

Prime Cattle – 30 January 2020

Total Yarding: 2,096

Numbers eased and the quality was good. There were more weaners and a good run of yearlings which were mostly purchased by feeder and backgrounding orders. Grown steers and heifers with weight were better supplied and around 550 cows were offered in a dearer market.

Weaner steers lifted 25c, selling from 306c to 390c for the light and medium weights. Heifers jumped 33c, making from 252c to 308c/kg. C2 feeder steers were firm but the heavy C3 prime steers to feed improved 25c/kg. Medium weights sold from 280c to 327c and heavy weights made from 305c to 332c/kg. Heifers to feed gained 11c to 14c, making from 265c to 293c and the few trade heifers were 10c stronger, selling from 274c to 280c/kg.

Grown steers gained 16c receiving from 270c to 309c and heavy heifers sold from 252c to 286c/kg. Medium weight cows were 14c dearer with the 2 score cows selling from 210c to 246c/kg. Heavy 3 and 4 score cows were 8c better, selling from 230c to 269c, averaging 260c/kg on the prime heavy weights.

Market Report: MLA's National Livestock Reporting Service.

Category	Weight	Qty		c / kg	\$ / Hd
Light Steers	< 350	418	Top	390.2	\$1,069
			Av	303.3	\$704
Light Heifers	< 350	407	Top	308.2	\$975
			Av	268.1	\$647
Trade Steers	351 - 500	251	Top	332	\$1,535
			Av	304	\$1,212
Trade Heifers	351 - 500	236	Top	293.2	\$1,361
			Av	276	\$1,102
Export Steers	501+	57	Top	309.2	\$2,251
			Av	290.3	\$1,913
Export Heifers	501+	62	Top	286	\$1,721
			Av	274.1	\$1,485
Cows		593	Top	269.2	\$2,056
			Av	245.7	\$1,305
Bulls	< 700	29	Top	300	\$1,699
			Av	212.6	\$731
Bulls	> 700	19	Top	285.6	\$3,096
			Av	263.1	\$2,326