

Prime Lamb & Sheep – 27 April 2022

Total Yarding: 11,420

Lamb numbers increased and the quality improved. There were still big runs of store lambs and a better draft of trade weights. Heavy lambs were well supplied and extra heavy weights remain limited. Despite the improvement in quality the market eased \$10 to \$15/head across most lambs.

Store lambs sold from \$85 to \$162/head. Trade weights 20 to 24kg cwt ranged from \$150 to \$186/head and averaged 730c to 750c/kg.

Lambs 24 to 26kg cwt sold from \$170 to \$198/head or up to 800c/kg cwt for the best lambs. Heavy lambs 26 to 30kg \$187 to \$212/head and extra heavy lambs reached \$228/head. The best priced hogget reached \$208/head.

Mutton numbers lifted and the quality remains mixed. Prices were back \$6 to \$9/head after a strong start. Medium weight ewes sold from \$110 to \$158/head and heavy crossbred ewes reached \$223 and wethers \$220/head. Best Merino reached \$189/head. Heavy rams topped the market reaching \$236/head.

Market Report: MLA's National Livestock Reporting Service.

Category	Qty	T/A	\$ / H
Suckers XB	0	Top	N/A
		Ave	N/A
Lambs Merino	50	Top	\$140.20
		Ave	\$100.14
Lambs XB	6148	Top	\$228.00
		Ave	\$165.22
Hoggets Merino	72	Top	\$155.00
		Ave	\$110.85
Hoggets XB	30	Top	\$208.00
		Ave	\$177.37
Wethers Merino	140	Top	\$188.60
		Ave	\$163.92
Ewes Merino	3377	Top	\$185.00
		Ave	\$127.82
Ewes XB	721	Top	\$220.00
		Ave	\$178.74