

Prime Sheep & Lamb – 1 July 2020

Total Yarding: 8,868

Lamb numbers lifted and the quality was good. There were a few pens of new season lambs but the bulk were trade and heavy old lambs. Merino lambs were better supplied and competition was best on the light and trade lambs. All the usual buyers operated in a cheaper market.

Heavy new season lambs sold to \$192/head. Old 2 score processing lambs to 16kg were firm to \$5 cheaper with a few restocking orders pushing prices and lambs sold from \$100 to \$144/head. Medium and heavy trade lambs were back \$10 to \$15 selling from \$166 to \$188/head averaging from 800c to 830c/kg cwt. Heavy lambs ranged from \$177 to \$200 or 740c to 790c/kg falling \$15 to \$20/head. Extra heavy lambs sold to \$234/head. Merino trade lambs sold from \$133 to \$173/head.

Mutton numbers lifted and the quality was good with plenty of heavy sheep offered. Prices eased especially on the heavy sheep falling up to \$10 to \$15/head. Heavy crossbred ewes sold from \$170 to \$220 and Merino ewes made from \$146 to \$191 with restockers paying to \$202/head.

Market Report: MLA's National Livestock Reporting Service.

Category	Qty		\$ / Hd
Suckers XB	210	Top	\$186.00
		Aver	\$176.87
Lambs Merino	921	Top	\$190.00
		Aver	\$150.14
Lambs XB	3,751	Top	\$234.00
		Aver	\$182.09
Hoggets XB	17	Top	\$185.00
		Aver	\$169.82
Wethers Merino	721	Top	\$178.20
		Aver	\$151.09
Ewes XB	715	Top	\$220.00
		Aver	\$189.93
Ewes Merino	1,019	Top	\$202.00
		Aver	\$155.23