Report Date: 21/03/2024

Saleyard: Emerald

Total Yarding: 1958 (-638)

Numbers at Emerald Sale decreased by 638 head to 1958 head. Cattle came to hand from as far away as Richmond along with numbers of local cattle from Nebo, and local shires. Condition on cattle was mostly good to forward with a few light conditioned young cattle from the Nebo district. Competition from slaughter operators was very subdued with values for prime cows falling 27c/kg, similar to other sales in the region. Light weight yearling steers made to 379c/kg to return averages from 302c to 349c/kg for the better bred pens. Medium weight pens averaged 310c to 349c/kg. Light weight yearling heifers averaged 203c to 226c/kg and sold to 265c/kg at times for the best presented lines. Medium weight pens sold to a top of 247c/kg, averaging 203c to 238 c/kg. Grown steers to feedlots topped at 313c/kg to average 233c to 313c/kg. A few bullocks sold to processors and livex from 266c to 285c/kg. Grown heifers to trade buyers averaged from 200c to 229c/kg.. Those to feed averaged 200c to 247c/kg. Heavy, four score cows averaged 191c/kg with the tops selling for 199c/kg. Heavy bulls to livex averaged 239c/kg with sales to 249c/kg. Processors purchased heavy bulls to average 212c/kg.

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