

MARKET MACHINATION

Friday 28th March 2025

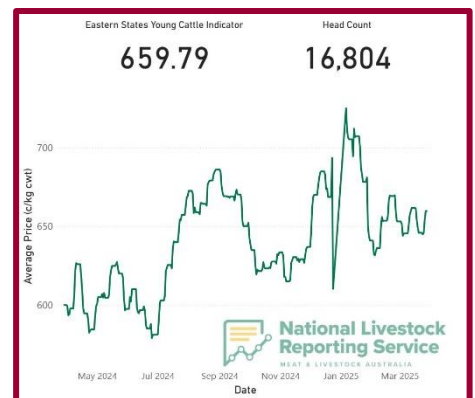
WEEKLY SALE for 25th March 2025

- Roma agents at the epicentre penned 2500 less cattle than the previous week with a mixed quality yarding of 4095 head.
- Cattle were drawn from South Australia, far Western Queensland, the Warrego and Maranoa in a generally dearer market.
- Steers under 280kgs were 10-20c dearer reaching 434c, most from 350-404c.
- Steers 280-400kgs moved higher by 8c also topping at 434c, the bulk from 340-400c.
- Feeder steers were also 10c better topping at 368c and averaging 343c.
- Processors pushed rates higher by 20c for suitable steers and bullocks that ranged from 296-361c.
- Heifers under 280kgs were 20c stronger selling to 322c, most from 250-308c.
- Backgrounding heifers 280-330kgs lifted by similar levels selling to 334c and averaging 295c.
- Feeder heifers 330-500kgs lifted by 10-30c topping at 360c, and ranged from 280-346c.
- Heifers for the processors were 10-25c dearer selling from 240-360c depending on quality.
- Heavy cows over 520kgs sold from 210-300c to be 10-15c dearer.
- Medium weights 400-520kgs ranged from 250-300c to be 10c dearer.
- Lightweight boners and store cows sold from 120-210c.
- Bulls for the processors also lifted selling from 240-311c.
- Cows and calves were dearer selling to \$1950 per unit (sold by Rosehearty Grazing Co.), most from \$1300-1780 per unit.



THE WEEK AHEAD

CATEGORY	LIVEWEIGHT	HSCW	PRICE RANGE	LWT Eq.	MOVEMENT
Trade Feeder Steers	300-400kg	n/a	n/a	NQ	
Trade Feeder Heifers	300-400kg	n/a	n/a	NQ	
Heavy Feeders	380-500kg	n/a	n/a	NQ	
Angus Feeders	380-520kg	n/a	n/a	NQ	
0 – 4T (MSA)	530-730kg	240-340kg	500c-675c	270c-364c	^
4 – 8T	550-730kg	300-420kg	565c-670c	305c-361c	^
Cows	440-600kg	200-300kg	525c-600c	265c-300c	^



No doubt the conversation on everyone's lips involved in the cattle market in western Queensland is the rain. This break has really been in the nick of time for many producers, particularly in the southwest of Queensland. Falls have been from 30mm up and still raining. TC Alfred may have clogged up the supply chain however, with this rain it will now be unclogged! A lot of bookings of space will now be gone while other bookings may well decrease in numbers delivered. Prime cattle have already moved higher, as have feeder heifers. Feeder steers will take the longest to get moving though Angus feeders are worth 420c now. Throughput in Australia has climbed to 149,012 for the week ending 21/03/2025 with Queensland providing 77,762 head of the total. This lift in production is on the back of strong demand for red meat with China and the USA leading the charge. Beef prices in the USA continue to move higher even with 2025 shaping up in the USA to be among the top five years for production in history. As long as tariffs on Australian farm production stay on the side lines, values should remain strong.

Roma Store Sale 1st April 2025

Due to the wet weather there will be no sale at this stage. To be confirmed Monday morning.

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30-DAY SOI: 7.01 Up 1.68 ; EYCI: 659.79 Up 13.81; AUD \$: US \$: 0.6284 Down 0.0008

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