

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Gunnedah

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Yarding Change ²¹²⁵/₉₉₅

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The numbers returned to normal levels after the rain reduced penning last week. The yarding comprised large numbers of yearlings and cows along with a fair selection of vealers. There was a limited number of well finished heavy grown steers and heifers. The quality and condition of the offering was fair to good for the most part however there were some very plain cattle that were a reflection of the tough seasonal conditions being experienced further West. Demand and competition was strong from a full field of buyers.

The high demand for all categories and classes of young cattle resulted in dearer trends. Vealer steers to restockers were up to 20c dearer, to average 13c/kg higher. Heifer vealers to both the trade and restockers sold 10c to 20c/kg dearer, with the greatest increase in the well finished local butcher lots. Light weight yearling steers sold to a dearer trend, as restockers competed with confidence. Medium weight yearling steers to feed were well sought after to show a dearer trend of 15c/kg. Heavy feeder steers averaged 3c/kg dearer however breed variations limited the increase. Yearling heifers to restock and feed were 9c to 15c/kg dearer, with the medium weights showing the best improvement. Well finished trade heifers were 4c dearer for heavy weights and up to 20c/kg dearer for medium weights that also attracted feedlot competition.

Heavy grown steers sold to a dearer trend of up to 19c/kg. This category also included some milk and 2 tooth cattle that made a premium. Well finished grown heifers showed similar gains in price. There were some very good quality cows penned that showed increased yield potential. The market trend was 6c to 8c/kg dearer, with quality improvements lifting prices further in some cases.

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														
200-280	RS	C	2	71	228.2	- 283.2	270.5	13	-	-	-	501	- 793	726
		C	2	1	212.2	- 212.2	212.2	N/Q	408	- 408	408	488	- 488	488
	FD	C	2	5	250.0	- 250.0	250.0	N/Q	-	-	-	675	- 675	675
280-330	FD	C	2	2	245.0	- 245.0	245.0	N/Q	-	-	-	796	- 796	796
	RS	C	2	117	256.2	- 282.2	274.6	N/Q	-	-	-	762	- 928	860
330+	RS	C	2	19	270.2	- 276.2	273.4	N/Q	-	-	-	905	- 925	916
				215	212.2	283.2			408	408		488	928	
Vealer Heifer														
0-200	RS	C	2	2	215.2	- 215.2	215.2	N/Q	-	-	-	409	- 409	409
200-280	RS	C	2	40	217.2	- 245.2	229.1	9	-	-	-	586	- 674	626
280-330	RS	C	2	28	218.2	- 241.2	236.3	N/Q	-	-	-	676	- 724	698
	FD	C	2	10	246.2	- 246.2	246.2	N/Q	-	-	-	763	- 763	763
	RS	C	3	9	236.2	- 236.2	236.2	N/Q	-	-	-	779	- 779	779
		C	3	11	230.0	- 255.0	242.7	9	434	- 481	458	748	- 791	769
	FD	C	3	8	244.2	- 244.2	244.2	10	-	-	-	757	- 757	757
				108	215.2	255.0			434	481		409	791	
Yearling Steer														
0-200	RS	D	1	8	174.2	- 174.2	174.2	N/Q	-	-	-	348	- 348	348
200-280	RS	D	1	34	199.2	- 258.2	239.4	N/Q	-	-	-	518	- 562	552
280-330	RS	C	2	41	218.2	- 277.2	261.7	12	-	-	-	622	- 915	849
	FD	C	2	6	265.2	- 267.2	265.5	22	-	-	-	875	- 882	876
	FD	D	2	2	220.0	- 228.2	224.1	N/Q	-	-	-	685	- 726	705

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330-400	FD	C	2	179	245.0	- 279.2	271.9	16	-	-	-	920	- 1101	1005
	RS	C	2	15	277.2	- 277.2	277.2	N/Q	-	-	-	970	- 970	970
	FD	C	3	2	265.0	- 265.0	265.0	N/Q	-	-	-	1060	- 1060	1060
	FD	D	2	1	253.2	- 253.2	253.2	N/Q	-	-	-	924	- 924	924
400+	FD	C	2	116	249.2	- 275.2	267.1	N/C	-	-	-	1072	- 1220	1165
		C	3	12	248.2	- 248.2	248.2	N/Q	451	- 451	451	1241	- 1241	1241
	FD	C	3	35	250.0	- 272.2	259.2	9	-	-	-	1063	- 1293	1183
				451	174.2	279.2			451	451		348	1293	
Yearling Heifer														
200-280	RS	C	2	15	212.2	- 220.2	217.0	N/Q	-	-	-	477	- 573	534
		C	2	3	200.2	- 200.2	200.2	3	385	- 385	385	470	- 470	470
	RS	D	1	9	146.2	- 146.2	146.2	N/Q	-	-	-	307	- 307	307
	RS	D	2	3	205.2	- 205.2	205.2	N/Q	-	-	-	554	- 554	554
280-330	RS	C	2	61	220.0	- 250.2	232.5	N/Q	-	-	-	653	- 813	710
		C	2	11	225.2	- 230.2	229.3	N/C	433	- 443	441	691	- 732	698
	FD	C	2	101	213.2	- 246.2	241.3	13	-	-	-	608	- 812	778
		C	3	20	240.0	- 244.2	242.7	10	453	- 461	458	720	- 794	768
330-400	FD	C	2	229	219.2	- 255.2	243.5	9	-	-	-	756	- 951	851
		C	2	24	225.0	- 245.2	239.4	N/Q	425	- 472	460	754	- 906	834
	RS	C	2	43	224.2	- 251.2	244.4	N/Q	-	-	-	751	- 894	853
	FD	C	3	19	240.0	- 251.2	248.7	N/Q	-	-	-	924	- 980	937
		C	3	35	230.0	- 250.2	242.0	22	434	- 472	456	828	- 993	927
	FD	D	2	2	215.0	- 215.0	215.0	N/Q	-	-	-	731	- 731	731
		D	3	1	215.2	- 215.2	215.2	N/Q	422	- 422	422	785	- 785	785
400+	FD	C	2	8	211.2	- 211.2	211.2	N/Q	-	-	-	887	- 887	887
	FD	C	3	7	232.2	- 232.2	232.2	N/Q	-	-	-	964	- 964	964
		C	3	3	226.2	- 226.2	226.2	4	435	- 435	435	973	- 973	973
				594	146.2	255.2			385	472		307	993	
Grown Steer														
400-500	FD	C	2	22	219.2	- 234.2	223.3	-42	-	-	-	943	- 1089	983
		C	3	3	236.2	- 236.2	236.2	N/Q	437	- 437	437	1181	- 1181	1181
500-600		C	3	18	230.0	- 258.2	253.6	18	426	- 471	456	1196	- 1420	1383
600-750		C	3	3	235.2	- 250.0	240.1	N/Q	428	- 446	434	1435	- 1525	1465
				46	219.2	258.2			426	471		943	1525	
Grown Heifer														
0-540	FD	C	2	8	219.2	- 219.2	219.2	N/Q	-	-	-	778	- 778	778
	FD	C	3	1	215.0	- 215.0	215.0	N/Q	-	-	-	1075	- 1075	1075
		C	3	22	208.2	- 248.2	227.2	9	400	- 468	435	865	- 1303	1112
	FD	D	2	3	180.0	- 180.0	180.0	N/Q	-	-	-	765	- 765	765
		D	2	15	168.2	- 174.2	172.6	3	336	- 348	345	639	- 697	681
		D	3	30	183.2	- 216.2	204.3	24	359	- 424	401	751	- 962	879
				79	168.2	248.2			336	468		639	1303	
Cows														
0-400		D	1	14	132.2	- 147.2	140.8	2	331	- 368	352	509	- 552	534
		D	2	19	152.2	- 155.2	153.6	-7	381	- 388	384	571	- 574	572

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400-520		C	3	13	220.2	- 220.2	220.2	N/Q	424	- 424	424	1145	- 1145	1145
	RS	D	2	8	164.2	- 175.2	173.8	N/Q		-		747	- 850	837
		D	2	56	160.0	- 183.2	172.6	7	356	- 407	384	677	- 889	789
		D	3	125	175.2	- 210.0	194.8	7	373	- 435	411	850	- 1092	962
		D	4	2	211.2	- 211.2	211.2	N/Q	422	- 422	422	1056	- 1056	1056
520+		C	4	27	217.2	- 225.2	222.0	N/Q	433	- 442	437	1238	- 1419	1348
	DA	D	3	1	172.0	- 172.0	172.0	N/Q	366	- 366	366	1066	- 1066	1066
		D	3	85	190.0	- 214.2	206.9	6	404	- 434	423	1007	- 1210	1131
		D	4	91	192.0	- 226.2	210.5	2	398	- 438	422	1018	- 1425	1261
		D	5	18	185.0	- 190.2	186.1	N/Q	394	- 403	396	1019	- 1427	1070
				459	132.2	226.2		331	442		509	1427		
Bulls														
0-450	RS	D	2	5	180.2	- 180.2	180.2	N/Q		-		622	- 622	622
		D	2	13	187.2	- 187.2	187.2	N/Q	360	- 360	360	796	- 796	796
600+		B	2	9	243.2	- 256.2	248.7	35	419	- 441	432	1922	- 2318	2122
		C	2	9	220.0	- 235.2	227.4	N/Q	393	- 430	409	1483	- 1999	1710
		D	2	1	215.2	- 215.2	215.2	N/Q	399	- 399	399	1722	- 1722	1722
				37	180.2	256.2		360	441		622	2318		

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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