



Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

WVLX Market Report Prime Cattle - 25 February, 2019

Total Yarding: 488

There were more cattle for the core field of buyers and quality was again mixed. Prices were generally unchanged to dearer, with just the odd grown heifers and plainer yearlings a little easier. Cows all sold a little better, with the lighter conditioned 1 scores up to 20c/kg dearer, aided by keen restocker competition.

The better C muscled vealers made from 262c to 284c, with restockers paying from 260c to 270c/kg. The yearlings sold from mainly 228c, up to 272c, with restockers reaching 275c/kg. The D2 yearlings made from 140c to 210c and the plain 1 scores started from 110c/kg.

Restockers purchased the few C3 and C4 grown steers and paid from 273c to 279c/kg. The C3 and C4 grown heifers made 216c and 224c/kg respectively. 3 and 4 score beef cows received from 190c to 200c, with the best making 215c/kg. The D2 grade sold from 170c to 185c, as the D1 cows made from 150c to 174c/kg. Poor to plain E1 cows received from 100c to 153c, with restockers purchasing pen lots of D1 and E1 cows from 133c to 160c/kg. The small number of average to very good B2 heavy weight bulls sold from 208c to 228c/kg.

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

<https://www.mla.com.au/CachedNLSReports/Mortlake-Cattle-Report-25-Feb-2019.PDF?id=636866983686213653>

Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Light Steers	0-350	Top	270.0	\$902.57
		Av	243.0	\$769.03
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	262.0	\$830.80
		Av	174.7	\$526.68
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	284.0	\$1357.28
		Av	262.6	\$1099.88
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	275.0	\$1321.72
		Av	218.9	\$893.54
Export Steers	501+	Top	279.0	\$1534.50
		Av	263.5	\$1419.06
Export Heifers	501+	Top	270.0	\$1532.25
		Av	238.7	\$1426.98
Cows		Top	216.0	\$1365.12
		Av	160.3	\$729.96
Bulls	700+	Top	228.0	\$2690.40
		Av	211.4	\$1972.87
Bullocks		Top	242.0	\$1355.20
		Av	218.0	\$1200.54

Upcoming Sales at WVLX:

- Prime Market - Monday 4 March, 9am
- *NO PRIME MARKET - Monday 11 March (Labour Day Holiday)*
- Prime Market - Monday 18 March, 9am
- STORE SALE - Thursday 21 March, 10am



Top: Buyers were in a jovial mood at today's prime market, sharing a joke prior to the sale of this Angus X Bullock that Elders Kerr & Co sold for 242c/kg (weight 560kg).

Bottom left: Steers were up from last week, and these great Limousin X Steers of regular WVLX vendors Peter & Mary Hay, reached the market top today of 284c/kg (ave weight 378.9kg)

Bottom right: These Charolais Heifers looked an absolute treat today and made a top of 275c/kg (ave weight 480.6kg).