

MUDGEE CATTLE MARKET REPORT

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Agent: MCDONALD LAWSON CARTER PTY LTD

			Low	High
Vealers	210kg to 280kg			
Vealers	280kg plus		320	402
Young Steers	280kg to 370kg		300	395.2
Young Steers	370kg to 440kg		310	393.2
Young Heifers	280kg to 370kg		220	376.2
Young Heifers	370kg to 440kg		240	320
Steers	440kg to 550kg		280	334.2
Steers	550kg plus		220	333.2
Export Heifers	440kg plus		220	324.2
Light Cows	Under 400kg		40	80
Medium Cows	400kg to 520kg		90	184.2
Heavy Cows	520kg plus		80	240
Heavy Bulls	600kg plus		150	215

Numbers increased by 150 cattle for a total yarding of 1135 head. It was overall a good yarding with increased numbers of cows totalling 360 head very close to a third of the penning. Not all buyers were operating fully. Some plants are 10 to 12 days out from processing with a backlog of numbers. Best local trade vealers were short in supply and actually sold dearer than the previous sale topping at 402 cents. Limited numbers of Angus feeder steers suitable for the feedlotter. They met solid competition and finished 10 to 12 cents off compared to the sale 2 weeks ago. Other breeds also lost 10 cents and sold to \$3.60. There were very few yearling heifers suitable for the feedlotter most either were fat or too light. Yearling heifers to processors eased 10 to 15 cents. Once again there were good numbers of prime heavy weight steers & heifers. Best heavy bullocks topped at 333.2 cents down a little but not as dramatic as other categories. A 3rd of the yarding was made up of cows. All categories were penned a few plain conditioned cows are starting to appear. Prime heavy D4/D5 cows fell by up to 40 cents compared to the sale 2 weeks ago best cows topped @

\$2.40 with the majority making between 200 & 230. Cows lacking fat cover fell even more. Very light cows sold between 40 to 100 cents a Kg. Restocking types continue to struggle with the continuing dry conditions. They slipped a further 20 to 40 cents in places. Secondary types even more than that in places. Bulls fell 20 to 30 cents.