

## **AuctionsPlus Market Comments: Week Ending**

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A drop in numbers across both species this week saw 3,669 head of cattle and 37,630 sheep and lambs offered. Interestingly, cattle out of QLD and northern NSW achieved the best clearance rates without having to compromise significantly on price expectations. All cattle from QLD sold, and most will be remaining in the north. Sheep clearances were on par with last week, though demand for good quality future breeders remains evident.

Sheep buyers are increasingly selective, as fairer quality lines are turned off as the dry winter persists. The sheen has finally come off the market for older scanned ewes, with those able to restock at present thinking beyond this spring. Unjoined young Merino ewes sold from \$111 to \$146. Scanned proven breeders to drop a crossbred lamb in the spring sold from \$110 to \$151, and at Deniliquin Collinsville blood two year olds in lamb to White Suffolk and Border Leicester made \$161.50. First cross ewe lambs sold for \$133, and young scanned ewes for \$179. In Tasmania, proven breeders joined to Poll Dorset sold from \$131.50 to \$138.

New season lamb prices are yet to show a full recovery on the drop a few weeks ago and were steady on last week, though this may indeed be the price mark in the short term until bigger numbers stabilise the market. 42kg Border/Merino suckers out of Wee Waa sold for \$112, 39kg first crosses made \$97 and second crosses weighing 33kg sold for \$91.50.



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Sheep		
State	Town	Details
QLD	Girrawheen	600 Mer E&W, 12-13 mths, 7.3 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Lansdowne bld, passed \$26.50
QLD	Barcaldine	780 Mer Ewes, 5 yrs, 16.8 kgdw, 2.5" skin, Unjnd, \$50; 900 Mer Wth lambs, 3-5 mths, 8.2 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Coreena bld, \$36; 300 Mer Ewe lambs, 3-5 mths, 7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Coreena bld, \$28; 560 Mer Wths, 1-2 yrs, 10.7 kgdw, 1.75" skin, Coreena bld, passed \$36.50
QLD	Isisford	200 Dohne/Mer Ewes, 4-5 yrs, 20.8 kgdw, 2.75" skin, \$75.50; 360 2ndX Mer Ewes, 2-3 yrs, 17.3 kgdw, 2.75" skin, \$70.50
QLD	Bollon	490 2ndX Dorp m/s lambs, 9-11 mths, 13.4 kgdw, 1.25" skin, passed \$45
QLD	Dirranbandi	505 Mer Wths, 2-3 yrs, 19 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Uardry bld, \$53.50
NSW	Bourke	350 Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 17.6 kgdw, 1.75" skin, SIL Mer, \$90; 430 Mer Ewes, 5-6 yrs, 18.7 kgdw, 1.75" skin, SIL Mer, \$85
NSW	Goodooga	420 Mer Ewes, 3-5 yrs, 26.6 kgdw, 2.25" skin, SIL BL, Boyanga bld, \$110
NSW	Moree	190 Mer Ewes, 2yrs, 20.2 kgdw, 2" skin, Unjnd, Merryville bld, passed \$105
NSW	Walgett	370 F3-F4 Dorper Ewes, 3-4 yrs, 21.9 kgdw, 2" skin, SIL WD, \$130; 376 F3-F4 Dorper Ewes, 2-4 yrs, 21 kgdw, 2" skin, \$67; 600 BL/Dohne m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 13.6 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$82; 532 Mer E&L, 6-7 yrs, 21.5 kgdw, 2" skin, 492 BL LAF, Bungulla bld, \$113; 380 Mer Ewes, 5 yrs, 19.3 kgdw, 1/2" skin, SIL Mer, Boorooma bld, \$90
NSW	Wee Waa	1440 BL/ Mer m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 18.9 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$112; 480 BL/ Mer m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 18.9 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$104; 370 Mer Ewes, 3-5 yrs, 20.4 kgdw, 1.75" skin, SIL Cool, Haddon Rig Bld, \$102.50; 174 Mer Ewes, 2-3 yrs, 23.6 kgdw, 1/4" skin, SIL Cool, Hazeldean bld, passed \$75.50
NSW	Narrabri	71 WD Ewes, 2-7 yrs, 23.3 kgdw, 1/2" skin, SIL WD, Back Creek bld, \$135;
NSW	Armidale	208 BL/Mer Ewes, 2-3 yrs, 20.5 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, passed \$95.50;
NSW	Uralla	755 Mer Wth lambs, 8-9 mths, 9.8 kgdw, 2" skin, passed \$61.50; 460 Mer Ewes/Wths, 1-6 yrs, 12.7 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$41 ; 169 Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 19.3 kgdw, 2.75" skin, SIL Mer, Doreen bld, passed \$94
NSW	Nyngan	300 BL/Mer m/s lambs, 9-10 mths, 16.2 kgdw, 1" skin, \$72.50
NSW	Warren	370 Mer Ewes, 1.5 yrs, 24.2 kgdw, 2" skin, Unjnd, Haddon Rig & Pooginook bld, \$146; 130 Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 25kgdw, 2" skin, Unjnd, \$111;
NSW	Nevertire	400 Mer Ewes, 12 months, 24.1 kgdw, 2.5" skin, Unjnd, Lambert & Egelabra bld, \$140
NSW	Wellington	500 Mer Wth lambs, 10 mths, 14.6 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Glenwood & Merryville bld, passed \$56; 450 Mer Wth lambs, 10-12 mths, 17.1 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Pemcaw bld, passed \$60.50; 220 BL/Mer Ewes, 15-16 mths, 23.1 kgdw, bare shn, SIL PD, \$179
NSW	Condobolin	420 Mer Ewes, 2-5 yrs, 18.3 kgdw, 1.5" skin, SIL BL, Centreplus bld, \$112;
NSW	Parkes	185 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 10-11 mths, 17.7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$133;
NSW	Blayney	195 WD m/s lambs, 8-9 mths, 20.5 kgdw, \$90;
NSW	Hillston	138 Mer Ewes, 13-14 mths, 22.7 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Willandra bld, \$127.50; 114 Mer Ewes, 22-23 mths, 25.7 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Willandra bld, \$127.50
NSW	Naradhan	486 WDX Ewes, Mxd age, 27.3 kgdw, SIL WD, \$115
NSW	West Wyalong	460 2ndX PD m/s lambs, 9-14 wks, 14.6 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$91.50; 237 2ndX WS Ewes, 3 yrs, 35.5 kgdw, 2.5" skin, Unjnd, passed \$136;
NSW	Grenfell	340 Dors/Mer m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 16.6 kgdw, 1" skin, \$97;
NSW	Ariah Park	357 Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 27.3 kgdw, 1.75" skin, Unjnd, Avoca bld, passed \$156; 175 Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 27.4 kgdw, 3" skin, Unjnd, Collinsville bld, passed \$176;
NSW	Hay	800 Mer Wth lambs, 3-4 mths, 14.8 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Alma bld, \$70.50 ; 200 Mer Wths, 12-13 mths, 16.6 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$40.50



NSW	Deniliquin	520 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 15.1 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$85; 280 Mer Ewes, 2-3 yrs, 26 kgdw, 1.5" skin, SIL WS & BL, Collinsville bld, \$161.50; 230 Mer Ewes, 3-4 yrs, 25.6 kgdw, 1.5" skin, SIL WS & BL, Collinsville bld, \$151
VIC	Carisbrook	270 Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 18.3 kgdw, 1/2" skin, SIL WS, Petalli bld, \$110; 210 Mer Ewes, 5 yrs, 18.4 kgdw, 1/2" skin, SIL WS, Teangi bld, \$83
VIC	Edenhope	300 BL/Mer Ewes, 14-15 mths, 20.5 kgdw, 4" skin, \$177
SA	Keith	167 Mer Ewes, 2.5-5.5 yrs, 22.2 kgdw, 1.5" skin, SIL WS, \$140
Tas	Barrington	97 BL/Mer Ewes, 3 yrs, 26 kgdw, 2" skin, Jnd PD, \$138; 46 BL/Mer Ewes, 4 yrs, 27.4 kgdw, 2" skin, Jnd PD, \$131.50