

WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 13th of February, 2023

Total Yarding: 1,470

Numbers increased by over 400 head at Mortlake this week for a total of 1,470. The quality was generally good, however, did tail off over most categories. The penning consisted of 320 grown steers and heifers, 690 trade, 400 cows and 30 bulls.

All regular processors were in attendance and joined by feeder operators creating a stronger market for grown and trade types by up to 10c/kg for the better types. Manufacturing steers improved by 20 to 30c/kg in places and the better finished cows were also stronger by 20c/kg. Plainer finished cattle were generally softer.

Pick of the Vealers sold from 345c to 466c/kg with the yearling steers and heifers selling in range from 360c to 425c/kg. Grown steers and heifers topped at 395c/kg. Manufacturing steers ranged from 300c to 344c/kg with well covered beef cows selling from 300c to 326c/kg. Medium cows followed suit selling from 250c to 295c/kg and dairy cows ranged from 220c to 270c/kg. Beef bulls to 288c with the dairy bulls returning 270c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	Top	359.0	\$1981.44
		Av	245.8	\$1309.64
Bulls	700+	Top	288.0	\$3130.28
		Av	266.6	\$2460.96
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	418.0	\$1442.10
		Av	290.9	\$807.14
Light Steers	0-350	Top	440.0	\$1532.67
		Av	347.3	\$1119.42
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	434.0	\$1911.00
		Av	340.7	\$1368.91
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	466.0	\$2047.00
		Av	345.7	\$1442.90
Grown Heifers	500+	Top	384.0	\$2349.30
		Av	332.7	\$1678.36
Grown Steers	500+	Top	415.0	\$2770.47
		Av	352.7	\$2188.01
Cows		Top	332.0	\$2358.86
		Av	281.4	\$1609.01
Bullocks		Top	390.0	\$2884.32
		Av	347.0	\$2174.33



Top Left: Topping the market today were two of the Limousin X steers in this pen that reached a high 466c/kg under the J&J Kelly hammer, returning \$1887ph for Ancala Partnership.

Top Right: Vendors Ancala Partnership also had this pen of Limousin X heifers of which 2 topped the category at 434c/kg, averaging \$1693ph.

Bottom Left: These Angus bullocks on account of R & P Hay fetched a top of \$390c/kg when Elders Kerr & Co sold the pen, making \$2262ph.

Bottom Right: Cow competition was strong today with this single x-breed cow sold by HF Richardson & Co making the top of 332c/kg, returning \$1932ph for LM & DT Partnership.

Upcoming Sales and Events:

Thursday 16th February - Store Sale starts 10am

Monday 20th February - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 27th February - Prime Market starts 9am

Thursday 2nd March - Store Sale starts 10am