

MARKET MACHINATIONS

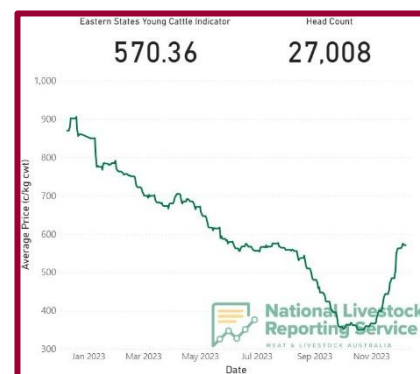
Friday 8th DECEMBER 2023

WEEKLY SALE for 05/12/2023

- Roma agents penned 8201 head at the epicentre this week, just under 5000 cattle more than last week.
- Cattle were drawn from NSW, SA, the Warrego and Maranoa in a market that moved around quality.
- Steers under 280kg topped at 458c, most selling from 340-384c to be firm.
- Steers 280-400kg moved either way of last week depending on quality reaching 404c, the bulk from 330-378c.
- Feeder steers over 400kgs topped at 336c and averaged 300 to be 4c less.
- Processors dropped the steer and bullock rate which saw sales from 270 to 310.
- Heifers under 280kg were cheaper in places due to quality, with the top calves selling to 330c most from 215-300c.
- Backgrounders 280-330kg sold to 347c (sold by P & S Crocker) and averaged 274c.
- Feeder heifers 330-500kgs sold to 306c, most making from 250-300c.
- Processors paid from 236-274c for suitable heifers.
- Cows over 520kgs sold from 156-228c to be 8-10c cheaper than last week's rates.
- Cows 400-520kgs made from 138-210c to remain firm.
- Lightweight boners and store cows were very mixed selling from 110-148c.
- Bulls for the processors were dearer to make 168-266c.
- Cows and calves returned to Roma after weeks of nothing selling to \$1220 per unit.



CATEGORY	LIVEWEIGHT	HSCW	PRICE RANGE	LWT Eq.	MOVEMENT
Trade Feeder Steers	300-400kg	n/a	n/a	210c-240c	NC
Trade Feeder Heifers	300-400kg	n/a	n/a	190c-220c	NC
Heavy Feeders	380-500kg	n/a	n/a	220c-240c	NC
Angus Feeders	380-520kg	n/a	n/a	230c-250c	NC
0 – 4T (MSA)	530-730kg	240-340kg	430-470c	232c-254c	NC
4 – 8T	550-730kg	300-420kg	360-430c	195c-232c	NC
Cows	440-600kg	200-300kg	350-420c	175c-210c	NC



****ROMA STORE SALE – TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2023****

A/C CA FLOWER & CO

Heifers are One Brand A/C The Breeder - EU Accredited

400 Santa, Santa/Hereford X & Angus X Heifers No3.'s, 10-13 Months

Heifers broken into troughs & weaned using horses, bikes & dogs.

Vendor purchases quality genetics

TOP QUALITY HEIFERS TO FEED OR BREED

Photos available: <https://maaroma.com.au/index.php/livestock/livestock-for-sale>

THE WEEK AHEAD

Number moved higher this week at most selling centres across southern Queensland with vendors looking to take advantage of the lift in values over the past month. As numbers lifted some classes of cattle eased back, with processors attempting to halt the lift in prime cattle rates. Cows at Dalby fell off the highs of last week. Feeder buyers were also less frantic in their buying orders as numbers of suitable cattle lifted. The balance of the store cattle traded on a two speed basis. The better end of the offerings held onto the big gains while the second rate cattle eased. The cyclone off the coast will have a major bearing on cattle values for the new year, though at this stage BOM aren't too sure where it may cross? Another good fall across southern Queensland would be appreciated especially if there's some falls to run water into dams. Throughput for Australia remains high at 123,950 head, though the pace is now off as we head into the Christmas break.

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30-DAY SOI: -7.36 – Down 0.79; EYCI: 570.36 – Up 7.59; AUD \$: US \$: 0.6618 – Up .0012