



Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

# WVLX Market Report

## Prime Cattle - 19th of February, 2024

### Total Yarding: 1,296

Mortlake numbers were reduced this week to 1,290 head being a significant drop of 1,540 on last week's market. The lead of the cattle over most categories displayed good weight however there was a longer tail in the penning of crossbred cattle. There was plenty of weight in the grown cattle and bullocks as with the cow yarding which offered a good selection to the buyers present operating on 280 grown cattle along with 600 trade weights, 384 cows and 26 grown bulls. Not all buyers were present or active in a market that was fully firm over most categories with the cows improving 10c/kg along with the grown bulls improving some 20c/kg.

This week's offering of vealers made from 275c to 330c/kg. Trade weight steers and heifers were selling between 265c and 316c/kg with grown cattle topping at 304c/kg. Manufacturing steers sold to a top 272c/kg. Heavy beef cows sold from 220c to 270c with the majority selling between 220c and 257c with the medium weights between 180 and 220c/kg. The run of dairy cows were generally between 185c and 234c/kg with grown beef bulls to 225c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	Top	<b>225.0</b>	<b>\$1480.50</b>
		Av	189.0	\$1135.77
Bulls	700+	Top	<b>215.0</b>	<b>\$2333.76</b>
		Av	200.4	\$1838.74
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	<b>306.0</b>	<b>\$1058.76</b>
		Av	203.8	\$621.47
Light Steers	0-350	Top	<b>310.0</b>	<b>\$1047.20</b>
		Av	252.0	\$795.60
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	<b>317.0</b>	<b>\$1397.80</b>
		Av	242.2	\$1018.92
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	<b>330.0</b>	<b>\$1501.50</b>
		Av	250.6	\$1023.87
Heavy Heifers	500+	Top	<b>278.0</b>	<b>\$1862.60</b>
		Av	256.0	\$1411.43
Heavy Steers	500+	Top	<b>314.0</b>	<b>\$2168.75</b>
		Av	261.6	\$1632.03
Grown Heifers		Top	<b>297.0</b>	<b>\$1998.81</b>
		Av	260.8	\$1279.75
Grown Steers		Top	<b>305.0</b>	<b>\$1724.40</b>
		Av	269.8	\$1324.22
Cows		Top	<b>270.0</b>	<b>\$2548.80</b>
		Av	218.0	\$1262.17
Bullocks		Top	<b>304.0</b>	<b>\$2538.00</b>
		Av	262.8	\$1496.79
Weaner Heifers		Top	<b>295.0</b>	<b>\$1165.25</b>
		Av	239.0	\$769.86
Weaner Steers		Top	<b>310.0</b>	<b>\$1314.40</b>
		Av	244.1	\$916.01



**Top Left:** This pen was just one of four pens that reached the market top of 330c/kg today. Charles Stewart & Co knocked this one down on behalf of V & C Coy, averaging \$1439ph.

**Top Right:** Charles Stewart & Co sold the Angus bullock (shoulder mark) in this pen for a top of 304c/kg, returning \$2000ph for Alison Gleeson.

**Bottom Left:** FW & LE Love presented this pen of Charolais X cows that J & J Kelly sold for a top of 270c/kg, fetching \$1941ph.

**Bottom Right:** This pen of Angus X heifers was sold by Brian O'Halloran & Co on behalf of T McDonald for a top of 317c/kg, averaging \$1359ph.

### Upcoming Sales and Events:

**Wednesday 21st February - Grown & Weaner HEIFER Store Sale starts 10am**

Monday 26th February - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 4th March - Prime Market starts 9am

**Thursday 7th March - Store Sale starts 10am**

Monday 11th March - NO Prime Market due to Public Holiday