

Detailed saleyard report - cattle

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Roma Prime

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Yarding Change ³⁰⁰¹
1925

comparison date 24/04/2014

It was a mixed quality yarding of prime cattle. All the usual export processor buyers were in attendance with an additional Queensland processor who has been absent from the market for the past two months. Despite all exporters being present, most were more selective this week when purchasing. Majority of the grown steers yarded were unfinished and sold between 163c/kg and 178c/kg. Grown heifers met a subdued market and prices for the plainer selection on offer fell between 18c/kg and 22c/kg on average. Export processors were unwilling to pay the higher prices seen for cows last week and prices averages dropped between 10c/kg and 31c/kg across all classes of cows.

The medium weight grown steers on offer were mostly Brahman-cross sorts and sold to 180c/kg and averaged 178c/kg, with those in plainer condition selling between 165c and 174c/kg, down 13c/kg. Bullocks topped at 182c/kg. Medium weight 3 score grown heifers sold to 135c/kg, while medium weight 4 score grown heifers made to 145c, down 22c/kg. Heavy weight 3 score grown heifers earned to 140c and averaged 138c/kg, while the 4 score lines hit 145c, down 18c/kg.

The light conditioned 2 score cows sold to 104c and averaged 89c, down 31c/kg. The medium weight 3 score cows reached 137c and averaged 127c, down 10c/kg. Heavy weight 3 score cows topped at 142c and averaged 134c, down 13c/kg, while heavy weight 4 score cows reached 145c and averaged 141c, down 17c/kg. Heavy weight bulls sold to 165c and averaged 153c, down 22c/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
Yearling Heifer														
400+		D	3	33	124.2	- 141.2	135.5	-15	230	- 262	251	503	- 621	582
				33	124.2	141.2			230	262		503	621	
Grown Steer														
400-500		D	3	14	140.0	- 150.0	142.9	6	255	- 273	260	700	- 750	714
500-600		C	3	283	157.2	- 174.2	165.5	-13	286	- 317	301	802	- 979	906
		C	4	52	177.2	- 180.2	178.4	N/Q	322	- 328	324	939	- 955	945
		D	3	15	133.2	- 150.0	138.8	-28	242	- 273	252	679	- 825	728
		D	4	58	161.2	- 166.2	164.9	N/Q	293	- 302	300	843	- 887	868
600-750		C	3	15	163.2	- 163.2	163.2	N/Q	297	- 297	297	996	- 996	996
		C	4	62	178.2	- 182.2	180.9	N/Q	324	- 331	329	1111	- 1148	1128
				499	133.2	182.2			242	331		679	1148	
Grown Heifer														
0-540		D	3	24	133.2	- 135.2	134.0	12	247	- 250	248	613	- 676	639
		D	4	10	145.0	- 145.0	145.0	-22	269	- 269	269	653	- 653	653
540+		D	3	15	132.2	- 140.2	138.1	N/Q	245	- 260	256	727	- 771	759
		D	4	21	145.2	- 145.2	145.2	-18	269	- 269	269	799	- 799	799
				70	132.2	145.2			245	269		613	799	
Cows														
0-400		D	2	31	44.2	- 101.2	77.1	-7	96	- 220	168	177	- 405	308
		D	3	10	110.0	- 110.0	110.0	N/Q	225	- 225	225	440	- 440	440
		E	2	29	20.0	- 42.0	35.2	N/Q	44	- 91	77	80	- 168	141
400-520		D	2	168	50.0	- 104.2	89.1	-31	109	- 227	194	225	- 521	402
		D	3	777	107.2	- 137.2	127.3	-10	219	- 280	261	473	- 708	617
		D	4	20	144.2	- 144.2	144.2	-8	283	- 283	283	735	- 735	735

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520+	D	2	11	11	95.2	- 95.2	95.2	N/Q	207	- 207	207	524	- 524	524
	D	3	264	264	126.2	- 142.2	134.4	-13	244	- 290	273	675	- 853	741
	D	4	252	252	134.2	- 145.2	140.6	-17	259	- 285	275	738	- 853	782
	D	5	14	14	136.2	- 136.2	136.2	-7	267	- 278	275	885	- 885	885
			1576		20.0	145.2			44	290		80	885	
Bulls														
0-450	C	2	12	12	130.0	- 146.2	135.4	N/Q	232	- 261	242	455	- 585	498
	C	3	4	4	141.2	- 141.2	141.2	N/Q	252	- 252	252	635	- 635	635
450-600	C	3	5	5	135.2	- 146.2	143.2	-10	241	- 261	256	744	- 804	788
	D	3	2	2	125.0	- 125.0	125.0	N/Q	223	- 223	223	625	- 625	625
600+	C	3	129	129	133.2	- 165.2	152.9	-22	238	- 295	273	866	- 1194	1025
	D	3	12	12	120.0	- 134.2	129.8	N/Q	214	- 240	232	780	- 872	844
			164		120.0	165.2			214	295		455	1194	

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

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