



Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

WVLX Market Report Prime Cattle - 15 April, 2019

Total Yarding: 305

With the Easter holiday break looming and most processors having enough cattle on hand, supply numbers eased. A smaller field of buyers attended and operated on the mainly good quality offering. Better quality grown steers were dearer by 10c/kg, while odd yearling heifer prices were equal to dearer in places. Grown heifers however eased up to 10c, while the small penning of cows sold from unchanged to 10c/kg cheaper.

There were no vealers penned today and very few yearling steers came forward. The plain D1 and D2 steers sold from 80c to 170c/kg to trade and restocker buyers. A single C3 steer made to 278c/kg, and went to a processor. Yearling heifers sold from 183c to 273c, with restockers topping at 270c/kg.

The plain to very good yarding of C3 grown steers sold from 258c to 297c, with a sale to 306c/kg. The better grown heifers made from 220c to 248c/kg. The few good, heavy weight beef cows sold from 205c to 230c, with the D2 grade making from 158c to 180c, while the 1 score cows made from 154c to 160c/kg. A very plain 1 score pen sold at 120c/kg. A plain to average selection of bulls sold from 151c to 198c/kg.

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

<https://www.mla.com.au/CachedNLSReports/Mortlake-Cattle-Report-15-Apr-2019.PDF?id=636909309683436764>

Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Light Steers	0-350	Top	170.0	\$567.80
		Av	126.3	\$374.43
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	238.0	\$799.68
		Av	144.1	\$420.87
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	278.0	\$1267.68
		Av	183.0	\$733.41
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	273.0	\$1309.50
		Av	249.9	\$1046.50
Export Steers	501+	Top	205.0	\$1074.20
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Export Heifers	501+	Top	248.0	\$1549.63
		Av	233.5	\$1377.25
Cows		Top	230.0	\$1637.60
		Av	176.9	\$885.81
Bulls	0-700	Top	189.0	\$1247.40
		Av	171.4	\$957.67
Bulls	700+	Top	198.0	\$1619.64
		Av	180.0	\$1417.34
Bullocks		Top	306.0	\$1952.67
		Av	280.3	\$1624.32

Upcoming Sales at WVLX:

- NO MARKET Monday 22 April (Easter Monday Public Holiday)
- Prime Market - Monday 29 April, 9am
- Prime Market - Monday 6 May, 9am
- Prime Market - Monday 13 May, 9am
- **STORE SALE - Thursday 16 May, 10am**



Top: Bullocks were in high demand today, with this great pen sold by HF Richardson reaching a market top of 306c/kg (ave weight 562.5kg).

Bottom left: Matt Sculley of HF Richardson also sold this pen of well-covered Angus Heifers for a top of 273c/kg (ave weight 450kg) at today's prime market.

Bottom right: Mortlake local Mick Murphy brought along Sydney based catering business partners chef Ian Rogan and Ross Smith to show them the WVLX operations in full swing.