

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Wagga

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Rain across the supply area contributed to a drop in supply. The bulk of the yearlings offered were secondary cattle. Light weight cattle were well supplied and prices were generally similar for the well-bred lines despite the decline in store orders. Trade cattle were again limited fluctuating from firm to dearer. Feedlot buyers were more selective and hesitated to push past the 280c/kg price barrier. Cow numbers remained high, with over 895 penned.

Domestic buyers were reliant upon heifers to meet specifications with trade steers lacking fat cover. Heifers suitable for the trade sold from 230c to 262c/kg. Trade steers were few, making from 270c to 284c/kg. Light weight weaner steers 200-280kg returning to the paddock met fluctuating demand to average 272c/kg. The lighter weight heifers mostly sold to feedlots and backgrounders making from 180c to 236c/kg. The usual buying group operated in the feeder steer market. Buyers lowered their price levels from the commencement of the sale resulting in a cheaper trend of 6c to 7c/kg. The bulk of the steers made from 227c to 284c/kg. Buyers pushed feedlot heifers 2c to 6c higher, the bulk making from 200c to 275c/kg.

The limited supply of heavy C3 steers and bullocks sold to stronger southern competition making from 230c to 268c/kg. The cow market sold to steady demand however, at times competition waned. Heavy cows topped at 205c to average 193c/kg. The D3 and D2 medium weight lines were unchanged to 10c/kg easier for the plainer types. Store cows were in limited supply, making from 124c to 172c/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>														
80+	RS	C	2	84	200.0	- 260.0	233.9	N/C	-	-	-	294	- 496	398
	RS	D	2	5	170.0	- 170.0	170.0	N/C	-	-	-	340	- 340	340
				<b>89</b>	<b>170.0</b>	<b>260.0</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>294</b>	<b>496</b>	
<b>Vealer Steer</b>														
200-280	RS	C	2	13	256.0	- 280.0	270.8	4	-	-	-	566	- 582	576
				<b>13</b>	<b>256.0</b>	<b>280.0</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>566</b>	<b>582</b>	
<b>Vealer Heifer</b>														
200-280	FD	C	2	18	236.0	- 248.0	242.0	-3	-	-	-	479	- 513	496
330+		C	2	2	233.0	- 233.0	233.0	N/Q	432	- 432	432	897	- 897	897
				<b>20</b>	<b>233.0</b>	<b>248.0</b>			<b>432</b>	<b>432</b>		<b>479</b>	<b>897</b>	
<b>Yearling Steer</b>														
0-200	RS	C	2	5	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	-	-	-	356	- 356	356
200-280	RS	C	2	225	220.0	- 294.0	272.8	-2	-	-	-	471	- 740	672
	FD	C	2	63	210.0	- 289.0	248.5	-31	-	-	-	516	- 737	595
	RS	D	2	7	150.0	- 180.0	171.4	5	-	-	-	360	- 414	399
280-330	RS	C	2	73	200.0	- 289.0	250.1	-41	-	-	-	596	- 869	746
	FD	C	2	111	210.0	- 293.0	263.1	-20	-	-	-	650	- 943	815
	RS	D	2	4	172.0	- 172.0	172.0	N/Q	-	-	-	533	- 533	533
330-400	RS	C	2	42	238.0	- 282.0	247.4	-14	-	-	-	864	- 973	887
	FD	C	2	313	227.0	- 284.0	266.0	-7	-	-	-	775	- 1127	982
	RS	D	2	2	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	N/Q	-	-	-	730	- 730	730
400+		C	2	5	284.0	- 284.0	284.0	N/Q	536	- 536	536	1221	- 1221	1221
	RS	C	2	3	240.0	- 240.0	240.0	N/Q	-	-	-	1008	- 1008	1008
	FD	C	2	310	178.0	- 281.0	262.2	-6	-	-	-	787	- 1274	1153

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
	FD	C	3	17	268.0	- 268.0	268.0	N/C	-			1112	- 1112	1112
		C	3	2	270.0	- 270.0	270.0	N/Q	500	- 500	500	1175	- 1175	1175
					<b>1182</b>	<b>150.0</b>	<b>294.0</b>		<b>500</b>	<b>536</b>		<b>356</b>	<b>1274</b>	
<b>Yearling Heifer</b>														
0-200	RS	C	2	11	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	N/C	-			400	- 400	400
200-280	RS	C	2	51	180.0	- 236.0	184.4	-30	-			421	- 649	439
	FD	C	2	5	236.0	- 236.0	236.0	-13	-			595	- 595	595
280-330	FD	C	2	127	190.0	- 268.0	231.2	-9	-			610	- 852	728
	RS	C	2	10	238.0	- 238.0	238.0	N/Q	-			712	- 712	712
		C	3	15	239.0	- 246.0	244.6	N/Q	451	- 456	455	785	- 789	786
	RS	D	2	5	185.0	- 185.0	185.0	N/Q	-			585	- 585	585
330-400	RS	C	2	15	230.0	- 230.0	230.0	N/Q	-			853	- 853	853
	FD	C	2	365	200.0	- 275.0	243.3	2	-			664	- 1040	894
		C	3	17	225.0	- 235.0	227.4	N/Q	425	- 435	429	756	- 928	799
	FD	C	3	26	249.0	- 249.0	249.0	N/Q	-			931	- 931	931
400+		C	2	8	264.0	- 264.0	264.0	-4	498	- 498	498	1238	- 1238	1238
	FD	C	2	295	234.0	- 269.0	255.5	6	-			962	- 1297	1115
		C	3	76	230.0	- 262.0	252.2	1	426	- 494	469	1013	- 1257	1169
					<b>1026</b>	<b>180.0</b>	<b>275.0</b>		<b>425</b>	<b>498</b>		<b>400</b>	<b>1297</b>	
<b>Grown Steer</b>														
400-500	RS	D	2	2	210.0	- 210.0	210.0	N/Q	-			1000	- 1000	1000
500-600	FD	C	3	5	240.0	- 240.0	240.0	-14	-			1236	- 1236	1236
		C	3	11	240.0	- 267.0	262.1	8	444	- 494	485	1212	- 1436	1396
		C	4	4	268.0	- 268.0	268.0	N/Q	506	- 506	506	1482	- 1482	1482
600-750		C	4	1	232.0	- 232.0	232.0	N/Q	430	- 430	430	1589	- 1589	1589
750+		C	4	5	253.0	- 253.0	253.0	N/Q	477	- 477	477	1930	- 1930	1930
					<b>28</b>	<b>210.0</b>	<b>268.0</b>		<b>430</b>	<b>506</b>		<b>1000</b>	<b>1930</b>	
<b>Grown Heifer</b>														
0-540	RS	C	2	6	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	-55	-			1052	- 1052	1052
		C	3	12	185.0	- 247.0	195.3	N/Q	349	- 466	370	844	- 1055	894
		C	4	5	250.0	- 250.0	250.0	11	472	- 472	472	1275	- 1275	1275
	RS	D	3	3	185.0	- 185.0	185.0	N/Q	-			814	- 814	814
		D	3	4	190.0	- 190.0	190.0	N/Q	365	- 365	365	944	- 944	944
		D	4	5	214.0	- 214.0	214.0	12	428	- 428	428	1119	- 1119	1119
540+		C	4	7	218.0	- 248.0	222.6	-24	404	- 459	412	1309	- 1674	1455
					<b>42</b>	<b>185.0</b>	<b>250.0</b>		<b>349</b>	<b>472</b>		<b>814</b>	<b>1674</b>	
<b>Manufacturing Steer</b>														
0-540		D	3	12	168.0	- 168.0	168.0	N/Q	323	- 323	323	645	- 645	645
540+	DA	D	2	5	185.0	- 185.0	185.0	N/Q	356	- 356	356	1212	- 1212	1212
					<b>17</b>	<b>168.0</b>	<b>185.0</b>		<b>323</b>	<b>356</b>		<b>645</b>	<b>1212</b>	
<b>Cows</b>														
0-400		D	1	17	115.0	- 124.0	119.8	-16	281	- 302	292	460	- 471	466
	RS	D	1	28	124.0	- 148.0	143.4	-14	-			490	- 547	513
		D	3	3	145.0	- 145.0	145.0	-9	302	- 302	302	570	- 570	570
400-520		C	2	7	137.0	- 160.0	153.4	N/Q	311	- 320	318	603	- 798	743

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg	
520+		D	1	39	112.0	- 145.0	120.1	-18	273	- 354	293	467	- 686	531	
		D	2	71	130.0	- 158.0	152.3	-10	296	- 359	346	609	- 811	733	
		RS	D	2	19	160.0	- 169.0	165.9	-9	-	-	711	- 784	736	
			D	3	98	145.0	- 194.0	175.7	2	302	- 409	366	670	- 949	848
			D	4	6	186.0	- 186.0	186.0	6	372	- 372	372	915	- 960	937
			C	2	5	162.0	- 162.0	162.0	N/Q	395	- 395	395	859	- 859	859
			D	2	13	135.0	- 162.0	149.6	N/C	307	- 395	350	710	- 859	792
		RS	D	2	13	135.0	- 172.0	157.8	-17	-	-	-	716	- 979	877
		FD	D	3	17	178.0	- 186.0	183.6	N/Q	-	-	-	943	- 1032	1006
			D	3	140	170.0	- 196.0	181.8	5	354	- 424	380	894	- 1349	1041
		D	4	269	178.0	- 205.0	193.5	-3	356	- 408	387	947	- 1568	1189	
				<b>745</b>	<b>112.0</b>	<b>205.0</b>			<b>273</b>	<b>424</b>		<b>460</b>	<b>1568</b>		
<b>Bulls</b>															
0-450		C	2	1	163.0	- 163.0	163.0	N/Q	302	- 302	302	562	- 562	562	
		D	2	5	126.0	- 126.0	126.0	N/Q	242	- 242	242	442	- 442	442	
	RS	D	2	23	149.0	- 160.0	150.4	N/Q	-	-	-	336	- 404	395	
450-600		C	2	5	196.0	- 198.0	196.8	N/Q	350	- 354	351	935	- 1109	1004	
		D	3	42	180.0	- 205.0	193.0	N/Q	350	- 394	375	891	- 1230	1106	
				<b>76</b>	<b>126.0</b>	<b>205.0</b>			<b>242</b>	<b>394</b>		<b>336</b>	<b>1230</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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