

## WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 16th of January, 2023

## Total Yarding: 1,581

Agents yarded 1,581 cattle at Mortlake today which was the largest offering at the weekly prime market since the facility began operations. The yarding comprised 290 bullocks, 570 trade and 670 cows and 58 grown bulls. The majority of the offering was of a high standard. All regular buyers were in attendance with two additional trade orders.

The market was softer over most categories with the exception of grown and manufacturing steers which remained unchanged on previous markets. Vealers and Yearling categories were up to 30c/kg softer in places. Beef cows were easier by up to 20c/kg along with dairy by 10c/kg. Bulls also traded lower.

Store competition remained active but a little subdued in relation to previous markets. Vealers to the trade made from 385c to 466c/kg. Yearling steers and heifers sold from 380c to 447c/kg whilst the grown steers and heifers reached a top of 396c/kg.

Beef cows were selling from 300c to 335c/kg with the medium weight cows from 258c to 290c/kg. Dairy cows sold from 258 to 290c with beef bulls making up to 302c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>322.0</b> 254.3	<b>\$1723.80</b> \$1277.47
Bulls	700+	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>302.0</b> 258.0	<b>\$3302.08</b> \$2281.01
Light Heifers	0-350	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>393.0</b> 340.1	<b>\$1314.89</b> \$1069.87
Light Steers	0-350	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>423.0</b> 373.6	<b>\$1323.08</b> \$1091.45
Trade Heifers	351-500	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>425.0</b> 344.1	<b>\$1885.94</b> \$1397.69
Trade Steers	351-500	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>466.0</b> 382.8	<b>\$2002.56</b> \$1548.13
Grown Heifers	500+	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>366.0</b> 346.0	<b>\$2255.33</b> \$1973.39
Grown Steers	500+	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>380.0</b> 339.3	<b>\$2517.85</b> \$2103.63
Cows		<b>Top</b> Av	<b>350.0</b> 289.7	<b>\$2844.90</b> \$1663.62
Bullocks		<b>Top</b> Av	<b>396.0</b> 349.1	<b>\$2998.80</b> \$2288.69





**Top Left:** K Winfield had this pen of Charolais steers, two of which JM Ellis & Co sold for a market top of 466c/kg, averaging \$1922ph.

**Top Right:** K Winfield also topped the heifer section with this pen of Charolais X girls that fetched 425c/kg, returning \$1886ph.

**Bottom Left:** J&J Kelly sold this Speckle Park cow for the top today of 350c/kg on behalf of L Cooper, averaging \$2499ph.

**Bottom Right:** Topping the bullock section was this Angus pen that J & J Kelly sold for 396c/kg, returning \$2772ph for 4 on account of EL & G Bartlett, and \$2331ph for 7 on account of O & G Bartlett.

## **Upcoming Sales and Events:**

Thursday 19th January - Store Sale starts 10am Monday 23rd January - Prime Market starts 9am Monday 30th January - Prime Market starts 9am Thursday 2nd February - Store Sale starts 10am