

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Numbers increased and quality improved. Cows and young cattle were well supplied and there was an increase in the numbers of well finished cattle penned. A full field of buyers were in attendance and competed strongly for most classes. Well finished heavy weight cattle attracted increased processor demand. Market trends varied with restockers not as active on light weight cattle.

A much improved quality penning of vealers and carrying more weight than the previous sale saw restocker demand down. The market trend was slightly cheaper with the steers down by 2c/kg. There was an odd pen of heifer vealers to restock that sold slightly dearer, however for the most part the market trend was firm to cheaper. Well finished trade vealers were generally firm with a greater variation in quality. Medium and heavy yearling steers attracted stronger demand from feeders, with the market trend firm for medium weights, and up to 7c/kg dearer for heavy feeders. Quality was also good. The trend for heifer yearlings to feed was 5c to 7c/kg dearer. Well finished medium and heavy trade heifers were up to 13c/kg dearer.

Higher demand for well finished heavy cattle saw the grown steers and heifers 4c/kg dearer and more in places. A large line of well finished heavy milk tooth steers went to feeders at a premium over those to process. An improved quality penning of cows sold to a dearer trend throughout with well finished heavy weights up to 10c/kg dearer, with some showing increased yield potential.

| 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 | D | 2 | 14 | 280.0 | - 330.2 | 326.6 | 36 | - | - | - | 512 | - 560 | 515 |
| 200-280 | RS | C | 2 | 85 | 280.0 | - 339.2 | 315.3 | -16 | - | - | - | 654 | - 933 | 823 |
| 280-330 | RS | C | 2 | 92 | 312.0 | - 328.2 | 322.6 | N/C | - | - | - | 967 | - 1073 | 1026 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 36 | 300.0 | - 320.0 | 311.9 | -9 | - | - | - | 945 | - 1053 | 987 |
| 330+ | FD | C | 2 | 21 | 310.2 | - 318.2 | 315.0 | -6 | - | - | - | 1039 | - 1130 | 1079 |
| | RS | C | 2 | 7 | 327.2 | - 327.2 | 327.2 | N/Q | - | - | - | 1145 | - 1145 | 1145 |
| | | | | 255 | 280.0 | 339.2 | | | 0 | 0 | | 512 | 1145 | |
| Vealer Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-200 | RS | D | 2 | 34 | 258.0 | - 313.2 | 298.2 | N/Q | - | - | - | 454 | - 560 | 498 |
| 200-280 | RS | C | 2 | 127 | 260.0 | - 311.2 | 282.5 | -12 | - | - | - | 598 | - 871 | 738 |
| | RS | D | 2 | 15 | 260.0 | - 260.0 | 260.0 | N/Q | - | - | - | 611 | - 611 | 611 |
| 280-330 | RS | C | 2 | 5 | 289.2 | - 296.2 | 290.6 | -11 | - | - | - | 824 | - 889 | 837 |
| | | C | 2 | 12 | 300.0 | - 302.2 | 301.8 | 7 | 577 | - 581 | 580 | 876 | - 930 | 885 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 12 | 297.2 | - 305.2 | 300.5 | -4 | - | - | - | 862 | - 992 | 916 |
| | | C | 3 | 8 | 290.0 | - 315.0 | 294.0 | -15 | 547 | - 594 | 555 | 870 | - 977 | 919 |
| | | | | 213 | 258.0 | 315.0 | | | 547 | 594 | | 454 | 992 | |
| Yearling Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 200-280 | RS | C | 2 | 2 | 266.2 | - 266.2 | 266.2 | N/Q | - | - | - | 745 | - 745 | 745 |
| 280-330 | RS | C | 2 | 38 | 315.0 | - 322.2 | 316.7 | N/Q | - | - | - | 950 | - 992 | 982 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 10 | 290.2 | - 315.0 | 307.6 | N/Q | - | - | - | 900 | - 992 | 964 |
| | RS | D | 2 | 23 | 273.2 | - 273.2 | 273.2 | 33 | - | - | - | 847 | - 847 | 847 |
| | FD | D | 2 | 19 | 280.2 | - 280.2 | 280.2 | N/Q | - | - | - | 911 | - 911 | 911 |
| 330-400 | FD | C | 2 | 165 | 292.2 | - 324.2 | 317.8 | 4 | - | - | - | 1029 | - 1214 | 1132 |
| | RS | C | 2 | 23 | 324.2 | - 324.2 | 324.2 | 2 | - | - | - | 1167 | - 1167 | 1167 |

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| | | | | | Low | High | Avg | Change | Low | High | Avg | Low | High | Avg |
| 400+ | RS | D | 2 | 14 | 269.2 | - 269.2 | 269.2 | N/Q | - | | | 942 | - 942 | 942 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 48 | 296.2 | - 318.2 | 316.2 | 15 | - | | | 1259 | - 1507 | 1368 |
| | FD | C | 3 | 15 | 298.2 | - 310.0 | 299.8 | N/Q | - | | | 1302 | - 1402 | 1388 |
| | | | | 357 | 266.2 | 324.2 | | | 0 | 0 | | 745 | 1507 | |
| Yearling Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 200-280 | FD | C | 2 | 9 | 268.2 | - 268.2 | 268.2 | N/Q | - | | | 751 | - 751 | 751 |
| | RS | C | 2 | 2 | 255.0 | - 255.0 | 255.0 | N/Q | - | | | 689 | - 689 | 689 |
| 280-330 | RS | C | 2 | 8 | 260.0 | - 289.2 | 285.6 | 9 | - | | | 824 | - 832 | 825 |
| | FD | C | 2 | 56 | 270.0 | - 309.2 | 295.2 | 7 | - | | | 837 | - 1020 | 941 |
| | | C | 2 | 6 | 292.0 | - 292.0 | 292.0 | 15 | 562 | - 562 | 562 | 876 | - 876 | 876 |
| | | C | 3 | 3 | 307.2 | - 307.2 | 307.2 | N/Q | 580 | - 580 | 580 | 922 | - 922 | 922 |
| 330-400 | FD | C | 2 | 26 | 285.0 | - 300.2 | 292.3 | 6 | - | | | 983 | - 1140 | 1035 |
| | RS | C | 2 | 14 | 289.2 | - 291.2 | 289.6 | 18 | - | | | 1005 | - 1056 | 1045 |
| | | C | 3 | 24 | 290.0 | - 305.0 | 297.2 | 13 | 547 | - 576 | 561 | 1001 | - 1173 | 1070 |
| | FD | C | 3 | 19 | 287.2 | - 307.2 | 302.6 | N/Q | - | | | 962 | - 1141 | 1032 |
| | | C | 4 | 4 | 278.2 | - 290.2 | 284.2 | N/Q | 535 | - 548 | 541 | 946 | - 1161 | 1053 |
| | RS | D | 2 | 20 | 244.2 | - 262.2 | 253.2 | N/Q | - | | | 977 | - 996 | 987 |
| 400+ | FD | C | 3 | 1 | 284.2 | - 284.2 | 284.2 | N/Q | - | | | 1194 | - 1194 | 1194 |
| | | C | 3 | 16 | 282.2 | - 290.2 | 287.3 | 13 | 533 | - 548 | 542 | 1219 | - 1436 | 1342 |
| | | | | 208 | 244.2 | 309.2 | | | 533 | 580 | | 689 | 1436 | |
| Grown Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-400 | FD | C | 2 | 8 | 305.2 | - 305.2 | 305.2 | 31 | - | | | 1160 | - 1160 | 1160 |
| | RS | C | 2 | 2 | 300.2 | - 300.2 | 300.2 | N/Q | - | | | 1081 | - 1081 | 1081 |
| | RS | D | 2 | 8 | 250.2 | - 250.2 | 250.2 | N/Q | - | | | 876 | - 876 | 876 |
| 400-500 | FD | C | 2 | 10 | 251.2 | - 255.2 | 253.2 | -28 | - | | | 1072 | - 1168 | 1120 |
| | | C | 2 | 15 | 251.2 | - 268.2 | 258.3 | 8 | 483 | - 516 | 497 | 1080 | - 1331 | 1189 |
| | FD | C | 3 | 4 | 310.0 | - 310.0 | 310.0 | N/Q | - | | | 1473 | - 1473 | 1473 |
| | | C | 3 | 2 | 282.2 | - 282.2 | 282.2 | N/Q | 523 | - 523 | 523 | 1185 | - 1185 | 1185 |
| 500-600 | FD | C | 2 | 1 | 265.0 | - 265.0 | 265.0 | N/Q | - | | | 1391 | - 1391 | 1391 |
| | | C | 3 | 8 | 284.2 | - 298.2 | 292.0 | 2 | 526 | - 539 | 536 | 1558 | - 1605 | 1571 |
| | FD | C | 3 | 46 | 318.2 | - 318.2 | 318.2 | N/Q | - | | | 1655 | - 1655 | 1655 |
| | | | | 104 | 250.2 | 318.2 | | | 483 | 539 | | 876 | 1655 | |
| Grown Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-540 | | C | 3 | 34 | 246.2 | - 291.2 | 271.6 | 5 | 474 | - 549 | 516 | 1026 | - 1462 | 1279 |
| | | C | 4 | 12 | 282.2 | - 282.2 | 282.2 | N/Q | 533 | - 533 | 533 | 1467 | - 1467 | 1467 |
| | | D | 2 | 1 | 220.0 | - 220.0 | 220.0 | N/Q | 440 | - 440 | 440 | 847 | - 847 | 847 |
| | RS | D | 2 | 6 | 236.2 | - 236.2 | 236.2 | -1 | - | | | 945 | - 945 | 945 |
| | | D | 3 | 6 | 230.0 | - 255.0 | 240.0 | N/Q | 451 | - 500 | 471 | 1011 | - 1186 | 1089 |
| 540+ | | C | 3 | 4 | 259.2 | - 295.2 | 278.2 | 21 | 499 | - 537 | 517 | 1490 | - 1609 | 1564 |
| | | C | 4 | 6 | 260.0 | - 286.2 | 281.8 | N/Q | 491 | - 530 | 523 | 1508 | - 1717 | 1682 |
| | | D | 4 | 4 | 215.0 | - 215.0 | 215.0 | N/Q | 430 | - 430 | 430 | 1258 | - 1258 | 1258 |
| | | | | 73 | 215.0 | 295.2 | | | 430 | 549 | | 847 | 1717 | |
| Manufacturing Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 540+ | | C | 2 | 5 | 236.2 | - 236.2 | 236.2 | N/Q | 454 | - 454 | 454 | 1547 | - 1547 | 1547 |
| | | | | 5 | 236.2 | 236.2 | | | 454 | 454 | | 1547 | 1547 | |

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| | | | | | Low | High | Avg | Change | Low | High | Avg | Low | High | Avg |
| Cows | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-400 | RS | D | 1 | 12 | 186.2 | - 186.2 | 186.2 | N/Q | - | | | 717 | - 717 | 717 |
| 400-520 | RS | D | 2 | 38 | 180.2 | - 198.2 | 186.4 | 11 | - | | | 739 | - 892 | 791 |
| | | D | 2 | 97 | 170.0 | - 214.2 | 196.5 | 13 | 378 | - 463 | 431 | 727 | - 1114 | 919 |
| | | D | 3 | 44 | 193.2 | - 218.0 | 209.2 | 20 | 411 | - 454 | 440 | 918 | - 1134 | 1066 |
| 520+ | C | C | 3 | 12 | 235.2 | - 237.2 | 237.0 | N/Q | 452 | - 456 | 456 | 1364 | - 1376 | 1365 |
| | | C | 4 | 4 | 235.2 | - 235.2 | 235.2 | 13 | 452 | - 452 | 452 | 1611 | - 1611 | 1611 |
| | | D | 3 | 49 | 188.2 | - 224.2 | 212.8 | -2 | 400 | - 453 | 444 | 1063 | - 1321 | 1177 |
| | | D | 4 | 58 | 200.0 | - 234.2 | 224.0 | 3 | 417 | - 468 | 451 | 1050 | - 1757 | 1339 |
| | | | | 314 | 170.0 | 237.2 | | 378 | 468 | | 717 | 1757 | | |
| Bulls | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-450 | RS | C | 2 | 4 | 246.2 | - 246.2 | 246.2 | N/Q | 456 | - 456 | 456 | 862 | - 862 | 862 |
| | | C | 2 | 3 | 240.0 | - 240.0 | 240.0 | N/Q | - | | | 600 | - 600 | 600 |
| | | D | 2 | 9 | 294.2 | - 294.2 | 294.2 | N/Q | - | | | 530 | - 530 | 530 |
| 450-600 | RS | C | 2 | 18 | 233.2 | - 246.2 | 238.2 | N/Q | 432 | - 456 | 441 | 1224 | - 1421 | 1283 |
| 600+ | | B | 2 | 11 | 245.2 | - 255.2 | 252.9 | -1 | 438 | - 456 | 452 | 1875 | - 2424 | 2061 |
| | | C | 2 | 5 | 230.0 | - 244.2 | 238.5 | 9 | 426 | - 449 | 439 | 1656 | - 2067 | 1931 |
| | | | | 50 | 230.0 | 294.2 | | 426 | 456 | | 530 | 2424 | | |

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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