

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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There was a sharp fall in overall numbers with young cattle well supplied. There were limited numbers of heavy grown steers with cows in fair supply. The quality of the offering was generally good although there were some very plain quality lots penned. Restocker and feeder orders were well catered for through the young cattle, with limited opportunities for the trade operators and local butchers. All regular buyers were in attendance for a market showing firm to dearer trends for the most part.

The reduced numbers and a hint of rain contributed to the dearer trends through the young cattle. Quality improvements in some categories were also a factor in price change. Vealer steers to restockers were 14c to 40c/kg dearer. The quality of the vealers and increased competition contributed greatly to the high prices. Vealer heifers also sold to a dearer trend, with the odd lot to local butchers up to 15c/kg dearer. Yearling steers to restock and feed for all weight classes attracted strong demand, to record a dearer trend of 13c to 20c/kg. Yearling heifers to restockers saw little change, while those to feed were 7c to 13c/kg dearer. Well finished heifers to the trade experienced significant price gains.

Heavy grown steers sold to a dearer trend, up to 9c/kg, with the majority being HGP treated. There was little but quality related change in the market for well finished medium and heavy weight cows, while strong demand for plain cows from restockers resulted in the medium weight 2 scores selling to dearer trend.

| 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 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 80+ | RS | C | 1 | 17 | 131.2 | - 180.0 | 155.7 | N/Q | - | - | - | 151 | - | 211 | 182 | |
| | | | | 17 | 131.2 | 180.0 | | | 0 | 0 | | 151 | 211 | | | |
| Vealer Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 200-280 | | C | 2 | 1 | 160.0 | - 160.0 | 160.0 | N/Q | 308 | - | 308 | 308 | 400 | - | 400 | 400 |
| | RS | C | 2 | 87 | 184.2 | - 227.2 | 220.9 | 43 | - | - | - | 456 | - | 540 | 504 | |
| 280-330 | | C | 2 | 3 | 190.0 | - 190.0 | 190.0 | N/Q | 352 | - | 352 | 352 | 627 | - | 627 | 627 |
| | | | | 91 | 160.0 | 227.2 | | | 308 | 352 | | 400 | 627 | | | |
| Vealer Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-200 | RS | C | 2 | 47 | 190.2 | - 195.2 | 192.2 | N/Q | - | - | - | 351 | - | 380 | 369 | |
| | | C | 2 | 3 | 160.0 | - 160.0 | 160.0 | N/Q | 308 | - | 308 | 308 | 240 | - | 240 | 240 |
| 200-280 | | C | 2 | 6 | 169.2 | - 169.2 | 169.2 | 19 | 325 | - | 325 | 325 | 381 | - | 381 | 381 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 1 | 170.0 | - 170.0 | 170.0 | N/Q | - | - | - | 476 | - | 476 | 476 | |
| | | C | 3 | 1 | 205.0 | - 205.0 | 205.0 | N/Q | 380 | - | 380 | 380 | 574 | - | 574 | 574 |
| 280-330 | | C | 3 | 1 | 186.2 | - 186.2 | 186.2 | N/Q | 351 | - | 351 | 351 | 531 | - | 531 | 531 |
| | | | | 59 | 160.0 | 205.0 | | | 308 | 380 | | 240 | 574 | | | |
| Yearling Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-330 | | C | 2 | 4 | 150.2 | - 204.0 | 182.9 | 33 | 289 | - | 378 | 341 | 421 | - | 663 | 567 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 59 | 160.0 | - 209.2 | 187.3 | 7 | - | - | - | 496 | - | 690 | 593 | |
| | RS | C | 2 | 55 | 156.2 | - 204.2 | 197.1 | 18 | - | - | - | 359 | - | 651 | 623 | |
| | RS | D | 1 | 17 | 130.0 | - 171.2 | 159.1 | N/Q | - | - | - | 214 | - | 260 | 228 | |
| | RS | D | 2 | 13 | 176.2 | - 180.2 | 178.0 | 43 | - | - | - | 523 | - | 529 | 526 | |
| | FD | D | 2 | 1 | 135.0 | - 135.0 | 135.0 | N/Q | - | - | - | 371 | - | 371 | 371 | |
| | | D | 2 | 3 | 150.0 | - 150.0 | 150.0 | N/Q | 300 | - | 300 | 300 | 360 | - | 360 | 360 |
| 330-400 | | B | 2 | 1 | 205.0 | - 205.0 | 205.0 | N/Q | 366 | - | 366 | 366 | 718 | - | 718 | 718 |
| | RS | C | 2 | 57 | 160.2 | - 213.2 | 204.4 | 36 | - | - | - | 545 | - | 813 | 732 | |

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| | | | | | Low | High | Avg | Change | Low | High | Avg | Low | High | Avg |
| 400+ | | C | 2 | 11 | 195.0 | - 209.2 | 203.9 | N/Q | 361 | - 387 | 378 | 683 | - 785 | 752 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 213 | 175.2 | - 214.2 | 197.1 | 12 | - | - | 620 | - 821 | 709 | |
| | | C | 3 | 7 | 188.2 | - 200.2 | 196.8 | 8 | 349 | - 371 | 364 | 649 | - 701 | 686 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 49 | 192.2 | - 205.2 | 200.8 | 21 | - | - | 817 | - 892 | 868 | |
| | FD | C | 3 | 33 | 194.2 | - 211.2 | 202.0 | 16 | - | - | 922 | - 956 | 939 | |
| | | C | 3 | 3 | 195.2 | - 195.2 | 195.2 | N/Q | 362 | - 362 | 362 | 810 | - 810 | 810 |
| | | | | 526 | 130.0 | 214.2 | | 289 | 387 | | 214 | 956 | | |
| Yearling Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-330 | | C | 2 | 39 | 159.2 | - 175.2 | 166.0 | 26 | 306 | - 337 | 319 | 395 | - 526 | 435 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 74 | 153.2 | - 189.2 | 177.9 | 10 | - | - | 454 | - 624 | 551 | |
| | RS | C | 2 | 61 | 140.0 | - 168.2 | 159.8 | 17 | - | - | 371 | - 547 | 449 | |
| | FD | C | 3 | 10 | 154.2 | - 179.2 | 171.7 | N/Q | - | - | 401 | - 582 | 528 | |
| | | C | 3 | 69 | 165.0 | - 210.0 | 186.9 | 7 | 317 | - 389 | 353 | 470 | - 693 | 589 |
| | RS | C | 3 | 24 | 152.2 | - 192.2 | 175.5 | N/Q | - | - | 457 | - 634 | 560 | |
| | RS | D | 1 | 21 | 128.2 | - 128.2 | 128.2 | N/Q | - | - | 128 | - 128 | 128 | |
| | RS | D | 2 | 7 | 120.0 | - 120.0 | 120.0 | -14 | - | - | 270 | - 270 | 270 | |
| | FD | D | 2 | 3 | 143.2 | - 143.2 | 143.2 | N/Q | - | - | 473 | - 473 | 473 | |
| | | D | 2 | 6 | 120.0 | - 150.0 | 138.7 | 4 | 240 | - 300 | 278 | 329 | - 360 | 340 |
| 330-400 | | B | 2 | 1 | 185.0 | - 185.0 | 185.0 | N/Q | 343 | - 343 | 343 | 703 | - 703 | 703 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 84 | 177.2 | - 196.2 | 184.7 | 21 | - | - | 632 | - 687 | 664 | |
| | FD | C | 3 | 57 | 182.2 | - 189.2 | 185.7 | 7 | - | - | 635 | - 701 | 665 | |
| | | C | 3 | 5 | 179.2 | - 190.0 | 183.8 | 7 | 338 | - 359 | 347 | 646 | - 741 | 712 |
| 400+ | | B | 2 | 1 | 185.0 | - 185.0 | 185.0 | N/Q | 336 | - 336 | 336 | 796 | - 796 | 796 |
| | | C | 3 | 26 | 166.2 | - 179.2 | 174.5 | 20 | 314 | - 338 | 329 | 681 | - 753 | 721 |
| | | | | 488 | 120.0 | 210.0 | | 240 | 389 | | 128 | 796 | | |
| Grown Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-400 | FD | C | 2 | 10 | 180.0 | - 199.2 | 197.3 | N/Q | - | - | 720 | - 797 | 789 | |
| | RS | C | 3 | 2 | 145.0 | - 145.0 | 145.0 | N/Q | - | - | 544 | - 544 | 544 | |
| 400-500 | FD | C | 2 | 39 | 150.2 | - 193.2 | 182.6 | N/Q | - | - | 623 | - 916 | 813 | |
| | | C | 2 | 1 | 149.2 | - 149.2 | 149.2 | N/Q | 287 | - 287 | 287 | 709 | - 709 | 709 |
| | | C | 3 | 4 | 167.2 | - 194.2 | 180.7 | 16 | 310 | - 360 | 335 | 836 | - 971 | 904 |
| 500-600 | | C | 2 | 1 | 161.2 | - 161.2 | 161.2 | N/Q | 299 | - 299 | 299 | 838 | - 838 | 838 |
| | FD | C | 3 | 1 | 183.2 | - 183.2 | 183.2 | N/Q | - | - | 953 | - 953 | 953 | |
| | | C | 3 | 47 | 160.0 | - 184.2 | 176.8 | N/Q | 296 | - 341 | 327 | 848 | - 1037 | 964 |
| | | | | 105 | 145.0 | 199.2 | | 287 | 360 | | 544 | 1037 | | |
| Grown Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-540 | FD | C | 2 | 16 | 149.2 | - 175.2 | 162.8 | N/Q | - | - | 597 | - 728 | 698 | |
| | | C | 2 | 4 | 132.2 | - 132.2 | 132.2 | N/Q | 259 | - 259 | 259 | 555 | - 555 | 555 |
| | | C | 3 | 7 | 150.0 | - 175.2 | 166.6 | N/Q | 283 | - 331 | 315 | 670 | - 816 | 735 |
| | FD | C | 3 | 1 | 167.2 | - 167.2 | 167.2 | N/Q | - | - | 803 | - 803 | 803 | |
| | RS | D | 2 | 15 | 123.2 | - 135.2 | 127.3 | 8 | - | - | 400 | - 595 | 472 | |
| | FD | D | 2 | 1 | 137.2 | - 137.2 | 137.2 | N/Q | - | - | 645 | - 645 | 645 | |
| | | D | 3 | 16 | 127.2 | - 140.0 | 132.0 | -29 | 249 | - 280 | 261 | 509 | - 581 | 536 |
| 540+ | | C | 3 | 1 | 158.0 | - 158.0 | 158.0 | N/Q | 298 | - 298 | 298 | 869 | - 869 | 869 |
| | | C | 4 | 1 | 155.0 | - 155.0 | 155.0 | N/Q | 298 | - 298 | 298 | 868 | - 868 | 868 |

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| | | | | | Low | High | Avg | Change | Low | High | Avg | Low | High | Avg |
| | | | | 62 | 123.2 | 175.2 | | | 249 | 331 | | 400 | 869 | |
| Cows | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-400 | | D | 1 | 9 | 106.2 | - 111.2 | 109.5 | N/Q | 253 | - 278 | 270 | 414 | - 428 | 423 |
| | RS | D | 1 | 17 | 125.2 | - 125.2 | 125.2 | N/Q | | - | | 470 | - 470 | 470 |
| | | D | 2 | 6 | 117.2 | - 117.2 | 117.2 | 5 | 279 | - 279 | 279 | 469 | - 469 | 469 |
| 400-520 | | D | 1 | 1 | 120.2 | - 120.2 | 120.2 | N/Q | 286 | - 286 | 286 | 499 | - 499 | 499 |
| | | D | 2 | 26 | 112.2 | - 132.2 | 124.8 | 7 | 249 | - 294 | 277 | 509 | - 641 | 571 |
| | RS | D | 2 | 17 | 130.2 | - 137.2 | 135.6 | 19 | | - | | 611 | - 618 | 612 |
| | | D | 3 | 19 | 134.2 | - 137.2 | 136.0 | 8 | 282 | - 286 | 285 | 637 | - 686 | 673 |
| 520+ | | C | 2 | 1 | 148.2 | - 148.2 | 148.2 | N/Q | 296 | - 296 | 296 | 845 | - 845 | 845 |
| | | C | 3 | 3 | 150.2 | - 150.2 | 150.2 | -5 | 300 | - 300 | 300 | 946 | - 946 | 946 |
| | | D | 3 | 7 | 143.2 | - 149.2 | 147.5 | 8 | 298 | - 298 | 298 | 773 | - 806 | 796 |
| | | D | 4 | 66 | 142.2 | - 157.2 | 148.4 | 5 | 290 | - 314 | 299 | 768 | - 959 | 846 |
| | | D | 6 | 2 | 124.2 | - 124.2 | 124.2 | N/Q | 259 | - 259 | 259 | 745 | - 745 | 745 |
| | | | | 174 | 106.2 | 157.2 | | | 249 | 314 | | 414 | 959 | |
| Bulls | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-450 | | C | 2 | 17 | 133.2 | - 173.2 | 149.8 | N/Q | 256 | - 321 | 285 | 380 | - 762 | 563 |
| | | D | 2 | 2 | 148.2 | - 148.2 | 148.2 | N/Q | 285 | - 285 | 285 | 652 | - 652 | 652 |
| 600+ | | B | 2 | 17 | 185.2 | - 207.2 | 203.1 | 1 | 331 | - 370 | 361 | 1432 | - 2246 | 1797 |
| | | C | 2 | 3 | 180.2 | - 192.2 | 184.5 | 1 | 334 | - 343 | 338 | 1406 | - 1495 | 1441 |
| | | | | 39 | 133.2 | 207.2 | | | 256 | 370 | | 380 | 2246 | |

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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