

Prime Lamb & Sheep – 24 August 2022

Total Yarding: 4558

Lamb numbers were similar and the quality continues to be very plain with wintry condition continuing in the supply area. Trade weight lambs were best supplied and there were a few well covered heavy and extra heavy lambs along with a lot of secondary lambs. Not all the usual buyers were operating and the market fell \$25 to \$30/head on the light and trade lambs and \$10 to \$18/head on heavy and extra heavy weights. The biggest influence in the cheaper market was the quality of the lambs.

The 2 score processing lambs ranged from \$58 to \$100/head. Medium and heavy trade lambs to 24kg sold from \$94 to \$159/head and averaged 600c to 630c/kg. Heavy lambs sold between \$155 and \$196 and extra heavy lambs over 30kg cwt \$180 to \$210/head or 550c to 600c/kg cwt. Merino lambs back to the paddock reached \$145/head. Best priced hogget reached \$159/head.

Mutton numbers eased and the quality and condition slipped. Prices were \$20 cheaper on the light mutton and \$30/head softer on the limited supply of heavy crossbred ewes. Light mutton ranged from \$45 to \$78/head. Heavy crossbred ewes \$125 to \$158/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	1021	Top	\$145.00
		Ave	\$90.17
Lambs XB	2085	Top	\$210.00
		Ave	\$126.64
Hoggets Merino	95	Top	\$135.00
		Ave	\$69.00
Hoggets XB	136	Top	\$158.00
		Ave	\$121.93
Wethers Merino	204	Top	\$140.20
		Ave	\$124.11
Ewes Merino	570	Top	\$126.00
		Ave	\$95.28
Ewes XB	50	Top	\$158.00
		Ave	\$103.44