

WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 28th of August, 2023

Total Yarding: 1,043

Mortlake agents yarded 1,040 cattle this week representing an increase of 240 head on the previous market. The offering was of a better standard of grown cattle and included some well finished grain-feds. Younger cattle are still showing the effects of the winter with a good mixture of beef and dairy types and less manufacturing cattle available to a buying panel not operating to full capacity. The yarding consisted of 160 grown, 440 trade and 425 cows along with 14 grown bulls.

Feeder interest was sound with a good number of beef breeds in the trade cattle purchased by feeder operators. The market for most categories of cattle remained firm with the exception of secondary types that were easier by 10c to 20c/kg. Trade steers and heifers made between 256c and 373c/kg. Grown cattle topped at 296c/kg and manufacturing steers were selling from 200c to 255c/kg. Better type beef cows sold from 200c to 256c/kg with the medium weights between 175c and 200c/kg. Dairy cows were generally making between 160c and 233c/kg. Grown beef bulls topped at 240c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	Top	212.0	\$1297.44
		Av	195.5	\$1078.38
Bulls	700+	Top	240.0	\$2438.00
		Av	221.5	\$1975.13
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	310.0	\$1060.20
		Av	176.3	\$478.95
Light Steers	0-350	Top	214.0	\$645.57
		Av	134.0	\$382.50
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	372.0	\$1473.12
		Av	227.9	\$909.41
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	373.0	\$1575.93
		Av	236.2	\$1000.13
Grown Heifers	500+	Top	284.0	\$1946.50
		Av	266.6	\$1566.35
Grown Steers	500+	Top	300.0	\$2079.20
		Av	253.1	\$1486.83
Cows		Top	256.0	\$1825.25
		Av	204.2	\$1018.45
Bullocks		Top	296.0	\$2104.67
		Av	263.5	\$1688.40



Top Left: These Angus X Cows fetched a top of 256c/kg under the Nutrien Ag hammer, returning \$1784ph for Stony View Partners.

Top Right: JM Cochran & Co presented this pen of Angus bullocks that LMB Livestock sold for a top of 296c/kg, averaging \$1907ph.

Bottom Left: Making the market top of 373c/kg was this pen of Angus steers that JM Ellis & Co sold on behalf of Warren J Kennedy, returning \$1576ph.

Bottom Right: Nutrien Ag sold this single Highland heifer weighing 396kg for a top of 372c/kg, which made \$1473 for K Blake.

Upcoming Sales and Events:

Monday 4th September - Prime Market starts 9am
Thursday 7th September - Store Sale starts 10am
 Monday 11th September - Prime Market starts 9am
 Monday 18th September - Prime Market starts 9am
Thursday 21st September - Store Sale starts 10am