



Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

## WVLX Market Report Prime Cattle - 10 December, 2018

**Total Yarding:** 970

It was a cheaper priced sale except for the best quality young cattle, in the slightly smaller sized yarding. A similar number of buyers attended and most operated fully though demand, especially for grown steers and cows, was weaker. The mixed quality offering saw cows a general 20c to 40c lower and C muscled grown steers 5c to 30c/kg cheaper. The best of the young cattle were fully equal and even dearer in places but the plain to average quality was down 5c to 15c/kg. Grown heifers slipped 20c and heavy weight bulls sold equal to 5c/kg easier.

The few vealers sold from 215c to 260c with B muscled to 290c/kg. Yearlings were from 190c to 278c with odds at 284c and 289c/kg. Restockers bid steadily and paid to 260c while D2 yearlings made between 152c and 225c/kg. The D1 grade was from 131c to 170c/kg.

Six tooth and older bullocks were discounted as the C3 and C4 grown steers ranged between 240c and 284c/kg. The D2 and D1 manufacturing steers actually sold on a dearer trend and made 180c to 222c and 171c to 190c/kg respectively. The better covered grown heifers were from 202c to 240c with the leaner grade from 175c to 190c/kg.

Most beef cows were from 172c to 208c but a few were pushed out to 228c/kg. The D2 cows made 150c to 175c with lean conditioned cows between 130c and 150c/kg. The few poor conditioned cows this week sold from 100c to 122c/kg. Heavy weigh beef bulls were at 208c to 224c/kg.

**Market Report:** Reproduced courtesy of Meat & Livestock Australia Limited. Full report:

[https://www.mla.com.au/CachedNI\\_RSReports/Mortlake-Cattle-Report-10-Dec-2018.PDF?id=636800538816777366](https://www.mla.com.au/CachedNI_RSReports/Mortlake-Cattle-Report-10-Dec-2018.PDF?id=636800538816777366)

Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Light Steers	0-350	Top	254.0	\$876.30
		Av	205.7	\$665.99
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	255.0	\$860.00
		Av	207.5	\$623.77
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	290.0	\$1339.96
		Av	240.2	\$1021.57
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	265.0	\$1246.82
		Av	231.7	\$1000.92
Export Steers	501+	Top	289.0	\$1788.80
		Av	260.9	\$1450.34
Export Heifers	501+	Top	260.0	\$1629.32
		Av	220.8	\$1239.60
Cows		Top	240.0	\$1489.60
		Av	172.1	\$1014.94
Bulls	0-700	Top	245.0	\$1572.08
		Av	207.8	\$1123.88
Bulls	700+	Top	224.0	\$2738.44
		Av	206.8	\$1962.39
Bullocks		Top	284.0	\$2007.20
		Av	242.0	\$1510.17

**Upcoming Sales at WVLX:**

- **'HeartKids' Store Sale - Thursday 13 December, 10am**
- Prime Market - Monday 17 December, 9am (LAST SALE FOR 2018)
- **Weaner Sale - Friday 4 January, 2019, 12pm**
- First Prime Market for 2019 - Monday 7 January, 2019, 9am



**Top:** Charles Stewart & Co auctioneer, Corey Baulch, takes bids from the large gallery of buyers for this pen of Angus Steers, which sold for 284c/kg (ave. weight 551.3kg), just short of the top price for this size of 289c/kg.

**Bottom left:** This great pen of Angus X Bullocks sold by Charles Stewart & Co. made a top of 284c/kg today (ave. weight 605kg).



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**Bottom right:** Great to have Laurence Rounds and Lyn Faull of Derrinallum at the Mortlake yards for the first time today selling these Angus & Hereford Steers through Stewart Nash McVilly, which made 278c/kg. They were very impressed with the facilities saying they'll be back again.