

Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 26th of August, 2024

Total Yarding: 1,762

Mortlake agents yarded 1,762 cattle at this week's market, a decrease of 574 on the previous week. Again the lead bullocks were very good but tailed quickly to manufacturing types. Better quality trade weights with weight and finish including some well finished grain fed were on offer. A good balance of beef and dairy bred cows were available however less heavy weight cows were penned. Not all the regular processors were present and not all operators were fully engaged. Suitable lines attracted feeder and restocker interest in an offering that consisted of 440 grown cattle along with 514 trade weights, 710 cows and 98 bulls.

The market remained firm to slightly softer in places over the grown and trade cattle with the manufacturing steers softer by 15 to 20c/kg. Heavy cows slipped 15 to 20c/kg with the medium weights back 10c and the dairy breeds generally remained firm. Heavy grown bulls were 10 to 20c/g cheaper.

Trade steers and heifers sold from 320 to 435c/kg with grown cattle topping at 388c/kg. Manufacturing steers sold up to 343c and crossbred steers to 374c/kg. Heavy beef cows sold from 300 to 336c/kg with the medium weights between 250 and 295c/kg. The better covered dairy cows were generally making between 258 and 325c/kg with grown beef bulls to 356c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	Top Av	344.0 279.6	\$2401.12 \$1405.23
Bulls	700+	Top Av	356.0 312.8	\$4215.04 \$2618.68
Light Heifers	0-350	Top Av	400.0 264.5	\$1248.00 \$821.78
Light Steers	0-350	Top Av	338.0 255.7	\$1072.00 \$757.99
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top Av	435.0 337.0	\$1897.13 \$1472.08
Trade Steers	351-500	Top Av	435.0 334.2	\$1953.52 \$1499.53
Heavy Heifers	500+	Top Av	380.0 346.5	\$2131.20 \$1824.03
Heavy Steers	500+	Top Av	396.0 344.0	\$2320.50 \$1926.47
Grown Heifers		Top Av	380.0 343.7	\$2517.12 \$1641.11
Grown Steers		Top Av	435.0 318.4	\$3168.00 \$1659.07
Cows		Top Av	336.0 281.6	\$2528.40 \$1457.39
Bullocks		Top Av	382.0 347.8	\$3085.60 \$2307.35





Top Left: Topping the market today at 435c/kg was this pen of cattle that Charles Stewart Nash McVilly sold for Riversdale, with the Angus X steers (no mark) returning \$1838ph, the Angus heifer (loin) making \$1705 and the Charolais X grown steer (shoulder) fetching \$2149.

Top Right: These Charolais X bullocks went under the Charles Stewart Nash McVilly hammer for a top of 382c/kg, averaging \$2177ph for Grayston P/L.

Bottom Left: Elders Kerr & Co sold this pen of cows for a top of 336c/kg, with the Angus (no mark) making \$236oph for Kinnealy Farm Trust, the Hereford (loin) returning \$2278 for A & DL Bramall, the Angus cows (mid back) fetching \$2528ph for R & L Jackson and the Angus (shoulder) making \$1969 for Furneaux Pastoral Co.

Bottom Right: RW & PJ Kelly presented this pen of Charolais X weaner steers that Southern Grampians Livestock sold for a top of 380c/kg, \$1549ph.

Upcoming Sales and Events:

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