

MARKET MACHINATIONS

Friday 5th October 2018

STORE

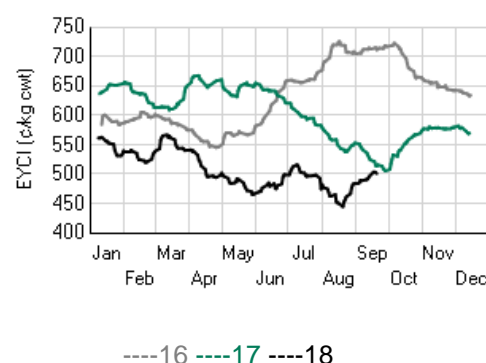
- Roma numbers remained fairly static at 6550 head of plainer quality cattle.
- Cattle were drawn from the usual areas in a market that was dearer for lightweight cattle.
- Steers under 280kgs sold to 318c, though most sold from 240 to 280c to be 8-10c dearer.
- Steers in the 280 to 400kgs range topped at 296c, most from 250 to 275c and were firm.
- Feeders over 400kgs reached 284c and averaged 273c a lift of 5-8c.
- Heifers under 280kgs topped at 260c and ranged from 200 to 240 to be 5-12c higher.
- Heifers from 280 to 450kg sold to 268c (sold by Macam P/L) most from 210 to 252c.
- Cows were cheaper due to quality, the best kill cows topped at 250c and sold from 190 to 240c.
- Store and boner cows sold from 120 to 178c depending upon weight and quality.
- Preg tested cows sold from 140 to 210c.
- Cows and calves ranged from \$700 to \$1000 per unit.



PRIME

- Numbers lifted to 639 head with some very good offerings of HGP free steers penned.
- All the usual processors were in attendance and operating in a market that was dearer for steers and bullocks while females were mixed with quality a problem in places.
- Steers and bullocks sold to 299c, most from 275-285c to be 8-10c dearer.
- Export weight heifers sold to 250c, the better end from 230-245c the plainer types from 190-233c, with heifers quoted firm.
- Heavy 4 score cows made to 254c, the bulk from 200-230c to be firm to 4c cheaper.
- Medium weight and 3 score cows were 8-12c dearer and sold to 227c, most from 180-210c.
- Lightweight and boner cows sold from 120-178c to be dearer.
- Bulls were dearer selling to 264c.

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



THE WEEK AHEAD

The promised rain has materialised though at best you would call it scattered to disappointing. The Maranoa managed to receive scattered storms that ranged anywhere from 2 to 19mm. The strip through from Bollon to St George was also scattered with falls from 2 to 20mm recorded. Heading into NSW rain seems to have been heaviest across the top of the New England. In the Western Plains, the northern end received up to 20mm while areas around Nyngan received up to 70mm. Some very good falls were also recorded in the Central West, with Dubbo receiving up to 40mm. Moving further south to the Riverina falls again were very scattered with areas around Wagga receiving up to 20mm, though some areas on the fringe of the better falls received as little as 2mm. The better falls were great if you were lucky enough to be under it. The big question now will be is this the start of the pattern breaking up & has there been enough received in areas to create more interest in the cattle market, only time will tell.

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EYCI: 480.75 Down 6.25 30-DAY SOI: -9.85 Down 2.88 AUD \$: US \$: 0.7064 Down 0.0151

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