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Detailed saleyard report - sheep and lamb

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Cow	ra		report date	08 Aug 2014				
Yarding Change	8070 930	Lambs Change	6910 850	Sheep Change	1160 80	comparison date	01/08/2014	

Lamb numbers increased slightly and quality improved with the new seasons showing plenty of finish. The old grades were also well presented and there were mainly trade and heavyweights penned with 3,700 young lambs offered. There were a limited numbers of stores and all the buyers were operating along with one extra. Competition was solid, resulting in a firm market.

Light new season lambs to restockers averaged from \$43 to \$78/head. Medium and heavy trade weight young lambs were firm and averaged around 526c/kg cwt. Most of the heavy trade weights sold from \$115 to \$123/head. Heavy weight young lambs were also firm and averaged 503c/kg cwt, while the pen of extra heavy weight young lambs sold from \$134.50/head with an estimated carcass weight of 26kg.

Trade weight old lambs were firm and averaged from 473c to 505c/kg cwt or \$94 to \$103/head. Heavyweights were also firm and averaged around 480c/kg cwt, with a few pens from \$130 to a top of \$138.50/head.

Mutton numbers remained steady for a mixed yarding. Medium weight first cross ewes were up to \$7 dearer and averaged \$62, while heavy wethers averaged \$79.70/head or 300c/kg cwt.

Category Weight	% Yard	Sale Prefix	Fat Score	\$/Head				Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg				2	Skin (\$)	
				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low		High	Avg	Change	Low	High
Young La	mb													
0-12	0	RS	2	43.00	- 43.00	43.00	N/Q	333	-	333	333	N/Q	3.00	- 3.00
12.1-16	1	RS	2	76.00	- 76.00	76.00	11	444	-	444	444	-6	5.00	- 5.00
16.1-18	1	RS	3	78.00	- 78.00	78.00	N/Q	406	-	406	406	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
18.1-20	1		2	60.00	- 60.00	60.00	N/Q	290	-	290	290	N/Q	2.00	- 2.00
	6		3	95.00	-115.00	106.10	-2	474	-	550	517	-18	5.00	- 5.00
20.1-22	12		3	112.00	-123.00	118.40	1	509	-	538	526	3	5.00	- 6.00
22.1-24	19		3	120.00	-125.60	122.60	-1	479	-	517	503	-1	4.00	- 6.00
24.1-26	1		3	128.00	-134.50	130.20	N/Q	488	-	494	490	N/Q	6.00	- 6.00
				43.00	134.50			290		550			2.00	6.00
Lamb														
16.1-18	0		3	86.00	- 86.00	86.00	N/Q	456	-	456	456	N/Q	4.00	- 4.00
	1	MR	3	49.20	- 49.20	49.20	N/Q	257	-	257	257	N/Q	3.00	- 3.00
18.1-20	3	MR	3	55.00	- 74.50	65.20	-7	274	-	333	305	-43	3.00	- 8.00
	3		3	92.00	-100.00	94.30	1	435	-	505	453	-11	4.00	- 5.00
20.1-22	4		3	92.00	-109.00	103.10	-2	396	-	473	451	-11	4.00	- 5.00
	3	MR	3	85.00	- 85.00	85.00	N/Q	350	-	350	350	N/Q	8.00	- 8.00
	1	DP	3	103.00	-103.00	103.00	21	464	-	464	464	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
22.1-24	3		4	113.00	-125.00	117.30	2	470	-	500	478	-15	5.00	- 5.00
24.1-26	6		4	119.00	-131.00	124.10	-4	456	-	484	471	-9	4.00	- 6.00
26.1-30	3		4	128.00	-138.50	132.70	-1	439	-	477	465	-12	5.00	- 5.00
				49.20	138.50			257		505			1.00	8.00
Hogget														
22.1+	1		4	80.00	- 94.00	83.90	N/Q	300	-	342	312	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
				80.00	94.00			300		342			5.00	5.00
Ewe														
18.1-24	1	MR	2	52.00	- 55.00	53.80	N/Q	245	-	260	254	N/Q	3.00	- 3.00
	1	MR	3	67.00	- 67.00	67.00	9	258	_	258	258	-5	5.00	- 5.00
	1	1X	3	58.00	- 64.00	62.20	7	255	_	265	262	32	2.00	- 3.00
24.1+	3	1X	4	83.00	- 90.00	85.90	9	249	_	293	264	16	4.00	- 6.00

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				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	
				52.00	90.00			245	293			2.00	6.00	
Wether														
18.1-24	2	MR	2	59.00	- 59.00	59.00	N/Q	285	- 285	285	N/Q	2.00	- 2.00	
	2	MR	3	67.00	- 67.00	67.00	-4	278	- 278	278	-9	3.00	- 3.00	
24.1+	2	MR	4	78.00	- 88.00	79.70	N/Q	271	- 304	299	N/Q	2.00	- 12.00	
				59.00	88.00			271	304			2.00	12.00	
Ram														
0-26	0	MR	3	48.00	- 48.00	48.00	N/Q	162	- 162	162	N/Q	6.00	- 6.00	
26.1+	0		4	48.00	- 48.00	48.00	N/Q	132	- 132	132	N/Q	3.00	- 3.00	
				48.00	48.00			132	162			3.00	6.00	

Abbreviations

CATTLE FD: Feeder RS: Restocker GF: Grainfed DA: Dairy PC: Pastoral Cattle SHEEP & LAMB RS: Restocker MR: Merino RM: Restocker Merino 1X: 1st Cross FD:

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