

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Gunnedah

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Yarding Change 2180

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Insufficient numbers saw last weeks scheduled sale cancelled. This week there were 2,180 cattle penned comprising large numbers of yearlings along with an increased percentage of vealers and a fair supply of cows. The quality of the offering was generally good and condition mostly forward to finished. A full field of buyers were in attendance and there were quite a few restocker orders in place.

Demand for young cattle to restock and feed was high following a 4 week break in sales. Restocker confidence was buoyed by good rainfall over the break. They were keen to purchase lightweight cattle to either finish or improve to feeder weights. Feedlotters were very active on medium and heavy steers as well as heifer yearlings in excess of 300kg. Market trends compared favourably to pre- Christmas levels with steer vealers to restock showing significant price improvement. Lightweight yearling steers also sold to a dearer trend. Medium and heavy yearling steers to restock and feed sold to a dearer trend of 3c to 6c/kg. Yearling heifers over 300kg suitable to feed sold to a dearer trend, improving by as much as 14c/kg on the pre-Christmas sale. Well finished heifers to the trade sold to a dearer trend on the back of the high demand for feeders although there was limited processor competition looking for finished cattle.

High demand for heavy grown steers to feed saw those over 500kg sell to a dearer trend, while the limited numbers suitable to export processors sold to a cheaper trend. There was little change in the market for medium and heavyweight cows, while heavy bulls also remained firm.

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														
0-200	RS	C	2	22	374.2	- 387.2	382.5	N/Q	-	-	-	697	- 748	716
	RS	D	2	2	288.2	- 288.2	288.2	N/Q	-	-	-	490	- 490	490
200-280	RS	C	2	59	373.2	- 386.2	381.5	N/Q	-	-	-	786	- 1045	921
280-330	RS	C	2	25	351.2	- 369.2	366.3	N/Q	-	-	-	1054	- 1108	1099
		C	2	2	328.2	- 330.2	329.2	N/Q	608	- 612	610	1024	- 1083	1053
	FD	C	2	4	321.2	- 321.2	321.2	N/Q	-	-	-	1060	- 1060	1060
				114	288.2	387.2			608	612		490	1108	
Vealer Heifer														
0-200	RS	C	2	17	288.0	- 324.2	315.7	N/Q	-	-	-	518	- 648	618
	RS	D	2	7	300.0	- 300.0	300.0	N/Q	-	-	-	435	- 435	435
200-280	RS	C	2	77	304.2	- 324.2	320.0	N/Q	-	-	-	639	- 870	771
		C	2	13	273.2	- 273.2	273.2	N/Q	525	- 525	525	615	- 615	615
		C	3	1	321.2	- 321.2	321.2	N/Q	618	- 618	618	883	- 883	883
280-330		C	3	7	325.2	- 332.2	329.2	N/Q	614	- 615	615	1063	- 1073	1067
	FD	C	3	10	325.0	- 332.2	328.0	N/Q	-	-	-	968	- 1073	1018
	RS	C	3	1	325.2	- 325.2	325.2	N/Q	-	-	-	976	- 976	976
330+		C	3	3	321.2	- 321.2	321.2	N/Q	606	- 606	606	1108	- 1108	1108
				136	273.2	332.2			525	618		435	1108	
Yearling Steer														
0-200	RS	D	2	15	330.2	- 330.2	330.2	N/Q	-	-	-	660	- 660	660
200-280	RS	C	2	34	270.0	- 347.2	334.9	N/Q	-	-	-	675	- 972	916
	RS	D	2	3	304.2	- 317.2	312.9	N/Q	-	-	-	730	- 745	735

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280-330	RS	C	2	118	279.2	- 352.2	334.7	N/Q	-			893	- 1162	1058
	FD	C	2	13	314.2	- 336.2	323.7	N/Q	-			1037	- 1093	1055
	RS	D	2	4	220.0	- 250.0	242.5	N/Q	-			627	- 713	691
330-400	FD	C	2	228	315.0	- 343.2	330.8	N/Q	-			1103	- 1313	1220
	RS	C	2	84	308.0	- 344.2	332.8	N/Q	-			1109	- 1257	1194
	FD	C	3	3	331.2	- 331.2	331.2	N/Q	-			1325	- 1325	1325
400+	FD	C	2	166	300.0	- 338.0	325.6	N/Q	-			1279	- 1550	1414
	FD	C	3	22	300.0	- 330.2	322.8	N/Q	-			1395	- 1584	1507
				690	220.0	352.2			0	0		627	1584	
Yearling Heifer														
200-280		C	2	3	319.2	- 319.2	319.2	N/Q	614	- 614	614	878	- 878	878
	FD	C	2	1	312.2	- 312.2	312.2	N/Q	-			874	- 874	874
	RS	C	2	25	300.0	- 316.2	314.1	N/Q	-			825	- 857	852
		C	3	2	315.0	- 315.0	315.0	N/Q	606	- 606	606	851	- 851	851
	RS	D	2	19	252.2	- 310.2	282.7	N/Q	-			605	- 807	711
280-330	RS	C	2	69	294.2	- 324.2	313.3	N/Q	-			878	- 1070	993
	FD	C	2	95	309.2	- 330.2	323.3	N/Q	-			979	- 1057	1024
		C	2	7	300.0	- 323.2	316.6	N/Q	577	- 610	600	960	- 1018	1001
		C	3	27	315.0	- 326.2	323.1	N/Q	604	- 616	610	1012	- 1076	1056
	FD	C	3	1	315.0	- 315.0	315.0	N/Q	-			1040	- 1040	1040
	RS	D	2	5	301.2	- 301.2	301.2	N/Q	-			858	- 858	858
	FD	D	2	14	316.2	- 316.2	316.2	N/Q	-			949	- 949	949
330-400	FD	C	2	118	305.2	- 333.2	322.2	N/Q	-			1065	- 1174	1113
		C	2	19	319.2	- 323.2	321.3	N/Q	599	- 614	606	1196	- 1197	1196
		C	3	43	312.2	- 330.0	324.4	N/Q	589	- 623	608	1139	- 1320	1231
	FD	C	3	122	307.2	- 334.2	324.6	N/Q	-			1055	- 1313	1186
	RS	C	3	25	322.0	- 322.0	322.0	N/Q	-			1175	- 1175	1175
400+	FD	C	3	3	330.2	- 330.2	330.2	N/Q	-			1420	- 1420	1420
		C	3	17	273.2	- 302.2	279.4	N/Q	516	- 581	529	1134	- 1320	1168
		C	4	17	269.2	- 270.0	269.9	N/Q	508	- 509	509	1175	- 1238	1186
				632	252.2	334.2			508	623		605	1420	
Grown Steer														
0-400	FD	C	2	6	299.2	- 299.2	299.2	N/Q	-			1122	- 1122	1122
		D	2	1	260.0	- 260.0	260.0	N/Q	500	- 500	500	1040	- 1040	1040
400-500	FD	C	2	1	270.0	- 270.0	270.0	N/Q	-			1215	- 1215	1215
500-600		C	3	16	275.0	- 280.0	275.3	N/Q	509	- 519	510	1540	- 1650	1563
	FD	C	3	14	291.2	- 315.2	309.1	N/Q	-			1514	- 1655	1630
				38	260.0	315.2			500	519		1040	1655	
Grown Heifer														
0-540		C	2	1	260.2	- 260.2	260.2	N/Q	500	- 500	500	1093	- 1093	1093
	FD	C	3	18	267.2	- 290.0	282.4	N/Q	-			1149	- 1160	1156
		C	3	68	248.2	- 280.0	265.7	N/Q	477	- 539	506	943	- 1378	1264
		D	2	1	260.0	- 260.0	260.0	N/Q	520	- 520	520	910	- 910	910
	RS	D	2	15	242.2	- 242.2	242.2	N/Q	-			993	- 993	993

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540+	FD	D	2	2	214.2	- 214.2	214.2	N/Q	-			750	- 750	750
		D	3	9	220.0	- 260.0	236.5	N/Q	431	- 510	464	792	- 1204	942
		C	4	3	265.0	- 265.0	265.0	N/Q	510	- 510	510	1524	- 1524	1524
				117	214.2	290.0			431	539		750	1524	
Cows														
0-400		D	2	4	178.2	- 178.2	178.2	N/Q	396	- 396	396	677	- 677	677
400-520		D	2	55	155.0	- 205.0	192.0	N/Q	344	- 456	427	659	- 953	854
520+		D	3	34	185.0	- 223.2	212.2	N/Q	394	- 457	445	851	- 1161	1060
		C	3	11	232.2	- 232.2	232.2	N/Q	447	- 447	447	1463	- 1463	1463
		D	3	24	223.2	- 232.2	225.1	N/Q	446	- 465	459	1183	- 1317	1254
		D	4	52	213.2	- 239.2	224.9	N/Q	444	- 478	454	1200	- 1531	1304
		D	5	20	200.0	- 228.2	222.5	N/Q	417	- 475	456	1326	- 1480	1346
				200	155.0	239.2			344	478		659	1531	
Bulls														
0-450		C	2	12	206.2	- 260.0	224.1	N/Q	397	- 482	425	701	- 845	749
450-600		C	2	4	208.2	- 210.0	208.7	N/Q	386	- 389	386	1124	- 1260	1158
600+		D	2	6	170.0	- 170.0	170.0	N/Q	327	- 327	327	901	- 901	901
		B	2	8	210.0	- 225.0	219.4	N/Q	389	- 402	394	1727	- 2310	2089
		B	3	3	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	393	- 393	393	1947	- 2420	2105
		C	2	13	210.0	- 228.2	217.5	N/Q	389	- 408	397	1415	- 1890	1657
		D	2	1	180.0	- 180.0	180.0	N/Q	346	- 346	346	1350	- 1350	1350
				47	170.0	260.0			327	482		701	2420	

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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