

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Gunnedah

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Yarding Change ²⁴⁸⁰/₃₅₅

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There was an increase in numbers with more cattle being brought forward by current price levels. Young cattle, particularly yearlings were in large numbers, while cows made up the bulk of the grown cattle. Overall, the quality of the offering was good, although there were some secondary quality lots penned. A full field of buyers were in attendance with demand for feeder and trade cattle very high. Demand for cows was weaker.

Competition for young cattle was very strong with feeder cattle reaching levels not seen previously. Those feedlot orders won out in most cases over trade orders. Restockers were also active in the market for vealers, both steers and heifers. Trends for the vealers were mostly firm with quality variations for steers and up to 6c/kg dearer for the best of the vealer heifers. Lightweight yearling steers to restock sold to a dearer trend. Medium and heavy yearling feeder steers were 6c to 11c/kg dearer. Yearling heifers to feed over 330kg sold to a dearer trend of 7c to 12c/kg. Restocker and backgrounding heifers under the weight desired by feeders also sold to a dearer trend. Well finished yearlings secured by the trade sold to a dearer trend with heavy steers experiencing strong gains with breed a factor.

Heavy steers over 500kg including milk and 2 tooth lots were much dearer however the average quality restricted the overall price change. Well finished grown heifers followed a similar trend. The weaker demand saw the cow market cheaper by 6c to 16c/kg with the best of the heavy cows least affected.

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	112	247.2	- 286.2	270.2	N/C	-			613	- 801	712
	RS	D	2	4	210.2	- 210.2	210.2	N/Q	-			526	- 526	526
280-330	RS	C	2	123	243.2	- 282.2	271.9	-3	-			693	- 931	841
330+	RS	C	2	7	270.2	- 270.2	270.2	-3	-			919	- 919	919
				246	210.2	286.2			0	0		526	931	
Vealer Heifer														
0-200	RS	C	2	6	205.2	- 205.2	205.2	-10	-			390	- 390	390
200-280	RS	C	2	83	220.0	- 240.2	232.2	3	-			506	- 670	580
		C	2	10	220.0	- 245.2	236.5	N/Q	423	- 460	453	528	- 687	644
	RS	D	2	4	215.2	- 215.2	215.2	N/Q	-			495	- 495	495
280-330	RS	C	2	27	230.0	- 260.2	253.7	17	-			667	- 833	784
		C	2	5	227.2	- 245.2	234.4	N/Q	437	- 463	447	648	- 711	670
		C	3	14	244.0	- 249.2	244.7	2	460	- 479	463	805	- 810	806
330+		C	3	2	245.0	- 255.0	250.0	N/Q	462	- 481	472	858	- 893	875
				151	205.2	260.2			423	481		390	893	
Yearling Steer														
0-200	RS	D	1	10	170.0	- 215.0	197.0	23	-			323	- 430	387
200-280	RS	D	2	49	218.2	- 249.2	241.1	N/Q	-			546	- 684	623
280-330	FD	C	2	8	244.2	- 258.2	256.5	-9	-			781	- 852	843
	RS	C	2	50	255.2	- 270.0	263.1	1	-			741	- 891	846
	RS	D	2	7	262.2	- 262.2	262.2	N/Q	-			787	- 787	787
		D	2	8	196.2	- 196.2	196.2	N/Q	392	- 392	392	647	- 647	647
330-400	FD	C	2	247	240.0	- 285.2	274.9	3	-			876	- 1137	1021
	RS	C	2	48	279.2	- 282.2	279.9	3	-			966	- 1072	1012

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400+	FD	C	2	137	241.2	- 286.2	281.8	15	-			1013	- 1317	1208
		C	3	12	282.2	- 282.2	282.2	34	513	- 513	513	1242	- 1242	1242
	FD	C	3	6	270.0	- 279.2	277.7	19	-			1173	- 1242	1184
				582	170.0	286.2			392	513		323	1317	
Yearling Heifer														
0-200	RS	D	2	3	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	N/Q	-			280	- 280	280
200-280	RS	C	2	11	230.2	- 230.2	230.2	13	-			610	- 610	610
		C	2	4	225.2	- 225.2	225.2	25	433	- 433	433	608	- 608	608
	RS	D	1	13	183.2	- 183.2	183.2	37	-			458	- 458	458
	RS	D	2	56	193.2	- 216.2	206.3	1	-			500	- 557	527
280-330	FD	C	2	94	225.2	- 258.2	252.0	11	-			711	- 852	786
		RS	C	2	101	232.0	- 250.2	239.9	7	-			696	- 809
		C	2	7	247.2	- 247.2	247.2	18	475	- 475	475	766	- 766	766
		C	3	1	239.2	- 239.2	239.2	N/Q	451	- 451	451	742	- 742	742
	D	2	8	190.0	- 190.0	190.0	N/Q	380	- 380	380	608	- 608	608	
	RS	D	2	22	200.0	- 204.2	204.0	N/Q	-			580	- 653	650
330-400	FD	C	2	142	211.2	- 262.2	247.0	4	-			739	- 996	888
		RS	C	2	13	244.2	- 255.0	248.3	4	-			828	- 893
	FD	C	3	12	242.2	- 242.2	242.2	-7	-			932	- 932	932
	RS	C	3	23	257.2	- 258.2	257.5	N/Q	-			904	- 990	964
		C	3	12	229.2	- 250.2	235.5	-6	433	- 472	444	815	- 926	901
	C	4	1	227.2	- 227.2	227.2	N/Q	429	- 429	429	795	- 795	795	
400+	C	2	1	209.2	- 209.2	209.2	N/Q	402	- 402	402	1015	- 1015	1015	
	RS	C	2	3	249.2	- 249.2	249.2	N/Q	-			1047	- 1047	1047
	FD	C	3	12	235.2	- 244.2	240.1	8	-			1000	- 1020	1002
		C	3	42	220.0	- 248.2	235.5	9	423	- 466	444	913	- 1241	1059
		C	4	5	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	415	- 415	415	968	- 968	968
				586	140.0	262.2			380	475		280	1241	
Grown Steer														
0-400	FD	C	2	1	230.0	- 230.0	230.0	N/Q	-			897	- 897	897
	FD	D	2	10	170.0	- 240.0	219.0	N/Q	-			595	- 912	817
500-600	C	2	1	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	N/Q	385	- 385	385	1100	- 1100	1100	
	FD	C	3	1	239.2	- 239.2	239.2	N/Q	-			1268	- 1268	1268
	C	3	26	237.2	- 287.2	259.4	6	431	- 532	476	1387	- 1493	1434	
600-750	C	3	1	245.0	- 245.0	245.0	N/Q	446	- 446	446	1507	- 1507	1507	
				40	170.0	287.2			385	532		595	1507	
Grown Heifer														
0-540	FD	C	2	6	204.2	- 220.0	214.7	-4	-			786	- 825	812
		C	2	4	218.2	- 219.2	218.5	N/Q	414	- 420	418	899	- 1135	1076
	FD	C	3	1	230.2	- 230.2	230.2	N/Q	-			875	- 875	875
		C	3	19	190.0	- 248.2	209.7	-18	365	- 468	401	859	- 1340	1007
	RS	D	1	20	128.2	- 173.2	153.0	N/Q	-			295	- 563	442
	RS	D	2	42	169.2	- 194.2	184.5	N/Q	-			550	- 728	648
		D	2	10	179.2	- 179.2	179.2	7	358	- 358	358	645	- 645	645
	FD	D	2	22	194.2	- 200.0	197.4	17	-			720	- 835	772

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540+		D	3	14	172.2	- 205.0	185.6	-19	338	- 402	364	740	- 984	842	
		C	3	3	218.2	- 218.2	218.2	N/Q	412	- 412	412	1189	- 1189	1189	
		C	4	1	217.2	- 217.2	217.2	N/Q	418	- 418	418	1271	- 1271	1271	
				142	128.2	248.2		338	468		295	1340			
Manufacturing Steer															
540+		C	2	3	205.0	- 205.0	205.0	N/Q	394	- 394	394	1117	- 1117	1117	
		C	3	4	235.2	- 235.2	235.2	N/Q	428	- 428	428	1364	- 1364	1364	
				7	205.0	235.2			394	428		1117	1364		
Cows															
0-400		D	1	9	80.0	- 100.0	93.3	-47	200	- 250	233	304	- 370	348	
400-520		D	1	4	125.0	- 125.0	125.0	N/Q	298	- 298	298	513	- 513	513	
		D	2	72	130.0	- 182.2	163.4	-9	289	- 405	363	533	- 855	745	
	RS	D	2	56	146.2	- 185.2	173.5	N/C	-	-	-	651	- 840	762	
	DA	D	2	4	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	N/Q	311	- 311	311	700	- 700	700	
	RS	D	3	8	186.2	- 186.2	186.2	N/Q	-	-	-	931	- 931	931	
		D	3	121	149.2	- 195.0	178.5	-16	317	- 406	379	693	- 1014	877	
520+		D	4	2	165.0	- 185.0	175.0	N/Q	344	- 385	365	726	- 944	835	
		C	3	9	210.0	- 220.0	213.7	N/Q	416	- 440	422	1176	- 1397	1361	
		C	4	8	216.2	- 220.2	217.2	-5	432	- 440	434	1321	- 1386	1376	
		DA	D	3	1	168.0	- 168.0	168.0	N/Q	357	- 357	357	1042	- 1042	1042
			D	3	80	190.2	- 196.2	193.3	-14	400	- 409	404	1018	- 1324	1060
			D	4	65	185.0	- 220.2	199.5	-11	380	- 440	408	999	- 1353	1141
			D	5	1	201.2	- 201.2	201.2	N/Q	402	- 402	402	1509	- 1509	1509
				440	80.0	220.2		200	440		304	1509			
Bulls															
600+		B	2	9	210.0	- 220.0	211.6	-37	367	- 383	375	1806	- 1995	1917	
		B	3	1	190.0	- 190.0	190.0	N/Q	339	- 339	339	1995	- 1995	1995	
		C	2	13	171.2	- 195.0	187.4	-40	317	- 361	345	1284	- 1872	1518	
				23	171.2	220.0		317	383		1284	1995			

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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