

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Gunnedah

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Yarding Change $\frac{3350}{100}$

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Numbers remained steady, only a very small increase was recorded. There was a good supply of young cattle with yearlings in large numbers and an increase in vealers offered. There were a small number of well finished grown steers and cows make up the bulk of the grown cattle. Overall the quality of the cattle was good, however there were a number of lots showing signs of the less than favourable seasonal conditions in some parts of the drawing area. There was a full field of buyers in attendance.

Market trends varied through the young cattle with the heavier weight steer vealers to restock selling to a dearer trend, averaging 5c/kg higher. Heifer vealers to restock also sold to a dearer trend and there was a quality component to the price improvement. Demand for good quality medium and heavy feeder cattle was again high. The steer market saw little but quality related price change. Lightweight yearling steers deemed not suitable to put on a grain ration sold to a cheaper trend as restockers showed a bit more caution. The good quality yearling heifers to feed saw little change in the market trend, however the secondary quality heifer lots attracted less demand and competition to sell to a cheaper trend. Well finished young cattle to the trade sold to a slightly dearer trend with heavyweight yearling heifers up to 7c/kg dearer.

Heavy grown steers saw little change in the market with an improvement in quality accounting for price increases. Demand for all classes of cows was weaker with heavy cows most affected. They were down as much as 20c/kg while the medium weight cows were less affected. There were some good quality cows in plain condition that attracted restocker competition, this in turn limited the price fall.

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	5	260.2	- 260.2	260.2	-17	-	-	-	520	-	520	520	
		C	2	5	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	423	-	423	423	407	-	407	407
200-280	RS	D	2	20	276.2	- 276.2	276.2	N/Q	-	-	-	552	-	552	552	
		C	2	2	198.2	- 230.0	214.1	N/Q	381	-	442	412	496	-	529	512
		FD	C	2	8	254.2	- 254.2	254.2	N/Q	-	-	-	712	-	712	712
280-330	RS	C	2	81	225.0	- 272.2	259.2	-12	-	-	-	521	-	749	677	
		C	2	165	250.0	- 285.2	266.3	4	-	-	-	749	-	875	805	
330+	RS	C	2	10	260.2	- 260.2	260.2	N/Q	-	-	-	885	-	885	885	
		FD	C	2	23	257.2	- 261.2	258.9	N/Q	-	-	-	888	-	913	902
		C	3	1	230.0	- 230.0	230.0	N/Q	426	-	426	426	782	-	782	782
				320	198.2	285.2			381	442		407	913			
Vealer Heifer																
0-200		C	2	20	190.0	- 221.2	216.2	N/Q	365	-	425	416	342	-	442	418
		D	2	11	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	423	-	423	423	396	-	396	396
		RS	D	2	21	232.2	- 232.2	232.2	N/Q	-	-	-	441	-	441	441
200-280		FD	C	2	4	238.2	- 238.2	238.2	N/Q	-	-	-	667	-	667	667
		RS	C	2	92	205.0	- 246.2	236.1	-2	-	-	-	492	-	677	627
		C	2	15	212.0	- 218.0	214.2	6	408	-	419	412	530	-	589	541
280-330		C	3	1	225.0	- 225.0	225.0	N/Q	425	-	425	425	563	-	563	563
		C	2	8	246.2	- 246.2	246.2	N/Q	474	-	474	474	739	-	739	739
		RS	C	2	10	225.2	- 246.2	239.9	1	-	-	-	642	-	739	710
		FD	C	2	19	225.0	- 237.2	228.9	-13	-	-	-	675	-	688	679
		RS	C	3	2	230.2	- 230.2	230.2	N/Q	-	-	-	691	-	691	691

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330+		C	3	4	221.2	- 229.2	225.0	3	417	- 433	424	665	- 730	703
		C	3	1	230.0	- 230.0	230.0	N/Q	426	- 426	426	794	- 794	794
				208	190.0	246.2		365	474		342	794		
Yearling Steer														
200-280	RS	C	2	26	238.0	- 259.2	249.1	6	-			547	- 726	688
	RS	D	2	39	204.2	- 235.2	217.7	-34	-			541	- 584	575
280-330	FD	C	2	84	244.2	- 259.2	256.0	-1	-			763	- 842	813
	RS	C	2	64	222.0	- 268.2	248.9	-3	-			710	- 858	791
	RS	D	2	6	227.2	- 227.2	227.2	-7	-			704	- 704	704
	FD	D	2	3	224.2	- 224.2	224.2	N/Q	-			717	- 717	717
330-400	FD	C	2	177	230.2	- 266.2	256.1	1	-			817	- 1065	945
	RM	C	2	1	245.0	- 245.0	245.0	N/Q	471	- 471	471	980	- 980	980
	RS	C	2	54	258.2	- 261.2	260.1	N/C	-			898	- 994	933
	FD	C	3	1	240.0	- 240.0	240.0	N/Q	-			924	- 924	924
400+	FD	C	2	165	237.2	- 267.2	258.2	-3	-			984	- 1174	1101
	RS	C	2	12	262.2	- 262.2	262.2	N/Q	-			1114	- 1114	1114
	FD	C	3	7	255.0	- 255.0	255.0	-7	-			1199	- 1199	1199
		C	3	15	245.0	- 250.2	248.5	-8	454	- 463	460	1139	- 1251	1214
	FD	D	2	2	180.0	- 180.0	180.0	N/Q	-			756	- 756	756
				656	180.0	268.2		454	471		541	1251		
Yearling Heifer														
200-280	RS	C	2	64	202.2	- 235.2	208.5	4	-			526	- 635	561
	RS	D	2	18	156.2	- 197.2	166.1	-35	-			375	- 552	416
		D	2	15	138.2	- 184.2	153.5	-43	276	- 368	307	359	- 461	393
280-330		C	2	5	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	-11	400	- 400	400	660	- 660	660
	RS	C	2	81	210.0	- 233.2	219.5	6	-			599	- 770	688
	FD	C	2	113	188.2	- 240.2	226.0	-1	-			599	- 786	721
	FD	C	3	28	229.2	- 239.2	233.5	7	-			748	- 789	766
	RS	C	3	13	221.2	- 221.2	221.2	-14	-			719	- 719	719
		C	3	13	223.2	- 235.0	224.8	-3	429	- 443	431	670	- 776	687
	FD	D	2	15	199.2	- 203.2	202.1	-4	-			598	- 660	644
330-400	FD	C	2	110	220.0	- 241.2	232.6	-1	-			748	- 929	829
	FD	C	3	101	214.2	- 241.2	235.2	-1	-			784	- 965	892
		C	3	11	205.2	- 227.2	220.1	-11	395	- 429	419	759	- 798	775
		D	3	15	189.2	- 200.2	198.0	-5	371	- 393	388	711	- 757	720
400+	FD	C	2	5	232.2	- 232.2	232.2	N/Q	-			952	- 952	952
	FD	C	3	19	235.2	- 242.2	240.9	8	-			988	- 1052	1042
		C	3	45	215.0	- 239.2	230.2	9	406	- 451	434	968	- 1075	1013
		C	4	10	205.2	- 235.2	208.2	N/Q	387	- 444	393	1026	- 1176	1041
				681	138.2	242.2		276	451		359	1176		
Grown Steer														
0-400	RS	C	2	1	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	N/Q	-			720	- 720	720
400-500	FD	C	2	17	202.2	- 247.2	218.1	-41	-			916	- 1112	1014
		C	2	7	180.0	- 200.0	182.9	N/Q	346	- 370	350	792	- 1000	822
		C	3	1	201.2	- 201.2	201.2	N/Q	373	- 373	373	966	- 966	966

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500-600	FD	C	3	12	200.0	- 213.2	206.6	N/Q	-			970	- 1066	1018
		C	2	6	206.0	- 206.0	206.0	-59	396	- 396	396	1133	- 1133	1133
		C	3	9	213.2	- 213.2	213.2	1	395	- 395	395	1130	- 1130	1130
	FD	C	3	6	213.2	- 213.2	213.2	-34	-			1151	- 1151	1151
		C	4	25	232.2	- 235.0	233.9	N/Q	415	- 420	418	1393	- 1410	1403
				84	180.0	247.2			346	420		720	1410	
Grown Heifer														
0-540	FD	C	2	7	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	10	-			860	- 860	860
		C	3	23	181.2	- 200.2	189.8	-21	349	- 393	365	661	- 986	803
	FD	C	3	1	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	-			990	- 990	990
		C	4	3	198.2	- 198.2	198.2	N/Q	374	- 374	374	1070	- 1070	1070
		D	2	17	178.2	- 183.2	180.6	4	356	- 366	361	586	- 731	663
	FD	D	2	1	180.2	- 180.2	180.2	N/Q	-			559	- 559	559
	RS	D	2	69	168.2	- 180.2	171.9	N/Q	-			570	- 719	658
		D	3	21	173.2	- 188.0	176.8	-27	340	- 369	347	677	- 808	716
540+		C	4	20	165.2	- 208.0	205.4	-20	312	- 400	394	909	- 1248	1213
					162	165.2	220.0		312	400		559	1248	
Manufacturing Steer														
0-540		C	2	11	185.2	- 185.2	185.2	N/Q	370	- 370	370	704	- 704	704
					11	185.2	185.2		370	370		704	704	
Cows														
0-400	RS	D	1	20	128.2	- 157.2	141.3	N/Q	-			487	- 605	540
	RS	D	2	7	154.2	- 154.2	154.2	N/Q	-			617	- 617	617
		D	2	6	142.2	- 142.2	142.2	-3	356	- 356	356	455	- 455	455
400-520	RS	D	1	37	161.2	- 161.2	161.2	N/Q	-			669	- 709	690
	RS	D	2	78	145.0	- 165.0	156.1	-19	-			630	- 776	663
		D	2	35	143.2	- 170.0	153.9	-19	318	- 367	338	587	- 782	670
		D	3	93	158.2	- 185.0	173.9	-12	336	- 394	369	709	- 962	857
520+	RS	D	3	19	177.2	- 177.2	177.2	-3	-			886	- 886	886
		C	3	1	198.2	- 198.2	198.2	N/Q	396	- 396	396	1685	- 1685	1685
		D	3	83	181.2	- 200.0	191.0	-7	385	- 413	397	960	- 1260	1064
		D	4	148	185.2	- 202.2	193.9	-11	370	- 404	394	982	- 1370	1143
		D	5	8	188.2	- 188.2	188.2	-1	392	- 392	392	1204	- 1204	1204
				535	128.2	202.2		318	413		455	1685		
Bulls														
0-450		C	2	9	140.0	- 187.2	166.2	N/Q	269	- 347	312	462	- 786	642
		D	2	2	158.2	- 158.2	158.2	N/Q	304	- 304	304	696	- 696	696
450-600		C	2	7	190.0	- 210.0	200.1	11	352	- 389	371	981	- 1218	1040
600+	B	2	23	218.2	- 255.0	237.0	-13	390	- 433	412	1484	- 2678	2047	
		C	2	10	198.2	- 228.2	218.0	-9	367	- 415	396	1387	- 2184	1752
				51	140.0	255.0		269	433		462	2678		

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 DP: Dorper

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