

WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 31st Of January, 2022

Total Yarding: 605

Supply increased to 605 cattle - an increase of 377 - in a mixed quality penning that saw additional buyers return after a few weeks absence. As a result, and along with strong restocker competition, prices were higher. Vealers and yearling steers averaged 20c/kg dearer while most yearling heifers sold at mainly firm levels with odd better prices. Grown steers varied more widely in prices to average unchanged to processors but restockers paid slightly more. Dairy bred grown steers were 20c/kg higher on average in a plain to average quality selection. The beef cows to processors sold equal to a bit better but restockers were very keen and easily paid 30c to 50c/kg more than processors. The leaner beef cows sold 15c to 20c/kg higher.

Vealers sold from 510c to 560c with tops at 590c/kg. Yearling steers were between 430c and 536c, restockers to 566c/kg. Yearling heifers made 432c to 500c with restockers to 540c and one sale of 7 head was out to 560c/kg.

Grown steers were between 355c and 456c with restockers topping at 504c/kg. Dairy bred manufacturing steers sold from 332c to 338c/kg. Beef bred grown heifers were at 342c and 426c with restockers paying to 444c/kg.

Beef cows made 300c to 335c, restockers paid from 360c and up to 400c/kg. Leaner cows sold from 244c to 285c and restockers paid 280c to 346c/kg. Heavy weight bulls made up to 290c with a restocker topping at 294c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	700+	Top Av	290.0 284.4	\$3168.00 \$2449.54
Light Steers	0-350	Top Av	590.0 437.7	\$1817.20 \$1284.78
Light Heifers	0-350	Top Av	560.0 514.8	\$1892.80 \$1673.09
Trade Steers	351-500	Top Av	575.0 492.1	\$2647.84 \$1992.28
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top Av	544.0 450.7	\$2483.33 \$1993.05
Grown Steers	500+	Top Av	504.0 429.4	\$3128.13 \$2569.64
Grown Heifers	500+	Top Av	480.0 418.6	\$3492.48 \$2491.92
Cows		Top Av	452.0 305.0	\$2820.48 \$1844.41





Top Left: Sally Hosgood had this pen of Limousin X steers that Charles Stewart Nash McVilly sold, with the lightest one reaching the market top of 590c/kg, returning \$1817ph. The other two sold for 575c/kg and 550c/kg, returning \$2024ph & \$2123ph respectively.

Top Right: Sally's pen of Limousin X heifers also made the top light heifer price when they went under the Charles Stewart Nash McVilly hammer for 560c/kg returning \$1893ph.

Bottom Left: These great Hereford steers on account of RJ & JL Macfarlane broke the \$3000 mark when JM Ellis & Co sold them for 435c/kg, weighing 690kg.

Bottom Right: The Angus X cow (marked on the loin) in this pen was sold for a top of 452c/kg by JM Ellis & Co, returning \$2820ph for St Elmo Farms. The other two Red Angus heifers also sold for 452c/kg, returning a high \$3062ph for RG Townsend P/L.

Upcoming Sales and Events:

Monday 7th February - Prime Market, starts 9am Monday 14th February - Prime Market, starts 9am Thursday 17th February - Store Sale, starts 10am Monday 21st February - Prime Market, starts 9am Monday 28th February - Prime Market, starts 9am