

MARKET REPORT CHARTERS TOWERS SALE

Wednesday 15th FEBRUARY 2012

Charters Towers Combined Agents yarded a total of **725 Cattle**.

Consisting of **455 Prime Cattle** and **270 Store Cattle**.

Prime Cattle yarded: 58 Bullocks, 40 Heifers, 313 Cows and 44 Bulls.

Store Cattle yarded: 152 Steers, 118 Heifers and 27 Cows & Calves.

Prime Quotes:

Cattle consisted of just a few bullocks yarded and the main lines of cattle consisted of cows and bulls. The yarding was drawn from Winton, Forsayth, Ingham, Kidston, Hughenden, Georgetown, Alligator Creek, Local and Coastal areas. The market opened up cheaper on the first Prime & Store sale on all descriptions compared to the last sale in 2011.

Description	Category	Wt. Range	Head	Price in cents/kg		
				Lowest	Average	Highest
Heifers	Medium	Up to 440kg	38	126.2	141.5	162.2
	Heavy	Over 440kg	2	162.2	162.2	162.2
Cows	Medium	Up to 400kg	22	100.0	112.4	115.2
	Heavy	Over 400kg	110	121.2	136.2	144.2
Steers & Bullocks	Medium	Up to 500kg	38	75.0	132.2	150.2
	Heavy	Over 500kg	11	164.2	164.2	164.2
Bulls	Heavy	Over 450kg	22	110.0	119.7	141.2

- Bullocks topped at 164.2¢/kg for 11 Ox sold on A/c T & M Carr, "Huntley Park" Seilheim, weighing 535kg to return \$879 per head.
- Top priced Trade Heifers were presented on A/c DG & JE Cairns, "Coolibah Station" Hughenden, making 162.2¢/kg to weigh 416.7kg and return \$757 per head.
- The top pen of Cows were sold on A/c DG & JE Cairns, "Rokeby" Hughenden, for 144.2¢/kg to weigh 524kg and return \$756 per head.
- Bulls sold on A/c PG & RC Terry, "Robin Hood" Forsayth, topped at 141.2¢/kg and weighed 690kg to return \$974 per head.

Store Quotes:

Store cattle were of mixed quality and with mostly small lines of cattle yarded on a lack lustre market where the buyers gallery were very selective and seeking mostly quality lots.

Description	Wt. Range	Head	Price in cents/kg		
			Lowest	Average	Highest
Heifers	Up to 200	10	84.2	132.8	170.0
	200 – 320	98	61.2	122.0	180.0
	320 – 400	2	125.2	125.2	125.2
	400 – 500	8	140.2	146.2	148.2
Steers	Up to 200	22	127.2	178.4	205.0
	200 – 320	104	120.0	156.7	187.2
	320 – 400	25	115.2	149.7	164.2
	400 -500	1	120.2	120.2	120.2

- A pen of 8 Steers A/c E & B Young, "Miners Rest" Charters Towers, made 205¢/kg weighed 170kg and realised \$349 per head.
- Heifers sold on A/c RA & PM Wakeford, "Gainses" Charters Towers, made 180¢/kg, weighed 205kg and returned a good average of \$369 per head.
- Cows & Calves sold on A/c E & B Young, "Miners Rest" Charters Towers, returned \$780 per head.

The next Prime & Store Sale is booked for Wednesday 22nd February 2012 with 1500 Prime & Store Cattle already booked

*** Please note that the Store sale booked for Friday 24th February 2012 has been cancelled ***