

Prime Cattle – 23 January 2020

Total Yarding: 2,440

Numbers jumped and the quality was mixed with a few more drier weaners. Yearling were well supplied and there was a bit more weight throughout the offering. Grown cattle were limited and nearly 700 cows were penned in a mostly dearer market.

The fresher steer calves sold 25c dearer to restockers reaching 372c/kg. There was less competition for heifers this week and they eased 15c and sold from 200c to 289c/kg for the vealers. Medium weight feeder steers lifted 35c selling from 277c to 330c and heavy weights gained 20c, to sell from 270c to 323c/kg. Feeder heifers were 8c stronger from 238c to 286c/kg. Trade cattle gained 10c to 15c, reaching 310c for steers and 288c/kg for the best heifers.

Grown steers lifted 20c receiving 262c to 295c and heifers jumped 30c also selling to 295c/kg. Cows had increases of 20c to 25c across the board with medium weight 2 score cows from 205c to 236c/kg. Heavy 3 and 4 score cows sold from 228c to 262c, averaging 254c/kg.

Market Report: MLA's National Livestock Reporting Service.

Category	Weight	Qty	T/A	c / kg	\$ / Hd
Light Steers	< 350	521	Top	373.2	\$1110
			Aver	305.8	\$699
Light Heifers	< 350	511	Top	303.2	\$945
			Aver	257.1	\$633
Trade Steers	351 - 500	198	Top	320.2	\$1456
			Aver	296.3	\$1192
Trade Heifers	351 - 500	267	Top	288.2	\$1320
			Aver	260.2	\$1048
Export Steers	501 +	41	Top	310.0	\$1947
			Aver	295.7	\$1645
Export Heifers	501 +	32	Top	295.0	\$1830
			Aver	267.6	\$1472
Cows		764	Top	262.0	\$1949
			Aver	234.1	\$1294
Bulls	< 700	19	Top	240.0	\$1500
			Aver	214.6	\$965
Bulls	700 +	25	Top	270.0	\$2619
			Aver	242.7	\$2043