

Media Report - Cattle

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Wagga

Yarding 2980
 Change 90

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Numbers were similar and quality was fair to very good. There was an excellent selection of trade cattle which were keenly sought by a major domestic processor. Secondary cattle were well supplied while heavy cattle were limited. Not all the regular export buyers were in attendance. The usual contingent of domestic and feedlot buyers was operating along with some restocker competition.

In the trade market steers suitable for the trade gained 10c to 15c to average 394c with a single pen of European steers recording a top price of 430c/kg. Trade heifers sold to significantly stronger competition benefited by robust demand from lot feeders. The stronger competition meant prices bounced 10c making from 330c to 393c/kg. There was a notable softening for feeder steers, 400 to 500kg, with prices easing back 5c to 8c to average 395c/kg. Feeder heifers regained last week's losses jumping 15c to average 383c/kg for the medium weights.

Not all processors operated in the export run. Heavy steers and bullocks prices eased slightly making from 320c to 385c/kg. Heavy heifers were well supplied and a major domestic processor keenly contested the younger portion. The bulk selling from 340c to 386c/kg. In the cow market, not all processors operated. Heavy well finished cows sold to slightly weaker trends making from 282c to 310c/kg. The bulk of the leaner types sold from 260c to 293c/kg. Store cows were limited making from 285c to 310c/kg.

Category Weight	Grade Score	Live Weight c/kg		Live Weight c/kg		Estimated Carcase c/kg	Estimated \$/Head		
		Low	High	Avg	Change	Avg	Low	High	Avg
Yearling Steer									
330-400	B,C,D,2,3	372.0	- 410.0	391.1	N/Q	738	1334	- 1620	1453
400+	B,C,D,2,3	344.0	- 430.0	395.5	N/Q	740	1486	- 2020	1785
Yearling Heifer									
330-400	B,C,D,2,3	355.0	- 355.0	355.0	N/Q	670	1285	- 1285	1285
400+	B,C,D,2,3	320.0	- 393.0	368.6	N/Q	690	1338	- 1872	1666
Vealer Steer									
280-330	B,C,D,2,3	410.0	- 410.0	410.0	N/Q	789	1337	- 1337	1337
Vealer Heifer									
280-330	B,C,D,2,3	290.0	- 390.0	330.0	N/Q	623	861	- 1190	993
Grown Steer									
500-600	B,C,D,2,3	360.0	- 385.0	377.7	N/Q	700	1872	- 2212	2102
Cows									
520+	B,C,D,2,3	250.0	- 295.0	283.4	N/Q	563	1402	- 1966	1644

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