

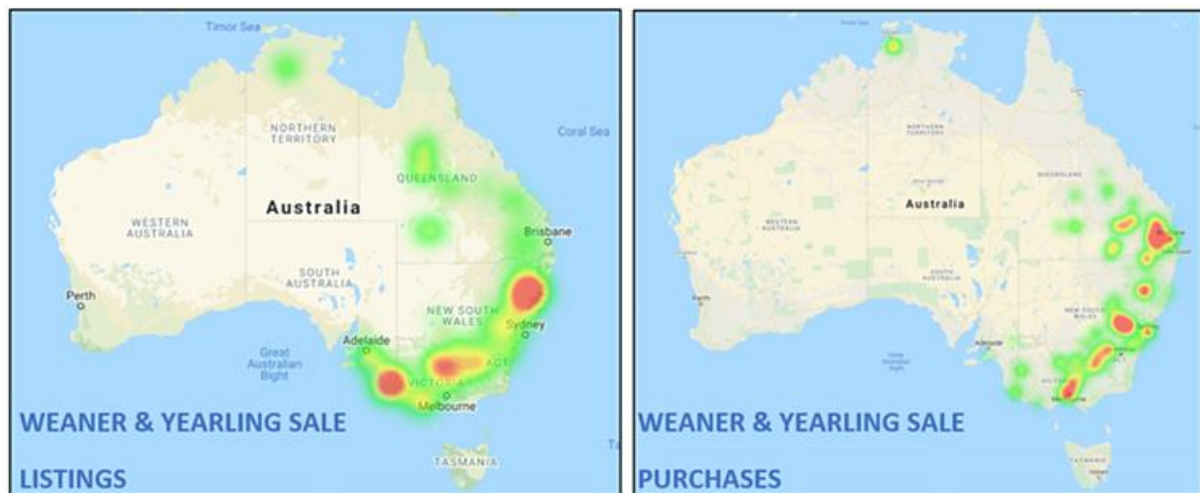
Weekly Cattle Comments - 3.12.21

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The national cattle market looks determined to run flat-out into the final weeks of 2021, with another very good week of clearance results for vendors. As has been the case for much of the past year, the rain continues to dictate the market sentiment, with flooding through key cattle regions, especially in Queensland, likely to impact the market for months to come.



The main feature of this week's results was the conflicting movements within the young cattle categories, with some significant shifts between neighboring weight categories. As 200-280kg steers declined \$31/head for the 1,287 head offered, to average \$1,775/head - the next category up, 280-330kg steers, jumped \$83, to averaged \$2,132/head. Out of Eromonga, Western Queensland, 108 weaned Charolais/Charolais cross steers sold to \$1,940/head – ranging from 152-307kg/head, averaging 229.8kg. 330-400kg steers jumped \$168 on last week, to average \$2,278/head – with a rebound in the weekly clearance rate to 90% for the 953 head offered.

Table 1: [AuctionsPlus National Weekly Cattle Prices](#)

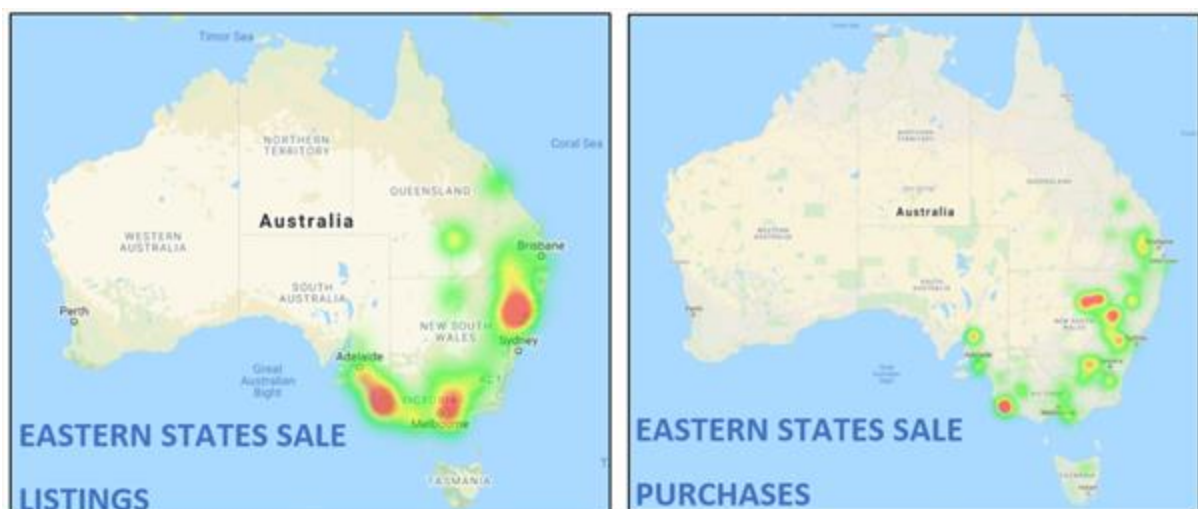
Table 2: [AuctionsPlus Queensland Weekly Cattle Prices](#)

Table 3: [AuctionsPlus Angus Weekly Cattle Prices](#)

Demand for heavy steers exceeding 400kg continues to be very robust, with a 93% clearance rate registered for the 1,128 head offered. The category averaged 7c higher on last week, at 569c/kg lwt. An indicative line of 72 Angus feeder steers, averaging 472.9kg liveweight, out of Oberon NSW, sold to 617.3c/kg, equating to \$2,919/head.

Like the young steer lines, young heifer results were also mixed for the week, with the lightest category results heavily influenced by dairy lines. The largest category with 1,041 head, 330-400kg heifers dropped back \$231 on last week, giving up most of last weeks \$260 increase, to average \$2,145/head – albeit with a 99% clearance rate. Similarly, 280-330kg heifers dropped back \$190, to average \$1,944/head – with a 91% clearance rate for the relatively small offering of 622 head.

For the breeding stock market, PTIC heifers again dominated the offerings, with the very large 2,525 head offered, up 47% on last week, with an 85% clearance rate. The average price for the week felt the impact of the increased numbers, with prices averaging \$147 lower, at \$3,035/head. PTIC cows sold \$154 higher on last week, to average \$3,125/head – with a 93% clearance rate for the 1,092 head offered.



Weekly Cattle Summary – w/e Friday 3rd December, 2021

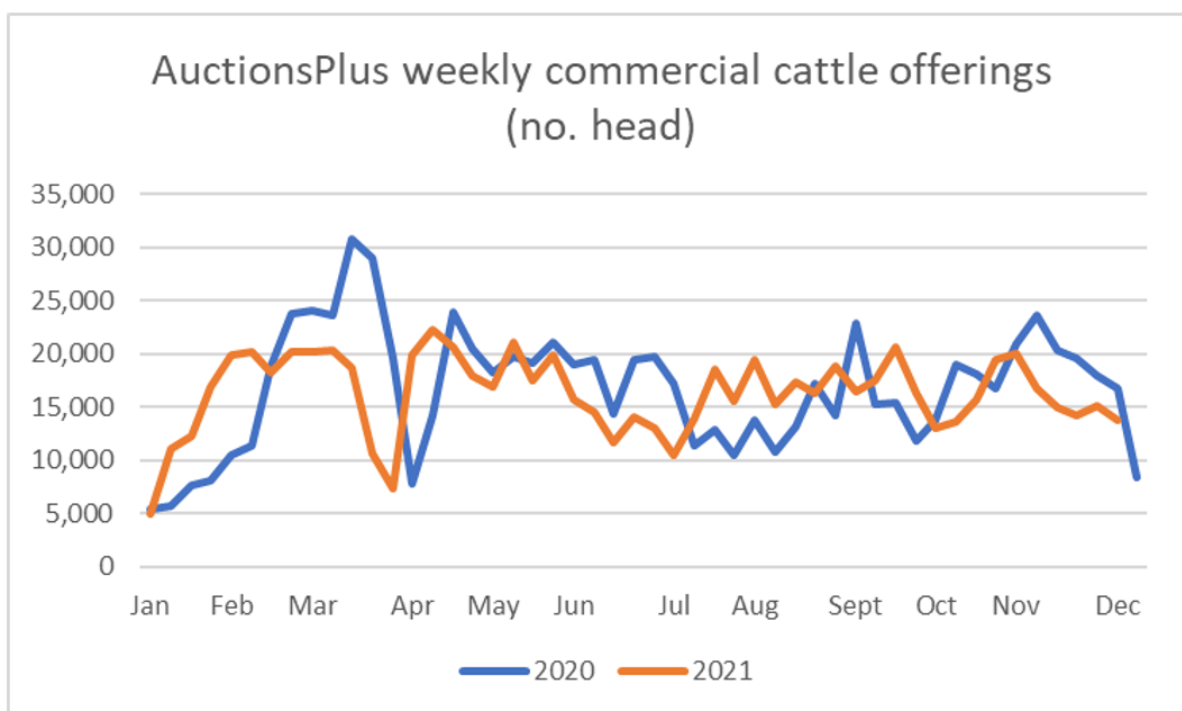


Table 1: AuctionsPlus National Cattle Prices

Classification	Offered	Low	High	Average	Change	Clearance	Low	High	Average	Change
		\$/head					actual ¢/kg lwt			
Steers										
<i>less than 200kg</i>	245	560	1,010	727	-367	76%	348	1,072	580	-231
<i>200.1-280kg</i>	1,287	775	2,800	1,775	-31	88%	341	1,058	716	-7
<i>280.1-330kg</i>	1,392	1,250	2,470	2,132	83	95%	437	833	699	35
<i>330.1-400kg</i>	953	1,420	3,310	2,278	168	90%	411	902	627	49
<i>400.1+kg</i>	1,128	1,890	2,950	2,526	-22	93%	370	646	569	7
Heifers										
<i>less than 200kg</i>	195	780	1,610	1,032	-228	88%	468	1,166	736	-79
<i>200.1-280kg</i>	962	800	2,700	1,721	46	94%	294	1,012	719	-68
<i>280.1-330kg</i>	622	1,530	2,780	1,944	-190	91%	525	864	631	-91
<i>330.1-400kg</i>	1,041	1,820	2,410	2,145	-231	99%	524	686	599	-92
<i>400.1+kg</i>	273	2,060	3,190	2,420	87	63%	413	790	568	108
Breeding Stock										
<i>SM Heifers</i>	75	1,920	3,210	2,446	81	100%	590	717	640	-23
<i>PTIC Heifers</i>	2,525	2,100	4,160	3,035	-147	85%	396	782	619	141
<i>PTIC Cows</i>	1,092	1,900	4,260	3,125	154	93%	373	729	553	97
<i>NSM Heifers & Calves</i>	214	3,200	4,470	3,712	-212	92%	-	-	-	-
<i>NSM Cows & Calves</i>	94	3,000	4,325	3,820	-98	67%	-	-	-	-
<i>SM Heifers & Calves</i>	164	2,730	4,960	4,178	166	100%	-	-	-	-
<i>SM Cows & Calves</i>	779	2,950	5,575	4,109	151	94%	-	-	-	-

Table 2: AuctionsPlus Queensland Cattle Prices

Classification	Offered	Low	High	Average	Change	Clearance	Low	High	Average	Change
		\$ /head						actual c/kg lwt		
Steers										
200.1-280kg	365	1,630	2,140	1,851	-142	100%	600	849	767	-7
280.1-330kg	207	2,000	2,170	2,097	88	100%	633	713	671	4
330.1-400kg	94	2,160	2,325	2,242	28	100%	613	639	626	26
400kg +	197	2,200	2,550	2,406	-29	100%	524	605	571	-12
Heifers										
less than 200kg	34	1,400	1,400	1,400	1	100%	759	759	759	-37
200.1-280kg	210	1,420	2,110	1,756	84	100%	687	875	765	80
280.1-330kg	218	1,750	2,275	2,080	-313	100%	600	700	666	-117
330.1-400kg	198	1,820	2,370	2,149	-570	100%	534	637	609	-151
Breeding Stock										
SM Heifers	56	1,920	1,920	1,920	-125	100%	590	590	590	-17
PTIC Heifers	324	2,100	3,020	2,663	-43	86%	536	723	651	-56
PTIC Cows	311	2,100	2,760	2,463	-123	100%	480	582	530	10
SM Heifers & Calves	33	2,730	2,730	2,730	-670	100%	-	-	-	-
SM Cows & Calves	194	2,950	4,560	3,557	267	100%	-	-	-	-

Table 3: AuctionsPlus Angus Cattle Prices

Classification	Offered	Low	High	Average	Change	Clearance	Low	High	Average	Change	
		\$ /head					actual c/kg lwt				
Steers											
200.1-280kg	209	1,650	2,185	2,036	-69	100%	613	838	781	-48	
280.1-330kg	774	2,150	2,470	2,313	22	96%	685	833	752	35	
330.1-400kg	533	1,920	2,560	2,376	-5	93%	528	749	654	7	
400.1+kg	805	2,370	2,950	2,690	-51	96%	558	646	602	18	
Heifers											
200.1-280kg	274	1,560	2,700	1,873	-50	93%	649	972	746	-36	
280.1-330kg	231	1,650	2,780	2,120	-22	77%	525	864	681	-10	
330.1-400kg	408	1,950	2,410	2,253	5	100%	565	686	613	8	
400.1+kg	231	2,210	2,510	2,351	-98	64%	510	614	568	6	
Breeding Stock											
SM Heifers	10	3,210	3,210	3,210	890	100%	717	717	717	68	
PTIC Heifers	1,395	2,450	4,160	3,260	-51	82%	453	782	641	-53	
PTIC Cows	674	2,310	4,260	3,437	279	95%	373	729	574	59	
NSM Heifers & Calves	129	3,575	4,470	3,912	-	95%					
NSM Cows & Calves	45	3,800	4,250	4,030	-97	100%	-	-	-	-	
SM Heifers & Calves	50	4,400	4,660	4,526	20	100%	-	-	-	-	
SM Cows & Calves	208	3,250	5,220	4,572	274	100%	-	-	-	-	