

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Cattle prices have rallied again as Northern processors, lot feeders and restockers found it hard to find enough cattle across all categories to fill orders. The market this week continued to revolve around plainer conditioned stock, with buyers looking for well bred secondary types in all weight ranges. There were limited supplies of yearling steers and heifers suitable for the trade. Grown steer and bullocks numbers were in short supply. It was a bigger group of buyers, with the strongest bidding coming from Northern processors, feed lotters and restockers. Southern buyers were unable to match the buying power from Queensland and northern NSW.

Vealers were in short supply with the pick of the vealers going to select butcher orders from 260c to 294c/kg. Trade heifers benefited from increased competition from export processors. Medium weight trade heifers were unchanged, making from 243c to 283c, averaging 262c/kg. Steers suitable for the trade were in limited numbers. The better finished steers sold from 284c to 297c/kg. There were quite a few more store orders in place from the north, contributing to the significantly dearer trend of 13c to 40c/kg. The bulk of the steers returning to the paddock sold from 240c to 322c/kg. Secondary light weight heifers weighing 200-280kg tracked 19c dearer averaging 266c/kg.

The feeder steer and heifer market sold to stronger trends, aided by soaking rains in the north. All weights and grades generally increased by 6c to 13c/kg. Medium weight feeder steers made from 260c to 304c/kg. The lighter steers sold 13c dearer to average 292c/kg. Feeder heifers weighing 330-400kg sold from 235c to 271c to average 255c/kg. Domestic and export processors found it difficult to acquire adequate numbers. The better quality pens of prime finished steers made from 280c to 300c/kg. The cow market was a highlight, with Northern processors dominating overall weights and grades. Heavy cows sold 6c to 11c higher to average 238c/kg. The D3 medium weight lines were unchanged to a few cents easier, while the D2 types lifted 5c to average 174c/kg. Store cows were well supplied and met with enthusiastic competition, making from 141c to 186c/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
Calves														
80+	RS	C	2	57	232.0	- 302.0	263.6	34	-	-	-	333	- 574	440
	RS	D	2	43	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	-	-	-	337	- 337	337
				100	220.0	302.0			0	0		333	574	
Vealer Steer														
330+		B	2	4	276.0	- 294.0	285.0	2	511	- 525	518	1132	- 1463	1297
	FD	C	2	5	285.0	- 285.0	285.0	N/Q	-	-	-	1017	- 1017	1017
				9	276.0	294.0			511	525		1017	1463	
Vealer Heifer														
200-280		C	2	11	250.0	- 250.0	250.0	30	472	- 472	472	620	- 620	620
280-330		C	2	7	260.0	- 260.0	260.0	12	491	- 491	491	785	- 785	785
				18	250.0	260.0			472	491		620	785	
Yearling Steer														
200-280	FD	C	2	47	276.0	- 304.0	295.4	22	-	-	-	711	- 830	795
	RS	C	2	235	210.0	- 322.2	298.4	40	-	-	-	489	- 850	749
	RS	D	2	17	226.0	- 244.0	237.2	63	-	-	-	463	- 604	581
280-330	RS	C	2	118	240.0	- 311.6	273.3	13	-	-	-	689	- 988	831
	FD	C	2	133	265.0	- 311.0	290.3	22	-	-	-	815	- 1000	928
		D	2	1	226.0	- 226.0	226.0	N/Q	435	- 435	435	701	- 701	701
	RS	D	2	9	180.0	- 220.0	188.9	-16	-	-	-	558	- 726	595
330-400		C	2	1	255.0	- 255.0	255.0	N/Q	481	- 481	481	903	- 903	903
	FD	C	2	436	242.0	- 308.0	292.4	13	-	-	-	818	- 1197	1070

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400+	FD	D	2	4	255.0	- 255.0	255.0	48	-			905	- 905	905
	RS	D	2	6	210.0	- 226.0	218.0	N/Q	-			708	- 848	778
	FD	C	2	402	265.0	- 304.0	292.7	10	-			1087	- 1392	1272
		C	3	40	284.0	- 297.0	292.2	2	526	- 550	542	1230	- 1553	1385
	FD	D	2	27	297.0	- 297.0	297.0	N/Q	-			1476	- 1476	1476
				1476	180.0	322.2			435	550		463	1553	
Yearling Heifer														
200-280	RS	C	2	229	220.0	- 288.2	266.8	19	-			528	- 726	657
	FD	C	2	34	255.0	- 264.0	259.8	19	-			694	- 706	700
	RS	D	2	13	212.0	- 244.0	239.1	N/Q	-			530	- 554	550
280-330	FD	C	2	237	236.2	- 265.0	254.9	26	-			680	- 848	790
		C	2	15	240.0	- 246.0	244.8	7	462	- 473	471	718	- 768	728
330-400		C	2	2	231.2	- 231.2	231.2	N/Q	436	- 436	436	913	- 913	913
	FD	C	2	182	235.0	- 271.2	255.1	6	-			828	- 1051	941
		C	3	23	248.0	- 275.0	268.4	17	459	- 509	497	960	- 1059	1038
		D	2	7	162.0	- 210.0	175.7	N/Q	312	- 404	338	569	- 771	626
	FD	D	2	3	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	44	-			777	- 777	777
	RS	D	2	6	218.0	- 218.0	218.0	2	-			861	- 861	861
		D	3	3	230.0	- 230.0	230.0	N/Q	434	- 434	434	846	- 846	846
400+	FD	C	2	72	236.0	- 265.0	253.7	11	-			1041	- 1235	1140
		C	3	55	248.0	- 283.0	262.5	1	459	- 524	488	1114	- 1365	1215
		D	3	6	190.0	- 210.0	200.0	N/Q	359	- 396	377	830	- 977	903
	FD	D	3	6	220.0	- 220.0	220.0	N/Q	-			913	- 913	913
	DA	D	3	5	250.0	- 250.0	250.0	N/Q	481	- 481	481	1645	- 1645	1645
				898	162.0	288.2			312	524		528	1645	
Grown Steer														
400-500		C	4	2	264.0	- 264.0	264.0	N/Q	498	- 498	498	1307	- 1307	1307
500-600	FD	C	2	5	275.0	- 275.0	275.0	N/Q	-			1430	- 1430	1430
		C	3	25	280.0	- 298.0	292.2	12	519	- 562	542	1450	- 1743	1594
	FD	C	3	15	295.0	- 295.0	295.0	N/Q	-			1602	- 1602	1602
		D	4	1	264.0	- 264.0	264.0	N/Q	498	- 498	498	1412	- 1412	1412
600-750		C	4	46	282.0	- 300.0	297.7	13	522	- 556	551	1867	- 2002	1895
				94	264.0	300.0			498	562		1307	2002	
Grown Heifer														
0-540		C	3	8	234.0	- 235.0	234.4	-25	433	- 443	437	1065	- 1130	1106
		C	4	21	252.0	- 268.0	260.4	5	467	- 502	484	1273	- 1391	1336
		D	1	8	165.0	- 165.0	165.0	N/Q	330	- 330	330	546	- 546	546
		D	3	23	226.0	- 240.0	230.9	26	435	- 453	442	980	- 1223	1159
540+		C	3	2	258.0	- 258.0	258.0	N/Q	487	- 487	487	1695	- 1695	1695
		C	4	51	244.0	- 268.0	259.2	-7	452	- 502	485	1374	- 1833	1551
				113	165.0	268.0			330	502		546	1833	
Manufacturing Steer														
0-540	RS	D	1	16	135.0	- 135.0	135.0	N/Q	-			505	- 505	505
540+	DA	D	2	5	258.0	- 258.0	258.0	6	496	- 496	496	2038	- 2038	2038
				21	135.0	258.0			496	496		505	2038	

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Cows															
0-400	RS	D	1	61	141.0	- 166.0	159.9	50	-	-	-	484	- 636	602	
	RS	D	2	34	150.0	- 171.0	166.7	N/Q	-	-	-	569	- 609	592	
		D	2	14	140.0	- 157.0	153.1	1	318	- 352	344	427	- 604	546	
		D	3	4	175.0	- 175.0	175.0	-55	365	- 365	365	683	- 683	683	
400-520	RS	D	1	20	160.0	- 160.0	160.0	-2	-	-	-	642	- 659	650	
	RS	D	2	40	178.0	- 186.0	185.0	N/Q	-	-	-	820	- 890	829	
		D	2	93	155.0	- 175.0	174.1	5	337	- 396	379	712	- 889	721	
		RS	D	3	15	188.0	- 188.0	188.0	N/Q	-	-	-	859	- 859	859
		D	3	267	166.0	- 233.0	200.3	-3	346	- 483	412	678	- 1205	939	
		D	4	26	232.0	- 246.0	240.3	12	446	- 473	462	1114	- 1257	1223	
520+		C	4	4	252.0	- 252.0	252.0	N/Q	485	- 485	485	1525	- 1525	1525	
		D	1	2	141.0	- 141.0	141.0	N/Q	344	- 344	344	768	- 768	768	
		D	2	3	216.0	- 216.0	216.0	16	450	- 450	450	1296	- 1296	1296	
		D	3	286	186.0	- 253.0	230.2	11	388	- 506	462	980	- 1784	1357	
		LE	D	4	9	248.0	- 248.0	248.0	N/Q	477	- 477	477	1617	- 1617	1617
		D	4	325	228.0	- 256.0	238.0	6	439	- 512	464	1250	- 1859	1486	
				1203	140.0	256.0			318	512		427	1859		
Bulls															
0-450	RS	C	2	5	195.0	- 195.0	195.0	N/Q	-	-	-	761	- 761	761	
		C	2	1	296.0	- 296.0	296.0	N/Q	529	- 529	529	1199	- 1199	1199	
450-600		C	2	5	225.0	- 225.0	225.0	14	402	- 402	402	1175	- 1175	1175	
	RS	C	2	2	240.0	- 240.0	240.0	N/Q	-	-	-	1296	- 1296	1296	
600+		C	2	11	239.0	- 239.0	239.0	N/Q	412	- 412	412	1551	- 1551	1551	
				24	195.0	296.0			402	529		761	1551		

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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