

# LIVESTOCKEYE

## TAUPO CATTLE

R2 STEER  
ANG  
279 - 322KG  
**2.28 - 2.33**

R2 HEIFER  
ANG  
295KG  
**2.26**

R2 HEIFER  
HERE/FR  
378 - 473KG  
**2.11 - 2.11**

WEANER HEIFER  
HERE/FR  
183 - 200KG  
**360 - 400**

WEANER BULL  
FR  
191 - 221KG  
**405 - 470**

### VIEWPOINT



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## Mixed market for Taupo sale

A mixed market eventuated at the Taupo cattle sale, with reasonable demand found for a moderate yarding of older cattle while buyers were more selective on the weaners.

Entries were down 50 head on advertised and feed level concerns are creeping in as frosts herald the approach of winter. Level two restrictions meant that attendance at the sale was limited to just buyers, all of which were local.

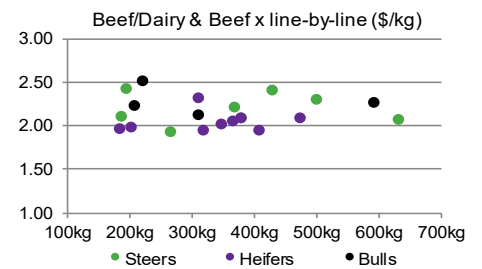
Considering the current market environment returns for R2 cattle were satisfactory, as the top Angus steers achieved \$2.19-\$2.24/kg and the lighter end at 279-322kg still managed \$2.28-\$2.33/kg. These prices were matched by one line apiece of Angus and Hereford-Friesian heifers, though most of the

trading in this section occurred at the \$1.96-\$2.11/kg level.

Weaners proved to be harder to entice bids out for, and vendors met the market on most. Steers ranged from \$390 to \$590 for a mainly beef-cross line up. A heavy pen of Angus-cross featured in the heifer pens with two lines of predominantly traditional blood making \$2.02-\$2.08/kg. The pick of the section was 289kg Simmental-cross which sold for \$650, \$2.25/kg, while Hereford-Friesian, 183-200kg, looked to be good buying at \$360-\$400.

A mix of weaner bulls resulted in a wide variance in price with Shorthorn, 219kg, standing out from the bunch at \$550, \$2.52/kg. Friesian, 191-221kg, sold over a tight range of \$2.12-\$2.12/kg.

Store cattle tallies				
	Weaner	R2	R3+	Total
Steer	31	50	2	83
Heifer	52	76	-	128
Bull	74	-	1	75
Cow	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>350</b>



Average Sale Prices				
Age/Class	Breed	kg	\$/hd	\$/kg
R2 Steer	Traditional	325	730	2.25
R2 Heifer	Beef/Dairy	350	745	2.12

### STORE CATTLE

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
<b>R3 STEER</b>					
Here/Fr	2		630	1310	2.08
<b>R3 BULL</b>					
Here x	1		590	1340	2.27
<b>R2 STEER</b>					
Ang	2		515	1130	2.19
Ang	8		344	770	2.24
Ang	4		330	680	2.06
Ang	18		279 - 322	650 - 735	2.28 - 2.33
Here x	6		498	1150	2.31
Here x	5		426	1030	2.42
Here/Fr	3		377	790	2.10
Here/Fr	4		368	820	2.23
<b>R2 HEIFER</b>					
Ang	15		295	665	2.26
Char/Ang	8		308	660	2.15
Here x	8		406	795	1.96
Ang/Fr	11		363	750	2.07
Here/Fr	12		378 - 473	795 - 995	2.11 - 2.11
Here/Fr	10		317	620	1.96
Here/Fr	12		309	720	2.33

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
<b>WEANER STEER</b>					
Ang x	4		193	470	2.44
Here	2		250	590	2.36
Here x	8		264	510	1.93
Sim x	11		198	450	2.27
Here/Fr	6		185	390	2.11
<b>WEANER HEIFER</b>					
Ang x	14		346	700	2.02
Here	4		253	525	2.08
Lim x	8		246	450	1.83
Lim x	7		203	400	1.97
Sim x	9		289	650	2.25
Here/Fr	10		183 - 200	360 - 400	1.97 - 2.00
<b>WEANER BULL</b>					
Here x	2		310	660	2.13
S.Horn	7		219	550	2.52
Here/Fr	12		205	460	2.24
Fr	42		191 - 221	405 - 470	2.12 - 2.13
xBred	7		136	280	2.06
xBred	4		130	150	1.15