

Detailed Saleyard Report - Cattle

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Numbers increased moderately due to last week's dearer market helping lift numbers. There was a small selection of trade heifers and steers with the bulk of the younger cattle more suited to feedlots. Heavy export numbers increased with feedlots again stepping up to purchase all the younger stock. The regular export and domestic processors were in attendance and not all operated. There was less feedlot activity, while restocking interest waned notably.

Trade cattle were in short supply and buyers were selective mostly due to the plainer condition of stock. Trade heifers made 492c to 567c/kg. Trade steers were few averaging 557c/kg.

The feeder market for light weight steers lost traction, with several feedlot orders not as active. Prices for lighter weight steers slipped 37c to average 608c/kg. Quality lines of well-bred steers 400 to 500kg were keenly sought despite some major feedlots not operating. Well-bred lines sold from 520c to 622c/kg. Heifers to suit feedlots were in short supply. Medium weight heifers sold 4c dearer averaging 545c/kg. There were fair numbers of quality well-bred feeder heifers under 400kg and buying competition fluctuated due to a strong restocking order. Heifers to feed on gained 9c to average 566c/kg. Heifers returning to the paddock 330 to 400kg recorded a top price of 630c/kg or the equivalent of \$2268/head,

Heavy steers and bullocks sold to weaker feedlot demand, with processors competition also subdued. Heavy feeder steers dipped 25c selling from 475c to 560c/kg. A few C3 steers and C4 bullocks suitable for the processors sold from 408c to 536c/kg. The cow market struggled for momentum with cow numbers increasing to 850 head. Heavy D4 and D3 types slipped 11c to 22c/kg. Prices ranged from 374c to 402c/kg. The middle run of leaner types was few, distorting price trends. The D3 medium weight averaged 378c/kg.

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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
Vealer Steer														
280-330														
	FD	C	2	8	562.0	562.0	562.0	N/Q	-	0	1585	1585	1,585	
330+														
	FD	B	2	9	614.0	614.0	614.0	N/Q	-	0	2149	2149	2,149	
	FD	C	2	4	602.0	602.0	602.0	N/Q	-	0	2300	2300	2,300	
	PR	B	2	16	580.0	596.0	594.4	-7	1,094	1,142	1,111	2030	2317	2,254
				37	562.0	614.0			1,094	1,142		1585	2317	
Vealer Heifer														
200-280														
	FD	C	2	2	625.0	625.0	625.0	N/Q	-	0	1731	1731	1,731	
280-330														
	FD	B	2	7	632.0	632.0	632.0	N/Q	-	0	2022	2022	2,022	
	PR	B	2	7	610.0	615.0	612.1	N/Q	1,151	1,160	1,155	1968	1989	1,980
330+														
	PR	B	2	6	584.0	586.0	585.7	-2	1,085	1,102	1,088	2069	2132	2,079
	PR	C	2	2	570.0	570.0	570.0	32	1,096	1,096	1,096	2115	2115	2,115
				24	570.0	632.0			1,085	1,160		1731	2132	
Yearling Steer														
200-280														
	FD	C	2	5	675.0	675.0	675.0	-25	-	0	1890	1890	1,890	

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						Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
		RS	C	2	13	720.0	720.0	720.0	-21	-	0	1865	1865	1,865	
280-330		FD	C	2	54	627.0	720.0	667.2	-54	-	0	1984	2196	2,089	
		RS	C	2	23	550.0	718.0	703.4	-22	-	0	1771	2190	2,154	
		RS	D	2	5	495.0	495.0	495.0	-60	-	0	1490	1490	1,490	
330-400		FD	C	2	105	540.0	640.0	608.1	-37	-	0	1944	2420	2,185	
		PR	C	2	3	520.0	550.0	540.0	-20	981	1,038	1,019	1872	1980	1,944
		RS	C	2	60	570.0	640.0	600.4	-86	-	0	1927	2273	2,160	
400+		FD	C	2	505	520.0	622.0	587.6	1	-	0	2187	3004	2,656	
		FD	C	3	21	498.0	545.0	517.8	-37	-	0	2465	2950	2,863	
		FD	D	2	5	520.0	520.0	520.0	3	-	0	2324	2324	2,324	
		PR	C	3	4	556.0	559.0	557.5	-17	1,030	1,035	1,032	2335	2711	2,523
		RS	C	3	4	560.0	560.0	560.0	N/Q	-	0	2341	2341	2,341	
		RS	D	3	2	485.0	485.0	485.0	N/Q	-	0	2027	2027	2,027	
					809	485.0	720.0			981	1,038	1490	3004		
Yearling Heifer															
280-330		FD	C	2	5	596.0	596.0	596.0	-8	-	0	1794	1794	1,794	
		PR	C	2	5	440.0	440.0	440.0	N/Q	830	830	830	1439	1439	1,439
		RS	C	2	14	616.0	616.0	616.0	5	-	0	1848	1848	1,848	
330-400		FD	C	2	152	500.0	612.0	566.3	9	-	0	1903	2298	2,080	
		PR	C	3	9	492.0	526.0	495.8	N/Q	928	992	935	1796	2104	1,830
		RS	C	2	33	630.0	630.0	630.0	81	-	0	2268	2268	2,268	
400+		FD	C	2	297	500.0	578.0	545.7	4	-	0	2230	2524	2,360	
		FD	C	3	8	544.0	544.0	544.0	-4	-	0	2524	2524	2,524	
		FD	C	4	8	520.0	520.0	520.0	N/Q	-	0	2610	2610	2,610	
		PR	C	3	14	492.0	567.0	508.9	9	936	1,070	972	2189	2581	2,337
					545	440.0	630.0			830	1,070	1439	2610		
Grown Steer															
400-500		FD	C	3	10	500.0	580.0	516.0	-12	-	0	2500	2900	2,580	
500-600		FD	C	3	270	475.0	560.0	522.6	-25	-	0	2423	3080	2,836	
		FD	D	2	1	500.0	500.0	500.0	N/Q	-	0	2550	2550	2,550	
		PR	C	3	46	408.0	536.0	476.5	-26	770	993	896	2366	2881	2,657
600-750		FD	C	3	8	480.0	490.0	485.0	N/C	-	0	2955	3216	3,085	
		FD	C	4	20	418.0	470.0	450.6	-49	-	0	2705	3074	2,857	
		PR	C	3	5	478.0	478.0	478.0	N/Q	902	902	902	3384	3384	3,384
		PR	C	4	40	415.0	470.0	445.3	-22	783	870	835	2594	3253	2,987
					400	408.0	580.0			770	993	2366	3384		

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Grown Heifer															
0-540															
		FD	C	2	6	486.0	486.0	486.0	N/Q	-	0	2595	2595	2,595	
		FD	C	3	8	490.0	490.0	490.0	N/Q	-	0	2372	2372	2,372	
		FD	C	4	37	506.0	514.0	511.5	45	-	0	2576	2692	2,657	
		FD	D	3	9	392.0	392.0	392.0	N/Q	-	0	1889	1889	1,889	
		PR	C	2	1	400.0	400.0	400.0	N/Q	769	769	769	1688	1,688	
		PR	C	4	23	430.0	498.0	458.1	-18	811	940	864	2288	2,399	
		RS	C	2	2	424.0	424.0	424.0	N/Q	-	0	2065	2065	2,065	
		RS	D	2	6	438.0	438.0	438.0	41	-	0	1848	1848	1,848	
540+															
		FD	C	4	37	464.0	506.0	488.3	N/Q	-	0	2682	2853	2,779	
		PR	C	3	3	562.0	562.0	562.0	N/Q	1,060	1,060	1,060	3260	3,260	
		PR	C	4	46	421.0	474.0	459.0	10	794	904	871	2337	2,803	
					178	392.0	562.0			769	1,060		1688	3365	
Manufacturing Steer															
540+															
		DA	D	2	33	332.0	360.0	342.9	N/Q	-	0	2324	2519	2,442	
		PR	C	4	3	405.0	406.0	405.3	N/Q	764	766	765	3004	3,256	
					36	332.0	406.0			764	766		2324	3382	
Cows															
400-520															
		PR	D	2	8	290.0	320.0	308.8	-58	604	640	627	1421	1,533	
		PR	D	3	13	370.0	390.0	378.8	7	698	750	730	1702	1,850	
		PR	D	5	3	310.0	310.0	310.0	N/Q	646	646	646	1550	1,550	
		RS	D	1	17	346.0	346.0	346.0	N/Q	-	0	1509	1509	1,509	
		RS	D	2	17	336.0	366.0	339.5	-35	-	0	1727	1728	1,727	
520+															
		FD	D	3	6	345.0	345.0	345.0	N/Q	-	0	2046	2046	2,046	
		PR	D	2	11	326.0	330.0	328.2	-27	615	623	619	1742	1,746	
		PR	D	3	214	330.0	390.0	366.4	-22	635	756	710	1850	2,256	
		PR	D	4	424	374.0	402.0	389.9	-11	713	773	742	2199	2,684	
		PR	D	5	3	360.0	360.0	360.0	-25	735	735	735	2880	2,880	
		RS	D	4	25	395.0	404.0	398.2	N/Q	-	0	2355	2745	2,605	
					741	290.0	404.0			604	773		1421	3202	
Bulls															
450-600															
		PR	C	2	3	310.0	310.0	310.0	-47	554	554	554	1742	1,742	
					3	310.0	310.0			554	554		1742	1742	

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

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