

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Numbers were noticeably lower than the previous sale. Quality was quite mixed across most categories with good numbers of secondary yearlings. Yearling heifers to slaughter were well supplied, however sold to fluctuating price trends as the market progressed. There was a wide-ranging selection of well-bred secondary steers and heifers across all weights and grades which sold to steady demand from a smaller group of lot feeder buyers. Grown steer and bullocks were markedly limited, and cow numbers were similar to the previous market. The usual export and domestic processors were in attendance along with stronger restocker competition over all secondary categories.

The good quality supply of prime veal sold to strong demand from all southern processors, with the better finished pens ranging from 220c to 250.2c/kg. Vealers which lacked finish were keenly contested by lot feeders and restockers with prices up to 10c/kg dearer for the lighter weight portion returning to the paddock. Medium weight grass finished and supplementary fed heifers sold to stronger bidding, selling 2c dearer to average 215.9c/kg. Well finished medium weight trade steers were in limited supply and prices were generally 5c/kg dearer. Light weight secondary steers returning to the paddock sold to stronger price trends due to increased competition. Well-bred light weight steers made from 220c to 268c/kg to average the equivalent of \$631/head.

Well-bred medium weight C2 steers were well supplied however not all major feedlots were operating. The better bred lines of C2 steers made from 212c to 249c/kg. The good quality selection of lighter weight feeder heifers benefited from increased demand selling 8c higher, while the medium weight portion lifted 6c/kg.

The reduced offering of grown steers and bullocks sold to strong demand from southern processors. Prices for heavy steers were unchanged, while bullocks sold up to 9c/kg dearer. The better quality pens of grown steers and bullocks sold from 215c to 232c/kg. Heavy cows were well supplied and prices strengthened as the market progressed, with heavy cows generally selling 6c dearer to average 189.1c/kg. The D2 and D3 cows were well supplied and prices were 8c higher with the D3 medium weight cows averaging 175.5c/kg. There were a few extra restocking orders in place and younger cows returning to the paddock made from 147c to 180c/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
Calves														
80+	RS	C	2	13	265.2	- 265.2	265.2	10	-	-	-	517	- 517	517
		C	2	2	241.2	- 241.2	241.2	N/Q	447	- 447	447	434	- 434	434
	RS	D	2	30	185.0	- 201.0	190.9	N/Q	-	-	-	359	- 400	374
		D	2	17	176.0	- 176.0	176.0	N/Q	332	- 332	332	440	- 440	440
				62	176.0	265.2			332	447		359	517	
Vealer Steer														
200-280	RS	B	2	3	240.0	- 240.0	240.0	N/Q	-	-	-	612	- 612	612
		C	2	34	228.2	- 268.2	264.7	N/Q	-	-	-	468	- 646	631
	C	2	5	217.0	- 217.0	217.0	N/Q	417	- 417	417	558	- 558	558	
280-330	B	C	2	12	230.2	- 245.0	237.4	N/Q	411	- 438	424	686	- 774	715
		C	2	5	238.2	- 238.2	238.2	N/Q	458	- 458	458	750	- 750	750
330+	RS	C	2	53	230.2	- 250.2	238.5	N/Q	-	-	-	673	- 773	716
		B	2	24	232.0	- 245.2	238.1	-12	420	- 460	434	835	- 1015	911
	RS	C	2	5	228.2	- 228.2	228.2	N/Q	-	-	-	901	- 901	901
		C	2	5	222.0	- 226.0	223.8	N/Q	411	- 421	416	770	- 796	789
	FD	C	2	100	222.0	- 249.0	239.7	1	-	-	-	828	- 987	892
	C	3	1	228.0	- 228.0	228.0	N/Q	422	- 422	422	946	- 946	946	
				247	217.0	268.2			411	460		468	1015	
Vealer Heifer														

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg	
200-280	RS	B	2	4	230.0	- 230.0	230.0	N/Q	-			635	- 635	635	
		C	2	30	222.0	- 236.2	234.3	N/Q	427	- 446	443	515	- 582	524	
280-330	RS	D	2	5	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	N/Q	-			540	- 540	540	
		B	2	19	224.0	- 253.2	240.2	6	400	- 457	438	697	- 770	743	
		C	2	8	218.0	- 235.2	228.8	4	389	- 436	418	632	- 670	656	
330+	FD	C	3	3	232.0	- 232.0	232.0	N/Q	430	- 430	430	761	- 761	761	
		B	2	73	217.0	- 247.2	234.7	2	393	- 441	421	770	- 933	863	
		C	2	2	216.2	- 216.2	216.2	N/Q	400	- 400	400	869	- 869	869	
		C	2	25	212.0	- 223.0	217.6	N/Q	-			704	- 849	788	
		C	3	9	225.0	- 225.0	225.0	8	402	- 402	402	851	- 851	851	
				178	200.0	253.2			389	457		515	933		
Yearling Steer															
200-280	RS	C	2	60	250.2	- 263.6	256.8	16	-			638	- 717	669	
		D	2	18	201.0	- 205.2	203.6	N/Q	-			494	- 542	523	
280-330	FD	C	2	21	224.0	- 240.0	238.5	6	-			739	- 742	741	
		RS	C	2	37	220.0	- 243.2	232.3	-2	-			638	- 739	698
		RS	D	2	5	190.0	- 212.2	203.3	9	-			593	- 690	651
		D	2	2	206.2	- 206.2	206.2	N/Q	397	- 397	397	608	- 608	608	
330-400	FD	C	2	192	214.0	- 249.2	238.3	2	-			814	- 977	889	
		C	2	2	225.0	- 225.0	225.0	N/Q	433	- 433	433	837	- 837	837	
	RS	C	2	53	212.0	- 245.2	238.3	7	-			750	- 860	820	
		C	3	4	236.0	- 236.0	236.0	N/Q	421	- 421	421	927	- 927	927	
		D	2	5	205.0	- 205.0	205.0	19	394	- 394	394	773	- 773	773	
		RS	D	2	9	185.0	- 215.0	207.3	-3	-			679	- 809	736
		D	3	16	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	N/Q	377	- 377	377	792	- 792	792	
400+	C	2	7	215.0	- 226.0	219.7	7	398	- 435	418	892	- 1028	951		
		FD	C	2	307	212.0	- 247.2	232.7	2	-			863	- 1155	1027
		C	3	24	222.0	- 245.2	236.7	5	396	- 454	436	966	- 1127	1065	
	FD	D	2	5	210.2	- 210.2	210.2	N/Q	-			847	- 847	847	
	RS	D	2	11	182.0	- 208.2	193.4	N/Q	-			801	- 926	836	
		D	3	11	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	N/Q	377	- 377	377	814	- 814	814	
				789	182.0	263.6			377	454		494	1155		
Yearling Heifer															
200-280	RS	C	2	5	219.4	- 219.4	219.4	18	-			540	- 540	540	
280-330	RS	C	2	2	202.0	- 202.0	202.0	N/Q	-			640	- 640	640	
		FD	C	2	5	210.0	- 210.0	210.0	N/C	-			670	- 670	670
330-400	FD	C	2	193	210.0	- 231.2	223.8	8	-			717	- 893	834	
		RS	C	2	10	205.0	- 205.0	205.0	-10	-			773	- 773	773
		C	3	47	200.0	- 225.0	213.3	2	370	- 417	395	726	- 885	794	
		D	2	5	170.0	- 170.0	170.0	N/Q	327	- 327	327	624	- 624	624	
	FD	D	2	7	172.0	- 172.0	172.0	N/Q	-			645	- 645	645	
	RS	D	2	4	195.2	- 195.2	195.2	N/Q	-			722	- 722	722	
		D	3	5	174.2	- 195.0	190.0	5	323	- 361	353	610	- 669	655	
		D	4	5	183.2	- 183.2	183.2	N/Q	339	- 339	339	656	- 656	656	

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400+		B	2	2	218.0	- 218.0	218.0	N/Q	389	- 389	389	970	- 970	970
	FD	C	2	83	203.2	- 226.0	217.5	6	-	-	-	819	- 1119	953
		C	2	14	215.0	- 215.0	215.0	N/Q	414	- 414	414	905	- 905	905
	RS	C	2	5	200.2	- 200.2	200.2	-11	-	-	-	871	- 871	871
		C	3	243	204.2	- 233.2	215.9	2	378	- 432	400	830	- 1078	963
		C	4	3	205.0	- 205.0	205.0	-5	380	- 380	380	836	- 836	836
		D	4	3	186.0	- 186.0	186.0	N/Q	344	- 344	344	792	- 792	792
				641	170.0	233.2		323	432		540	1119		
Grown Steer														
400-500		C	2	12	195.0	- 214.0	199.6	1	361	- 404	371	820	- 1010	916
	RS	C	2	9	190.2	- 190.2	190.2	N/Q	-	-	-	869	- 869	869
		C	3	13	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	-19	370	- 370	370	912	- 980	954
500-600		C	3	103	200.0	- 245.0	220.2	-1	357	- 438	397	1041	- 1374	1218
	FD	C	3	19	212.0	- 230.0	219.3	-7	-	-	-	1077	- 1315	1171
		C	4	1	232.0	- 232.0	232.0	N/Q	414	- 414	414	1241	- 1241	1241
600-750		C	3	5	218.0	- 218.0	218.0	13	389	- 389	389	1400	- 1400	1400
		C	4	32	205.0	- 227.2	217.7	9	366	- 406	389	1253	- 1530	1372
				194	190.2	245.0		357	438		820	1530		
Grown Heifer														
0-540		C	3	22	200.0	- 208.0	201.8	11	370	- 385	374	820	- 1042	882
		C	4	106	186.0	- 215.0	205.5	2	344	- 398	381	930	- 1135	1051
		D	3	6	185.0	- 185.0	185.0	6	349	- 356	352	897	- 897	897
		D	4	2	183.0	- 183.0	183.0	N/Q	345	- 345	345	851	- 851	851
540+		C	4	64	192.2	- 224.0	209.5	6	356	- 415	389	1081	- 1333	1211
	DA	C	4	5	213.2	- 213.2	213.2	N/Q	395	- 395	395	1230	- 1230	1230
		D	3	1	176.0	- 176.0	176.0	N/Q	367	- 367	367	1118	- 1118	1118
		D	4	7	182.0	- 187.0	184.4	N/Q	343	- 353	348	1038	- 1217	1177
		D	5	1	180.0	- 180.0	180.0	N/Q	360	- 360	360	1206	- 1206	1206
				214	176.0	224.0		343	415		820	1333		
Manufacturing Steer														
0-540		D	2	12	180.0	- 192.2	186.3	N/Q	346	- 370	357	473	- 928	687
	DA	D	2	9	178.0	- 178.0	178.0	-2	342	- 342	342	680	- 680	680
		D	3	5	182.0	- 182.0	182.0	N/Q	337	- 337	337	777	- 777	777
540+		C	4	3	155.0	- 155.0	155.0	N/Q	287	- 287	287	1466	- 1466	1466
				29	155.0	192.2		287	370		473	1466		
Cows														
0-400	RS	D	1	15	166.0	- 166.0	166.0	21	-	-	-	662	- 662	662
	RS	D	2	4	170.0	- 170.0	170.0	5	-	-	-	643	- 643	643
		E	1	3	129.2	- 129.2	129.2	N/Q	315	- 315	315	508	- 508	508
400-520	RS	D	1	18	147.2	- 173.6	166.3	17	-	-	-	630	- 746	714
		D	1	14	145.0	- 155.0	147.0	N/Q	352	- 357	355	651	- 703	672
		D	2	25	145.0	- 177.2	174.3	10	330	- 403	396	726	- 891	837
	RS	D	2	10	172.6	- 180.0	177.8	6	-	-	-	699	- 877	823
		D	3	79	171.6	- 184.0	175.5	4	358	- 383	366	750	- 918	830
		D	4	7	185.0	- 190.0	187.1	1	370	- 380	374	879	- 984	924

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg	
520+		D	5	5	175.0	- 175.0	175.0	N/Q	365	- 365	365	875	- 875	875	
		C	4	10	194.0	- 194.0	194.0	N/Q	366	- 366	366	1125	- 1125	1125	
			D	2	8	172.0	- 175.0	173.1	N/Q	391	- 398	394	922	- 1001	971
	DA	D	2	1	178.0	- 178.0	178.0	N/Q	387	- 387	387	1139	- 1139	1139	
		D	3	126	175.0	- 194.0	182.6	8	354	- 404	379	984	- 1257	1057	
		D	4	356	182.0	- 199.2	189.1	6	350	- 390	365	990	- 1427	1196	
		D	5	28	178.0	- 185.2	182.8	16	356	- 386	379	1148	- 1441	1346	
		D	6	1	130.0	- 130.0	130.0	N/Q	296	- 296	296	1014	- 1014	1014	
	DA	E	3	1	168.0	- 168.0	168.0	N/Q	350	- 350	350	932	- 932	932	
				711	129.2	199.2		296	404		508	1441			
Bulls															
0-450		C	2	3	194.0	- 198.0	196.7	9	346	- 354	351	660	- 792	748	
	RS	C	2	9	190.2	- 203.6	197.6	N/Q		-		704	- 825	771	
		D	2	2	160.0	- 160.0	160.0	N/Q	302	- 302	302	456	- 456	456	
450-600		C	2	4	192.0	- 193.0	192.5	-1	343	- 357	350	872	- 1123	998	
600+		B	2	4	188.0	- 210.0	203.3	N/Q	336	- 375	363	1692	- 2071	1944	
				22	160.0	210.0		302	375		456	2071			

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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