

## Detailed saleyard report - sheep and lamb

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| <b>Yarding Change</b> | 8922<br>-3114 | <b>Lambs Change</b> | 7342<br>-2074 | <b>Sheep Change</b> | 1580<br>-1040 | <b>comparison date</b> | 29/07/2014 |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|------------------------|------------|

A much smaller and average quality yarding of 7,342 crossbred and Merino lambs sold to easing competition provided by the usual array of trade and processor buyers. An estimated 3,000 new season lambs were yarded and despite solid trade interest, prices eased marginally. Feeders and restockers were active with some lightweight new season crossbreds attracting feeder bids.

Lightweight 2 and 3 score new season crossbred lambs sold to feeder buyers from \$64 to \$100, while lightweight 4 score lambs to trade buyers eased \$7, and sold from \$100 to \$110/head or an average of 515c/kg cwt. Light trade weight 4 score lambs eased \$2, they sold from \$110 to \$130 and averaged 534c, while a good selection of heavy trade weight 4 scores sold from \$128 to \$135/head to average 538c/kg cwt. One consignment of lightweight Merinos sold at \$95/head.

Lightweight 3 score old crossbred lambs eased up to \$12, and sold from \$85 to \$100/head. Trade weight 4 score lambs eased \$9, and sold from \$103 to \$132/head, or an average of 495c/kg cwt. Heavyweight 4 scores eased \$3 to \$6, and sold from \$130 to \$170/head, to return 506 to 540c/kg cwt.

Lightweight Merino lambs sold to restockers from \$54 to \$76, while light trade weight 3 score lines remained unchanged and sold from 85 to \$102/head. Heavier trade weights and heavy weight lamb prices retreated, easing \$2 to \$5, and they sold from \$90 to \$115/head, and returned 411c to 431c/kg cwt.

A very small, mixed yarding of 1,580 sheep sold to subdued processor competition, while restockers operated on wethers and paid \$89 to \$101/head for those with longer wool.

Lightweight 2 score ewes eased \$4, and sold from \$60 to \$76 or an average of 324c/kg cwt, while heavyweight 3 scores eased \$1, and sold from \$79 to \$108/head and averaged 327c/kg cwt. Heavy weight wethers were plentiful, and they sold from \$75 to \$103/head and averaged 328c/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      | FD          | 3         | 64.00        | -64.00        | 64.00  | N/Q    | 508                           | -    | 508        | 508    | N/Q       | 3.00        | - | 3.00        |
| 12.1-16           | 1      | FD          | 2         | 80.00        | -80.00        | 80.00  | N/Q    | 507                           | -    | 507        | 507    | N/Q       | 4.00        | - | 4.00        |
|                   | 2      | FD          | 3         | 81.00        | -88.00        | 85.40  | -5     | 557                           | -    | 560        | 559    | -37       | 3.00        | - | 4.00        |
|                   | 0      |             | 3         | 80.00        | -80.00        | 80.00  | N/Q    | 543                           | -    | 543        | 543    | N/Q       | 4.00        | - | 4.00        |
| 16.1-18           | 3      |             | 3         | 90.00        | -97.00        | 91.60  | -6     | 478                           | -    | 517        | 505    | -17       | 3.00        | - | 4.00        |
|                   | 0      | FD          | 3         | 90.00        | -90.00        | 90.00  | N/Q    | 506                           | -    | 506        | 506    | N/Q       | 4.00        | - | 4.00        |
|                   | 0      | MR          | 3         | 95.00        | -95.00        | 95.00  | N/Q    | 500                           | -    | 500        | 500    | N/Q       | 5.00        | - | 5.00        |
| 18.1-20           | 1      | FD          | 3         | 100.00       | -100.00       | 100.00 | N/Q    | 500                           | -    | 500        | 500    | N/Q       | 5.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                   | 1      |             | 3         | 100.00       | -105.00       | 103.50 | -5     | 505                           | -    | 526        | 520    | -15       | 4.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                   | 3      |             | 4         | 100.00       | -110.00       | 106.20 | -7     | 500                           | -    | 525        | 515    | -28       | 5.00        | - | 5.00        |
| 20.1-22           | 1      |             | 3         | 115.00       | -115.00       | 115.00 | -2     | 524                           | -    | 524        | 524    | -10       | 5.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                   | 6      |             | 4         | 110.00       | -130.00       | 121.10 | -2     | 496                           | -    | 573        | 534    | -11       | 4.00        | - | 6.00        |
| 22.1-24           | 5      |             | 4         | 128.00       | -135.00       | 131.60 | -5     | 529                           | -    | 557        | 538    | -9        | 5.00        | - | 6.00        |
|                   |        |             |           | <b>64.00</b> | <b>135.00</b> |        |        | <b>478</b>                    |      | <b>573</b> |        |           | <b>3.00</b> |   | <b>6.00</b> |
| <b>Lamb</b>       |        |             |           |              |               |        |        |                               |      |            |        |           |             |   |             |
| 0-12              | 0      | RM          | 1         | 44.00        | -44.00        | 44.00  | N/Q    | 358                           | -    | 358        | 358    | N/Q       | 1.00        | - | 1.00        |
|                   | 0      | RM          | 2         | 54.00        | -54.00        | 54.00  | N/Q    | 442                           | -    | 442        | 442    | N/Q       | 1.00        | - | 1.00        |
|                   | 0      | FD          | 2         | 65.00        | -65.00        | 65.00  | N/Q    | 533                           | -    | 533        | 533    | N/Q       | 1.00        | - | 1.00        |
| 12.1-16           | 0      | FD          | 2         | 53.00        | -53.00        | 53.00  | N/Q    | 327                           | -    | 327        | 327    | N/Q       | 4.00        | - | 4.00        |
|                   | 2      | RM          | 2         | 65.00        | -76.00        | 72.90  | 18     | 427                           | -    | 493        | 453    | 62        | 1.00        | - | 4.00        |
|                   | 2      |             | 2         | 56.00        | -75.00        | 69.30  | 7      | 386                           | -    | 493        | 462    | 45        | 1.00        | - | 3.00        |
|                   | 3      | MR          | 2         | 55.00        | -80.00        | 68.40  | 5      | 350                           | -    | 514        | 421    | 17        | 2.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                   | 1      | MR          | 3         | 64.00        | -78.00        | 74.90  | N/Q    | 413                           | -    | 469        | 456    | N/Q       | 2.00        | - | 3.00        |

| Category Weight | % Yard | Sale Prefix | Fat Score | \$/Head      |               |        |        | Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg |      |            |        | Skin (\$) |             |   |             |
|-----------------|--------|-------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|--------|--------|-------------------------------|------|------------|--------|-----------|-------------|---|-------------|
|                 |        |             |           | Low          | High          | Avg    | Change | Low                           | High | Avg        | Change | Low       | High        |   |             |
|                 | 0      |             | 3         | 89.00        | -89.00        | 89.00  | N/Q    | 538                           | -    | 538        | 538    | N/Q       | 3.00        | - | 3.00        |
| 16.1-18         | 4      | MR          | 2         | 65.00        | -86.00        | 74.20  | -3     | 339                           | -    | 477        | 397    | -29       | 4.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 | 1      |             | 2         | 64.00        | -80.00        | 75.90  | -4     | 339                           | -    | 433        | 409    | -27       | 2.00        | - | 3.00        |
|                 | 0      |             | 3         | 83.00        | -86.00        | 84.80  | N/C    | 467                           | -    | 471        | 468    | N/Q       | 2.00        | - | 3.00        |
| 18.1-20         | 0      |             | 2         | 94.00        | -94.00        | 94.00  | N/Q    | 455                           | -    | 455        | 455    | N/Q       | 3.00        | - | 3.00        |
|                 | 0      | MR          | 2         | 85.00        | -85.00        | 85.00  | N/Q    | 400                           | -    | 400        | 400    | N/Q       | 5.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 | 2      | MR          | 3         | 80.00        | -95.00        | 88.20  | 7      | 385                           | -    | 455        | 424    | 17        | 2.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 | 2      |             | 3         | 85.00        | -100.00       | 92.60  | -12    | 435                           | -    | 505        | 459    | -49       | 2.00        | - | 5.00        |
| 20.1-22         | 1      |             | 3         | 105.00       | -110.00       | 107.50 | 4      | 459                           | -    | 482        | 471    | N/C       | 4.00        | - | 4.00        |
|                 | 1      | MR          | 3         | 85.00        | -102.00       | 90.30  | 1      | 364                           | -    | 462        | 392    | -7        | 3.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 | 0      |             | 4         | 102.00       | -116.00       | 111.70 | N/Q    | 467                           | -    | 505        | 493    | N/Q       | 4.00        | - | 5.00        |
| 22.1-24         | 1      |             | 2         | 102.00       | -105.00       | 104.50 | 7      | 417                           | -    | 430        | 424    | 26        | 4.00        | - | 6.00        |
|                 | 1      | MR          | 2         | 91.00        | -94.00        | 92.90  | N/Q    | 374                           | -    | 387        | 382    | N/Q       | 5.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 | 6      | MR          | 3         | 90.00        | -115.00       | 101.60 | -2     | 370                           | -    | 458        | 411    | -7        | 3.00        | - | 6.00        |
|                 | 3      |             | 3         | 100.00       | -124.00       | 113.70 | -2     | 413                           | -    | 492        | 465    | -6        | 3.00        | - | 6.00        |
|                 | 1      |             | 4         | 103.00       | -132.00       | 117.80 | -9     | 439                           | -    | 529        | 495    | -25       | 2.00        | - | 5.00        |
| 24.1-26         | 0      |             | 2         | 114.00       | -114.00       | 114.00 | N/Q    | 419                           | -    | 419        | 419    | N/Q       | 5.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 | 1      | MR          | 3         | 112.00       | -115.00       | 113.00 | -5     | 424                           | -    | 440        | 431    | -23       | 5.00        | - | 6.00        |
|                 | 1      |             | 3         | 105.00       | -128.00       | 124.10 | -6     | 400                           | -    | 492        | 478    | -16       | 4.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 | 2      |             | 4         | 130.00       | -140.00       | 133.60 | -6     | 477                           | -    | 552        | 506    | -32       | 2.00        | - | 6.00        |
| 26.1-30         | 1      |             | 3         | 130.00       | -153.00       | 144.70 | N/Q    | 463                           | -    | 544        | 515    | N/Q       | 5.00        | - | 6.00        |
|                 | 4      |             | 4         | 140.00       | -170.00       | 156.60 | -3     | 482                           | -    | 554        | 540    | -15       | 2.00        | - | 6.00        |
|                 |        |             |           | <b>44.00</b> | <b>170.00</b> |        |        | <b>327</b>                    |      | <b>554</b> |        |           | <b>1.00</b> |   | <b>6.00</b> |
| <b>Hogget</b>   |        |             |           |              |               |        |        |                               |      |            |        |           |             |   |             |
| 0-22            | 1      | MR          | 2         | 34.00        | -81.00        | 71.30  | -10    | 220                           | -    | 450        | 401    | -36       | 1.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 | 1      | MR          | 3         | 70.00        | -85.00        | 76.20  | -11    | 355                           | -    | 426        | 382    | -34       | 1.00        | - | 4.00        |
|                 | 1      | RM          | 3         | 84.00        | -84.00        | 84.00  | N/Q    | 432                           | -    | 432        | 432    | N/Q       | 2.00        | - | 2.00        |
|                 | 0      |             | 3         | 72.00        | -96.00        | 75.90  | N/Q    | 417                           | -    | 438        | 431    | N/Q       | 2.00        | - | 3.00        |
| 22.1+           | 0      |             | 3         | 95.00        | -122.00       | 110.60 | N/Q    | 321                           | -    | 430        | 375    | N/Q       | 5.00        | - | 7.00        |
|                 | 1      | MR          | 3         | 88.00        | -115.00       | 108.80 | 11     | 332                           | -    | 423        | 412    | 18        | 3.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 | 0      |             | 4         | 103.00       | -122.00       | 109.30 | N/Q    | 390                           | -    | 413        | 405    | N/Q       | 4.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 |        |             |           | <b>34.00</b> | <b>122.00</b> |        |        | <b>220</b>                    |      | <b>450</b> |        |           | <b>1.00</b> |   | <b>7.00</b> |
| <b>Ewe</b>      |        |             |           |              |               |        |        |                               |      |            |        |           |             |   |             |
| 18.1-24         | 1      | MR          | 2         | 60.00        | -76.00        | 68.40  | -4     | 287                           | -    | 365        | 324    | 24        | 2.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 | 1      | MR          | 3         | 75.00        | -82.00        | 79.30  | N/Q    | 304                           | -    | 333        | 322    | N/Q       | 2.00        | - | 5.00        |
| 24.1+           | 0      | MR          | 2         | 78.00        | -78.00        | 78.00  | N/Q    | 292                           | -    | 292        | 292    | N/Q       | 5.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 | 5      | MR          | 3         | 79.00        | -108.00       | 88.60  | -1     | 257                           | -    | 379        | 327    | 12        | 2.00        | - | 6.00        |
|                 |        |             |           | <b>60.00</b> | <b>108.00</b> |        |        | <b>257</b>                    |      | <b>379</b> |        |           | <b>2.00</b> |   | <b>6.00</b> |
| <b>Wether</b>   |        |             |           |              |               |        |        |                               |      |            |        |           |             |   |             |
| 18.1-24         | 0      | RM          | 3         | 89.00        | -89.00        | 89.00  | N/Q    | 391                           | -    | 391        | 391    | N/Q       | 3.00        | - | 3.00        |
|                 | 0      | MR          | 3         | 92.00        | -92.00        | 92.00  | N/Q    | 371                           | -    | 371        | 371    | N/Q       | 3.00        | - | 3.00        |
| 24.1+           | 6      | MR          | 3         | 75.00        | -103.00       | 98.70  | 7      | 280                           | -    | 377        | 328    | -12       | 2.00        | - | 7.00        |
|                 | 1      | RM          | 3         | 101.00       | -101.00       | 101.00 | N/Q    | 369                           | -    | 369        | 369    | N/Q       | 5.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 | 0      |             | 3         | 106.00       | -106.00       | 106.00 | N/Q    | 371                           | -    | 416        | 394    | N/Q       | 2.00        | - | 2.00        |
|                 |        |             |           | <b>75.00</b> | <b>106.00</b> |        |        | <b>280</b>                    |      | <b>416</b> |        |           | <b>2.00</b> |   | <b>7.00</b> |
| <b>Ram</b>      |        |             |           |              |               |        |        |                               |      |            |        |           |             |   |             |
| 26.1+           | 0      |             | 2         | 58.00        | -58.00        | 58.00  | N/Q    | 170                           | -    | 170        | 170    | N/Q       | 2.00        | - | 2.00        |
|                 | 1      | MR          | 3         | 60.00        | -130.00       | 83.90  | 15     | 146                           | -    | 280        | 191    | 34        | 3.00        | - | 7.00        |
|                 | 0      |             | 3         | 55.00        | -75.00        | 71.60  | N/Q    | 125                           | -    | 173        | 159    | N/Q       | 3.00        | - | 5.00        |
|                 |        |             |           | <b>55.00</b> | <b>130.00</b> |        |        | <b>125</b>                    |      | <b>280</b> |        |           | <b>2.00</b> |   | <b>7.00</b> |

| Category<br>Weight | % Yard | Sale Prefix | Fat Score | \$/Head |      |     |        | Estimated Carcase<br>Weight c/kg |      |     |        | Skin (\$) |      |
|--------------------|--------|-------------|-----------|---------|------|-----|--------|----------------------------------|------|-----|--------|-----------|------|
|                    |        |             |           | Low     | High | Avg | Change | Low                              | High | Avg | Change | Low       | High |

#### 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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