

Detailed Saleyard Report - Cattle

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Charters Towers (Dalrymple)

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 Change -163

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Numbers eased by 163 head to 3,327 cattle in Charters Towers this week, with very strong demand and price increases in most categories. A continuation of some very good lines of heavy prime cows and grown heifers, supported by similar quality young store steers and heifers. The regular buyer panel was in attendance and operating at increased rates, supported by the return of one live exporter and southern reseller orders. Cattle were drawn from Mt Isa, Normanton, Georgetown, Mt Garnet, Greenvale, Pentland, Dalbeg, local and coastal areas.

Light vealer steers sold to improved rates, increasing by more than 25c, with similar heifers increasing by nearly 60c/kg. Light yearling steers to backgrounders lifted 35c and steers above 280kg to feed increased by 30c/kg. Medium weight yearling heifers to feed improved by 15c and heavy heifers to the trade lifted by more than 20c/kg. Increased numbers of grown heifers to the trade lifted by 39c/kg mainly due to the quality in offer. Heavy bullocks to export processors improved 19c and heavy weight cows to processors improved by 9c to 13c/kg. Heavy bulls to processors lifted by more than 30c/kg.

Light vealer steers less than 200kg to backgrounders sold to 376.2 to average 354c, while steers above 200kg averaged 343c/kg. One outstanding line of vealer heifers to restockers reached 338.2c to average 334c, with a large sample of heifers averaging 310c/kg. Processor ready heifers topped at 300.2c to average 275c/kg. Light yearling steers to backgrounders sold to 332.2c to average 319c, while steers above 280kg to feed sold to 338c to average near 306c/kg. Medium weight yearling steers to feed topped at 328.2c to average 306c/kg. A large sample of yearling heifers above 330kg to feed sold to 284.2c to average an improved 271c/kg. A limited number of heavy grown steers to the trade sold to 326c to average above 314c/kg. An increased supply of good quality grown heifers to the trade sold to 296c to average above 249c/kg.

Heavy bullocks to export processors topped at 314c to average 309c, with medium weights selling to 326c to average 295c/kg. Medium weight cows to processors reached 214c to average 200c, while increased numbers of heavy cows to processors topped at 251.2c to average above 227c/kg. Prime heavy weight cows sold to 257c to average 252c/kg. Heavy bulls to processors sold to 321.2c to average 314c, while suitable types for live export to background feed made to 322.2c to average from 256c to 283c/kg. Good quality Cows and calves sold from \$860 to 1,230/unit.

Category	Sale Weight	Muscle Prefix	Muscle Score	Fat Score*	Head	Live Weight c/kg				Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg*			Estimated \$/Head		
						Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
Calves															
0-80															
	RS	N/A	N/A		2	330.0	330.0	330.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	198	264	231
80+															
	RS	N/A	N/A		80	258.0	364.0	318.7	79	N/A	N/A	N/A	369	764	521
					82	258.0	364.0						198	764	
Vealer Steer															
0-200															
	RS	N/A	N/A		139	280.0	376.0	353.9	29	N/A	N/A	N/A	406	680	619
200-280															
	FD	N/A	N/A		4	350.0	350.0	350.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	945	945	945
	RS	N/A	N/A		258	245.0	350.0	343.2	27	N/A	N/A	N/A	527	833	770
280-330															
	FD	N/A	N/A		16	319.0	319.0	319.0	9	N/A	N/A	N/A	941	941	941
330+															
	FD	N/A	N/A		9	350.0	350.0	350.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1190	1190	1,190
					426	245.0	376.0						406	1190	
Vealer Heifer															
0-200															
	RS	N/A	N/A		69	250.0	266.0	254.9	-5	N/A	N/A	N/A	400	475	435
200-280															

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
	FD	N/A	N/A	4	242.0	266.0	260.0	44	N/A	N/A	N/A	599	629	606
	PR	N/A	N/A	89	230.0	300.0	274.9	8	N/A	N/A	N/A	584	756	662
	RS	N/A	N/A	137	226.0	338.0	309.8	59	N/A	N/A	N/A	546	777	676
280-330	RS	N/A	N/A	26	260.0	260.0	260.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	741	741	741
				325	226.0	338.0						400	777	
Yearling Steer														
200-280	PR	N/A	N/A	3	270.0	270.0	270.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	756	756	756
	RS	N/A	N/A	111	266.0	332.0	319.4	35	N/A	N/A	N/A	700	820	787
280-330	FD	N/A	N/A	112	150.0	338.0	305.7	30	N/A	N/A	N/A	435	1099	952
	RS	N/A	N/A	12	342.0	342.0	342.0	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	1129	1129	1,129
330-400	FD	N/A	N/A	108	264.0	328.0	306.0	22	N/A	N/A	N/A	898	1148	1,064
	RS	N/A	N/A	68	304.0	325.0	322.9	-18	N/A	N/A	N/A	1094	1227	1,187
400+	FD	N/A	N/A	8	297.0	306.0	304.9	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1233	1346	1,332
	RS	N/A	N/A	2	314.0	314.0	314.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1382	1382	1,382
				424	150.0	342.0						435	1382	
Yearling Heifer														
200-280	FD	N/A	N/A	5	206.0	206.0	206.0	-30	N/A	N/A	N/A	546	546	546
280-330	FD	N/A	N/A	17	210.0	276.0	254.8	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	641	869	783
	PR	N/A	N/A	25	264.0	264.0	264.0	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	871	871	871
	RS	N/A	N/A	49	220.0	264.0	251.5	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	649	826	779
330-400	FD	N/A	N/A	136	247.0	284.0	271.3	16	N/A	N/A	N/A	871	1093	970
	PR	N/A	N/A	80	230.0	298.0	255.3	22	N/A	N/A	N/A	828	1132	933
400+	PR	N/A	N/A	16	293.0	300.0	299.3	59	N/A	N/A	N/A	1335	1376	1,338
				328	206.0	300.0						546	1376	
Grown Steer														
0-400	FD	N/A	N/A	41	242.0	298.0	268.7	11	N/A	N/A	N/A	819	1132	911
	PR	N/A	N/A	1	182.0	182.0	182.0	N/C	N/A	N/A	N/A	710	710	710
	RS	N/A	N/A	18	290.0	292.0	291.8	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1007	1059	1,013
400-500	FD	N/A	N/A	28	265.0	296.0	268.6	-47	N/A	N/A	N/A	1113	1363	1,200
	LE	N/A	N/A	5	308.0	308.0	308.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1509	1509	1,509
	PR	N/A	N/A	7	220.0	314.0	258.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	902	1539	1,142
500-600	PR	N/A	N/A	11	326.0	326.0	326.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1777	1777	1,777
				111	182.0	326.0						710	1777	

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
Grown Heifer														
0-540														
	FD	N/A	N/A	10	205.0	230.0	222.7	-1	N/A	N/A	N/A	782	902	813
	PR	N/A	N/A	202	210.0	296.0	249.4	38	N/A	N/A	N/A	676	1450	1,003
540+														
	FD	N/A	N/A	1	278.0	278.0	278.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1557	1557	1,557
				213	205.0	296.0						676	1557	
Manufacturing Steer														
0-540														
	PR	N/A	N/A	71	210.0	324.0	295.4	36	N/A	N/A	N/A	836	1723	1,476
540+														
	PR	N/A	N/A	4	308.0	314.0	309.5	19	N/A	N/A	N/A	1758	2279	2,149
				75	210.0	324.0						836	2279	
Cows														
0-400														
	FD	N/A	N/A	1	190.0	190.0	190.0	-2	N/A	N/A	N/A	703	703	703
	PR	N/A	N/A	80	140.0	214.0	199.6	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	483	845	773
	RS	N/A	N/A	24	120.0	216.0	196.7	18	N/A	N/A	N/A	408	832	739
400-520														
	FD	N/A	N/A	15	209.0	210.0	209.1	N/C	N/A	N/A	N/A	857	893	859
	PR	N/A	N/A	945	190.0	251.0	227.6	9	N/A	N/A	N/A	779	1293	1,008
	RS	N/A	N/A	17	220.0	220.0	220.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1001	1001	1,001
520+														
	PR	N/A	N/A	44	244.0	257.0	253.3	13	N/A	N/A	N/A	1305	1439	1,389
				1126	120.0	257.0						408	1439	
Bulls														
0-450														
	FD	N/A	N/A	71	160.0	332.0	275.6	37	N/A	N/A	N/A	552	1232	905
	PR	N/A	N/A	3	181.0	202.0	195.0	-9	N/A	N/A	N/A	768	796	777
	RS	N/A	N/A	37	250.0	326.0	308.1	-8	N/A	N/A	N/A	581	775	692
450-600														
	FD	N/A	N/A	33	200.0	319.0	256.1	-9	N/A	N/A	N/A	950	1850	1,369
	PR	N/A	N/A	24	244.0	303.0	291.7	52	N/A	N/A	N/A	1122	1691	1,579
600+														
	FD	N/A	N/A	20	270.0	322.0	283.5	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	1715	1948	1,771
	PR	N/A	N/A	16	298.0	321.0	313.9	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1848	2066	1,976
				204	160.0	332.0						552	2066	

DA - Dairy, FD - Feeder, GF - Grainfed, PR - Processor, LE - Live Export, PC - Pastoral Cattle, PT - PTIC, RS - Restocker

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