

## Prime Cattle – 20 February 2020

**Total Yarding:** 976

Cattle numbers were steady and the quality was a bit plainer with a lot more lighter yearlings and plenty of 1 and 2 score cows. Weaners were limited and grown steers were in very short supply. The market sold to varying trend depending on weights and condition.

Light weaner steers under 200kg sold to a top of 436c and heavier weights eased up to 30c reaching 384c/kg. Light weaner heifers were 30c dearer with most selling from 370c to 396c/kg. Medium weight feeders eased 2c and sold from 310c to 350c/kg. Heavy C3 steers were dearer reaching 372c/kg. Feeder heifers also sold to a much dearer trend with medium weights selling from 300c to 361c/kg. Heavy weights lifted 13c reaching 342c/kg. The few heavy trade steers reached 355c/kg.

Grown heifers to process lifted 9c making from 238c to 301c/kg. Medium weight cows were 20c to 30c cheaper with the 2 score cows selling from 235c to 265c/kg. Heavy 3 and 4 score cows were 15c to 20c softer, making from 266c to 290c/kg.

**Market Report:** MLA's National Livestock Reporting Service.

Category	Weight	Qty		c / kg	\$ / Hd
Light Steers	< 350	130	Top	436	\$1,221
			Av	353.6	\$907
Light Heifers	< 350	137	Top	396	\$1,238
			Av	322.3	\$797
Trade Steers	351 - 500	102	Top	372.2	\$1,610
			Av	345.7	\$1,361
Trade Heifers	351 - 500	168	Top	356.2	\$1,578
			Av	321.5	\$1,291
Export Steers	501+	9	Top	355.2	\$2,400
			Av	336.7	\$2,187
Export Heifers	501+	4	Top	300	\$1,860
			Av	294.3	\$1,608
Cows		404	Top	290	\$2,117
			Av	265.3	\$1,259
Bulls	< 700	5	Top	292	\$1,877
			Av	266.3	\$1,345
Bulls	> 700	10	Top	298	\$2,958
			Av	283.9	\$2,381