

## Detailed saleyard report - sheep and lamb

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### Bendigo

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<b>Yarding Change</b>	27230 -155	<b>Lambs Change</b>	15061 -4453	<b>Sheep Change</b>	12169 4298	<b>comparison date</b>	25/08/2014
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Lamb numbers reduced by nearly 25%, with the cheaper prices at markets late last week reportedly deterring some producers from selling. But the opposite trend occurred for sheep, with numbers increasing to more than 12,000 head due to the tightening season and solid demand for mutton. The majority of the lamb yarding was made up of new season lambs from the Boort, St Arnaud, Kerang and local Bendigo areas. There was also a big line of 1,200 young Dorper lambs from Mossgiel in NSW. The market for young lambs was \$2 to \$6/head dearer, driven by stronger competition from the two major domestic buyers.

New season lambs sold to a top of \$141 for a pen estimated to weigh 26-27kg with an \$8/skin. There was only limited numbers of heavy young lambs and about 15 pens of these sold from \$130 to \$139/head. Where the market showed the most improvement was on nicely presented trade weight lambs, 20-23kg cwt, which consistently sold from \$115 to \$128/head, averaging an estimated 500c to 520c/kg cwt based on skin returns of \$7 to \$8/skin. Most of the lighter-weight young lambs sold from \$65 to \$95/head at estimated averages of 470c to 490c/kg cwt. There was still no restocker support for young lambs amid reports buyers are waiting to see how the season and prices settle this spring. The big line of young Dorper lambs sold from \$74 to \$104/head.

The yarding of old season lambs was very mixed for quality, and this section of the market was firm to a few dollars cheaper. The better quality export and trade weight pens sold from \$108 to \$128, while the secondary and lighter lambs sold from about \$50 to \$80/head.

The increased yarding of sheep did create some price fluctuations, with the big lines of recently shorn Merino sheep holding their prices the best. Prices for extra heavy ewes were \$4 to \$5 cheaper at \$80 to \$92/head. The top drafts of shorn Merino wethers made \$70 to \$81/head. The better quality medium weight mutton were estimated at 300c to 330c/kg cwt, with processors paying less for extra heavy sheep or any very plain conditioned lots.

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	2	42.00	-42.00	42.00	N/Q	456	-	456	456	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
12.1-16	1	1X	2	47.60	-77.00	71.10	-13	359	-	487	468	-28	1.00	- 5.00
	0	DP	2	71.60	-71.60	71.60	N/Q	471	-	471	471	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
	0		2	65.60	-65.60	65.60	N/Q	447	-	447	447	N/Q	3.00	- 3.00
	1	1X	3	74.00	-78.60	76.20	-5	468	-	481	472	-3	4.00	- 5.00
	0		3	80.00	-82.00	80.40	5	475	-	481	476	-4	4.00	- 5.00
	0	MR	3	78.60	-78.60	78.60	N/Q	491	-	491	491	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
16.1-18	1	DP	2	78.60	-78.60	78.60	N/Q	457	-	457	457	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
	1	1X	3	87.20	-95.00	91.10	12	472	-	511	491	64	3.00	- 5.00
	1		3	89.00	-90.00	89.20	N/C	472	-	494	489	22	5.00	- 5.00
	1	DP	3	85.00	-85.00	85.00	N/Q	494	-	494	494	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
18.1-20	1	DP	2	88.20	-95.00	89.80	N/Q	459	-	470	462	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
	2	1X	3	94.50	-110.00	100.50	12	450	-	530	490	67	4.00	- 6.00
	0	DP	3	80.00	-80.00	80.00	N/Q	416	-	416	416	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
	4		3	93.00	-118.00	105.20	3	463	-	555	506	21	5.00	- 7.00
20.1-22	10		3	112.00	-127.00	118.90	6	491	-	552	523	26	4.00	- 7.00
	1	DP	3	96.00	-106.00	96.90	N/Q	452	-	500	457	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
	1	1X	3	110.00	-115.00	111.90	4	495	-	518	507	27	5.00	- 7.00
22.1-24	0	1X	3	115.60	-125.00	118.10	2	487	-	517	495	18	6.00	- 6.00
	1	DP	3	104.00	-104.00	104.00	N/Q	458	-	458	458	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
	6		3	120.00	-132.00	126.30	4	488	-	542	522	19	4.00	- 8.00
	1		4	126.00	-131.00	129.00	N/Q	492	-	517	505	N/Q	7.00	- 8.00
24.1-26	1		3	128.00	-141.00	134.50	1	480	-	527	505	7	8.00	- 8.00

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				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High		
	1		4	130.00	-139.00	134.60	N/Q	488	-	507	499	N/Q	7.00	-	8.00
	0	1X	4	135.00	-135.00	135.00	N/Q	522	-	522	522	N/Q	7.00	-	7.00
				<b>42.00</b>	<b>141.00</b>			<b>359</b>		<b>555</b>			<b>1.00</b>		<b>8.00</b>
<b>Lamb</b>															
0-12	1	MR	2	43.00	-45.00	43.20	N/Q	350	-	375	352	N/Q	0.00	-	1.00
12.1-16	1	MR	2	44.00	-70.20	57.40	-1	295	-	432	386	16	0.00	-	2.00
	1	1X	2	68.00	-73.00	71.00	N/C	431	-	480	447	-5	0.00	-	2.00
	1	DP	2	44.00	-68.00	59.90	-8	331	-	486	422	-25	0.00	-	1.00
16.1-18	0	DP	2	74.00	-80.00	78.30	N/Q	406	-	444	430	N/Q	0.00	-	1.00
	1	1X	2	51.00	-83.00	71.80	-8	277	-	488	416	-20	0.00	-	4.00
	0	MR	2	56.00	-68.00	63.70	N/Q	329	-	372	359	N/Q	0.00	-	8.00
	0	1X	3	73.60	-73.60	73.60	N/Q	403	-	403	403	N/Q	1.00	-	1.00
18.1-20	0	1X	2	70.00	-81.00	74.90	-12	330	-	405	375	-49	2.00	-	4.00
	0	MR	2	53.00	-78.00	70.80	-6	265	-	390	351	-48	1.00	-	8.00
	0	DP	2	74.20	-74.20	74.20	N/Q	391	-	391	391	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	1	DP	3	83.00	-89.00	85.10	N/Q	426	-	440	432	N/Q	1.00	-	1.00
	0	MR	3	88.00	-88.00	88.00	N/Q	421	-	421	421	N/Q	8.00	-	8.00
	0	1X	3	69.00	-83.50	79.20	-2	342	-	410	399	13	0.00	-	4.00
20.1-22	0	1X	2	77.00	-78.60	77.70	N/Q	357	-	357	357	N/Q	0.00	-	2.00
	1	1X	3	79.40	-108.00	95.70	-1	338	-	473	435	-8	0.00	-	5.00
	0	MR	3	73.20	-103.00	97.80	7	311	-	432	411	36	8.00	-	8.00
	0	DP	3	100.00	-101.20	100.40	-5	450	-	451	450	-18	1.00	-	2.00
22.1-24	0	DP	3	108.00	-108.00	108.00	N/Q	446	-	446	446	N/Q	1.00	-	1.00
	0		3	113.00	-119.00	116.30	-4	484	-	491	488	-3	4.00	-	6.00
	0	MR	3	104.60	-104.60	104.60	N/Q	403	-	403	403	N/Q	8.00	-	8.00
	2	1X	3	85.00	-122.00	108.90	N/C	348	-	533	463	3	0.00	-	6.00
24.1-26	0		3	124.00	-124.00	124.00	-2	482	-	482	482	3	6.00	-	6.00
	0	DP	3	115.60	-115.60	115.60	N/Q	468	-	468	468	N/Q	1.00	-	1.00
	0		4	124.00	-124.00	124.00	N/Q	454	-	454	454	N/Q	6.00	-	6.00
26.1-30	0		4	128.20	-128.20	128.20	-4	436	-	436	436	9	6.00	-	6.00
	0	1X	4	116.60	-116.60	116.60	N/C	410	-	410	410	N/Q	6.00	-	6.00
				<b>43.00</b>	<b>128.20</b>			<b>265</b>		<b>533</b>			<b>0.00</b>		<b>8.00</b>
<b>Hogget</b>															
0-22	0	1X	2	50.00	-50.00	50.00	N/Q	263	-	263	263	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	1	MR	2	35.00	-68.00	63.10	-6	174	-	425	369	44	0.00	-	8.00
	0	1X	3	36.00	-76.00	69.30	N/Q	146	-	327	294	N/Q	4.00	-	5.00
	0	DP	3	62.00	-62.00	62.00	N/Q	326	-	326	326	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
22.1+	1	DP	3	81.00	-85.60	82.70	N/Q	320	-	368	335	N/Q	1.00	-	1.00
	0	1X	3	71.60	-95.20	86.20	-5	273	-	397	356	-8	2.00	-	6.00
	0	MR	3	66.00	-66.00	66.00	N/Q	275	-	275	275	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	0	1X	4	64.00	-83.00	74.30	N/Q	223	-	285	257	N/Q	6.00	-	6.00
				<b>35.00</b>	<b>95.20</b>			<b>146</b>		<b>425</b>			<b>0.00</b>		<b>8.00</b>
<b>Ewe</b>															
0-14	0	MR	1	22.00	-38.20	27.70	N/Q	183	-	244	205	N/Q	0.00	-	4.00
	0	MR	2	47.00	-47.00	47.00	N/Q	329	-	329	329	N/Q	1.00	-	1.00
14.1-18	2	MR	1	33.00	-51.00	43.60	-2	220	-	340	289	-4	0.00	-	0.00
	0	RM	2	38.20	-38.20	38.20	N/Q	255	-	255	255	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00
	6	MR	2	38.00	-70.00	51.80	-1	253	-	367	315	11	0.00	-	8.00
	0	1X	2	39.00	-54.00	47.80	N/Q	244	-	289	264	N/Q	0.00	-	2.00
	0	MR	3	65.00	-65.00	65.00	N/Q	361	-	361	361	N/Q	0.00	-	0.00

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18.1-24	0	DP	2	53.00	-64.00	61.10	-2	265	-	305	294	4	0.00	- 0.00
	0	1X	2	52.00	-65.00	63.30	-8	250	-	276	263	-57	2.00	- 4.00
	7	MR	2	57.00	-82.00	67.80	-5	259	-	328	305	-21	0.00	- 10.00
	0	1X	3	62.00	-75.00	72.80	-13	273	-	304	299	-61	2.00	- 2.00
	8	MR	3	63.00	-86.60	75.80	-8	286	-	344	320	-21	0.00	- 12.00
	0	DP	3	60.00	-60.00	60.00	N/Q	273	-	273	273	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
24.1+	0	DP	3	72.00	-72.00	72.00	N/Q	288	-	288	288	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	3	MR	3	80.00	-89.00	83.20	-5	308	-	331	317	-22	0.00	- 2.00
	2	1X	3	70.00	-92.00	75.70	-10	253	-	296	275	-32	0.00	- 4.00
	0		3	20.00	-20.00	20.00	N/Q	50	-	50	50	N/Q	2.00	- 2.00
	3	1X	4	75.00	-92.00	87.30	-4	242	-	302	280	-1	0.00	- 4.00
	1	MR	4	85.00	-88.00	85.70	N/Q	268	-	326	305	N/Q	0.00	- 2.00
	0	DP	4	84.00	-84.00	84.00	N/Q	259	-	259	259	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
	0	RS	4	92.60	-92.60	92.60	N/Q	289	-	289	289	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	0	1X	5	86.00	-88.00	86.60	N/Q	210	-	269	252	N/Q	0.00	- 4.00
				<b>20.00</b>	<b>92.60</b>			<b>50</b>		<b>367</b>			<b>0.00</b>	<b>12.00</b>
<b>Wether</b>														
0-14	0	MR	2	32.00	-36.00	33.70	N/Q	221	-	257	237	N/Q	0.00	- 1.00
14.1-18	0	MR	2	48.60	-48.60	48.60	N/Q	251	-	251	251	N/Q	6.00	- 6.00
18.1-24	2	MR	2	61.00	-84.00	68.30	-8	281	-	353	320	-9	0.00	- 1.00
	2	MR	3	63.00	-81.00	72.90	-10	304	-	335	320	-9	0.00	- 2.00
24.1+	4	MR	3	84.00	-91.00	87.60	3	289	-	350	336	2	0.00	- 15.00
				<b>32.00</b>	<b>91.00</b>			<b>221</b>		<b>353</b>			<b>0.00</b>	<b>15.00</b>
<b>Ram</b>														
0-26	0	MR	2	30.00	-30.00	30.00	N/Q	115	-	115	115	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
26.1+	0	MR	2	33.00	-40.00	38.60	N/Q	118	-	138	134	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	0	1X	3	28.00	-32.00	30.70	N/Q	82	-	94	90	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	0	MR	3	36.00	-40.00	38.90	N/Q	113	-	133	127	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	0		3	30.00	-32.60	31.30	N/Q	76	-	86	81	N/Q	0.00	- 1.00
	0		4	30.00	-30.00	30.00	N/Q	67	-	67	67	N/Q	2.00	- 2.00
					<b>28.00</b>	<b>40.00</b>			<b>67</b>		<b>138</b>			<b>0.00</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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