

WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 13th of November, 2023

Total Yarding: 1,990

Due to the prevailing dry spring being experienced in the Western Districts, numbers increased substantially to 1,990 cattle this week at Mortlake representing an increase of 1,000 head on the previous market. Trade cattle on offer displayed excellent quality as did most lines including bullocks and manufacturing steers. Again, there was a large offering of both beef and dairy cows where most of the regular buyers were in attendance with some not operating on a yarding that consisted of 470 grown cattle, 780 trade types, 720 cows and 30 grown bulls.

Grown cattle and manufacturing steers along with trade cattle remained firm with the cow market remaining firm to slightly softer in places by 5c/kg with bulls easier by 15c/kg. The good vealers on offer made from 145c to 240c/kg with the trade steers and heifers selling between 163c and 235c/kg. Grown cattle topped at 216c/kg with manufacturing steers selling from 130c to 198c/kg. The better beef cows sold from 165c to 188c/kg with the medium weights realizing between 140c and 170c/kg. Dairy cows were generally from 132c to 176c/kg with the grown beef bulls topping at 212c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	Top	200.0	\$1195.20
		Av	170.8	\$1094.13
Bulls	700+	Top	212.0	\$2362.88
		Av	192.6	\$1791.90
Weaner Heifers		Top	196.0	\$676.20
		Av	139.7	\$453.90
Weaner Steers		Top	220.0	\$862.40
		Av	149.1	\$527.53
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	195.0	\$661.05
		Av	155.0	\$487.40
Light Steers	0-350	Top	200.0	\$624.94
		Av	163.1	\$518.14
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	220.0	\$995.45
		Av	177.5	\$738.48
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	240.0	\$1155.42
		Av	191.8	\$834.44
Heavy Heifers	500+	Top	192.0	\$1195.68
		Av	182.3	\$1022.55
Heavy Steers	500+	Top	220.0	\$1308.00
		Av	189.6	\$1064.66
Grown Heifers		Top	188.0	\$1172.76
		Av	173.0	\$867.03
Grown Steers		Top	226.0	\$1605.80
		Av	188.3	\$1119.33
Cows		Top	190.0	\$1580.40
		Av	165.0	\$969.40
Bullocks		Top	215.0	\$1763.20
		Av	187.6	\$1224.25



Top Left: DR & GM Lucas presented this great pen of Angus bullocks that Elders Kerr & Co sold for a top of 215c/kg, averaging \$1675ph.

Top Right: Topping the market today at 240c/kg were two of the Angus X steers in this pen that Nutrien Ag sold on behalf of E & D Freeman, returning \$1074ph.

Bottom Left: This pen of Angus cows was sold by Nutrien Ag for a top of 190c/kg, with the loiner averaging \$1454ph for Aringa West Pastoral and the other 2 making \$1435ph for PR & MA Gristede.

Bottom Right: J & J Kelly sold this pen of Speckle Park X heifers for JR & NM Hutchison with one making the top of 220c/kg, \$946ph while the other 3 made 168-188c/kg, returning \$658-827ph.

Upcoming Sales and Events:

Thursday 16th November - Store Sale starts 10am

Monday 20th November - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 27th November - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 4th December - Prime Market starts 9am

Thursday 7th December - Store Sale starts 10am