

## WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 19th of August, 2024

## Total Yarding: 2,336

Mortlake agents yarded 2,336 cattle this week, a small decrease of 132 head compared to the previous week's market. The lead bullocks again were very good and as with last week tailing off quite quickly to manufacturing types. There was an improvement in the trade weights offering good weight and finish. Grain fed cattle were also on offer. Plenty of cows covering all categories were offered to most of the regular process operators who were not fully active on the yarding that consisted of 420 grown cattle, 650 trade weights along with 1168 cows and 100 bulls.

The market remained strong over most categories for the grown heavier steers with the trade weights and remaining firm on last week. Secondary cattle were stronger by 20c to 30c/kg with manufacturing cattle gaining a further 10c to 15c/kg in places. Heavy cows remained firm and medium weight cows were stronger by 20c/kg. Heavy grown bulls were up to 30c/kg dearer.

A small number of vealers made to 372c/kg with trade weight steers and heifers selling between 320c and 436c/kg. Grown cattle topped at 388c with manufacturing types to 366c and crossbred steers to 372c/kg. Heavy beef cows sold from 300 to 358c/kg with the medium weights between 260 and 310c/kg. The well covered dairy cows sold from 260 to 333c/kg with grown beef bulls to the trade to 366c/kg.

Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>355.0</b> 303.0	<b>\$2263.80</b> \$1525.86
Bulls	700+	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>366.0</b> 333.5	<b>\$4934.80</b> \$2759.74
Light Heifers	0-350	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>378.0</b> 240.7	<b>\$1209.60</b> \$709.33
Light Steers	0-350	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>350.0</b> 251.1	<b>\$1155.00</b> \$734.24
Trade Heifers	351-500	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>415.0</b> 314.7	<b>\$1872.10</b> \$1288.65
Trade Steers	351-500	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>430.0</b> 324.3	<b>\$1857.60</b> \$1356.83
Heavy Heifers	500+	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>430.0</b> 348.1	<b>\$2318.40</b> \$1901.37
Heavy Steers	500+	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>430.0</b> 363.9	<b>\$2474.06</b> \$1996.81
Grown Heifers		<b>Top</b> Av	<b>375.0</b> 361.7	<b>\$2327.00</b> \$1919.99
Grown Steers		<b>Top</b> Av	<b>386.0</b> 343.0	<b>\$2679.04</b> \$1788.84
Cows		<b>Top</b> Av	<b>358.0</b> 291.6	<b>\$2775.50</b> \$1465.74
Bullocks		<b>Top</b> Av	<b>388.0</b> 372.2	<b>\$3051.00</b> \$2200.50

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**Top Left:** Topping the market today at 430c/kg were 8 of the Simmental X mixed sex cattle in this pen that Charles Stewart Nash McVilly sold on behalf of B & K Holland, averaging \$2182ph. The balance sold for 418c/kg, \$2161ph.

**Top Right:** These Angus cows were sold by Charles Stewart & Co for a top of 358c/kg, returning \$2603ph for N & J Lillie P/L.

**Bottom Left:** RP Brewer presented this pen of Angus bullocks that went under the Elders Kerr & Co hammer for a top of 388c/kg, making \$2289ph.

Bottom Right: Charles Stewart Nash McVilly sold this pen of Angus heifers for 415c/kg, fetching \$1781ph on account of B & K Holland.

## **Upcoming Sales and Events:**

Monday 26th August - Prime Market starts 9am Monday 2nd September - Prime Market starts 9am **Thursday 5th September - Store Sale starts 10am** Monday 9th September - Prime Market starts 9am Monday 16th September - Prime Market starts 9am **Thursday 19th September - Store Sale starts 10am**