



Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

WVLX Market Report Prime Cattle - 24th Of August, 2020

Total Yarding: 435

Agents yarded 435 head of cattle at Mortlake this week, with numbers slightly back on the previous sale. The quality of bullocks and grown steers, and steers to the trade were excellent, and there was a very good run of cows of all weights and grades available. All the regular buyers were present, however not all were fully active, and again there was strong competition from feeders. The market was softer in price by 5c to 10c/kg for grown steers. Yearling heifers and yearling steers, plus grown heifers and cows were easier by 10c to 15c/kg with the light weight cows the most affected. The yarding consisted of 121 bullocks, 168 trade cattle, and 146 cows.

Vealers to the trade made to 430c/kg. Yearling steers to the trade made from 367c to 388c/kg. The heifer portion to the trade made between 325c and 405c, while feeders paid to 378c/kg.

The grown steers made from 320c to 396c/kg. The grown heifers made between 295c and 375c, with feeders paying to 394c/kg. Manufacturing steers sold from 268c to 333c/kg. Heavy weight beef bred cows sold from 290c to 314c/kg. Medium weight beef cows sold from 276c to 290c/kg. The very well covered dairy bred cows made between 240c and 244c/kg. Medium weight dairy cows averaged from 210c to 234c/kg. Cows back to the paddock sold to 286c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bullocks		Top	396.0	\$2546.20
		Av	376.6	\$2188.24
Light Steers	0-350	Top	430.0	\$1236.25
		Av	367.4	\$1096.42
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	405.0	\$1339.33
		Av	345.3	\$1017.78
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	396.0	\$1945.38
		Av	383.1	\$1747.87
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	395.0	\$1842.40
		Av	351.5	\$1516.42
Grown Steers	500+	Top	394.0	\$2054.67
		Av	365.9	\$1930.33
Grown Heifers	500+	Top	371.0	\$2721.36
		Av	344.7	\$2104.05
Friesian Cows		Top	244.0	\$1557.60
		Av	232.0	\$1337.98
Beef Cows		Top	314.0	\$2455.48
		Av	270.1	\$1479.31



Top Right: J.M Ellis & Co 2 pens of Pure Angus X Baldy hand reared calves on behalf of Janiemont Pastoral with the steers fetching 430c/kg, or \$1236.25 per head and the sister coming in closely behind at 404c/kg, weighing in on average 272kg.

Top left: Elders Kerr & Co presented a pen of 3 angus heifers & two Angus X heifers on behalf of N & MJ Brain with 3 lighter heifers going under the hammer for 395c/kg, returning \$1461.50 per head and the two heavier angus X heifers fetching 388c/kg, \$1629.60 per head.

Bottom Left: N & MJ Brain presented a pen of 7 Charolais X steers that weighed in at 389.3kg on average going under the mallet for 396c/kg, \$1541.57 per head. (sold By Elders Kerr & Co)

Bottom Right: Robert Field had a pen of 12 very well conditioned Angus bullocks on offer today. The Bullocks weighed in at 574kg on average, making a return of \$2273.70 per head! (Sold By Nutrien Ag Solutions)

Upcoming Sales and Events:

- Prime Cattle- 31st Of August, sale starts at 9am.
- Prime Cattle- 7th Of September, sale starts at 9am.
- Prime Cattle- 14th September, sale starts at 9am.
- Store Sale-17th Of September, sale starts 10am.