

## MARKET MACHINATIONS

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018

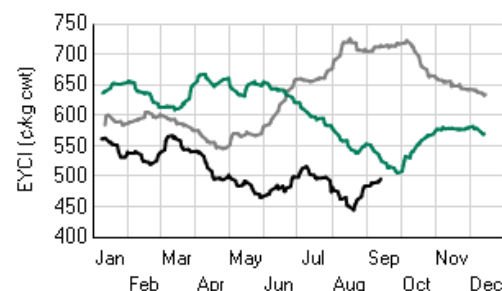
### STORE

- Numbers lifted slightly to 5642 head of plainer quality cattle this week.
- Cattle were drawn from the Maranoa, Warrego and north to Winton.
- Weaner steers were firm for the better end and cheaper for the plainer types, most selling from 250-282c and topping at 290c.
- Steers from 280 to 400kgs followed a similar trend selling to 288c, the bulk from 260-282c.
- Feeder weight steers sold to 288c, and averaged 263c, a fall of 5c.
- Heifers under 280kgs topped at 248c, and sold from 200-242c to be firm to 5c cheaper.
- Heifers in the 280 to 450kg range reached 265c, and ranged from 220-263c to be firm to 4c dearer.
- Heavy cows to kill were 2-6c dearer selling to 246c, the bulk from 190-228c.
- Boner and store cows were firm to 5c dearer selling 150-196c.

### PRIME

- Numbers fell slightly and quality was mixed with 741 head being yarded in Roma this week.
- All the usual processors were in attendance and operating in a market that was cheaper for steers and bullocks while females were dearer.
- Steers and bullocks topped at 285c, the better end selling from 275-284c, US and the plainer types from 245-265c.
- Export weight heifers sold to 268c (sold by C.A. Flower & Co.), the better end from 250-264c, plainer and lighter heifers from 230-254c with all heifers 10-15c dearer.
- Heavy 4 score cows made to 254c (sold by Kelvin and Kathy Rule) and sold from 230-250c a lift of 15-20c.
- Medium weight and 3 score cows topped at 243c and sold from 190-232c to be 10-15c dearer.
- Boner and lightweight cows sold from 125-171c to be 20c dearer, and more in places.
- Bulls sold to a top of 246c.

CATEGORY	LIVEWEIGHT	HSCW	PRICE RANGE	LWT Eq.	MOVEMENT
Trade Feeder Steers	300-400kg	n/a	n/a	260 - 280c	NC
Trade Feeder Heifers	300-400kg	n/a	n/a	240 - 270c	NC
Heavy Feeders	350-500kg	n/a	n/a	260 - 270c	NC
Angus Feeders	380-520kg	n/a	n/a	315 - 345c	NC
0 - 2T (MSA)	530-730kg	240-340kg	500 - 520c	272 - 283c	+10
4 - 8T	550-730kg	300-420kg	470 - 505c	256 - 275c	+10
Cows	440-475kg	200-300kg	385 - 430c	180 - 206c	+15



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### THE WEEK AHEAD

Slaughter throughput in July lifted for all classes of livestock to record an increase of 10% year on year. Cattle carcass weight fell due to the increased percentage of females in the kill and the ongoing dry. The female portion of the kill is now 48% on a year on year comparison, which officially puts the Australian herd in decline. The Aussie dollar is also taking a shellacking, which has seen values lift for export cattle this week. I am still thinking that if numbers lift significantly higher some classes could ease. Feeder cattle are in demand, however high grain prices continue to provide resistance.

### FOR PRIVATE SALE

**8 black polled Simmental/Angus bulls semen tested, vibrio and 3 day shots. Showing good bone, quiet temperament in paddock condition and ready to work @ \$2000 + GST the pick or \$1500 + GST 4 OR MORE**

### ROMA STORE SALE 18 SEPTEMBER 2018

- 80 Santa / Hereford X Steers, 380 - 450 kgs
- 80 Santa / Hereford X Heifers, 200 - 260 kgs
- 100 Angus X Heifers, 200-230 kgs

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**EYCI: 495.75 Up 7.25    30-DAY SOI: -3.60 Up 2.59    AUD \$: US \$: 0.7186 Up 0.0041**

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