

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Gunnedah

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Yarding Change ²⁷⁹²
1582

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Continuing dry weather and a full working week saw the numbers more than double. There was a large penning of vealers and yearlings, while cows made up the bulk of the grown cattle. There were some very good quality heavy grown steers penned. The quality of the offering was generally good while condition varied. The full complement of regular processors and feedlots were in attendance and there was reasonable restocker activity.

Demand was weaker through most classes of young cattle, with the increase in numbers a factor. That increase in numbers also had an effect on average quality in places. Vealer steers to restock and feed sold on a market trend that was firm to 8c/kg cheaper for the heavier weights and a little more on the light and medium weights. Heifer vealers to restock and feed sold to a cheaper trend of as much as 14c/kg with a drop in average quality adding to that. Well finished vealers to the local trade were up to 10c/kg cheaper. Medium and heavy yearling steers to restock and feed were up to 8c/kg cheaper, with the better quality cattle least affected. That was also the market trend for medium and heavy heifer yearlings to restock and feed. Well finished trade heifers sold to a cheaper trend with limited competition.

Heavy grown steers sold to a cheaper trend of up to 8c/kg. Grown heifers sold to a cheaper trend with quality and age a factor. Heifers carrying 6 teeth attracted discounts. There were some very good quality cows penned and quite a few medium weights. The market trend was 1c to 3c/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
Vealer Steer														
0-200		C	2	2	290.0	- 290.0	290.0	N/Q	558	- 558	558	522	- 522	522
200-280	RS	C	2	91	270.0	- 329.2	310.3	-12	-	-	-	630	- 889	801
280-330	RS	C	2	175	298.2	- 323.2	314.6	N/C	-	-	-	864	- 1057	979
		C	2	4	305.0	- 305.0	305.0	2	587	- 587	587	976	- 976	976
330+	FD	C	2	27	309.2	- 316.2	314.0	-2	-	-	-	961	- 1037	1023
	FD	C	2	51	309.2	- 317.2	315.7	1	-	-	-	1082	- 1198	1121
	RS	C	2	59	296.2	- 320.0	315.9	N/Q	-	-	-	1037	- 1088	1078
	RS	C	3	6	314.2	- 314.2	314.2	N/Q	-	-	-	1225	- 1225	1225
	FD	C	3	5	306.2	- 306.2	306.2	N/Q	-	-	-	1041	- 1041	1041
		C	3	10	298.2	- 315.2	313.5	N/Q	552	- 584	581	1056	- 1267	1124
				430	270.0	329.2			552	587		522	1267	
Vealer Heifer														
0-200		C	2	6	285.0	- 285.0	285.0	25	548	- 548	548	513	- 513	513
		RS	D	2	9	246.2	- 246.2	246.2	-84	-	-	-	431	- 431
200-280	FD	C	2	6	295.0	- 295.0	295.0	N/Q	-	-	-	826	- 826	826
		C	2	45	275.0	- 299.2	283.2	-14	529	- 575	545	599	- 763	727
	RS	C	2	155	270.2	- 300.0	283.3	-22	-	-	-	676	- 840	742
280-330	RS	D	2	19	247.2	- 263.2	255.6	N/Q	-	-	-	569	- 579	574
	FD	C	2	31	275.0	- 295.2	279.9	-22	-	-	-	807	- 855	821
		C	2	9	285.0	- 305.0	300.6	1	548	- 576	569	841	- 946	922
	FD	C	3	23	305.2	- 315.2	310.4	N/Q	-	-	-	946	- 1040	995
330+		C	3	21	298.2	- 310.0	302.1	-6	563	- 585	570	850	- 982	926
		C	3	13	306.2	- 316.2	312.4	N/Q	578	- 597	589	1072	- 1138	1113
	FD	C	3	5	289.2	- 289.2	289.2	N/Q	-	-	-	983	- 983	983

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg	
					342	246.2	316.2			529	597		431	1138	
Yearling Steer															
280-330	RS	C	2	47	291.2	- 308.0	299.8	-5	-				932	- 986	959
	FD	C	2	36	295.2	- 306.2	299.5	-2	-				886	- 985	932
330-400	FD	C	2	129	285.2	- 312.2	308.3	-3	-				1056	- 1205	1144
	RS	C	2	41	290.2	- 313.2	303.1	19	-				1020	- 1143	1070
		C	2	3	299.2	- 299.2	299.2	N/C	575	- 575	575		1077	- 1077	1077
	FD	C	3	7	303.2	- 303.2	303.2	N/Q	-				1213	- 1213	1213
400+	FD	C	2	107	275.0	- 315.2	304.3	3	-				1235	- 1372	1292
	FD	C	3	50	290.0	- 309.2	298.5	-12	-				1210	- 1450	1336
					420	275.0	315.2			575	575		886	1450	
Yearling Heifer															
200-280	RS	D	2	5	252.2	- 252.2	252.2	N/Q	-				656	- 656	656
	FD	D	2	4	258.2	- 258.2	258.2	N/Q	-				555	- 555	555
280-330	RS	C	2	22	291.2	- 291.2	291.2	8	-				917	- 917	917
	FD	C	2	74	275.0	- 309.2	303.5	-5	-				894	- 1017	934
		C	3	12	310.2	- 310.2	310.2	N/Q	585	- 585	585		1024	- 1024	1024
330-400		C	2	3	273.2	- 273.2	273.2	-5	525	- 525	525		956	- 956	956
	FD	C	2	57	270.0	- 306.2	289.1	-17	-				976	- 1145	1036
	RS	C	2	12	304.2	- 304.2	304.2	27	-				1080	- 1080	1080
	PT	C	3	13	297.2	- 297.2	297.2	N/Q	561	- 561	561		1189	- 1189	1189
	FD	C	3	27	280.2	- 306.2	293.9	-5	-				994	- 1102	1067
		C	3	18	270.0	- 310.0	281.5	-13	509	- 585	531		986	- 1097	1045
400+		C	3	12	270.2	- 285.2	282.9	10	510	- 538	534		1135	- 1266	1190
	FD	C	3	40	260.0	- 294.2	275.9	-6	-				1123	- 1221	1177
					299	252.2	310.2			509	585		555	1266	
Grown Steer															
0-400	FD	C	2	1	266.2	- 266.2	266.2	N/Q	-				998	- 998	998
400-500	FD	C	2	6	260.0	- 260.0	260.0	-18	-				1118	- 1131	1127
		C	2	18	248.2	- 266.2	261.2	N/Q	477	- 512	502		1179	- 1331	1289
500-600		C	3	28	250.0	- 273.2	269.1	-8	463	- 497	490		1350	- 1621	1556
600-750		C	3	23	269.2	- 273.2	271.5	N/Q	488	- 499	493		1642	- 1694	1671
					76	248.2	273.2			463	512		998	1694	
Grown Heifer															
0-540	FD	C	2	40	241.2	- 290.2	267.9	-17	-				965	- 1204	1073
		C	3	66	238.2	- 269.2	252.7	-7	458	- 518	485		1054	- 1424	1135
	FD	C	3	22	256.2	- 280.2	265.8	N/Q	-				1118	- 1421	1239
		C	4	8	260.2	- 260.2	260.2	-5	491	- 491	491		1366	- 1366	1366
		D	3	25	215.0	- 241.2	232.2	-17	422	- 473	455		817	- 1247	1039
	FD	D	3	1	248.2	- 248.2	248.2	N/Q	-				1080	- 1080	1080
540+		C	4	7	252.2	- 265.0	261.9	N/Q	476	- 500	494		1387	- 1550	1514
					169	215.0	290.2			422	518		817	1550	
Cows															
400-520		D	1	5	178.2	- 178.2	178.2	N/Q	424	- 424	424		766	- 766	766
		D	2	69	170.0	- 205.0	187.6	-8	378	- 456	417		706	- 1025	842

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
520+		D	3	150	195.2	- 215.2	209.2	-1	415	- 448	435	880	- 1114	1018
		D	4	11	205.0	- 215.0	214.1	N/Q	427	- 448	446	1066	- 1097	1094
		C	3	1	230.0	- 230.0	230.0	N/Q	442	- 442	442	1610	- 1610	1610
		D	2	8	211.2	- 217.2	215.0	15	449	- 462	457	1325	- 1331	1327
		D	3	186	181.2	- 225.0	215.5	-3	386	- 453	438	960	- 1548	1207
		D	4	74	206.2	- 224.2	220.0	-2	430	- 450	444	1205	- 1674	1400
		D	5	8	189.2	- 218.2	205.6	5	394	- 455	428	1192	- 1637	1275
				512	170.0	230.0		378	462		706	1674		
Bulls														
0-450	FD	C	2	15	244.2	- 244.2	244.2	N/Q	-			891	- 891	891
		C	2	13	221.2	- 241.2	229.3	N/Q	425	- 450	438	951	- 1085	993
450-600		B	2	5	245.2	- 245.2	245.2	N/Q	438	- 438	438	1373	- 1373	1373
		C	2	1	245.2	- 245.2	245.2	N/Q	454	- 454	454	1275	- 1275	1275
600+		B	2	15	248.2	- 270.0	264.1	N/C	443	- 482	466	1730	- 2584	2289
		C	2	12	227.2	- 259.2	241.9	1	421	- 480	448	1500	- 2462	1931
		D	2	1	216.2	- 216.2	216.2	N/Q	416	- 416	416	1730	- 1730	1730
				62	216.2	270.0		416	482		891	2584		

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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