

Detailed Saleyard Report - Cattle  
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**Charters Towers (Dalrymple)**

report date 15/04/2020

 Yarding 2009  
 Change -966

comparison date 08/04/2020

A smaller yarding of 2,009 cattle were penned in Charters Towers, 966 fewer than last week. The prime cattle were of mixed quality throughout, with several lines lacking weight and quality of last sale. The regular buying panel operated at lower rates than last sale, with all heavy prime cattle selling to lower rates in line with recent grid adjustments, however medium weight cows averages increased. Fewer store cattle met strong restocker demand for good quality lines, with most prices easing on previous week. Cattle were drawn from Chillagoe, Richmond, Pentland, Greenvale, local and coastal areas along with one mixed consignment from Katherine in Northern Territory.

Light vealer steers met strong demand from restockers easing by 6c on last week's rates and vealer heifers to restockers averaged 9c lower, with suitable types to processors lifting by 9c/kg. Limited numbers of yearling steers to feed eased by 15c to 20c and yearling heifers eased by more than 30c/kg in line with quality. Fewer numbers of grown heifers to the trade eased by 8c/kg. Heavy bullocks to export processor averaged 22c/kg lower. Medium weight cows went against the trend increasing by 8c, however heavy prime cows sold 14c to 18c lower and heavy bulls averaged more than 30c/kg lower throughout.

Vealer steers returning to grass sold to 325c to average more than 312c and vealer heifers to restockers averaged from 205c to 214c/kg. Yearling steers to feed sold to 289c to average more than 240c, while steers above 330kg to feed averaged 273c/kg. Limited numbers of mixed quality light yearling heifers to feed averaged 199c/kg. A small supply of grown heifers to the trade sold to 253c to average 223c/kg.

Increased numbers of heavy bullocks presented in many small consignments with those to export processor selling to 288c, with medium weights selling to 293c to average 263c/kg. Medium weight cows to processors reached 198.2c to average near 180c, while heavy prime cows topped at 238.2c to average 211c/kg. Heavy bulls to feed back grounded for live export sold to 295.2 to average 242c, while heavy bulls to processor reached 270c to average 233c to 250c/kg. Mixed quality cows and calves sold to \$720/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
<b>Vealer Steer</b>															
0-200															
	RS	N/A	N/A		10	200.0	325.0	312.5	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	380	601	579
200-280															
	FD	N/A	N/A		10	270.0	287.0	271.7	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	689	746	694
	PR	N/A	N/A	1		180.0	180.0	180.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	486	486	486
	RS	N/A	N/A		263	238.0	322.0	310.6	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	536	902	780
280-330															
	FD	N/A	N/A		22	170.0	280.0	230.5	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	527	896	734
	RS	N/A	N/A		30	70.0	320.0	303.3	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	217	928	881
					336	70.0	325.0						217	928	
<b>Vealer Heifer</b>															
0-200															
	RS	N/A	N/A		23	120.0	218.0	213.7	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	204	414	405
200-280															
	FD	N/A	N/A		15	170.0	224.0	210.8	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	374	605	549
	PR	N/A	N/A	69		210.0	230.0	222.9	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	454	583	537
	RS	N/A	N/A		53	182.0	220.0	205.7	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	411	523	471
					160	120.0	230.0						204	605	
<b>Yearling Steer</b>															
200-280															
	FD	N/A	N/A		1	182.0	182.0	182.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	473	473	473
	PR	N/A	N/A		11	285.0	285.0	285.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	770	770	770
	RS	N/A	N/A		15	210.0	282.0	226.8	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	504	705	565

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280-330														
	FD	N/A	N/A	46	180.0	289.0	240.6	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	558	855	756
	RS	N/A	N/A	2	250.0	250.0	250.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	813	813	813
330-400														
	FD	N/A	N/A	46	243.0	280.0	273.1	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	838	1078	1,032
	RS	N/A	N/A	18	306.0	306.0	306.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1163	1163	1,163
400+														
	FD	N/A	N/A	39	265.0	280.0	274.6	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1140	1176	1,163
				178	180.0	306.0						473	1176	
Yearling Heifer														
200-280														
	FD	N/A	N/A	18	186.0	210.0	199.3	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	456	588	542
	PR	N/A	N/A	13	162.0	230.0	205.2	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	421	587	505
280-330														
	FD	N/A	N/A	1	190.0	190.0	190.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	542	542	542
330-400														
	FD	N/A	N/A	4	182.0	190.0	186.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	703	710	706
	PR	N/A	N/A	19	190.0	206.0	194.6	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	669	721	687
400+														
	PR	N/A	N/A	8	232.0	245.0	238.5	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1005	1021	1,013
				63	162.0	245.0						421	1021	
Grown Steer														
0-400														
	FD	N/A	N/A	2	230.0	230.0	230.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	897	897	897
400-500														
	FD	N/A	N/A	14	145.0	278.0	241.7	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	595	1173	1,070
	PR	N/A	N/A	6	180.0	180.0	180.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	801	801	801
				22	145.0	278.0						595	1173	
Grown Heifer														
0-540														
	FD	N/A	N/A	24	180.0	222.0	189.3	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	612	821	666
	PR	N/A	N/A	46	211.0	253.0	223.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	813	1189	923
				70	180.0	253.0						612	1189	
Manufacturing Steer														
0-540														
	PR	N/A	N/A	274	186.0	293.0	262.9	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	789	1544	1,321
540+														
	PR	N/A	N/A	46	280.0	288.0	287.5	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1568	1642	1,608
				320	186.0	293.0						789	1642	
Cows														
0-400														
	FD	N/A	N/A	70	80.0	176.0	160.4	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	264	625	564
	PR	N/A	N/A	297	134.0	198.0	179.6	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	482	772	688
	RS	N/A	N/A	44	64.0	210.0	120.4	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	198	819	437
400-520														

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
520+	PR	N/A	N/A	889	180.0	238.0	210.9	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	729	1166	945
	PR	N/A	N/A	50	212.0	228.0	218.5	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1124	1550	1,250
				1350	64.0	238.0						198	1550	
Bulls														
0-450														
	FD	N/A	N/A	17	144.0	240.0	220.2	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	391	1020	727
450-600														
	FD	N/A	N/A	62	152.0	295.0	242.5	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	730	1534	1,279
	PR	N/A	N/A	24	180.0	262.0	233.5	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	970	1508	1,291
	RS	N/A	N/A	2	180.0	180.0	180.0	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	864	864	864
600+														
	FD	N/A	N/A	8	240.0	270.0	247.5	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1464	1674	1,529
	PR	N/A	N/A	10	240.0	270.0	250.5	N/Q	N/A	N/A	N/A	1495	1782	1,579
				123	144.0	295.0						391	1782	

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

\* Fields populated with N/A indicate the unavailability of animal assessment at the time of publishing

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