

Prime Sheep & Lamb – 9 March 2022

Total Yarding: 5,976

Lamb numbers eased but the quality improved with more shorn lambs offered but still there were plenty of secondary lambs that lacked finish. There were good numbers of trade and heavy lambs to 26kg but heavier weights were in limited supply. There still was a small run of light store lambs. All the usual buyers were operating in a firm to slightly dearer market on some of the shorn lambs.

Store lambs ranged from \$69 to \$168 and heavier weights to feed on reached \$186/head. The trade lambs to 24kg sold firm to \$4 dearer ranging from \$167 to \$188/head or 765c to 800c/kg cwt. Lambs 24 to 26kg cwt were firm and ranged from \$180 to \$211/head or 745c/kg on average. The 26kg and heavier lambs sold from \$204 to \$226/head.

Mutton numbers eased and the quality was a little mixed with more plainer 1 and 2 score sheep. Prices were back \$4 to \$5/head. Light mutton \$56 to \$138/head with medium weight \$84 to \$168/head for long skinned Merinos. Heavy crossbred ewes sold from \$160 to \$210 and Merinos reached \$192/head.

Market Report: MLA's National Livestock Reporting Service.

Category	Qty	T/A	\$ / H
Suckers XB	699	Top	\$225.00
		Ave	\$156.16
Lambs Merino	204	Top	\$138.00
		Ave	\$76.29
Lambs XB	2257	Top	\$226.00
		Ave	\$171.28
Hoggets XB	43	Top	\$210.00
		Ave	\$169.59
Wethers Merino	126	Top	\$170.00
		Ave	\$133.86
Ewes XB	340	Top	\$210.00
		Ave	\$145.76
Ewes Merino	1829	Top	\$192.00
		Ave	\$133.30