

Prime Lamb & Sheep – 3 May 2023

Total Yarding: 10,370

Lamb numbers lifted and the quality was plain. There were only a few pens of well finished lambs offered by each agent and some of these lambs were passed in. Light secondary lambs were well supplied and all lambs sold to a cheaper trend.

Restocking lambs up to 20kg cwt sold to \$127 and there were plenty of light lambs in the \$70 to \$90/head price range. Trade weights 20 to 22kg ranged from \$132 to \$140 and the 22 to 24kg \$135 to \$159/head and they were back \$10 to \$15 and averaged 620c/kg cwt. Heavy weights 24 to 26kg lost \$10/head and sold from \$153 to \$161/head and the 26kg and heavier \$179 to \$200/head/ Merino lambs back to the paddock with a longer skin sold from \$126 to \$141/head.

Mutton numbers were steady and there was not the weight in the heavy mutton of the previous weeks. There were plenty of light 1 and 2 score ewes offered. Prices were firm to \$5 cheaper. Light ewes \$30 to \$91/head. Medium weights \$83 to \$115 and heavy crossbred ewes \$115 to \$153/head. Mutton with cover was 450c/kg and higher on average.

Market Report: MLA's National Livestock Reporting Service.

Category	Qty	T/A	\$ / H
Suckers XB	22	Top	\$80.00
		Ave	\$52.50
Lambs Merino	279	Top	\$141.00
		Ave	\$87.75
Lambs XB	4062	Top	\$200.00
		Ave	\$105.41
Hoggets Merino	92	Top	\$146.00
		Ave	\$83.95
Hoggets XB	477	Top	\$166.00
		Ave	\$113.91
Wethers Merino	797	Top	\$136.00
		Ave	\$108.91
Ewes Merino	2252	Top	\$128.00
		Ave	\$70.96
Ewes XB	762	Top	\$155.20
		Ave	\$93.23

