

Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 22nd of July, 2024

Total Yarding: 1,937

Numbers eased back to 1,937 this week at Mortlake, representing a reduction of 723 head on the previous week. It was a mixed yarding over most categories. Fewer good heavy beef cows were on offer and an increase in plainer types and dairy breeds. There was an additional two operators this week along with the regular processor panel, however not all were fully active. Feeder and restocker interest was evident. The offering consisted of 404 grown cattle with 560 trade weights, 893 cows and 80 bulls.

The market remained strong and improved over most categories. Grown cattle gained 5 to 20c/kg, more so for the medium weights. Trade weight cattle improved 20c/kg and manufacturing types also gained 20 to 30c/kg in places. Most cows remained firm to dearer by 15c/kg, more so for the medium weights. Grown bulls were firm to 10c/kg dearer.

A small number of vealers topped at 366c/kg. Trade steers and heifers sold from 310 to 425c/kg. Grown cattle topped at 404c and manufacturing steers sold up to 350c/kg. Heavy beef cows sold from 290 to 360c/kg with the medium weights selling between 260 and 300c/kg. The better covered dairy cows were generally from 220 to 310c/kg with grown bulls to 292c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	Top Av	288.0 260.0	\$1904.00 \$1346.92
Bulls	700+	Top Av	292.0 280.6	\$2931.84 \$2383.21
Light Heifers	0-350	Top Av	36500 232.4	\$1159.20 \$705.74
Light Steers	0-350	Top Av	320.0 234.1	\$1100.80 \$731.21
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top Av	412.0 289.5	\$1796.85 \$1182.73
Trade Steers	351-500	Top Av	425.0 298.8	\$1986.88 \$1287.24
Heavy Heifers	500+	Top Av	380.0 326.8	\$2245.38 \$1772.47
Heavy Steers	500+	Top Av	392.0 329.3	\$3220.00 \$1980.62
Grown Heifers		Top Av	375.0 283.6	\$2381.25 \$1333.06
Grown Steers		Top Av	374.0 313.6	\$2410.67 \$1597.43
Cows		Top Av	360.0 274.0	\$2695.04 \$1394.19
Bullocks		Top Av	404.0 352.9	\$2536.97 \$1977.18





Top Left: Topping the market today at 425c/kg were 4 of the Speckle Park X steers in this pen that were sold by Charles Stewart Nash McVilly, averaging \$1987 for Miranee North P/L. The other 2 sold for 293c/kg, \$1646ph.

Top Right: Brian O'Halloran sold this pen of Hereford bullocks (608kg) for a top of 404c/kg, returning \$2458ph for James Mugavin.

Bottom Left: Banquet Pastoral presented this pen of Angus cows that Southern Grampians Livestock sold for a top of 36oc/kg, making \$2310ph.

Bottom Right: Heifers topped at 412c/kg when 5 Angus heifers in this pen went under the HF Richardson hammer, fetching \$1751ph on account of Yeodene Cattle Holdings.

Upcoming Sales and Events:

Monday 29th July - Prime Market starts 9am **Thursday 1st August - Store Sale starts 10am**Monday 5th August - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 12th August - Prime Market starts 9am **Thursday 15th August - Store Sale starts 10am**