

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Wagga

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Numbers fell significantly and despite this, prices lost considerable traction over most categories. A large percentage of cattle were secondary types with plenty of frame and little fat cover. Yearling steers and heifers suitable for the trade were in short supply. Grown steer and bullock numbers declined and buyers were forced to bid on the odd pen lots. It was the usual field of buyers operating in a cheaper market.

The seasonal shortage of vealers saw prices fluctuate according to finish. The better covered veal sold from 240c to 284c/kg. Trade heifers benefited from steady competition. Medium weight trade heifer sold 4c cheaper, to average 273c/kg. Trade steers were limited and most steers were supplementary fed, selling from 235c to 314/kg. Weaner cattle sold to much weaker trends, with most restockers not willing to push prices. The bulk of the steers returning to the paddock sold from 195c to 256c/kg. Secondary light weight heifers sold to substantially weaker demand to average 196c/kg. Light and medium weight feeder steers sold to most of the usual buyers. Medium weight feeder steers eased 6c, to make from 240c to 300c, while the lighter weights sold 17c cheaper, to average 270c/kg. Feeder heifers, 330-400kg, were 27c cheaper, selling from 194c to 275c/kg.

Domestic and export processor struggled to source stock which resulted in a dearer trend. The better quality pens of prime finished steers and bullocks made from 255c to 293c/kg. Cow numbers declined and demand weakened over some categories. Heavy cows topped at 233c, to average 218c/kg. The D3 medium weight lines tracked 15c cheaper, to average 173c/kg. Plainer cows eased 17c, with the D2 types averaging 126c/kg.

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>															
Undefined			D	2	3	142.0	- 142.0	142.0	N/Q	284	- 284	284	604	- 604	604
80+		RS	C	2	28	208.2	- 246.0	227.9	N/Q				375	- 467	423
					<b>31</b>	<b>142.0</b>	<b>246.0</b>			<b>284</b>	<b>284</b>		<b>375</b>	<b>604</b>	
<b>Vealer Steer</b>															
0-200			C	2	3	240.0	- 240.0	240.0	70	453	- 453	453	480	- 480	480
280-330		RS	C	2	3	230.0	- 230.0	230.0	-51				727	- 727	727
330+			B	2	13	282.0	- 284.0	282.6	N/Q	526	- 542	537	1051	- 1066	1061
			C	2	1	280.0	- 280.0	280.0	N/Q	528	- 528	528	966	- 966	966
					<b>20</b>	<b>230.0</b>	<b>284.0</b>			<b>453</b>	<b>542</b>		<b>480</b>	<b>1066</b>	
<b>Vealer Heifer</b>															
200-280		FD	C	2	8	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	N/Q				490	- 490	490
			C	2	2	205.0	- 205.0	205.0	N/Q	410	- 410	410	433	- 433	433
280-330			B	2	2	255.2	- 255.2	255.2	N/Q	473	- 473	473	725	- 725	725
			C	2	12	220.0	- 244.0	235.3	N/Q	423	- 452	441	620	- 729	697
			C	3	7	255.0	- 255.0	255.0	-5	472	- 472	472	811	- 811	811
330+			B	2	19	269.0	- 269.0	269.0	N/Q	508	- 508	508	942	- 942	942
		FD	C	2	34	250.0	- 294.0	291.4	N/Q				938	- 1011	1007
					<b>84</b>	<b>200.0</b>	<b>294.0</b>			<b>410</b>	<b>508</b>		<b>433</b>	<b>1011</b>	
<b>Yearling Steer</b>															
0-200		RS	C	2	5	250.2	- 250.2	250.2	N/Q				430	- 430	430
		RS	D	2	4	173.0	- 173.0	173.0	-89				346	- 346	346
200-280		RS	C	2	61	195.0	- 256.2	233.7	-32				488	- 667	581
		FD	C	2	61	235.0	- 266.0	249.0	-3				484	- 686	633
		RS	D	1	3	114.0	- 114.0	114.0	N/Q				302	- 302	302

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
280-330	RS	D	2	26	140.0	- 212.0	153.3	N/Q	-			370	- 524	390
	RS	C	2	49	185.0	- 230.0	207.1	-70	-			527	- 722	605
	FD	C	2	39	220.0	- 255.0	244.9	-41	-			671	- 834	781
330-400		C	2	2	170.0	- 170.0	170.0	N/Q	321	- 321	321	493	- 493	493
	FD	C	2	280	226.0	- 298.0	268.2	-20	-			816	- 1162	973
	RS	C	2	3	210.0	- 210.0	210.0	N/Q	-			704	- 704	704
400+	FD	C	3	8	280.0	- 280.0	280.0	-8	-			991	- 991	991
		D	2	3	190.0	- 190.0	190.0	N/Q	352	- 352	352	714	- 714	714
		C	2	8	235.0	- 285.0	259.4	59	443	- 548	493	1011	- 1183	1135
	FD	C	2	105	240.0	- 300.0	277.5	-6	-			1002	- 1356	1228
		C	3	19	302.0	- 314.2	307.1	23	559	- 582	569	1232	- 1357	1285
	D	1	1	190.0	- 190.0	190.0	N/Q	380	- 380	380	922	- 922	922	
				<b>677</b>	<b>114.0</b>	<b>314.2</b>			<b>321</b>	<b>582</b>		<b>302</b>	<b>1357</b>	
<b>Yearling Heifer</b>														
200-280	FD	C	2	23	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	-9	-			460	- 460	460
	RS	C	2	150	110.0	- 218.0	198.4	-30	-			277	- 541	451
		C	4	3	266.0	- 266.0	266.0	N/Q	493	- 493	493	708	- 708	708
280-330		C	2	8	160.0	- 230.0	198.8	N/Q	302	- 442	376	464	- 702	599
	RS	C	2	35	150.0	- 200.2	172.9	-86	-			450	- 579	525
	FD	C	2	93	160.0	- 225.0	196.5	-56	-			506	- 698	589
330-400	FD	D	2	10	150.0	- 150.0	150.0	-84	-			435	- 435	435
		D	2	3	80.0	- 80.0	80.0	N/Q	160	- 160	160	245	- 245	245
	FD	C	2	220	194.0	- 275.0	222.3	-31	-			667	- 1084	804
		C	3	55	228.2	- 270.2	247.0	-23	423	- 500	458	823	- 987	876
	FD	C	3	8	280.0	- 280.0	280.0	N/Q	-			991	- 991	991
	RS	D	1	5	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	-20	-			490	- 490	490
	RS	D	2	59	100.0	- 150.2	141.6	-26	-			342	- 587	492
400+	FD	D	2	47	148.0	- 196.2	165.5	-31	-			533	- 775	624
		D	3	7	180.0	- 180.0	180.0	-72	340	- 340	340	662	- 662	662
	FD	C	2	38	220.0	- 264.0	232.1	-32	-			895	- 1294	987
	RS	C	2	12	204.0	- 204.0	204.0	-32	-			896	- 896	896
	FD	C	3	8	266.0	- 266.0	266.0	-10	-			1181	- 1181	1181
		C	3	53	264.0	- 282.0	273.4	-4	489	- 522	509	1127	- 1342	1280
	RS	D	2	8	130.0	- 190.0	145.0	N/Q	-			527	- 865	611
	D	3	3	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	5	415	- 415	415	968	- 968	968	
				<b>848</b>	<b>80.0</b>	<b>282.0</b>			<b>160</b>	<b>522</b>		<b>245</b>	<b>1342</b>	
<b>Grown Steer</b>														
500-600	FD	C	2	1	255.0	- 255.0	255.0	N/Q	-			1326	- 1326	1326
		C	3	22	255.0	- 293.2	282.5	15	472	- 543	523	1278	- 1695	1514
600-750		C	4	10	277.0	- 284.0	279.4	N/Q	513	- 526	517	1745	- 1820	1776
				<b>33</b>	<b>255.0</b>	<b>293.2</b>			<b>472</b>	<b>543</b>		<b>1278</b>	<b>1820</b>	
<b>Grown Heifer</b>														
0-540	RS	C	2	3	155.0	- 155.0	155.0	N/Q	-			620	- 620	620
		C	3	3	250.0	- 250.0	250.0	N/C	463	- 463	463	1038	- 1038	1038
		C	4	17	220.0	- 279.2	264.1	N/Q	407	- 517	489	1188	- 1452	1362

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	RS	D	2	3	130.0	- 130.0	130.0	-77	-			546	- 546	546
		D	4	3	182.0	- 182.0	182.0	N/Q	343	- 343	343	910	- 910	910
540+		C	4	10	222.0	- 248.0	232.0	-23	411	- 459	434	1329	- 1562	1362
				<b>39</b>	<b>130.0</b>	<b>279.2</b>			<b>343</b>	<b>517</b>		<b>546</b>	<b>1562</b>	
<b>Manufacturing Steer</b>														
0-540		D	1	4	100.2	- 100.2	100.2	N/Q	200	- 200	200	358	- 358	358
		D	2	16	50.0	- 122.2	99.6	N/Q	100	- 244	199	118	- 457	351
				<b>20</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>122.2</b>			<b>100</b>	<b>244</b>		<b>118</b>	<b>457</b>	
<b>Cows</b>														
0-400		D	1	6	72.0	- 84.0	76.0	-44	176	- 205	185	256	- 261	259
	RS	D	1	18	72.0	- 137.2	122.7	18	-			261	- 531	471
	RS	D	2	5	132.2	- 132.2	132.2	-5	-			471	- 471	471
		D	2	7	126.2	- 126.2	126.2	-17	287	- 287	287	486	- 486	486
		D	3	11	136.0	- 155.0	148.1	N/Q	309	- 337	327	385	- 611	529
400-520	RS	C	2	8	235.2	- 235.2	235.2	N/Q	-			1087	- 1087	1087
		D	1	8	180.0	- 198.0	191.3	75	396	- 439	412	891	- 1026	975
		D	2	89	90.0	- 168.2	147.5	-11	205	- 382	335	383	- 849	684
	FD	D	2	4	140.0	- 140.0	140.0	N/Q	-			610	- 610	610
		D	3	153	145.0	- 208.0	173.9	-15	296	- 416	362	622	- 1040	813
520+		C	4	8	213.0	- 213.0	213.0	N/Q	394	- 394	394	1587	- 1587	1587
		D	2	2	160.0	- 160.0	160.0	N/Q	364	- 364	364	968	- 968	968
		D	3	220	165.0	- 224.0	189.8	-6	344	- 448	394	882	- 1295	1062
		D	4	121	204.0	- 233.0	218.8	6	408	- 466	438	1177	- 1883	1405
				<b>660</b>	<b>72.0</b>	<b>235.2</b>			<b>176</b>	<b>466</b>		<b>256</b>	<b>1883</b>	
<b>Bulls</b>														
0-450	RS	D	2	5	156.2	- 156.2	156.2	N/Q	-			547	- 547	547
				<b>5</b>	<b>156.2</b>	<b>156.2</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>547</b>	<b>547</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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