

## **Detailed saleyard report - sheep and lamb**

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Yarding Change	24114 2391	Lambs Change	24114 2391	Sheep Change	0 0	comparison date	13/10/2014

Lamb numbers increased by about 10%, to over 24,000 head, making it the biggest lamb offering so far this spring. Quality was mixed, with the bulk of the young lambs now presenting with dry skins. All the regular processing orders were in place, however buyers didn't appear under pressure for numbers and bidding was fairly subdued. The market was cheaper, with heavier slaughter lambs most affected and averaging \$8/head less than last week. Competition was more robust for the quality trade weight lambs and these eased by \$3 to \$5/head. Prices for store lambs fluctuated, with early sales similar to last week, before competition eased later in the auction for a cheaper result overall. The market reached a top of \$136 for a pen of young lambs estimated to weigh about 30kg, and it was one of only four sales of export lambs above \$130. Sales over \$120/head were also fairly limited.

There was solid competition for store lambs from Ballarat, Gippsland, Bendigo, Birchip, Wycheproof and Warracknabeal. Most sales of lambs returning to the paddock ranged from \$70 to \$97, with Ballarat agents occasionally paying up to \$108/head for heavier types. While the price range for store lambs was similar to last week, agents were generally buying more weight for their money, which meant prices did work out cheaper. Processors mainly paid from \$70 to \$90/head for light weight lambs to slaughter. The bulk of the young lambs suitable for slaughter were trade weights ranging from 20-24kg cwt, and most pens sold from \$96 to \$118/head. While some of the top drafts of well-bred and finished lambs still made up to 480c/kg cwt, the general run was estimated at 440c to 460c/kg cwt. Heavy lambs weighing over 24kg were in limited supply, with about a dozen pens making over \$120/head, to a top of \$136/head, to average between 440 and 450c/kg cwt.

The supply of old season lamb was very mixed, and this section of the market was also cheaper.

Category Weight	% Yard	Sale Prefix	Fat Score	\$/Head					E	stimate Weigh	2	Skin (\$)		
				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low		High	Avg	Change	Low	High
Young La	mb													
0-12	1	RM	1	29.80	- 34.00	32.70	N/Q	298	-	340	327	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	0	MR	1	38.00	- 43.00	40.50	N/Q	336	-	350	343	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
	1	MR	2	43.00	- 52.00	47.00	-6	350	-	425	383	-50	1.00	- 1.00
	1	RS	2	38.20	- 70.00	53.90	-5	408	-	575	473	-15	1.00	- 1.00
	1	RM	2	48.60	- 56.60	51.40	4	433	-	463	443	56	1.00	- 1.00
12.1-16	2	RM	2	56.00	- 65.60	59.80	-8	429	-	447	438	-16	1.00	- 2.00
	0	DP	2	67.00	- 67.00	67.00	N/Q	447	-	447	447	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
	10	RS	2	50.00	- 88.00	75.50	-5	348	-	547	485	-25	1.00	- 3.00
	3	MR	2	60.00	- 70.20	65.80	-5	421	-	443	433	-21	1.00	- 2.00
	2	1X	2	50.00	- 84.00	74.30	-4	350	-	507	465	-15	1.00	- 3.00
16.1-18	3	1X	2	74.00	- 86.00	79.30	-7	406	-	501	444	-31	2.00	- 3.00
	8	RS	2	74.00	- 94.00	82.70	-6	400	-	513	462	-25	1.00	- 4.00
	0		3	96.20	- 96.20	96.20	N/Q	507	-	507	507	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
	1	1X	3	90.00	- 91.00	90.70	N/Q	472	-	483	480	N/Q	4.00	- 5.00
	0	DP	3	83.60	- 83.60	83.60	N/Q	464	-	464	464	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00
18.1-20	3	RS	2	81.00	- 96.00	90.10	-5	422	-	484	456	-36	3.00	- 4.00
	1	1X	2	80.00	- 93.00	87.50	-3	400	-	465	445	3	2.00	- 5.00
	1	MR	2	78.00	- 78.00	78.00	-1	390	-	390	390	N/C	4.00	- 4.00
	1	RS	3	89.00	- 97.20	95.30	3	425	-	491	475	20	3.00	- 4.00
	3	1X	3	80.20	- 95.00	90.50	N/C	386	-	469	445	11	3.00	- 6.00
	0		3	97.00	- 97.00	97.00	N/Q	484	-	484	484	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
20.1-22	1	1X	2	95.00	-104.00	100.40	N/Q	433	-	450	443	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
	0	RS	2	94.00	- 97.00	96.00	N/Q	429	-	454	445	N/Q	4.00	- 4.00
	1	RS	3	97.50	-105.00	99.60	-5	445	-	461	450	-21	4.00	- 6.00
	4		3	98.00	-110.00	104.70	N/C	428	-	471	450	-4	6.00	- 7.00

Category Veight	% Yard	Sale Prefix	ix Fat Score	\$/Head					Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg					Skin (\$)		
				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low		High	Avg	Change	Low	High		
	11	1X	3	92.00	-116.00	103.40	N/C	409	-	496	454	-3	3.00	- 7.00		
	1	DP	3	92.00	-101.00	96.10	-6	433	-	459	448	-6	1.00	- 3.00		
2.1-24	0	DP	3	105.20	-110.00	107.70	N/Q	454	-	463	459	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00		
	5	1X	3	103.00	-115.60	110.00	-7	426	-	464	449	-31	5.00	- 8.00		
	11		3	105.00	-122.00	112.50	-5	429	-	480	456	-22	5.00	- 8.00		
	0	RS	3	108.00	-108.00	108.00	N/Q	453	-	453	453	N/Q	6.00	- 6.00		
	0		4	107.00	-107.00	107.00	N/Q	421	-	421	421	N/Q	6.00	- 6.00		
24.1-26	1		3	112.00	-125.00	121.40	-5	429	-	474	457	-14	7.00	- 8.00		
	0	1X	3	115.00	-120.00	118.00	-8	441	-	456	450	-15	6.00	- 7.00		
	1		4	118.80	-129.00	124.20	-9	450	-	477	461	-16	5.00	- 8.00		
26.1-30	1		4	121.00	-135.50	130.70	-8	425	-	459	435	-33	8.00	- 9.00		
				29.80	135.50			298		575			0.00	9.00		
.amb																
-12	0	MR	2	28.00	- 28.00	28.00	N/Q	233	-	233	233	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00		
2.1-16	0	MR	2	38.00	- 49.60	47.70	N/Q	271	-	331	321	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00		
	0	1X	2	75.60	- 75.60	75.60	5	504	_	504	504	74	0.00	- 0.00		
	1	RS	2	71.20	- 77.00	73.90	-5	513	_	548	532	23	0.00	- 0.00		
6.1-18	0	1X	2	63.00	- 63.00	63.00	N/Q	339	_	339	339	N/Q	2.00	- 2.00		
	1	MR	2	64.00	- 73.00	68.40	N/C	377	_	417	396	-2	0.00	- 0.00		
	0	DP	2	78.00	- 78.00	78.00	N/Q	433	_	433	433	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00		
8.1-20	0	MR	2	64.00	- 64.00	64.00	N/Q	346	_	346	346	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00		
	0	1X	3		- 89.00	89.00	N/Q	425	_	425	425	N/Q		- 4.00		
0.1-22	0	1X	2	88.00	- 88.00	88.00	N/Q	410	_	410	410	N/Q		- 4.00		
	0	1X	3		- 83.00	78.50	-6	319	_	377	353	-20		- 5.00		
	0	DP	3		- 98.00	94.50	N/Q	333	_	441	428	N/Q		- 1.00		
2.1-24	0	DP	3		- 85.20	85.20	N/Q	355	_	355	355	N/Q		- 0.00		
	0	1X	3		-102.00	95.70	-3	339	_	417	397	-4		- 4.00		
	0	MR	3		- 88.20	88.20	N/Q	367	_	367	367	N/Q		- 2.00		
	0	1X	4		- 95.00	95.00	N/Q	371	_	371	371	N/Q		- 6.00		
4.1-26	0	1X	3		- 97.20	97.20	N/Q	389	_	389	389	N/Q		- 0.00		
	0	1/1	3		- 64.00	64.00	N/Q		_	256	256	N/Q		- 0.00		
	0	1X	4		-110.60	110.60	N/Q		_	410	410	N/Q		- 4.00		
6.1-30	0	1X 1X	3		-111.00	111.00	N/Q	379		379	379	N/Q		- 5.00		
	0	1/1	4		- 93.00	93.00	N/Q		_	332	332	N/Q		- 0.00		
	0		-		111.00		11/2	233		548	552	N/Q	0.00	6.00		
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-22	1	MR	2	29 60	- 65.60	52.00	-15	185	_	320	288	-62	0 00	- 0.00		
~~	0	MR	3		- 64.00	62.80	-15		-	291	288	-02		- 1.00		
	0	PIIX	3		- 55.00	55.00	-z N/Q		-	231	238	N/Q		- 5.00		
2.1+	0	DP	3		- 70.00	70.00	N/Q	238 311		238 311	311	N/Q		- 0.00		
2.17	0	MR	3		- 79.00	79.00	N/Q		-	300	300	N/Q		- 4.00		
	0	1X	3		- 79.00	79.00	N/Q	264		308	296	N/Q		- 4.00		
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	0	1X	4		- 79.00	72.60	N/Q	227 272		275	242	N/Q		- 5.00		
	0		4		- 80.00	79.80	N/Q		-	282	279	N/Q		- 5.00		
				29.60	80.00			185		320			0.00	6.00		
4.1+	-							· ===					0.0-	c c -		
a 7 1	0	1X	4	56.60	- 56.60	56.60	N/Q	177	-	177	177	N/Q	0.00	- 0.00		

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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			Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	-	

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