

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

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Ham	ilton	report date	08 Jan 2015				
Yarding Change	20893 0	Lambs Change	0 0	Sheep Change	20893 0	comparison date	01/01/2015

A large yarding of sheep was provided for the full group of processor buyers, with a very wide selection in weights and fat scores. Around 50% of the mutton on offer fell into the lighter 1 and 2 score range. There were also a much smaller number of wethers penned, with almost no restocker activity, and prices lifted across all weight classes. Light sheep were \$3 to \$5/head dearer, while the medium and heavy trade weights were \$2 to \$3/head dearer. The extra heavy ewes were also around \$3 dearer and the better wethers generally lifted \$6, although were up to \$10/head dearer in isolated sales.

Light sheep 1 and 2 score sold to very strong competition, making from \$44 to \$69/head, or between 270c and 310c/kg cwt. Medium trade 2 to 3 score prices ranged from \$55 to \$88 and the heavy trade 3 and 4 score sheep made between \$75 and \$90/head. Both these classes averaged around the 300c/kg cwt mark.

Heavy export 4 score ewes sold from \$90 to \$109 and the best of the prime Merino wethers made between \$88 and \$110/head, with more demand from export buyers for the heavier mutton. The top price was a crossbred pen of wethers that weighed approximately 34kg cwt and made \$118/head. Merino rams sold to \$52, with the best of the Dorset rams making \$40/head, which was a slight improvement on last year.

Category Weight	% Yard	Sale Prefix	Fat Score			Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg					Skin (\$)			
				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low		High	Avg	Change	Low	High
Lamb														
0-12	0	MR	1	12.00	- 12.00	12.00	N/Q	92	-	92	92	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
	0	RS	2	34.00	- 34.00	34.00	N/Q	242	-	242	242	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
				12.00	34.00			92		242			1.00	5.00
Hogget														
0-22	0	1X	2	42.00	- 42.00	42.00	N/Q	191	-	191	191	N/Q	2.00	- 2.00
22.1+	0		3	100.00	-100.00	100.00	N/Q	392	-	392	392	N/Q	6.00	- 6.00
	0	1X	4	101.00	-101.00	101.00	N/Q	320	-	320	320	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
				42.00	101.00			191		392			2.00	6.00
Ewe														
0-14	1	MR	1	22.00	- 38.00	26.20	N/Q	175	-	285	193	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
14.1-18	6	MR	1	38.00	- 61.00	48.00	N/Q	231	-	313	283	N/Q	1.00	- 6.00
	7	1X	1	44.00	- 58.00	49.90	N/Q	265	-	312	287	N/Q	1.00	- 6.00
	2	1X	2	48.00	- 48.00	48.00	N/Q	294	-	294	294	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00
	3	MR	2	45.00	- 69.00	55.40	N/Q	272	-	317	291	N/Q	1.00	- 12.00
18.1-24	0	MR	1	60.00	- 63.00	60.70	N/Q	300	-	316	303	N/Q	3.00	- 3.00
	5	1X	1	55.00	- 65.00	57.30	N/Q	274	-	311	291	N/Q	1.00	- 6.00
	15	1X	2	58.00	- 81.00	71.80	N/Q	282	-	327	304	N/Q	0.00	- 12.00
	7	MR	2	63.00	- 88.00	70.00	N/Q	283	-	329	307	N/Q	1.00	- 14.00
	1	MR	3	71.00	- 88.00	79.60	N/Q	292	-	317	302	N/Q	1.00	- 12.00
	1	1X	3	71.00	- 75.00	74.90	N/Q	288	-	304	301	N/Q	2.00	- 6.00
	0	1X	4	76.00	- 76.00	76.00	N/Q	309	-	309	309	N/Q	5.00	- 5.00
24.1+	2	1X	2	74.00	-102.00	81.30	N/Q	284	-	323	300	N/Q	1.00	- 3.00
	1	MR	2	72.00	- 90.00	80.80	N/Q	268	-	311	295	N/Q	1.00	- 6.00
	2	MR	3	76.00	- 98.00	84.10	N/Q	272	-	320	300	N/Q	1.00	- 12.00
	10	1X	3	70.00	- 95.00	82.90	N/Q	267	-	319	304	N/Q	1.00	- 5.00
	10	1X	4	78.00	-109.00	93.40	N/Q	289	-	332	315	N/Q	0.00	- 6.00
	1	MR	4	76.00	- 88.00	78.60	N/Q	288	-	315	294	N/Q	4.00	- 6.00
				22.00	109.00			175		332			0.00	14.00

Wether

Category Weight	% Yard	Sale Prefix	Fat Score	\$/Head					E		d Carcase ht c/kg		Skin (\$)		
				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low		High	Avg	Change	Low	High	
14.1-18	0	MR	1	53.00	- 56.00	54.70	N/Q	283	-	283	283	N/Q	2.00	- 5.00	
18.1-24	0	1X	1	69.00	- 69.00	69.00	N/Q	314	-	314	314	N/Q	3.00	- 3.00	
	1	MR	2	62.00	- 80.00	72.00	N/Q	274	-	313	301	N/Q	2.00	- 10.00	
	0	1X	2	69.00	- 69.00	69.00	N/Q	314	-	314	314	N/Q	3.00	- 3.00	
	2	MR	3	77.00	- 84.00	83.70	N/Q	286	-	313	312	N/Q	12.00	- 14.00	
24.1+	1	MR	2	79.00	- 81.00	79.20	N/Q	300	-	308	307	N/Q	2.00	- 3.00	
	3	MR	3	76.00	- 95.00	89.60	N/Q	296	-	332	316	N/Q	2.00	- 15.00	
	2	MR	4	78.00	-110.00	95.20	N/Q	286	-	347	318	N/Q	3.00	- 6.00	
	1	1X	4	88.00	-118.00	107.90	N/Q	290	-	338	322	N/Q	1.00	- 3.00	
				53.00	118.00			274		347			1.00	15.00	
Ram															
0-26	0	MR	2	50.00	- 52.00	50.80	N/Q	275	-	281	279	N/Q	5.00	- 8.00	
	0		4	30.00	- 30.00	30.00	N/Q	112	-	112	112	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00	
26.1+	0		1	30.00	- 30.00	30.00	N/Q	76	-	76	76	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00	
	0		2	14.00	- 40.00	28.90	N/Q	43	-	103	77	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00	
	0	MR	2	26.00	- 52.00	43.10	N/Q	80	-	147	128	N/Q	1.00	- 8.00	
	0		3	28.00	- 42.00	34.70	N/Q	88	-	105	96	N/Q	0.00	- 2.00	
	0		4	20.00	- 20.00	20.00	N/Q	48	-	48	48	N/Q	1.00	- 1.00	
				14.00	52.00			43		281			0.00	8.00	

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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