



Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

## WVLX Market Report Prime Cattle - 4 February, 2019

**Total Yarding:** 708

A similar sized yarding to that of the last regular sale held two weeks ago due to the Australia Day public holiday contained a mixed but mainly good quality offering. A regular following of buyers attended and generally paid firm prices for the better quality in each category but discounted the plain to average quality. Most were slightly cheaper but odd sales were 20c to 40c/kg different at times for the same article.

The few vealers that were penned sold from 210c to 268c/kg. Yearling steers to the trade made between 180c and 278c with the heifer portion to 250c and restockers paid to 258c/kg to secure their yearling supplies. Most C3 and the odd C4 grown steers made 225c to 245c with 2 select quality pens at 270c and 272c/kg. The D2 grade of manufacturing steers were from 170c to a top of 193c/kg. The bulk of the C muscled grown heifers were from 215c to 250c/kg.

The E1 cows ranged from 58c to 110c with the D1 grade from 120c to 160c/kg. The D2 cows were between 140c and 178c with most C and D, 3 to 5 score beef cows from 170c to 190c/kg. Heavy weight beef bred B2 bulls made 205c to 228c/kg.

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

<https://www.mla.com.au/CachedNLRSReports/Mortlake-Cattle-Report-04-Feb-2019.PDF?id=636848847305549217>

Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Light Steers	0-350	Top	268.0	\$931.30
		Av	224.5	\$681.24
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	246.0	\$853.62
		Av	175.5	\$474.96
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	278.0	\$1229.10
		Av	202.3	\$813.92
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	263.0	\$1034.00
		Av	216.4	\$867.26
Export Steers	501+	Top	245.0	\$1582.70
		Av	200.3	\$1107.07
Export Heifers	501+	Top	250.0	\$1631.80
		Av	231.7	\$1272.52
Cows		Top	190.0	\$1462.00
		Av	137.7	\$653.62
Bulls	0-700	Top	210.0	\$1136.00
		Av	114.6	\$358.68
Bulls	700+	Top	228.0	\$2490.40
		Av	203.7	\$1896.78
Bullocks		Top	272.0	\$1633.32
		Av	221.7	\$1366.23

### Upcoming Sales at WVLX:

- Prime Market - Monday 11 February, 9am
- Prime Market - Monday 18 February, 9am
- **Store Sale - Thursday 21 February, 10am**
- Prime Market - Monday 25 February, 9am



**Top:** Great to have Katharina Goetz from Germany along with Greg Frost who has a Limousin Stud in Tyrendarra, at our prime market today! She is here on exchange, working in Agriculture as well as travelling around the country, and had never seen a set up like our Mortlake saleyards. Enjoy the rest of your time in Australia Katharina!

**Bottom left:** These Angus X Angus Bullocks sold by Stewart Nash McVilly reached a top of 272c/kg or \$1623 per head today (ave weight 596.7kg).

**Bottom right:** This great pen of Limousin X Steers made our market top today of 278c/kg (ave weight 437kg), sold by Charles Stewart & Co.