



27 MARCH 2020

## DETAILED SALEYARD REPORT – CATTLE

Market information provided by MLA's National Livestock Reporting Service

### CTLX Carcoar

CTLX Carcoar report date 24 March 2020

#### Yarding 1330

It was a fair quality yarding with the usual good lines of young cattle to suit the feeders and processors. There were limited numbers of grown steers and heifers penned, and the cow quality was back. Most of the regular buyers were in attendance and operating.

Young cattle to the trade were around firm with the prime steer yearlings making from 350c to 409c, while the heifer yearlings sold from 330c to 411c/kg. Feeder steers were 4c to 8c cheaper, while the feeder heifers were firm to 4c cheaper. The feeder steers sold from 350c to 420c, while the feeder heifers sold from 346c to 407c/kg. Young cattle to the restockers were cheaper with the steers making from 330c to 470c, while the young heifers sold to 413c/kg.

The few prime grown steers were 15c dearer selling from 300c to 361c, while the grown heifers were firm making to 359c/kg. Cows were up to 20c cheaper, with the 2 scores selling from 245c to 272c to the processors, and 288c to the restockers. The better 3 and 4 scores to processors sold from 267c to 290c, with the prime heavy weights averaging 282c/kg. Bulls sold to 312c/kg.

## DETAILED SALEYARD REPORT - SHEEP AND LAMB

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CTLX Carcoar report date 25 March 2020

#### Yarding 8300 Lambs 5200 Sheep 3100

It was a good quality yarding with a good selection of both trade and heavy weight lambs throughout. There was also a pretty good selection of lambs to suit the restockers and

## CORONA VIRUS

At this stage, JJ Dresser & Co are still operating as normal.

Saleyard sales are still taking place, but it is requested that producers do not attend the sale. If you wish to buy stock, please notify one of our staff prior to the sale and they will arrange that on your behalf.

We still have good supplies of animal health products, dog feed etc. and will continue to obtain supplies.

Please stay safe!

feeders. Not all the regular buyers were operating in a tougher market.

Light weight lambs to the processors were up to \$20 cheaper with the 12kg to 18kg 2 scores selling from \$60 to \$135/head. Trade lambs were \$10 to \$15 cheaper with the new season lambs selling from \$166 to \$211/head. Trade weight old lambs sold from \$148 to \$216/head to average between 880c and 900c/kg cwt. Heavy weight lambs were up to \$20 cheaper with the over 24kg 4 scores selling from \$194 to \$243/head. Restocker lambs were up to \$6 cheaper selling from \$106 to \$191, while the feeders paid from \$167 to \$188/head. Hoggets sold to \$200/head.

It was a plainer quality yarding of sheep where most grades were \$3 to \$9/head cheaper. Merino ewes sold from \$62 to \$170 while crossbred ewes sold from \$85 to \$233/head. Merino wethers sold from \$65 to \$180/head. Carcase prices ranged from 590c to 660c/kg cwt. The restockers paid from \$202 to \$221/head for aged first cross ewes scanned in lamb to the Poll Dorset ram.

## **DETAILED SALEYARD REPORT - SHEEP AND LAMB**

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**Cowra** report date 27 March 2020

**Yarding** 3435 **Lambs** 2770 **Sheep** 665

Lamb numbers were down and quality was good for the trade and heavy weights. There were mainly trade weights penned along with some heavy and extra heavy lambs, while the lighter and store grades were limited in supply. All the usual buyers were operating in a cheaper market.

Light lambs averaged \$142 while stores sold from \$74 to \$100/head. Trade weight lambs were \$10 to \$15 cheaper and sold from \$170 to \$200/head. Heavy weight lambs were \$15 to \$25 cheaper and sold from \$200 to \$212, while the extra heavy weights sold from \$212 to a top of \$270/head.

Mutton numbers were steady and quality continues to be mixed and prices eased. Heavy first cross ewe sold from \$155 to \$176, while extra heavy first cross ewes sold from \$183 to \$232/head.

## **DETAILED SALEYARD REPORT – WEANER**

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**CTLX Carcoar Weaner Sale**

**CTLX Carcoar** report date 24 March 2020

**Yarding** 6000

The annual blue ribbon weaner sale attracted a good yarding of cattle. Most cattle fell into the weight range of 200 to 260kg. Heavier weights were in short supply. Despite a few restrictions in crowd numbers, buying competition was strong on all of the weaners. Angus and Angus X weaners continue to hold the majority of the market which sold to a firm to slightly stronger trend.

Light weaner steers under 200kg sold from \$545 to \$1,020/head or from 475c to 520c/kg on average. Medium weight steers sold from \$930 to \$1,205 or from 460c to 500c/kg on average and heavy Angus weaner steers reached \$1,500/head.

Light heifers received from \$550 to \$1,080/head or 440c to 470c/kg on average. Medium weights, 200 to 280kg sold from \$800 to \$1,140 and heavy weights topped at \$1,380/head. Most of the Angus and Angus X heifers sold from 390c to 440c/kg.

## UPCOMING SALES & EVENTS

17 April – CTLX Store Cattle Sale

5 May 2021 – Woodstock Field Day

## UPCOMING LLS EVENTS

### SOIL AND PASTURE HEALTH WORKSHOP - MUDGEE

A two half-day workshop over 6 weeks investigating soil health, soil fertility, soil testing and impacts on pasture production and sustainability.

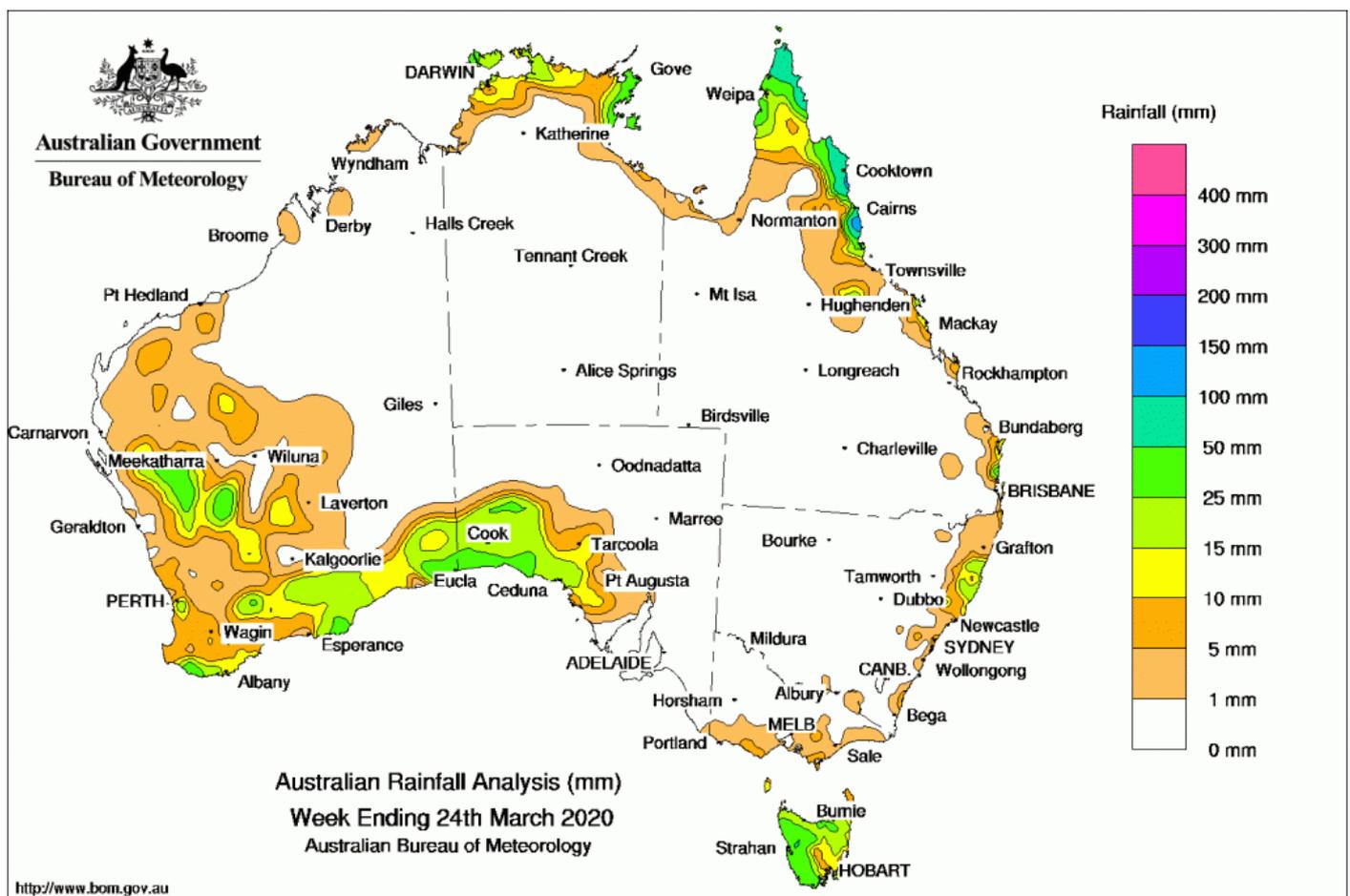
[Thursday, 2 April 2020](#)

### 1080/PINDONE TRAINING - BATHURST

Free course covering topics such as baiting techniques, toxicity, storage, transport, legislation and WH&S, with an optional Canid Pest Ejector component.

[Tuesday, 14 April 2020](#)

## WEEKLY RAIN FALL WRAP UP – 25 MARCH



## SALEYARD OPERATIONS

Australia's livestock industry has welcomed today's assurance from Agriculture Minister, David Littleproud, that saleyards will continue to operate.

Ensuring continuity in food supply at this difficult time is of critical importance and livestock selling centres are a key component of the food supply chain.

Saleyard operators, agents, buyers, processors and producers are acutely aware of the immense challenge the COVID-19 health emergency presents. Reducing the risk of exposure to and spread of COVID19 is essential.

The industry welcomed the opportunity to discuss with Minister Littleproud, the unified position sector had reached in the management of sales and to reiterate our commitment to ensuring saleyards were as safe possible, when it comes to COVID-19.

The management decisions agreed on include:

- Limiting attendance at sales to essential saleyard site staff, accredited livestock agents and essential agency staff along with genuine buyers with a true intention to purchase.
- All other individuals, who are not essential to the sale process, should not attend the selling facility. Livestock transporters will still be able to access saleyard facilities for unloading and loading of livestock.
- The putting in place of on-ground systems and protocols to manage attendance in line with the above position.

These measures will build on the range of measures that have already been introduced in saleyards across the country in response to the COVID-19 health emergency.

Today's decision by Minister Littleproud and the Morrison Government is a continued recognition of agriculture and the food supply chain as essential services.

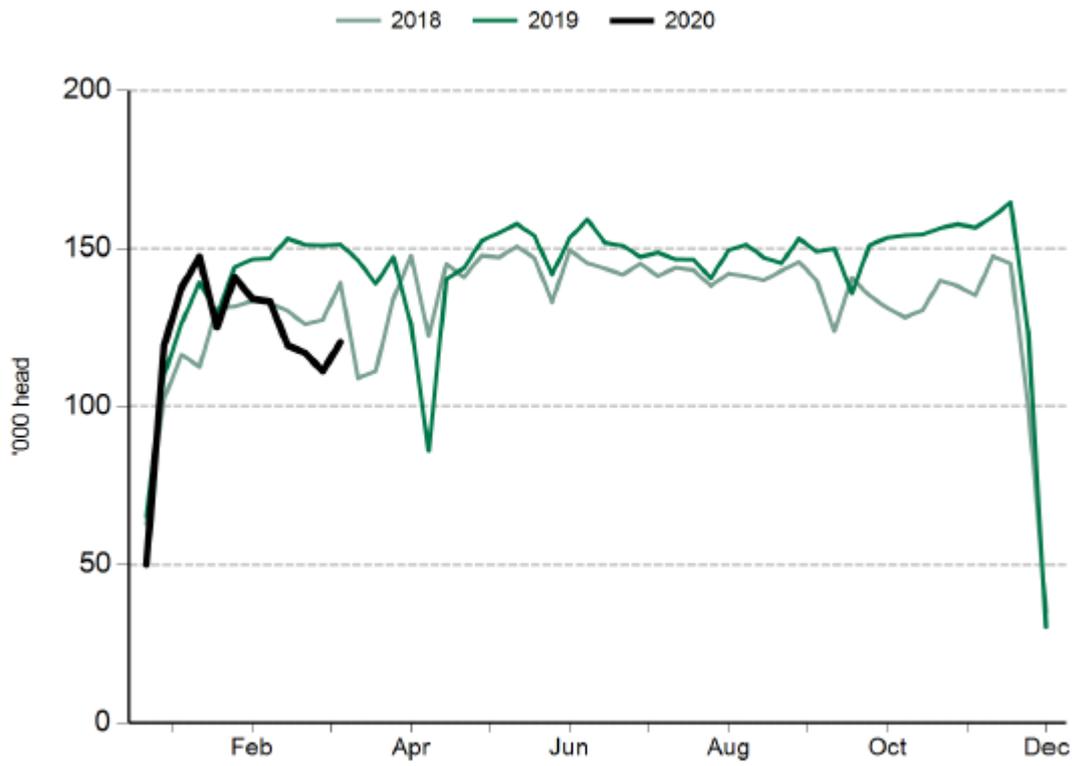
Saleyard operators, agents, buyers, processors and producers thank the Government for their ongoing dialogue as the COVID-19 situation evolves, which has led to this pragmatic and common-sense decision today.

The decision allows our sector to get on with producing world's best red meat for Australians, in what are challenging times for our nation.

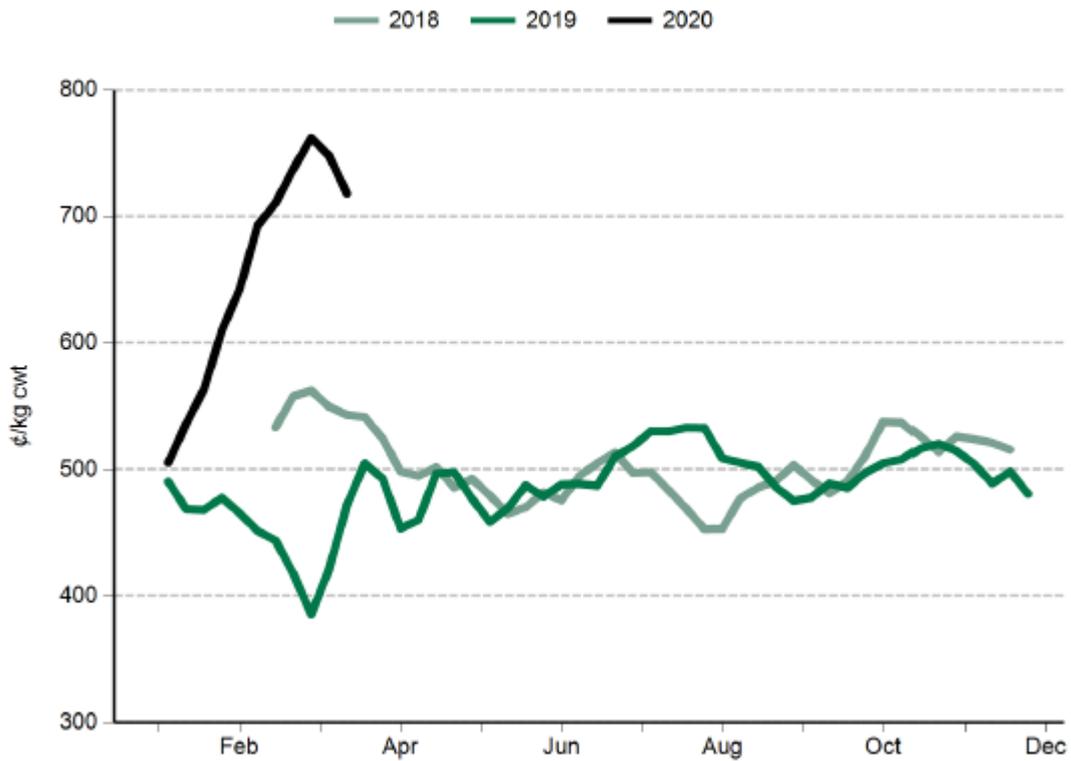
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## USUAL CHARTS & GRAPHS

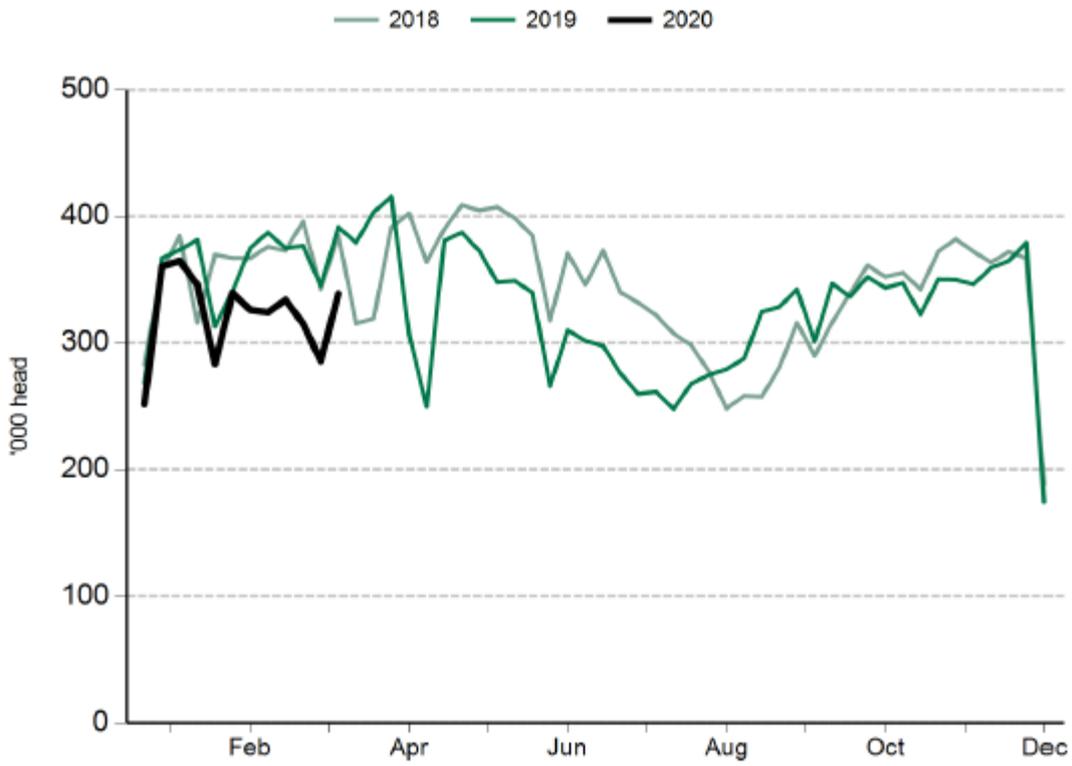
### Cattle slaughter



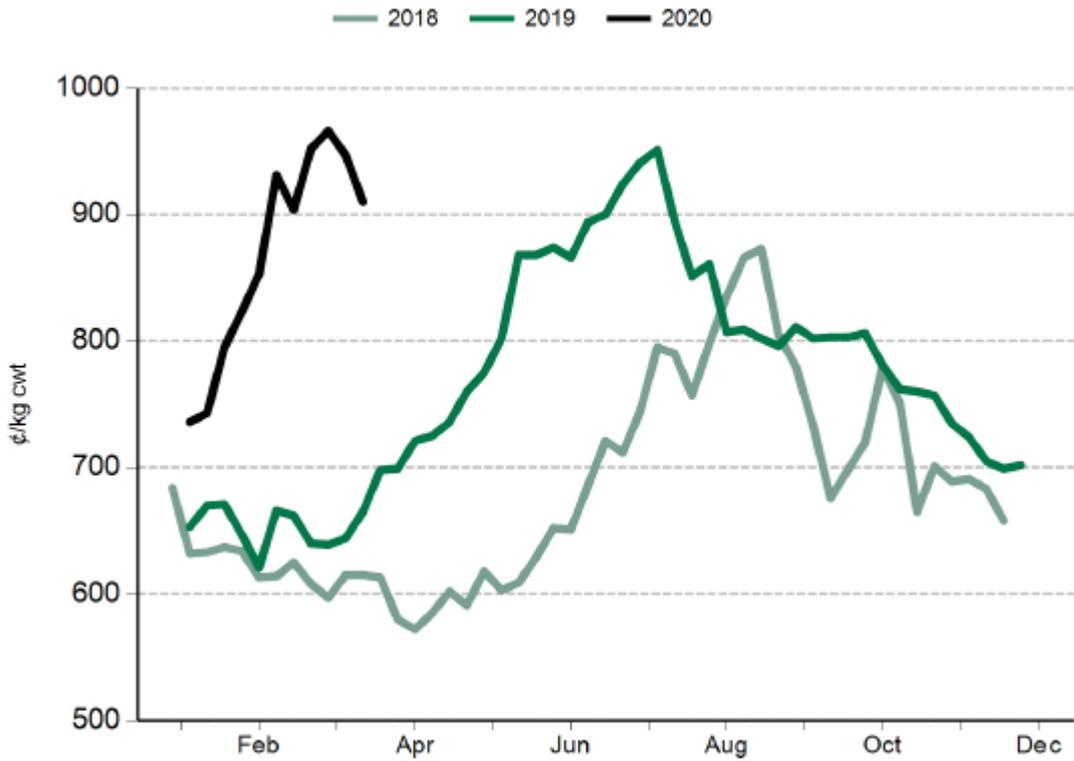
### Eastern Young Cattle Indicator (EYCI)



### Lamb slaughter



### Eastern States Trade Lamb Indicator (ESTLI)







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### ADVOCACY IN ACTION

**Border controls information** - In response to the ongoing COVID-19 outbreak, the State and Territories are currently in various states of preparedness with regard to their individual border controls, however the agricultural supply chain is expected to continue trading across borders.

The Minister for Agriculture, David Littleproud, has also announced that Australia's food production and supply chain will not be affected by coronavirus shutdowns, deeming food production and supply as an essential service. Currently, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania and Western Australia have border restrictions in place.

**Telstra** - Telstra is providing their consumer and small business home broadband customers (ADSL, NBN and Cable) with unlimited data at no additional charge on their plan until 30 April 2020. The data, which will be provided automatically, will help facilitate videoconferencing; voice over Wi-Fi, and cloud connectivity, all important tools when working from home or in isolation.

**NSW Farmers** has a [COVID19 Resource Page](#) on our website (under Industry & Policy) with the very latest information from state and federal governments, telecommunication companies, the education and health sectors; as well as other industry bodies and more. The COVID19 crisis is changing rapidly. We urge you to check this page regularly. We inform members daily on the latest developments affecting the agriculture sector.

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