

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Gunnedah

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Yarding Change ¹⁸¹⁵
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There was a small increase in numbers with young cattle and cows well supplied. The young cattle comprised a fair supply of plainer conditioned vealers and large numbers of yearlings. There were limited numbers of heavy grown steers and well-finished heavy heifers, with cows making up the bulk of the export section. There was a larger than normal penning of very good heavy bulls. The quality of the offering was mostly good and presented in varying degrees of finish. There were increased numbers of well-finished cattle presented off crop.

For the most part trends were dearer through the young cattle, with some exceptions. Vealer steers to restock sold to a dearer trend on the back of a promising rain forecast for the weekend. Vealer heifers to restock were firm to slightly dearer, with a small number of well-finished heifers suitable to the butcher shop trade as much as 10c/kg dearer. There was little quality related price change on yearling steers to restock and feed on an otherwise firm to slightly dearer market. Lightweight yearling heifers to restock sold to a cheaper trend, while there was little change on the medium weights to restock and feed. Well-finished yearlings suitable to the trade sold firm to a little dearer.

Strong price gains were seen in the heavy grown steers. The market trended dearer, with quality improvement accounting for much of the price improvement. Well-finished heavy grown heifers followed a similar trend. Improvements in quality contributed to some large price increases through the cow market on what was also a dearer market. Restockers were active on good conditioned cows regardless of finish. Heavy bulls sold to a dearer trend, up to 10c/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
Vealer Steer														
0-200	RS	C	2	22	187.2	- 187.2	187.2	N/Q	-			374	- 374	374
200-280	RS	C	2	89	140.2	- 203.2	189.6	7	-			336	- 569	505
280-330	RS	C	2	50	188.0	- 198.2	194.2	12	-			565	- 612	584
	FD	C	2	7	179.2	- 198.2	195.5	N/C	-			511	- 614	600
	RS	C	3	4	186.2	- 190.0	187.2	-2	-			531	- 627	555
		C	3	1	199.2	- 199.2	199.2	N/Q	356	- 356	356	637	- 637	637
				173	140.2	203.2			356	356		336	637	
Vealer Heifer														
0-200	RS	C	2	16	150.2	- 150.2	150.2	N/Q	-			270	- 270	270
200-280	RS	C	2	73	150.0	- 173.2	162.6	-5	-			347	- 460	409
		C	2	19	148.2	- 160.0	154.0	1	285	- 308	296	327	- 396	369
	FD	C	3	1	170.2	- 170.2	170.2	N/Q	-			477	- 477	477
		C	3	2	160.0	- 165.0	162.5	N/Q	302	- 311	307	352	- 396	374
	RS	C	3	16	167.2	- 167.2	167.2	N/Q	-			468	- 468	468
280-330	FD	C	2	10	175.2	- 175.2	175.2	N/Q	-			508	- 508	508
		C	3	19	170.0	- 200.0	182.1	14	321	- 370	341	485	- 660	556
	FD	C	3	19	160.2	- 178.2	169.7	N/Q	-			457	- 535	498
330+		C	3	2	181.2	- 200.0	190.6	N/Q	342	- 370	356	634	- 680	657
		C	4	1	167.2	- 167.2	167.2	N/Q	322	- 322	322	585	- 585	585
				178	148.2	200.0			285	370		270	680	
Yearling Steer														
0-330		C	2	8	147.2	- 147.2	147.2	N/Q	283	- 283	283	420	- 420	420
		FD	C	2	56	161.2	- 195.2	184.8	-2	-		467	- 634	578
		RS	C	2	195	140.2	- 198.2	186.8	7	-		421	- 654	533

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330-400	RS	C	2	79	198.2	- 205.2	199.9	-1	-				667	- 718	688	
	FD	C	2	44	175.2	- 195.0	182.4	-16	-				648	- 721	680	
	RS	C	3	24	191.2	- 202.2	196.8	N/Q	-				670	- 809	729	
	FD	C	3	2	195.0	- 195.0	195.0	N/Q	-				741	- 741	741	
		C	3	7	176.2	- 204.2	187.0	8	326	- 378	346			705	- 770	725
400+	RS	C	2	14	204.2	- 204.2	204.2	N/Q	-				858	- 858	858	
	FD	C	2	26	194.2	- 207.2	202.2	3	-				816	- 881	856	
	RS	C	3	2	195.2	- 195.2	195.2	N/Q	-				830	- 830	830	
	FD	C	3	27	165.0	- 198.2	188.4	-15	-				726	- 917	851	
				484	140.2	207.2			283	378		420	917			
Yearling Heifer																
0-330	RS	C	2	127	145.0	- 162.2	154.2	-18	-				334	- 488	439	
	FD	C	2	20	168.2	- 168.2	168.2	5	-				505	- 505	505	
		C	3	34	160.0	- 185.2	168.3	N/C	302	- 343	318			485	- 574	528
	RS	D	2	72	131.2	- 142.2	137.4	-20	-				302	- 356	328	
		D	2	1	129.2	- 129.2	129.2	N/Q	258	- 258	258			349	- 349	349
		D	3	11	134.2	- 134.2	134.2	N/Q	263	- 263	263			356	- 356	356
330-400		C	2	1	163.2	- 163.2	163.2	N/Q	314	- 314	314			555	- 555	555
	FD	C	2	10	160.2	- 160.2	160.2	-8	-				593	- 593	593	
	RS	C	2	16	157.2	- 173.2	165.3	-5	-				542	- 632	590	
	RS	C	3	30	165.2	- 178.2	172.4	-4	-				565	- 639	606	
	FD	C	3	7	168.0	- 169.2	169.0	N/Q	-				580	- 592	590	
		C	3	32	153.2	- 186.2	168.9	-3	295	- 351	319			552	- 678	614
400+	FD	C	2	5	160.2	- 160.2	160.2	10	-				1073	- 1073	1073	
		C	3	1	170.2	- 170.2	170.2	N/C	321	- 321	321			715	- 715	715
		C	4	3	173.2	- 173.2	173.2	N/Q	321	- 321	321			866	- 866	866
				370	129.2	186.2			258	351		302	1073			
Grown Steer																
400-500		C	2	4	150.0	- 150.0	150.0	N/Q	289	- 289	289			713	- 713	713
	FD	C	2	6	186.2	- 202.2	191.5	40	-				819	- 960	866	
	RS	C	2	6	138.0	- 138.0	138.0	-47	-				621	- 621	621	
	FD	C	3	19	180.0	- 191.2	185.9	N/Q	-				774	- 899	840	
		C	3	2	157.2	- 157.2	157.2	N/Q	291	- 291	291			723	- 723	723
	FD	D	3	2	160.0	- 160.0	160.0	N/Q	-				672	- 672	672	
500-600	FD	C	3	2	187.2	- 188.2	187.7	N/Q	-				973	- 997	985	
		C	3	22	172.2	- 185.2	177.8	33	318	- 343	329			895	- 1024	940
		C	4	10	186.2	- 187.2	186.8	22	339	- 340	340			1024	- 1030	1027
600-750		C	3	1	186.2	- 186.2	186.2	N/Q	333	- 333	333			1275	- 1275	1275
				74	138.0	202.2			289	343		621	1275			
Grown Heifer																
0-540	FD	C	2	14	166.2	- 166.2	166.2	N/Q	-				582	- 582	582	
	RS	C	2	11	122.2	- 145.0	134.6	N/Q	-				519	- 638	584	
		C	3	39	130.2	- 160.0	148.4	N/Q	250	- 302	282			574	- 740	674
	RS	C	4	1	168.2	- 168.2	168.2	N/Q	-				723	- 723	723	

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	RS	D	2	44	113.2	- 129.2	123.5	19	-			402	- 604	502
	RS	D	3	6	130.2	- 130.2	130.2	-19	-			547	- 547	547
		D	3	3	125.0	- 135.0	129.4	13	245	- 265	254	513	- 628	568
540+		C	3	13	154.2	- 169.2	168.0	N/Q	297	- 313	312	848	- 973	963
		C	4	1	179.2	- 179.2	179.2	N/Q	332	- 332	332	1021	- 1021	1021
				132	113.2	179.2			245	332		402	1021	
Cows														
400-520		D	2	48	100.0	- 115.2	109.4	5	222	- 256	242	450	- 519	493
	RS	D	2	60	109.2	- 129.2	116.6	10	-			452	- 568	503
	RS	D	3	50	126.2	- 130.2	128.2	N/Q	-			625	- 641	629
		D	3	14	120.2	- 132.2	128.8	10	250	- 281	274	582	- 631	604
		D	4	2	125.2	- 125.2	125.2	N/Q	261	- 261	261	601	- 601	601
520+		C	3	1	147.2	- 147.2	147.2	N/Q	283	- 283	283	927	- 927	927
		C	4	29	152.2	- 154.2	153.2	N/Q	287	- 291	289	959	- 987	973
		D	3	39	128.2	- 144.2	134.1	22	264	- 288	278	701	- 808	736
		D	4	99	128.0	- 145.2	139.7	15	267	- 292	279	704	- 895	804
				342	100.0	154.2			222	292		450	987	
Bulls														
600+		B	2	46	169.2	- 193.2	185.6	29	299	- 331	317	1278	- 2018	1595
		C	2	10	146.2	- 170.2	160.3	17	271	- 304	290	1279	- 1493	1380
		D	2	1	138.2	- 138.2	138.2	N/Q	266	- 266	266	1009	- 1009	1009
				57	138.2	193.2			266	331		1009	2018	

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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