

Prime Lamb & Sheep – 11 August 2022

Total Yarding: 6681

Lamb numbers lifted and the quality was mostly plain. There were a few pens of very good heavy and extra heavy weights but quality and condition fell away quickly to a lot of lambs that lacked cover. All weights were penned and all the usual buyers were operating in a cheaper market. Prices slipped \$4 on the heavy trades and \$8 to \$10 on the heavy and extra heavy lambs.

The 2 score processing lambs to 16kg cwt sold from \$74 to \$109/head. Medium and heavy trade weights to 22kg ranged from \$101 to \$164 and 22 to 24kg lambs \$165 to \$175/head. The better lambs were averaging 720c to 750c/kg while the secondary lambs mostly 600c to 650c/kg. Heavy lambs sold from \$165 to \$208 and extra heavy weights \$209 to \$238/head. Best priced hogget reached \$170/head.

Mutton numbers were back and the quality was very mixed. Some pens of ewes were pushed by restockers but the overall trend was cheaper. Medium weight ewes sold from \$110 to \$138/head. Heavy crossbreds \$178 to \$188 and the best Merino ewes reached \$165/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	244	Top	\$113.00
		Ave	\$74.13
Lambs XB	4354	Top	\$238.00
		Ave	\$146.77
Hoggets Merino	0	Top	N/A
		Ave	N/A
Hoggets XB	159	Top	\$170.00
		Ave	\$144.92
Wethers Merino	407	Top	\$147.20
		Ave	\$111.34
Ewes Merino	782	Top	\$162.00
		Ave	\$118.70
Ewes XB	125	Top	\$185.00
		Ave	\$148.79