

## Detailed saleyard report - sheep and lamb

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### Ballarat

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<b>Yarding Change</b>	29676 3917	<b>Lambs Change</b>	22261 1763	<b>Sheep Change</b>	7415 2154	<b>comparison date</b>	31/03/2015
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Both lamb and sheep numbers increased as selling resumed after the Easter long weekend. The usual group of buyers were operating and showed a preference for the well-bred and finished lambs throughout the yarding, with demand for secondary types mixed. A feature of the yarding was a line-up of extra heavy lambs from the area's renowned red-soil potato growing country, with agents rating it as the best display of export lambs offered at the saleyards this year. These lambs sold from \$167 to a market top of \$180 for a pen estimated at around 34kg cwt. Export lambs averaged \$6/head dearer than last week, with the best pens of heavy domestic lambs also recording a stronger trend. But some of the secondary trade and light lambs were cheaper in places.

Light weight lambs generally sold from \$60 to \$90/head, while local restockers and a feedlot buyer paid up to \$110 for bigger-framed store lambs. The general run of domestic slaughter lambs sold from \$96 to \$120/head, with bidding tending to fluctuate based on quality and finish. The top pens of heavy domestic lambs, suiting supermarket orders, sold from \$125 to \$140/head to average dearer and it was the better presented pens which recorded the most price improvement. The good quality trade lambs averaged an estimated 530c to 540c/kg cwt, with select pens higher.

Heavy export lambs sold from \$160 to a market top of \$180/head, with most sales ranging from an estimated 510c to 530c/kg cwt. However, apart from the feature lines, which were very even and well finished, bidding was more selective.

The sheep yarding included a mix of weights and grades and generally sold at dearer rates. Heavy crossbred ewes sold from \$90 to a top of \$105, while heavy Merino wethers also reached \$105/head. Good quality mutton was cost processors an estimated 320c to 360c/kg cwt.

Category Weight	% Yard	Sale Prefix	Fat Score	\$/Head				Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg				Skin (\$)		
				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	
<b>Young Lamb</b>														
0-12	0	RS	1	27.00	-43.00	30.20	-15	350	-	514	457	51	0.00	- 1.00
	0	1X	2	55.00	-55.00	55.00	N/Q	450	-	450	450	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
12.1-16	0	1X	2	76.00	-85.00	79.90	10	463	-	519	496	-35	1.00	- 3.00
18.1-20	0	1X	2	95.00	-95.00	95.00	N/Q	460	-	460	460	N/Q	3.00	- 3.00
	0	RS	2	93.00	-98.00	95.50	N/Q	474	-	475	474	N/Q	3.00	- 3.00
	0	1X	3	90.00	-100.00	95.70	N/Q	440	-	490	468	N/Q	2.00	- 2.00
20.1-22	0	RS	3	101.00	-107.00	104.80	N/Q	462	-	468	466	N/Q	4.00	- 4.00
22.1-24	0	1X	3	110.00	-132.00	126.80	N/Q	467	-	529	514	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
	0		3	112.00	-112.00	112.00	N/Q	446	-	446	446	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
24.1-26	0	1X	3	130.00	-130.00	130.00	N/Q	500	-	500	500	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
				<b>27.00</b>	<b>132.00</b>			<b>350</b>		<b>529</b>			<b>0.00</b>	<b>5.00</b>
<b>Lamb</b>														
0-12	0	1X	1	48.00	-48.00	48.00	N/Q	480	-	480	480	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	2	RS	1	31.00	-57.00	43.80	2	350	-	563	469	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	0	MR	2	38.00	-38.00	38.00	-10	300	-	300	300	-83	2.00	- 2.00
12.1-16	0	1X	1	53.00	-53.00	53.00	N/Q	379	-	379	379	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	0	DP	1	50.00	-51.00	50.30	N/Q	357	-	418	377	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	0	DP	2	56.20	-76.00	66.20	N/Q	416	-	507	460	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	2	1X	2	56.00	-84.00	73.20	16	400	-	550	494	N/Q	0.00	- 1.00
	0	MR	2	62.00	-62.00	62.00	N/Q	407	-	407	407	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
	0	PT	2	78.00	-78.00	78.00	N/Q	488	-	488	488	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	3	RS	2	50.00	-87.00	72.80	-8	410	-	580	522	-4	0.00	- 1.00
16.1-18	2	RS	2	88.00	-95.00	93.80	-2	483	-	538	520	-21	0.00	- 2.00
	0	PT	2	97.50	-97.50	97.50	N/Q	542	-	542	542	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	2	1X	2	70.00	-100.00	90.20	-9	400	-	550	508	-20	0.00	- 2.00

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				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High		
18.1-20	0	RS	3	92.00	-92.00	92.00	N/Q	541	-	541	541	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	0	PT	2	93.50	-93.50	93.50	N/Q	482	-	482	482	N/Q	2.00	-	2.00
	1	1X	2	87.00	-103.00	97.30	1	441	-	542	497	1	0.00	-	4.00
	1	RS	2	96.00	-102.00	100.30	-15	500	-	518	507	-93	0.00	-	2.00
	0	DP	2	96.00	-100.00	99.40	N/Q	500	-	505	501	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	0		3	111.00	-111.00	111.00	4	550	-	550	550	15	1.00	-	1.00
	2	1X	3	94.00	-110.00	105.70	9	474	-	547	525	33	1.00	-	4.00
20.1-22	0	RS	3	105.00	-105.00	105.00	N/Q	520	-	520	520	N/Q	1.00	-	1.00
	0	DP	2	105.00	-105.00	105.00	N/Q	477	-	477	477	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	5		3	108.00	-125.00	115.70	2	486	-	581	530	10	0.00	-	5.00
	0	DP	3	109.00	-109.00	109.00	N/Q	496	-	496	496	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	0	RS	3	110.00	-110.00	110.00	-7	534	-	534	534	6	0.00	-	0.00
22.1-24	6	1X	3	102.00	-125.00	113.70	11	478	-	550	524	67	0.00	-	5.00
	0	DP	2	113.50	-118.00	115.20	N/Q	492	-	494	493	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	5		3	123.00	-135.00	129.80	6	523	-	582	542	29	0.00	-	6.00
24.1-26	2	1X	3	112.00	-130.00	125.20	N/C	458	-	546	523	1	0.00	-	5.00
	6		3	130.00	-145.00	138.90	-3	508	-	544	531	3	4.00	-	7.00
26.1-30	1		4	139.00	-143.00	140.70	9	527	-	532	531	25	4.00	-	6.00
	1		3	143.00	-154.00	146.10	N/C	504	-	543	528	6	2.00	-	7.00
30.1+	3		4	148.00	-171.00	159.80	6	503	-	555	533	21	4.00	-	7.00
	5		4	169.00	-180.00	175.40	6	503	-	545	521	14	7.00	-	8.00
				<b>31.00</b>	<b>180.00</b>			<b>300</b>		<b>582</b>			<b>0.00</b>		<b>8.00</b>
<b>Hogget</b>															
0-22	1	MR	2	42.20	-68.00	51.40	-14	264	-	354	318	6	0.00	-	6.00
22.1+	0	MR	3	91.00	-91.00	91.00	N/Q	379	-	379	379	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	0		3	100.00	-100.00	100.00	N/Q	426	-	426	426	N/Q	2.00	-	2.00
	0	1X	3	85.00	-105.00	100.30	N/Q	306	-	368	354	N/Q	0.00	-	4.00
	0	1X	4	100.00	-110.00	104.70	2	320	-	367	338	13	0.00	-	4.00
	0		4	112.00	-112.00	112.00	N/Q	458	-	458	458	N/Q	2.00	-	2.00
				<b>42.20</b>	<b>112.00</b>			<b>264</b>		<b>458</b>			<b>0.00</b>		<b>6.00</b>
<b>Ewe</b>															
0-14	1	MR	1	20.00	-35.00	30.60	1	192	-	250	210	-20	0.00	-	8.00
	0	1X	2	42.00	-42.00	42.00	N/Q	300	-	300	300	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
14.1-18	0	MR	1	59.00	-59.00	59.00	7	327	-	327	327	53	10.00	-	10.00
	0	1X	2	59.00	-59.00	59.00	N/Q	369	-	369	369	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	2	MR	2	48.00	-63.00	56.60	-2	285	-	387	354	28	0.00	-	12.00
18.1-24	0	RS	2	48.00	-48.00	48.00	N/Q	282	-	282	282	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	2	MR	2	63.00	-81.00	69.90	N/C	290	-	355	323	-16	0.00	-	14.00
	0	1X	2	69.00	-88.00	72.40	3	319	-	374	333	30	0.00	-	2.00
	1	MR	3	80.00	-95.00	89.20	15	319	-	384	350	11	0.00	-	16.00
	0	1X	3	80.00	-95.00	91.70	N/Q	325	-	379	367	N/Q	2.00	-	4.00
24.1+	0	1X	2	83.00	-85.00	83.70	2	331	-	335	332	31	2.00	-	2.00
	1	1X	3	82.00	-98.00	90.60	7	308	-	346	327	35	0.00	-	4.00
	0	1X	4	98.00	-105.00	102.40	8	266	-	348	294	-2	2.00	-	4.00
	0	1X	5	77.00	-100.00	89.80	N/Q	208	-	291	254	N/Q	1.00	-	2.00
				<b>20.00</b>	<b>105.00</b>			<b>192</b>		<b>387</b>			<b>0.00</b>		<b>16.00</b>
<b>Wether</b>															
0-14	0	RM	1	37.00	-37.00	37.00	N/Q	292	-	292	292	N/Q	2.00	-	2.00
14.1-18	0	RM	2	42.00	-42.00	42.00	N/Q	253	-	253	253	N/Q	4.00	-	4.00
	1	MR	2	58.00	-65.00	62.90	7	318	-	388	364	38	0.00	-	10.00

Category Weight	% Yard	Sale Prefix	Fat Score	\$/Head				Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg				Skin (\$)		
				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	
18.1-24	5	MR	2	64.00	-94.50	86.50	-3	297	-	382	354	-41	0.00	-14.00
	0	MR	3	92.00	-92.00	92.00	N/Q	392	-	392	392	N/Q	0.00	-0.00
24.1+	0	MR	3	102.00	-102.00	102.00	-8	345	-	345	345	-4	14.00	-14.00
	0	DP	3	90.00	-90.00	90.00	N/Q	346	-	346	346	N/Q	0.00	-0.00
	0		4	105.00	-105.00	105.00	N/Q	328	-	328	328	N/Q	0.00	-0.00
				<b>37.00</b>	<b>105.00</b>			<b>253</b>		<b>392</b>			<b>0.00</b>	<b>14.00</b>
<b>Ram</b>														
0-26	0	MR	2	52.00	-52.00	52.00	N/Q	200	-	200	200	N/Q	0.00	-0.00
26.1+	0		3	27.00	-35.00	31.90	N/Q	71	-	100	80	N/Q	0.00	-4.00
	0		4	40.00	-40.00	40.00	N/Q	90	-	90	90	N/Q	4.00	-4.00
	0	RS	4	65.00	-80.00	71.40	N/Q	153	-	169	160	N/Q	4.00	-4.00
				<b>27.00</b>	<b>80.00</b>			<b>71</b>		<b>200</b>			<b>0.00</b>	<b>4.00</b>

#### 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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