

Detailed Saleyard Report - Cattle

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Wagga

Yarding 2080
 Change -295

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The drop in saleyard numbers and the prediction of rain put a spark in some secondary categories. Quality was generally mixed with only a limited few yearlings selling to the trade. Heavy cattle were in short supply and there were 785 cows penned.

Trade steers sold to weak competition recording a top price of 380c, while the heifer portion sold at 330c to 390c/kg. Feeder steers were generally unchanged to softer in places for crossbred types making from 340c to 394c/kg. Feeder heifers sold to steady competition selling at 330c to 385c/kg. Light weight weaner steers were keenly sought with agents and commission buyers all eager to purchase a market share. Well bred steers, 200-280kg, sold from 460c to 528c/kg. Light weight heifers made from 360c to 440c/kg.

Heavy grown steers were in short supply making from 310c to 345c/kg. Heavy heifers sold from 285c to 330c/kg. Cow prices were affected by some meatworks on shorter working weeks. The market sold 6c/kg cheaper. Heavy cows sold from 280c to 299c/kg. The middle run of leaner types made from 230c to 275c/kg.

| Category | Sale Weight | Muscle Prefix | Fat Score * | Head | Live Weight c/kg | | | | Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg* | | | Estimated \$/Head | | |
|------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|------|------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------------------------------|------|-----|-------------------|------|-------|
| | | | | | Low | High | Avg | Change | Low | High | Avg | Low | High | Avg |
| Yearling Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 200-280 | RS | N/A | N/A | 180 | 400.0 | 528.0 | 488.4 | 35 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 840 | 1109 | 1,012 |
| 280-330 | RS | N/A | N/A | 59 | 370.0 | 404.0 | 384.4 | 9 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1151 | 1333 | 1,228 |
| 330-400 | FD | N/A | N/A | 139 | 350.0 | 394.0 | 372.7 | 14 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1225 | 1474 | 1,384 |
| 400+ | FD | N/A | N/A | 465 | 340.0 | 394.0 | 368.8 | 3 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1439 | 1762 | 1,636 |
| | PR | N/A | N/A | 4 | 380.0 | 380.0 | 380.0 | 2 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1725 | 1725 | 1,725 |
| | | | | 847 | 340.0 | 528.0 | | | | | | 840 | 1762 | |
| Yearling Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 200-280 | RS | N/A | N/A | 80 | 360.0 | 460.0 | 422.5 | 45 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 828 | 1058 | 972 |
| 330-400 | FD | N/A | N/A | 256 | 330.0 | 384.0 | 358.2 | -2 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1139 | 1421 | 1,322 |
| 400+ | FD | N/A | N/A | 109 | 330.0 | 355.0 | 352.9 | 23 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1356 | 1608 | 1,587 |
| | PR | N/A | N/A | 22 | 330.0 | 390.0 | 357.3 | -0 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1327 | 1755 | 1,521 |
| | | | | 467 | 330.0 | 460.0 | | | | | | 828 | 1755 | |
| Grown Steer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 500-600 | PR | N/A | N/A | 25 | 310.0 | 345.0 | 320.2 | 3 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1581 | 1949 | 1,671 |
| | | | | 25 | 310.0 | 345.0 | | | | | | 1581 | 1949 | |
| Grown Heifer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0-540 | PR | N/A | N/A | 22 | 330.0 | 330.0 | 330.0 | N/Q | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1690 | 1690 | 1,690 |
| 540+ | PR | N/A | N/A | 10 | 285.0 | 285.0 | 285.0 | N/Q | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1553 | 1553 | 1,553 |
| | | | | 32 | 285.0 | 330.0 | | | | | | 1553 | 1690 | |

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|-----------------|-------------|--------------|------------|------|------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------------------------------|------|-----|-------------------|------|-------|
| | | | | | Low | High | Avg | Change | Low | High | Avg | Low | High | Avg |
| Cows | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 400-520 | PR | N/A | N/A | 315 | 230.0 | 275.0 | 261.9 | -10 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1139 | 1403 | 1,316 |
| | RS | N/A | N/A | 37 | 240.0 | 295.0 | 261.4 | -14 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 986 | 1242 | 1,089 |
| 520+ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | PR | N/A | N/A | 254 | 280.0 | 299.0 | 285.2 | -10 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1652 | 2093 | 1,743 |
| | | | | 606 | 230.0 | 299.0 | | | | | | 986 | 2093 | |

DA - Dairy, FD - Feeder, GF - Grainfed, PR - Processor, LE - Live Export, PC - Pastoral Cattle, PT - PTIC, RS - Restocker

* Fields populated with N/A indicate the unavailability of animal assessment at the time of publishing

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