

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Wagga

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Numbers increased on the back of the higher prices seen the previous sale. Young lighter weight secondary cattle were well supplied and there was a greater variance in quality, with most lacking finish and some lots winter affected. Trade cattle were in short supply and quality was variable. Heavy export steers and bullocks were limited, with some pen lots needing more finish. The usual gallery of export and domestic processors were in attendance, along with most of the usual lot feeder and restocker orders.

The better quality supply of prime veal sold to weaker competition from southern processors, which resulted in a cheaper trend of 4c/kg. Lighter weight vealers were well supplied and prices were notably lower, falling 10c to 21c/kg. European veal and their crosses made from 275c to 305c/kg. Medium weight grass finished and supplementary fed steers suitable to slaughter were in short supply, and domestic buyers struggled to find well finished types. The better finished steers to slaughter were unchanged to a few cents dearer to average 296.2c/kg. Domestic buyers shifted their efforts to the heifer portion because of the improved quality and slightly less competition. Well finished medium weight heifers were unchanged to average 279c/kg. There were over 200 head of young heifers grain fed for 70 days and these sold to strong domestic competition, making from 272c to 299.2c/kg.

Feeder steers were once again well supplied and made up the bulk of the steer offering. A smaller field of buyers were in attendance, with less competition from northern operators. Well-bred C2 medium weight lines were 11c cheaper to average 281.4c/kg. The reduced selection of medium weight feeder heifers sold weaker demand and prices eased 10c/kg. The lighter weight C2 muscled pens sold to steady demand, with prices unchanged to 2c dearer and averaging 258.3c/kg.

The limited supply of grown steers sold to the usual group of buyers and prices were 12c/kg cheaper. There were only eight pens of bullocks offered which sold from 244c to 290c/kg. The better quality pens of grass finished grown steers ranged from 270c to 304c/kg. Heavy grown heifers were in reasonable supply and bidding intensified for the younger well shaped heifer portion weighing less than 600kg. The better shaped heifers weighing 500 to 600kg made from 220c to 299c/kg. Heavy cow quality was mixed, with some cows lacking yield. The better finished cows were 7c cheaper and made from 190c to 222c/kg. The D2 and D3 cows were well supplied and made from 160c to 205c/kg. Younger light weight cows with plenty of frame were keenly sought by a smaller group of store buyers and prices were up to 9c/kg cheaper.

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
<b>Calves</b>														
80+	RS	C	2	21	236.2	- 264.2	246.2	-23	-	-	-	413	- 476	445
				<b>21</b>	<b>236.2</b>	<b>264.2</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>413</b>	<b>476</b>	
<b>Vealer Steer</b>														
200-280		B	2	1	284.0	- 284.0	284.0	N/Q	536	- 536	536	710	- 710	710
		C	2	6	240.0	- 244.2	242.1	-8	461	- 462	461	624	- 672	648
	RS	C	2	52	234.0	- 271.2	252.7	-8	-	-	-	554	- 727	620
	FD	C	2	13	240.0	- 254.0	248.6	-16	-	-	-	624	- 645	637
280-330		B	2	12	275.0	- 300.0	289.6	-16	509	- 556	536	844	- 969	916
		C	2	7	168.0	- 277.2	246.0	-29	323	- 533	473	524	- 807	726
	FD	C	2	53	239.2	- 276.0	259.9	-6	-	-	-	694	- 903	790
	RS	C	2	25	240.0	- 260.2	252.6	-20	-	-	-	677	- 781	768
330+		B	2	12	286.2	- 305.0	293.4	-4	511	- 545	526	1059	- 1250	1116
		C	2	2	250.2	- 250.2	250.2	N/Q	463	- 463	463	843	- 843	843
	FD	C	2	50	242.0	- 296.6	280.0	-11	-	-	-	845	- 1138	993
		C	3	2	288.0	- 288.0	288.0	N/Q	533	- 533	533	1316	- 1316	1316
				<b>235</b>	<b>168.0</b>	<b>305.0</b>			<b>323</b>	<b>556</b>		<b>524</b>	<b>1316</b>	
<b>Vealer Heifer</b>														
200-280		B	2	2	275.0	- 275.0	275.0	N/Q	509	- 509	509	756	- 756	756

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		C	2	26	232.2	- 282.0	246.0	-10	447	- 522	467	613	- 778	664
	RS	C	2	56	222.0	- 242.2	231.1	N/Q	-			475	- 655	564
	FD	C	2	35	250.0	- 254.2	252.3	14	-			628	- 663	652
280-330		B	2	11	272.0	- 289.2	277.3	-21	510	- 536	524	781	- 856	804
		C	2	17	234.0	- 260.0	252.6	-16	433	- 482	468	718	- 767	750
	FD	C	2	28	230.2	- 278.0	262.9	N/Q	-			661	- 898	830
	RS	C	2	6	235.0	- 235.0	235.0	N/Q	-			679	- 679	679
330+		B	2	8	290.0	- 295.2	293.3	4	527	- 558	539	1003	- 1122	1077
		C	2	10	245.0	- 265.0	249.2	-20	471	- 510	479	848	- 1126	910
		C	3	14	273.6	- 275.0	274.5	-3	507	- 509	508	1034	- 1103	1059
				<b>213</b>	<b>222.0</b>	<b>295.2</b>			<b>433</b>	<b>558</b>		<b>475</b>	<b>1126</b>	
<b>Yearling Steer</b>														
0-200	FD	C	2	4	232.0	- 232.0	232.0	N/Q	-			464	- 464	464
200-280	FD	C	2	33	230.0	- 251.0	239.1	-15	-			547	- 638	599
	RS	C	2	91	227.0	- 276.0	250.0	-12	-			465	- 743	612
280-330	RS	C	2	38	239.2	- 292.2	270.7	-3	-			747	- 932	843
	FD	C	2	101	240.0	- 286.0	270.0	N/C	-			755	- 905	845
330-400	FD	C	2	380	236.2	- 302.2	279.3	-6	-			797	- 1193	1022
	RS	C	2	4	250.0	- 250.0	250.0	-8	-			880	- 880	880
		C	3	9	260.0	- 294.0	285.4	2	482	- 544	529	988	- 1176	1096
		D	2	2	205.0	- 205.0	205.0	N/Q	394	- 394	394	738	- 738	738
	FD	D	2	3	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	-			748	- 748	748
	RS	D	2	4	207.2	- 228.0	213.8	N/Q	-			725	- 878	774
400+	FD	B	2	51	287.0	- 287.0	287.0	N/Q	-			1358	- 1358	1358
		C	2	4	275.0	- 280.0	276.5	-4	519	- 539	527	1141	- 1162	1147
	FD	C	2	419	240.0	- 300.2	281.4	-11	-			1071	- 1631	1271
		C	3	54	254.0	- 313.2	296.2	3	470	- 580	546	1236	- 1475	1349
		D	2	8	196.0	- 196.0	196.0	N/Q	377	- 377	377	794	- 794	794
	RS	D	2	7	190.2	- 190.2	190.2	N/Q	-			945	- 945	945
	FD	D	2	2	215.0	- 215.0	215.0	N/Q	-			968	- 968	968
				<b>1214</b>	<b>190.2</b>	<b>313.2</b>			<b>377</b>	<b>580</b>		<b>464</b>	<b>1631</b>	
<b>Yearling Heifer</b>														
200-280		C	2	13	222.0	- 236.2	227.5	N/Q	427	- 454	437	497	- 661	560
	FD	C	2	18	235.0	- 262.0	247.1	18	-			606	- 697	647
	RS	C	2	14	221.0	- 234.2	228.3	-9	-			520	- 612	549
280-330	RS	C	2	18	220.0	- 225.0	221.9	-20	-			631	- 641	635
	FD	C	2	182	228.0	- 257.2	244.4	12	-			677	- 813	763
		C	2	15	246.0	- 255.0	250.8	-9	473	- 490	482	724	- 785	752
		C	3	7	233.2	- 233.2	233.2	-27	432	- 432	432	721	- 721	721
	RS	D	2	26	200.0	- 220.0	214.2	N/Q	-			631	- 696	671
330-400	FD	C	2	378	222.0	- 281.0	258.3	2	-			761	- 1104	939
	RS	C	2	3	234.2	- 234.2	234.2	-35	-			902	- 902	902
		C	2	13	245.0	- 281.2	273.0	N/Q	471	- 541	521	838	- 1116	1034
		C	3	137	210.0	- 292.0	266.9	10	404	- 541	496	714	- 1130	992
	FD	D	2	20	228.2	- 228.2	228.2	6	-			817	- 817	817

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400+	RS	D	2	16	210.0	- 236.2	218.0	N/Q	-			737	- 921	792
		D	2	3	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	N/Q	385	- 385	385	690	- 690	690
		D	3	11	212.0	- 228.0	223.6	N/C	393	- 430	420	814	- 910	884
	FD	C	2	68	250.0	- 284.2	257.9	-10	-			1021	- 1433	1122
		C	3	435	245.0	- 299.2	279.4	1	454	- 554	518	1082	- 1484	1228
		C	4	3	285.0	- 285.0	285.0	N/Q	528	- 528	528	1482	- 1482	1482
		D	3	17	215.0	- 235.0	226.8	N/C	406	- 450	429	957	- 1088	993
				<b>1397</b>	<b>200.0</b>	<b>299.2</b>		<b>385</b>	<b>554</b>		<b>497</b>	<b>1484</b>		
<b>Grown Steer</b>														
400-500		C	2	4	215.0	- 215.0	215.0	N/Q	398	- 398	398	957	- 957	957
		C	3	6	235.0	- 240.0	239.2	-51	435	- 444	443	1135	- 1175	1142
500-600		C	3	167	191.0	- 304.6	271.4	-12	360	- 564	496	1117	- 1785	1473
	FD	C	3	16	268.0	- 276.0	272.0	12	-			1348	- 1421	1385
		D	3	3	236.0	- 236.0	236.0	N/Q	437	- 437	437	1402	- 1402	1402
600-750		C	4	18	244.0	- 290.0	275.4	11	436	- 537	507	1617	- 1892	1768
					<b>214</b>	<b>191.0</b>	<b>304.6</b>		<b>360</b>	<b>564</b>		<b>957</b>	<b>1892</b>	
<b>Grown Heifer</b>														
0-540		C	3	72	214.0	- 263.2	233.2	-10	396	- 487	432	866	- 1327	1060
		C	4	91	220.0	- 299.2	275.2	22	407	- 554	511	1052	- 1607	1446
		D	2	7	176.6	- 176.6	176.6	N/Q	340	- 340	340	821	- 821	821
	RS	D	2	21	210.0	- 219.2	217.3	N/Q	-			744	- 932	809
		D	3	7	202.0	- 215.0	207.6	N/Q	381	- 406	392	808	- 1015	897
540+		C	3	5	242.0	- 242.0	242.0	N/Q	448	- 448	448	1362	- 1362	1362
		C	4	14	214.0	- 288.2	258.6	14	398	- 534	480	1327	- 1600	1485
		D	4	5	202.0	- 212.0	207.6	-5	381	- 396	389	1170	- 1449	1248
					<b>222</b>	<b>176.6</b>	<b>299.2</b>		<b>340</b>	<b>554</b>		<b>744</b>	<b>1607</b>	
<b>Manufacturing Steer</b>														
0-540		D	1	1	120.0	- 120.0	120.0	N/Q	231	- 231	231	354	- 354	354
		D	2	10	195.0	- 200.0	197.5	3	361	- 385	373	662	- 725	694
540+	DA	D	2	7	201.2	- 201.2	201.2	2	387	- 387	387	1111	- 1111	1111
					<b>18</b>	<b>120.0</b>	<b>201.2</b>		<b>231</b>	<b>387</b>		<b>354</b>	<b>1111</b>	
<b>Cows</b>														
0-400		D	1	12	146.2	- 168.0	149.8	N/Q	357	- 410	365	557	- 667	575
	RS	D	1	12	120.0	- 158.2	151.8	N/Q	-			420	- 570	545
	RS	D	2	19	174.2	- 186.0	181.4	-1	-			645	- 735	674
400-520	RS	D	1	8	130.0	- 165.2	152.0	-3	-			550	- 813	714
		D	1	14	120.0	- 165.0	136.1	N/Q	293	- 402	323	550	- 825	609
		D	2	68	160.0	- 185.0	175.3	3	358	- 421	393	724	- 861	805
	RS	D	2	124	164.2	- 188.2	176.5	-9	-			663	- 879	778
		D	3	238	166.2	- 199.2	183.2	-8	358	- 415	382	723	- 1030	889
		D	4	1	216.0	- 216.0	216.0	N/Q	432	- 432	432	1112	- 1112	1112
		D	5	3	178.0	- 178.0	178.0	N/Q	371	- 371	371	872	- 872	872
	RS	D	5	5	166.0	- 166.0	166.0	N/Q	-			827	- 827	827
	RS	E	1	6	120.0	- 120.0	120.0	N/Q	-			504	- 504	504
520+		C	4	1	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	423	- 423	423	1210	- 1210	1210

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
	DA	D	1	2	165.0	- 165.0	165.0	N/Q	402	- 402	402	1059	- 1059	1059
		D	1	5	206.0	- 206.0	206.0	N/Q	396	- 396	396	1182	- 1182	1182
		D	2	2	160.0	- 160.0	160.0	N/Q	364	- 364	364	992	- 992	992
	DA	D	2	15	172.0	- 190.0	181.6	-12	331	- 365	349	1161	- 1474	1403
		D	3	258	172.0	- 207.2	193.3	-5	363	- 432	404	896	- 1379	1091
		D	4	520	190.0	- 222.0	205.5	-7	365	- 444	398	1024	- 1697	1235
		D	5	4	175.0	- 175.0	175.0	-20	330	- 330	330	1402	- 1402	1402
		D	6	11	160.2	- 182.0	176.9	N/Q	348	- 391	380	1317	- 1502	1423
					<b>1328</b>	<b>120.0</b>	<b>222.0</b>		<b>293</b>	<b>444</b>		<b>420</b>	<b>1697</b>	
<b>Bulls</b>														
0-450		C	2	6	235.0	- 270.0	246.7	17	420	- 482	441	799	- 1094	897
	RS	C	2	10	225.0	- 225.0	225.0	-3		-		900	- 900	900
450-600		C	2	2	188.0	- 188.0	188.0	N/Q	355	- 355	355	921	- 921	921
		C	3	5	224.2	- 224.2	224.2	N/Q	415	- 415	415	1013	- 1013	1013
600+		B	2	1	268.2	- 268.2	268.2	N/Q	447	- 447	447	3819	- 3819	3819
		C	2	21	242.0	- 270.0	258.4	N/Q	432	- 482	462	2140	- 2700	2476
		D	2	2	232.2	- 240.0	236.1	N/Q	415	- 429	422	1978	- 2316	2147
					<b>47</b>	<b>188.0</b>	<b>270.0</b>		<b>355</b>	<b>482</b>		<b>799</b>	<b>3819</b>	

#### 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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