

WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 14th of February, 2022

Total Yarding: 544

Quality was more mixed in the offering of 544 cattle and demand was weaker from the usual field of buyers. Buyers were selective in their purchases with better suited young cattle mostly unchanged in prices. Plain quality however was cheaper except when restockers stepped in, then prices lifted up to 20c/kg.

The grown steers sold equal to 20c cheaper, odd sales much cheaper but restockers paid 10c to 20c/kg more. Beef cows to processors were 30c cheaper however restockers paid on average 20c/kg more. The leaner conditioned cows were 30c to 60c lower to processors but restockers averaged only 20c/kg less. The beef bulls lost 30c to 60c/kg.

Most vealers sold between 500c and 561c with a light weight pen to restockers at 597c/kg. The yearling steers mainly went to restockers and they paid 440c to 544c/kg. The heifer portion to restockers and processors made 420c to 510c with restockers going to a top of 525c/kg.

Grown steer prices varied widely from 360c to 430c for 2 and 4 tooths to processors and from 410c to 476c/kg to restockers.

Beef cows made 276c to 330c and restockers paid 300c to 440c/kg. The leaner cows sold from 150c to 220c and restockers paid 200c to 357c/kg. The few lighter conditioned cows sold between 130c and 180c/kg. Beef bulls made 230c to a top of 300c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	Top Av	333.0 277.1	\$1858.14 \$1311.42
Bulls	700+	Top Av	270.0 245.0	\$3045.60 \$2373.02
Light Steers	0-350	Top Av	597.0 517.9	\$1883.04 \$1560.89
Light Heifers	0-350	Top Av	547.0 377.8	\$1784.33 \$903.62
Trade Steers	351-500	Top Av	561.0 482.8	\$2589.60 \$1979.75
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top Av	540.0 462.1	\$2400.64 \$1937 . 38
Grown Steers	500+	Top Av	476.0 442.5	\$3074.96 \$2373.32
Grown Heifers	500+	Top Av	485.0 4443.2	\$2754.00 \$2416.59
Cows		Top Av	440.0 296.5	\$2740.40 \$1751.61
Bullocks		Top Av	470.0 400.1	\$3220.16 \$2712.69



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Left: This smart pen of Angus bullocks on account of Mickali was sold for a top of 470c/kg by Nutrien Ag, returning a handy \$3026ph.

Right Top: Topping the market today were these Murray Grey steers that JM Ellis & Co sold on behalf of HJ Petering & WR Davies for 597c/kg or \$1269ph for 2, and 544c/kg or \$1773 for the one marked on the loin.

Right Middle: The sisters of the above steers also sold for a top of 547c/kg for the light heifer category, weighing 207kg they returned \$1132ph for HJ Petering & WR Davies.

Right Bottom: This exceptional pen of Angus X Hereford cows was sold by Nutrien Ag for a whopping 440c/kg, returning \$2695ph for Bell Pastoral.

Upcoming Sales and Events:

Thursday 17th February - Store Sale, starts 10am Monday 21st February - Prime Market, starts 9am Monday 28th February - Prime Market, starts 9am *Thursday 3rd March - Store Sale, starts 10am* Monday 7th March - Prime Market, starts 9am