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Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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There was an improvement in overall quality as agents yarded 1,257 head of live-weight and open auction cattle. The usual array of trade, processor, feeder and restocker buying support was present and active as the market sold to a generally firm to slightly dearer trend.

Only small numbers of vealers came forward and were generally firm as the majority ranged from 205c to 228c, although one line of steers returned 258c and the heifers made 265c/kg in two isolated sales to strong processor demand.

Restockers and feeders were very active in the yearling section of the market with better quality on offer. Steers to the trade sold to 254c, with heifers to 239c/kg. Restocker and feeder support purchased to 231c for steers, while heifers ranged from 196c to 215c/kg. Prices improved by up to 3c for steers and up to 7c/kg for heifers.

Smaller numbers of grown steers came forward and prices ranged from 197c to 226c/kg, with quality declining. Grown heifers mainly ranged from 182c to 222c/kg, as all grown cattle were firm in price. The few manufacturing steers ranged from 176c to 186c/kg.

Quality fell in the cow section as a number of lightweight lines came forward. The lightweight D2 grades saw improved restocker competition to mainly sell from 178c to 184c, lifting by up to 6c/kg. The better D3 and D4 grades ranged from 166c to 200c, to be firm in price. Bulls fell in price by up to 8c as they mainly ranged from 178c to 210c/kg.

Category Weight	Sale Prefix	Muscle Score	Fat Score		Live Weight c/kg			Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg			Estimated \$/Head			
					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
Vealer Ste	er													
200-280	FD	С	3	8	226.0	- 226.0	226.0	N/Q	-			633 -	633	633
330+	FD	С	3	10	223.0	- 226.0	224.5	N/Q	-			814 -	914	864
		С	3	24	205.0	- 258.0	240.3	14	366 -	461	433	697 -	1008	885
				42	205.0	258.0			366	461		633	1008	
Vealer He	ifer													
280-330		С	3	12	226.0	- 226.0	226.0	10	404 -	404	404	746 -	746	746
330+		С	3	37	213.0	- 265.0	229.8	3	382 -	473	413	746 -	954	819
	FD	С	3	1	228.0	- 228.0	228.0	N/Q	-			844 -	844	844
				50	213.0	265.0			382	473		746	954	
Yearling S	teer													
330-400		С	3	12	237.0	- 254.0	245.9	4	431 -	462	447	853 -	991	921
	FD	С	3	12	216.0	- 225.0	220.5	N/Q	-			756 -	900	828
	RS	С	3	42	220.0	- 231.0	223.5	3	-	•		836 -	900	871
		D	2	8	186.0	- 186.0	186.0	N/Q	338 -	338	338	725 -	725	725
400+		С	3	47	215.0	- 236.0	225.5	-3	391 -	429	410	1012 -	1161	1063
	RS	С	3	14	223.0	- 228.0	224.8	1	-			948 -	980	959
	FD	С	3	1	218.0	- 218.0	218.0	N/Q	-			927 -	927	927
	RS	D	2	8	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	20	-	•		902 -	902	902
				144	186.0	254.0			338	462		725	1161	
Yearling F	leifer													
330-400	RS	С	3	8	215.0	- 215.0	215.0	21	-	•		860 -	860	860
		С	3	18	215.0	- 228.0	226.6	15	398 -	422	420	753 -	844	833
	FD	С	3	12	196.0	- 201.0	198.5	N/Q	-	•		686 -	744	715

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
		D	2	7	195.0	- 195.0	195.0	24	361	- 361	361	741 -	741	741
400+	FD	С	3	1	199.0	- 199.0	199.0	N/Q		-		856 -	856	856
		С	3	72	205.0	- 239.0	222.5	7	380	443	412	925 -	1028	980
	RS	D	2	12	207.0	- 207.0	207.0	N/Q		-		869 -	869	869
				130	195.0	239.0			361	443		686	1028	
Grown Ste	er													
400-500		С	3	3	221.0	- 221.0	221.0	3	402	402	402	995 -	995	995
	RS	С	3	17	214.0	- 220.0	217.2	N/Q		-		1034 -	1070	1051
500-600	RS	С	3	9	215.0	- 219.0	215.4	N/Q		-		1139 -	1161	1159
		С	3	60	197.0	- 226.0	219.1	-3	358	411	398	1024 -	1290	1224
600-750		С	3	6	214.0	- 214.0	214.0	3	389	389	389	1327 -	1327	1327
				95	197.0	226.0			358	411		995	1327	
Grown Hei	ifer													
0-540		С	3	133	166.0	- 222.0	212.7	2	307	411	394	764 -		1077
	RS	С	3	18	198.0	- 198.0	198.0	-2		-		950 -	950	950
		D	2	20	182.0	- 199.0	195.1	32	337	- 369	361	819 -	995	971
540+		С	3	30	192.0	- 201.0	198.1	-11	356	- 372	367	1056 -	1160	1108
				201	166.0	222.0			307	411		764	1188	
Manufactu	iring Sto		2		105.0	105.0	105.0	N/O	256	256	256	000	000	000
0-540		С	3	1	185.0	- 185.0	185.0	N/Q	356		356	888 -	888	888
E40 :		D	2	6	179.0	- 182.0	179.5	-4 N/O	344		345	788 -	874	802
540+		С	3	1	176.0	- 176.0	176.0	N/Q	339		339	1232 -		1232
		D	2	1	186.0	- 186.0	186.0	N/Q	358 339		358	1079 -		1079
Cows				9	176.0	186.0			339	358		788	1232	
520+		D	2	76	140.0	- 178.0	167.4	6	326	414	389	756 -	1032	939
	RS	D	2	40	181.0	- 184.0	182.5	17				994 -		1013
		D	3	172	172.0	- 200.0	190.4	-1	366	426	405	1015 -		1145
		D	4	35	166.0	- 198.0	188.5	N/Q	332		377	1079 -		1209
				323	140.0	200.0			326	426		756	1280	
Bulls														
0-450		С	3	11	182.0	- 188.0	186.9	-19	325	336	334	764 -	790	785
450-600		С	3	21	178.0	- 210.0	195.9	-7	318	375	350	902 -	1170	1026
600+		В	3	5	188.0	- 215.0	203.6	-7	330	377	357	1400 -	1828	1610
		С	3	19	150.0	- 204.0	190.9	-9	268	364	341	1085 -	1734	1435
				56	150.0	215.0			268	377		764	1828	

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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