



WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 22nd of January, 2024

Total Yarding: 2,202

Mortlake selling agents yarded 2,200 cattle at this week's market representing an increase of 160 head. The quality of the yarding overall was good with the exception being the trade weight cattle which lacked the finish of the previous week's market. There was weight in the grown cattle and bullocks with an increased number of dairy bred manufacturing steers available. There was a significant number of beef and dairy bred cows on offer being 1,038 along with 390 grown cattle, 750 trade and 37 bulls with most of the regular buyer panel present and operating in a very strong market being fully firm over most categories. Dairy cows were stronger by 10 to 15c/kg whilst bulls slipped 20c/kg.

The offering of the vealers this week were selling from 260c to 312c/kg. Trade steers and heifers sold between 255c and 305c/kg. Grown cattle topped at 316c and manufacturing steers sold up to 284c/kg. Heavy beef cows sold from 230c to 276c/kg with the medium weights from 200c to 230c/kg. Dairy cows were selling generally between 195c and 245c/kg with grown beef bulls to a top of 258c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	Top	258.0	\$1780.20
		Av	226.9	\$1002.38
Bulls	700+	Top	240.0	\$2808.00
		Av	228.2	\$1976.66
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	266.0	\$904.80
		Av	202.9	\$560.95
Light Steers	0-350	Top	290.0	\$882.00
		Av	210.5	\$598.67
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	290.0	\$1374.60
		Av	250.9	\$1045.70
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	308.0	\$1501.50
		Av	259.5	\$1123.83
Heavy Heifers	500+	Top	272.0	\$1653.60
		Av	259.2	\$1395.97
Heavy Steers	500+	Top	316.0	\$2263.00
		Av	276.5	\$1641.09
Grown Heifers		Top	286.0	\$2021.07
		Av	257.3	\$1330.52
Grown Steers		Top	312.0	\$2340.00
		Av	280.9	\$1519.54
Cows		Top	276.0	\$2621.04
		Av	238.9	\$1336.39
Bullocks		Top	314.0	\$2453.75
		Av	272.9	\$1672.45
Weaner Heifers		Top	305.0	\$1603.25
		Av	258.9	\$1159.55
Weaner Steers		Top	320.0	\$1428.35
		Av	288.5	\$1118.50



Top Left: This pen of Simmental Cows on account of Moobaark Trading P/L was sold by HF Richardson for a top of 276c/kg, averaging \$2094ph.

Top Right: Elders Kerr & Co sold this pen with the loin-marked Angus bullock making a top of 314c/kg, \$2035ph for DM & AL McCulloch while the other 9 Angus X bullocks made 302-314c/kg, \$1762-\$1811ph for Bunjil Plains.

Bottom Left: AM & TS Robertson presented this pen of Charolais X weaner steers that Nutrien Ag sold for the market top of 320c/kg, returning \$1192ph.

Bottom Right: The same vendor, AM & TS Robertson also had this pen of Charolais X weaner heifers that reached a top of 305c/kg under the Nutrien Ag hammer, averaging \$1197ph.

Upcoming Sales and Events:

Monday 22nd January - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 29th January - Prime Market starts 9am

Thursday 1st February - Store Sale starts 10am

Monday 5th February - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 12th February - Prime Market starts 9am