD          | C            | 3         | 6          | 160.0            | - 160.0      | 160.0 | N/Q    |                               | -          |     | 648               | - 648       | 648  |
|                 | FD          | D            | 2         | 4          | 120.0            | - 120.0      | 120.0 | N/Q    |                               | -          |     | 426               | - 426       | 426  |
|                 |             | D            | 2         | 9          | 102.2            | - 102.2      | 102.2 | N/Q    | 186                           | - 186      | 186 | 271               | - 271       | 271  |
| 600+            |             | C            | 3         | 3          | 160.2            | - 166.2      | 163.9 | 20     | 286                           | - 297      | 293 | 1080              | - 1404      | 1229 |
|                 |             |              |           | <b>26</b>  | <b>102.2</b>     | <b>180.0</b> |       |        | <b>186</b>                    | <b>327</b> |     | <b>271</b>        | <b>1404</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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