

Prime Sheep & Lamb – 19 January 2022

Total Yarding: 12,627

Lamb numbers doubled and the quality was good. There were plenty of unshorn store lambs and a very good runs of trade weights up to 26kg. Heavy lambs were back in numbers. Despite all the usual buyers operating the market trend was cheaper.

Unshorn store lambs were \$2 to \$3 cheaper selling from \$136 to \$178/head. Trade weights dropped \$13 to \$15 selling from \$160 to an exceptionally fresh pen of lambs that reached \$213/head. Most averaged 780c to 800c/kg cwt. Heavy lambs sold from \$196 to \$204/head.

Shorn trade lambs were back \$15 to \$20/head and sold between \$153 and \$208/head to average 815c to 830c/kg cwt and heavy lambs \$200 to \$224/head. Extra heavy lambs \$226 to \$232/head. Best hogget reached \$202/head.

Mutton numbers lifted and quality was fair to good. Prices fell \$15 to \$20/head on average with some sales more. Medium weight ewes ranged from \$101 to long skinned Merinos that reached \$163/head. Heavy crossbred ewes sold to \$185 and restockers paid to \$205/head. The best of the wethers reached \$196/head.

Market Report: MLA's National Livestock Reporting Service.

Category	Qty	T/A	\$ / H
Suckers XB	2669	Top	\$213.00
		Ave	\$164.61
Lambs Merino	208	Top	\$182.00
		Ave	\$102.03
Lambs XB	4800	Top	\$234.00
		Ave	\$184.58
Hoggets XB	79	Top	\$202.20
		Ave	\$174.16
Wethers Merino	1132	Top	\$196.00
		Ave	\$164.88
Ewes XB	1132	Top	\$209.80
		Ave	\$147.33
Ewes Merino	2094	Top	\$170.00
		Ave	\$117.01