

## Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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### Wagga

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In a similar sized yarding, feedlot and restockers demand had the greatest influence on the cattle market. The bulk of the yearlings offered were secondary cattle. Trade cattle were again limited, fluctuating from firm to dearer, which was quality related. Feedlot buyers were operating with plenty of sales this week pushing above 280c/kg. Heavy steers and bullocks were few and the stronger prices were aided by feedlot competition. Cow numbers remained high, with over 1,000 penned.

Domestic buyers were reliant upon heifers to meet specifications, with trade steers needing more finish. Heifers suitable for the trade sold from 220c to 259c/kg. Light weight weaner steers weighing 200-280kg, returning to the paddock, met fluctuating demand, easing 3c to average 269c/kg. The lighter weight heifers primarily sold to feedlots and backgrounders, making from 170c to 245c/kg. A larger group of buyers operated in the feeder steer market however, all experienced difficulty acquiring numbers weighing above 400kg. The bulk of the steers made from 210c to 285c/kg. Buyers support for feeder heifers was irregular at times, resulting in a cheaper trend of 2c to 6c/kg. Heifers suitable to feed on sold from 205c to 262c/kg.

The limited supply of heavy C3 steers and bullocks sold to stronger completion, making from 254c to 270c/kg. The cow market sold to steady demand for well finished types. Heavy cows topped at 210c to average 193c/kg. The D3 and D2 medium weights lines decreased 3c to 10c/kg, age and yield a contributing factor. Store cows were in greater numbers, making from 130c to 205c/kg. There was also steady demand from a southern processor for cows suitable to feed on, the bulk averaging 170c/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+		C	2	7	170.0	- 170.0	170.0	N/Q	327	- 327	327	296	- 296	296
	RS	C	2	32	188.0	- 244.0	209.4	-25	-	-	-	248	- 405	294
	RS	D	2	8	188.0	- 188.0	188.0	18	-	-	-	320	- 320	320
				<b>47</b>	<b>170.0</b>	<b>244.0</b>			<b>327</b>	<b>327</b>		<b>248</b>	<b>405</b>	
<b>Vealer Heifer</b>														
0-200	RS	C	2	6	218.0	- 218.0	218.0	N/Q	-	-	-	355	- 355	355
200-280		C	2	5	244.0	- 244.0	244.0	N/Q	460	- 460	460	659	- 659	659
280-330		C	2	14	234.0	- 252.0	236.6	N/Q	442	- 485	448	761	- 794	765
	FD	C	2	24	210.0	- 242.0	231.0	N/Q	-	-	-	662	- 764	718
				<b>49</b>	<b>210.0</b>	<b>252.0</b>			<b>442</b>	<b>485</b>		<b>355</b>	<b>794</b>	
<b>Yearling Steer</b>														
0-200	RS	C	2	30	222.0	- 240.0	233.4	13	-	-	-	394	- 444	412
200-280	RS	C	2	186	223.0	- 305.2	269.3	-3	-	-	-	505	- 803	646
	FD	C	2	81	210.0	- 280.0	248.6	N/C	-	-	-	473	- 773	608
		C	2	2	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	440	- 440	440	572	- 572	572
280-330		C	2	3	255.0	- 255.0	255.0	N/Q	490	- 490	490	773	- 773	773
	FD	C	2	116	238.0	- 294.0	269.8	7	-	-	-	690	- 947	843
	RS	C	2	117	246.0	- 295.0	272.8	23	-	-	-	722	- 898	846
330-400	RS	C	2	8	262.0	- 265.0	263.9	16	-	-	-	967	- 1035	993
	FD	C	2	318	224.0	- 285.0	265.4	-1	-	-	-	762	- 1090	966
		C	3	6	272.0	- 272.0	272.0	N/Q	504	- 504	504	1050	- 1050	1050
	FD	D	2	11	216.0	- 216.0	216.0	N/Q	-	-	-	765	- 765	765
400+		C	2	4	240.0	- 270.0	255.0	-29	453	- 509	481	1128	- 1231	1180
	FD	C	2	156	210.0	- 282.0	264.4	2	-	-	-	851	- 1246	1140

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					<b>1038</b>	<b>210.0</b>	<b>305.2</b>			<b>440</b>	<b>509</b>		<b>394</b>	<b>1246</b>	
<b>Yearling Heifer</b>															
200-280	FD	C	2	93	200.0	- 257.0	235.7	N/C	-				508	- 683	602
	RS	C	2	8	210.0	- 210.0	210.0	26	-				477	- 477	477
		C	2	12	200.0	- 200.0	200.0	N/Q	400	- 400	400		550	- 550	550
		C	3	2	240.0	- 240.0	240.0	N/Q	480	- 480	480		586	- 586	586
	FD	D	2	23	170.0	- 245.0	201.3	N/Q	-				417	- 605	513
280-330		C	2	5	230.0	- 230.0	230.0	N/Q	434	- 434	434		713	- 713	713
	RS	C	2	9	240.0	- 240.0	240.0	2	-				780	- 780	780
	FD	C	2	114	210.0	- 248.0	231.8	1	-				664	- 764	721
330-400	FD	C	2	248	205.0	- 259.0	241.1	-2	-				707	- 1024	891
		C	2	10	232.0	- 232.0	232.0	N/Q	446	- 446	446		896	- 896	896
		C	3	2	240.0	- 240.0	240.0	N/Q	444	- 444	444		960	- 960	960
	FD	C	3	14	261.0	- 261.0	261.0	12	-				981	- 981	981
400+	FD	C	2	151	228.0	- 262.0	249.8	-6	-				965	- 1161	1078
	FD	C	3	27	236.0	- 256.0	248.8	N/Q	-				970	- 1193	1092
		C	3	22	220.0	- 255.0	236.1	-16	415	- 481	441		914	- 1160	1005
		D	2	3	180.0	- 180.0	180.0	N/Q	360	- 360	360		936	- 936	936
	FD	D	2	3	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	-				999	- 999	999
					<b>746</b>	<b>170.0</b>	<b>262.0</b>		<b>360</b>	<b>481</b>		<b>417</b>	<b>1193</b>		
<b>Grown Steer</b>															
400-500	FD	C	2	9	200.0	- 210.0	204.4	N/Q	-				810	- 909	854
500-600		C	3	22	262.0	- 270.0	267.5	5	485	- 500	495		1503	- 1609	1539
	FD	C	3	21	254.0	- 260.0	255.8	16	-				1334	- 1417	1362
					<b>52</b>	<b>200.0</b>	<b>270.0</b>		<b>485</b>	<b>500</b>		<b>810</b>	<b>1609</b>		
<b>Grown Heifer</b>															
0-540		C	2	20	235.0	- 235.0	235.0	N/Q	443	- 443	443		940	- 940	940
	FD	C	2	26	200.0	- 245.0	229.2	N/Q	-				762	- 843	797
		C	3	33	212.0	- 270.0	245.7	50	424	- 540	476		965	- 1296	1163
		C	4	12	230.0	- 230.0	230.0	-20	434	- 434	434		1074	- 1074	1074
		D	2	4	132.0	- 140.0	136.0	N/Q	264	- 280	272		557	- 637	597
540+		C	4	4	250.0	- 250.0	250.0	27	472	- 472	472		1443	- 1443	1443
					<b>99</b>	<b>132.0</b>	<b>270.0</b>		<b>264</b>	<b>540</b>		<b>557</b>	<b>1443</b>		
<b>Manufacturing Steer</b>															
0-540		D	2	5	144.0	- 160.0	156.8	N/Q	288	- 320	314		462	- 667	626
540+	DA	D	2	1	188.0	- 188.0	188.0	N/Q	376	- 376	376		1231	- 1231	1231
					<b>6</b>	<b>144.0</b>	<b>188.0</b>		<b>288</b>	<b>376</b>		<b>462</b>	<b>1231</b>		
<b>Cows</b>															
0-400		D	1	10	90.0	- 110.0	100.0	-20	231	- 275	253		358	- 436	397
	RS	D	2	61	158.0	- 205.0	183.1	N/Q	-				558	- 806	653
	RS	D	3	14	152.0	- 194.0	182.0	N/Q	-				593	- 724	686
		D	3	13	176.0	- 176.0	176.0	31	367	- 367	367		672	- 672	672
400-520		D	1	17	115.0	- 120.0	116.8	-3	281	- 293	285		494	- 497	496
	RS	D	1	18	130.0	- 150.0	146.7	N/Q	-				592	- 683	667
	RS	D	2	22	162.0	- 164.0	162.9	-3	-				710	- 727	720

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520+	FD	D	2	10	163.0	- 163.0	163.0	N/Q	-			778	- 778	778
		D	2	73	125.0	- 176.0	152.1	N/C	284	- 400	346	563	- 834	698
		D	3	172	145.0	- 179.0	166.0	-10	315	- 398	354	631	- 922	807
	RS	D	3	45	165.0	- 172.0	166.7	N/Q	-			714	- 836	766
	FD	D	3	61	162.0	- 166.0	164.5	N/Q	-			794	- 863	812
	RS	D	1	1	116.0	- 116.0	116.0	N/Q	-			621	- 621	621
	DA	D	2	7	170.0	- 170.0	170.0	N/Q	370	- 370	370	1151	- 1151	1151
	FD	D	3	39	170.0	- 172.0	170.9	-13	-			901	- 944	925
		D	3	282	142.0	- 200.0	183.0	1	296	- 400	375	788	- 1284	1039
		D	4	236	182.0	- 210.0	193.9	N/C	364	- 420	385	994	- 1469	1202
	RS	D	4	5	197.0	- 197.0	197.0	N/Q	-			1379	- 1379	1379
		D	5	2	188.0	- 188.0	188.0	N/Q	376	- 376	376	1397	- 1397	1397
				<b>1088</b>	<b>90.0</b>	<b>210.0</b>		<b>231</b>	<b>420</b>		<b>358</b>	<b>1469</b>		
<b>Bulls</b>														
0-450		C	2	10	210.0	- 224.0	218.4	55	389	- 415	404	857	- 923	896
	RS	D	1	6	146.0	- 146.0	146.0	N/Q	-			272	- 272	272
		D	2	3	146.0	- 146.0	146.0	20	292	- 292	292	529	- 529	529
				<b>19</b>	<b>146.0</b>	<b>224.0</b>		<b>292</b>	<b>415</b>		<b>272</b>	<b>923</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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