



Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

# WVLX Market Report

## Prime Cattle - 13th of May, 2024

### Total Yarding: 1,468

There was a reduction in numbers at Mortlake today yarding 1,468 cattle, 524 less than the market last week. There was a good lead in the yarding, however there was a larger number of very plain and secondary types on offer, particularly in the trade weights. The market comprised 243 grown cattle along with 623 trad, 582 cows and 20 grown bulls.

The grown cattle and bullocks displayed good weights and finish in line with the good cow offering which included a mixture of beef and dairy types along with a percentage of lightweights. Not all the regular buyers were present or actively operating, however there was some restocker interest in a market that was firm to slightly stronger for the better end of the trade cattle, bullocks and grown heifers. The plainer secondary types were cheaper by 30 to 40c/kg and more in places. Heavy and medium weight cows gained 10 to 20c/kg and grown bulls sold firm.

A small number of vealers made to 293c/kg with trade weight steers and heifers selling between 290c and 348c/kg. Grown cattle topped at 344c/kg. Manufacturing steers sold up to 238c with heavy beef cows selling from 200c to 268c/kg. Medium weight cows sold from 170c to 210/kg with the better covered dairy breeds generally realizing between 175 and 222c/kg. Grown bulls topped at 230c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	Top	230.0	\$1545.874
		Av	209.0	\$1136.54
Bulls	700+	Top	230.0	\$2082.60
		Av	204.9	\$1715.29
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	205.0	\$529.47
		Av	92.9	\$273.80
Light Steers	0-350	Top	295.0	\$1020.70
		Av	167.0	\$500.47
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	340.0	\$1643.33
		Av	246.8	\$1011.32
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	325.0	\$1588.23
		Av	245.5	\$1055.56
Heavy Heifers	500+	Top	312.0	\$1916.42
		Av	269.0	\$1551.37
Heavy Steers	500+	Top	348.0	\$2337.48
		Av	279.2	\$1678.14
Grown Heifers		Top	310.0	\$1946.36
		Av	279.6	\$1421.33
Grown Steers		Top	325.0	\$1839.50
		Av	220.4	\$1033.77
Cows		Top	268.0	\$2551.10
		Av	205.1	\$1114.76
Bullocks		Top	340.0	\$2444.00
		Av	267.6	\$1567.96



**Top Left:** Topping the market today was this pen of Angus steers that Nutrien Ag sold for 348c/kg, averaging \$2008ph for CL & GL Pickering.

**Top Right:** Bullocks reached a top of 340c/kg when Elders Kerr & Co sold this Angus pen on behalf of DR & GM Lucas, fetching \$2427ph.

**Bottom Left:** These Devon X heifers went under the Charles Stewart & Co hammer on account of Cooriemungle Ag Unit Trust, with 3 making a top of 340c/kg, \$1643ph and the remainder making 322c/kg, \$1499ph.

**Bottom Right:** Southern Grampians Livestock sold this pen of Angus cows for a top of 268c/kg, fetching \$1936ph for Banquet Pastoral P/L.

### Upcoming Sales and Events:

**Thursday 16th May - Store Sale starts 10am (5800 head)**

Monday 20th May - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 27th May - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 3rd June - Prime Market starts 9am

**Thursday 6th June - Store Sale starts 10am**