

Media Report - Cattle

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Score		report date	17/09/2019
Yarding	1156	comparison date	10/09/2019
Change	-94		

The breed and quality for the younger cattle was plainer, while the cows were represented with some high yielding pens, with some carrying a good fat cover. Numbers slipped marginally, with the majority entering the younger categories, with the prime conditioned drafts suitable for the butchers limited in supply. The usual buyers competed in a variable market trend.

The over 200kg vealer steers to the restockers sold close to firm, with breed and quality contributing to some price variations, as prices ranged from 228c to 276c/kg. The same weight heifer portion to the trade and restocking orders improved 11c and made from 176c to 236c/kg. Yearling steers to the restockers and lot feeder orders lost 11c and sold from 200c to 270c/kg. The yearling heifers to the feeder orders showed little change in value, making 200c to 262c/kg. The best yearling to the butchers topped at 314c/kg.

Heavy weight grown steers to the processors trended firm ranging from 236c to 270c, as the heifer portion made 235c to 255c/kg. The plainer cows trended dearer by 11c, making from 156c to 224c/kg, depending on weight and cover. The better finished heavy weight cows sold close to firm and made from 218c to 248c/kg. There were some high yielding bulls penned, with the best heavy weight topping at 267c/kg.

Category	Grade	Live Weight		Live Weight		Estimated	Estimated		
		Weight	Score	c/kg	c/kg		Carcase c/kg	\$/Head	
		Low	High	Avg	Change	Avg	Low	High	Avg
Liveweight									
Yearling Steer									
330-400	B,C,D,2,3	264.0	- 314.0	291.8	-26	532	890	- 1228	1090
Yearling Heifer									
330-400	B,C,D,2,3	200.0	- 302.0	270.2	-1	499	674	- 1095	943
400+	B,C,D,2,3	274.0	- 306.0	278.0	N/Q	504	1255	- 1293	1288
Vealer Heifer									
280-330	B,C,D,2,3	190.0	- 286.0	215.0	-79	408	534	- 872	633
Grown Steer									
500-600	B,C,D,2,3	250.0	- 274.0	263.7	-9	488	1280	- 1529	1422
600-750	B,C,D,2,3	236.0	- 250.0	247.2	-4	458	1487	- 1575	1557
Cows									
520+	B,C,D,2,3	215.0	- 248.0	234.3	27	477	1145	- 1892	1374

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