



Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 25th of March, 2024

Total Yarding: 1,379

Numbers reduced to 1,379 at today's Mortlake market, a reduction of 550 head on last week. It was a good offering over most categories for the lead lots with some stock showing the dry seasonal effects and more so with the trade weights. There was plenty of weight in the bullocks and grown cattle. Same with the cow offering with good weight & mix of beef and dairy types on offer. 252 grown cattle along with 456 trade weights, 649 cows and 19 grown were on offer. Not all the regular buyers were present and some were not fully active in a market that was very strong over most categories.

Bullocks and manufacturing steers increased 20 to 30c/kg. Trade cattle and vealers were dearer by 40 to 50c/kg in places. All cows remained firm to slightly dearer with bulls gaining 15c/kg.

The vealer offering sold from 300 to 364c/kg with the trade weight steers and heifers making between 285 and 342c/kg. Grown cattle topped at 350c/kg and manufacturing steers were selling up to 259c/kg. Heavy beef cows sold from 210 to 258c/kg with medium weights from 180 to 210c/kg. Dairy cows with cover sold generally between 165 and 220c/kg with grown beef bulls to 250c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	Top	250.0	\$1695.00
		Av	199.1	\$1025.19
Bulls	700+	Top	216.0	\$2200.00
		Av	202.1	\$1731.79
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	356.0	\$1210.40
		Av	196.4	\$613.60
Light Steers	0-350	Top	344.0	\$1169.60
		Av	226.8	\$706.81
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	356.0	\$1488.00
		Av	238.5	\$991.37
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	364.0	\$1566.50
		Av	257.0	\$1098.84
Heavy Heifers	500+	Top	293.0	\$1867.88
		Av	260.8	\$1387.48
Heavy Steers	500+	Top	350.0	\$2592.10
		Av	262.5	\$1520.40
Grown Steers		Top	343.0	\$2122.31
		Av	314.3	\$1700.07
Grown Heifers		Top	307.0	\$1743.76
		Av	255.4	\$1188.19
Cows		Top	272.0	\$2265.74
		Av	208.4	\$1132.84
Bullocks		Top	338.0	\$2171.52
		Av	267.2	\$1521.13



Top Left: Topping the market today was this pen of Limousin steers on account of PJ Kennon that HF Richardson sold for 364c/kg, averaging \$1360ph.

Top Right: Also presented by PJ Kennon was this pen of Limousin heifers that HF Richardson sold for a top of 356c/kg, returning \$1210-1452ph.

Bottom Left: These highland cows were sold by J & J Kelly for a top today of 272c/kg, making \$1170ph for DJ & MC Adams.

Bottom Right: This pen of bullocks went under the Brian O'Halloran hammer for 285c to a top of 338c/kg, making \$1185-\$1758ph for William Sinnott.

Upcoming Sales and Events:

Monday 1st April - NO Prime Market (due to Easter Public Holiday)

Thursday 4th April - Store Sale starts 10am

Monday 8th April - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 15th April - Prime Market starts 9am

Thursday 18th April - Store Sale starts 10am