



Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 1st of July, 2024

Total Yarding: 2,238

Numbers increased to 2,238 head this week at Mortlake representing a rise of 513 head. Compared to the last market it was an improved quality yarding over most categories, excluding the manufacturing types which were plainer in quality. The better pens of grown cattle and bullocks carried good weight and despite the quality there were good numbers of manufacturing cattle on offer together with some very weighty beef cows. The market comprised 447 grown cattle along with 570 trade weights together with 1,159 cows and 62 grown bulls. Along with the regular buyers there was the addition of 2 other processors that were all active and also evident was restocker and feeder interest.

The market remained strong over most categories where grown cattle gained 20c/kg with trade weight cattle remaining firm to 10c/kg dearer. Manufacturing cattle were firm whilst the lead heavy cows gained 10c/kg along with the medium weights and dairy grades improving 15c/kg. Bulls were generally firm.

The small offering of vealers sold to 356c/kg. Trade steers and heifers were selling between 290c and 362c/kg with grown cattle topping at 372c/kg Manufacturing steers sold up to 255c with heavy beef cows selling from 230c to 280c/kg with the medium weights between 190c and 235c/kg. The better covered dairy cows generally selling between 180c and 230c/kg. Grown bulls to the trade sold to 260c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	Top	260.0	\$1769.70
		Av	225.8	\$1362.49
Bulls	700+	Top	260.0	\$2589.60
		Av	238.4	\$1957.54
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	288.0	\$968.80
		Av	170.2	\$520.51
Light Steers	0-350	Top	245.0	\$784.00
		Av	164.8	\$516.12
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	322.0	\$1484.33
		Av	251.8	\$1039.84
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	356.0	\$1673.20
		Av	228.9	\$960.32
Heavy Heifers	500+	Top	336.0	\$1857.17
		Av	296.5	\$1598.48
Heavy Steers	500+	Top	362.0	\$2817.25
		Av	294.7	\$1725.05
Grown Heifers		Top	335.0	\$2303.44
		Av	282.5	\$1531.05
Grown Steers		Top	372.0	\$2678.40
		Av	259.9	\$1343.12
Cows		Top	280.0	\$2083.13
		Av	210.3	\$1074.77
Bullocks		Top	360.0	\$2525.00
		Av	314.8	\$1878.31
Weaner Heifers		Top	335.0	\$1699.40
		Av	264.6	\$1012.50
Weaner Steers		Top	330.0	\$1676.40
		Av	282.5	\$1012.03



Top Left: Topping the market today were these Angus grown steers that reached 372c/kg under the Southern Grampians Livestock hammer, averaging \$2678ph for Banquet Pastoral.

Top Right: MJ & RF Patterson presented this pen of Angus X bullocks that were sold for a top of 360c/kg by Elders Kerr & Co, returning \$2255ph.

Bottom Left: Nutrien Ag sold this pen of Angus cows with two fetching the top of 280c/kg, making \$1925ph for D Morton.

Bottom Right: Heifers topped at 336c/kg when Nutrien Ag sold this Angus pen on behalf of GJ Collins P/L, averaging \$1806ph.

Upcoming Sales and Events:

Thursday 4th July - Store Sale starts 10am (3200 head)

Monday 8th July - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 15th July - Prime Market starts 9am

Thursday 18th July - Store Sale starts 10am (4000 head)

Monday 22nd July - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 29th July - Prime Market starts 9am