

Detailed saleyard report - sheep and lamb

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Yarding Change	42354 5640	Lambs Change	34750 5736	Sheep Change	7604 -96	comparison date	28/10/2014
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Lamb numbers increased again this week to a seasonal high yarding of nearly 35,000 head. Quality was very good for the lead drafts of young lambs, but weight and finish tailed-off quickly and a big percentage of the offering comprised of lighter store lambs. All the regular buyers operated plus an additional meatworks from Junee in NSW which came south for the first time this week. Prices for the good quality export and trade slaughter lambs were firm to slightly dearer in places, while strong competition from store lamb buyers resulted in a dearer trend of \$2 to \$8/head for most light lambs. The market reached a top of \$139 for export lambs, but there weren't many heavy lambs in the yarding and sales over \$120/head were fairly limited.

Competition for store lambs was strong with most sales to the paddock at \$72 to \$90, with the lines of better bred young lambs averaging over \$80/head. Store lambs sold to Bendigo, Shepparton, Birchip, Wagga and the local Ballarat area. There was a flat spot in the market for plainly bred and finished 18-20kg cwt lambs, with sales in this category working-out cheaper. The bulk of the young lambs suitable for slaughter were trade weights which sold from \$95 to \$118/head, with most sales averaging an estimated 450c to 460c/kg cwt. About 25 pens of 24-26kg cwt lambs sold from \$120 to \$129. Only about 14 pens of extra heavy export lambs sold above \$130 to the market top of \$139/head.

Prices for the best quality Merino and crossbred sheep were dearer, gaining \$11/head and more in places. The better quality slaughter sheep with weight and finish were estimated at 280c to 300c/kg cwt. Heavy crossbred ewes sold to \$92 and Merino wethers in a big skin made to \$96/head. Very plain and light sheep, however, showed a cheaper trend.

Category Weight	% Yard	Sale Prefix	Fat Score	\$/Head				Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg				Skin (\$)		
				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	
Young Lamb														
0-12	0	1X	2	48.00	-48.00	48.00	-7	392	-	392	392	-38	1.00	- 1.00
	2	RS	2	40.00	-59.00	52.20	2	317	-	510	462	-17	1.00	- 2.00
12.1-16	8	RS	2	50.00	-81.00	69.20	4	350	-	488	439	30	1.00	- 4.00
	6	1X	2	61.00	-75.50	69.90	9	381	-	465	425	44	2.00	- 5.00
	0	MR	2	62.00	-62.00	62.00	N/Q	363	-	363	363	N/Q	4.00	- 4.00
	0	DP	2	68.00	-68.00	68.00	N/Q	447	-	447	447	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
16.1-18	0	DP	2	65.00	-65.00	65.00	N/Q	377	-	377	377	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
	0		2	84.00	-84.00	84.00	1	439	-	439	439	-3	5.00	- 5.00
	3	1X	2	62.00	-88.00	75.00	N/Q	364	-	461	415	N/Q	2.00	- 5.00
	9	RS	2	72.00	-91.00	78.90	N/C	389	-	478	437	11	2.00	- 6.00
	0	RS	3	75.00	-75.00	75.00	N/Q	400	-	400	400	N/Q	3.00	- 3.00
	1	1X	3	73.00	-85.00	79.20	N/Q	378	-	444	413	N/Q	4.00	- 6.00
18.1-20	0	DP	2	72.00	-92.00	80.50	N/Q	363	-	456	403	N/Q	3.00	- 3.00
	1	1X	2	76.50	-82.00	79.50	N/Q	392	-	423	409	N/Q	4.00	- 5.00
	1	RS	2	84.00	-92.00	86.80	N/Q	416	-	458	437	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
	1	RS	3	80.00	-90.00	85.50	-10	400	-	437	415	-37	3.00	- 6.00
	1		3	86.00	-94.00	90.10	-3	405	-	463	426	-23	5.00	- 7.00
	6	1X	3	75.00	-98.00	86.00	N/Q	368	-	461	418	N/Q	4.00	- 9.00
20.1-22	3	1X	3	90.00	-106.00	99.20	N/Q	391	-	457	433	N/Q	6.00	- 8.00
	7		3	91.00	-116.00	103.20	-2	405	-	496	448	-9	4.00	- 8.00
	1	RS	3	92.00	-105.50	97.80	N/Q	414	-	452	434	N/Q	5.00	- 6.00
22.1-24	5		3	105.00	-124.00	112.10	-4	417	-	483	446	-18	7.00	- 8.00
24.1-26	3		3	115.00	-132.00	125.50	2	428	-	477	460	-3	8.00	- 9.00
	0		4	120.00	-120.00	120.00	N/Q	444	-	444	444	N/Q	9.00	- 9.00
26.1-30	0		3	126.00	-133.00	130.60	4	437	-	459	451	6	8.00	- 9.00
	0	1X	3	137.50	-137.50	137.50	N/Q	480	-	480	480	N/Q	8.00	- 8.00
	0	1X	4	139.00	-139.00	139.00	N/Q	473	-	473	473	N/Q	9.00	- 9.00

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				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High		
	1		4	128.00	-137.50	131.70	4	436	-	450	440	-1	9.00	-	9.00
				40.00	139.00			317		510			1.00		9.00
Lamb															
0-12	0	1X	1	21.00	-21.00	21.00	N/Q	210	-	210	210	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
12.1-16	0	MR	2	22.00	-22.00	22.00	N/Q	157	-	157	157	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
16.1-18	0	MR	2	65.00	-65.00	65.00	N/Q	359	-	359	359	N/Q	4.00	-	4.00
	0	RS	2	81.00	-81.00	81.00	N/Q	450	-	450	450	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
18.1-20	0	MR	2	70.00	-70.00	70.00	N/Q	320	-	320	320	N/Q	6.00	-	6.00
	0	RS	3	85.00	-85.00	85.00	N/Q	425	-	425	425	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
20.1-22	0	1X	3	92.00	-92.00	92.00	29	424	-	424	424	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
22.1-24	0	1X	3	81.00	-86.00	84.20	9	326	-	381	361	66	0.00	-	6.00
24.1-26	0	1X	3	110.00	-110.00	110.00	N/Q	431	-	431	431	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
				21.00	110.00			157		450			0.00		6.00
Hogget															
0-22	0	1X	2	50.00	-67.00	65.30	N/Q	250	-	305	299	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	0	MR	2	31.00	-44.00	39.10	-10	221	-	293	267	-3	0.00	-	0.00
	0	MR	3	82.00	-82.00	82.00	28	346	-	346	346	N/Q	6.00	-	6.00
	0	1X	3	70.00	-70.00	70.00	N/Q	318	-	318	318	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
22.1+	1	1X	3	68.00	-95.00	83.00	13	258	-	391	330	58	0.00	-	6.00
	0	1X	4	100.00	-100.00	100.00	N/Q	385	-	385	385	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
				31.00	100.00			221		391			0.00		6.00
Ewe															
0-14	0	MR	1	26.00	-26.00	26.00	N/Q	236	-	236	236	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	0	1X	2	35.00	-35.00	35.00	N/Q	250	-	250	250	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	0	MR	2	38.00	-42.00	38.70	-3	271	-	286	275	-17	0.00	-	2.00
14.1-18	0	MR	1	15.00	-32.00	22.00	N/Q	103	-	213	148	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	0	1X	2	44.00	-55.00	46.80	-7	256	-	306	265	-19	0.00	-	0.00
	2	MR	2	25.00	-55.00	44.70	-6	172	-	325	279	1	0.00	-	2.00
18.1-24	3	MR	2	42.00	-80.00	63.80	N/C	221	-	333	289	-4	0.00	-	12.00
	1	1X	2	55.00	-66.00	60.80	-1	250	-	296	265	-19	0.00	-	4.00
	1	MR	3	53.00	-81.50	71.80	4	265	-	332	285	-6	0.00	-	14.00
	0	DP	3	58.00	-58.00	58.00	N/Q	242	-	242	242	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	0	1X	3	78.00	-78.00	78.00	N/Q	325	-	325	325	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
24.1+	0	1X	2	76.50	-76.50	76.50	7	287	-	287	287	15	2.00	-	2.00
	0	MR	3	76.00	-86.50	82.90	27	269	-	308	290	70	0.00	-	14.00
	2	1X	3	62.00	-92.00	81.90	11	240	-	323	298	36	0.00	-	4.00
	0	1X	4	60.00	-85.00	81.40	11	223	-	304	282	30	0.00	-	4.00
	0	MR	4	78.00	-78.00	78.00	N/Q	300	-	300	300	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
				15.00	92.00			103		333			0.00		14.00
Wether															
0-14	0	MR	2	28.00	-28.00	28.00	N/Q	200	-	200	200	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
14.1-18	0	MR	2	35.00	-55.00	44.00	-9	233	-	306	268	-15	0.00	-	0.00
18.1-24	1	MR	2	54.00	-75.50	65.80	3	270	-	315	295	8	0.00	-	8.00
	1	MR	3	68.00	-77.00	72.50	5	283	-	321	303	22	0.00	-	0.00
24.1+	1	MR	3	75.00	-96.00	90.30	13	300	-	318	310	26	0.00	-	16.00
	0	1X	3	73.00	-80.00	76.20	4	282	-	292	288	27	0.00	-	4.00
	0	1X	4	84.00	-90.00	86.00	N/Q	273	-	280	277	N/Q	0.00	-	4.00
	0		4	75.00	-94.50	88.70	N/Q	248	-	311	283	N/Q	0.00	-	4.00
	0	1X	5	90.00	-90.00	90.00	N/Q	259	-	259	259	N/Q	2.00	-	2.00
				28.00	96.00			200		321			0.00		16.00

Category Weight	% Yard	Sale Prefix	Fat Score	\$/Head				Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg				Skin (\$)		
				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	
Ram														
0-26	0		2	5.00	- 5.00	5.00	N/Q	21	-	21	21	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	0	MR	2	32.00	- 44.00	36.20	N/Q	146	-	183	159	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	0		3	28.00	- 28.00	28.00	N/Q	117	-	117	117	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
26.1+	0		2	14.00	- 24.00	23.40	N/Q	50	-	67	65	N/Q	0.00	- 2.00
	0	MR	2	28.00	- 28.00	28.00	N/Q	100	-	100	100	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	0	RS	3	26.00	- 41.00	28.70	N/Q	60	-	97	67	N/Q	2.00	- 4.00
	0		3	12.00	- 36.00	21.60	N/Q	30	-	100	53	N/Q	0.00	- 4.00
	0		4	18.00	- 18.00	18.00	N/Q	40	-	40	40	N/Q	2.00	- 2.00
				5.00	44.00			21		183			0.00	4.00

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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