

## Detailed Saleyard Report - Sheep and Lamb

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### Wagga

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Yarding	45500	Lamb	38000	Sheep	7500	comparison date	10/09/2020
Change	-1900	Change	-500	Change	-1400		

Lamb supplies increased moderately. New season lamb supplies jumped significantly to 28,300 head. Quality was excellent over trade and heavy lamb categories. Most old lambs were supplementary assisted or finished on grass and Lucerne. Heavy and extra heavy lambs numbers dipped noticeably. Restockers found it difficult to operate with most young lambs weighing above 21kg carcass weight. A full field of buyers were in attendance and all were operating to capacity.

Victorian processors dominated the market with a large percentage of lambs weighing from 22 to 24kg to be destined for Victorian abattoirs. New season trade lamb quality was outstanding despite showing a lack in wool cleanliness. Competition was at times very strong. New season lambs 22 to 24kg gained \$12/head and in some sales more to average 714c/kg cwt. Merino trade lambs sold to stronger price trends. The bulk of the trade lambs average \$159/head.

A full field of buyers were at the rail along with some strong major domestic processor competition from Victoria. Heavy and extra heavy lamb new season lamb prices lifted considerably, driven by a shortage of supply in Victoria. Lambs 26 to 30kg sold from \$188 to \$212/head. Lambs weighing in excess of 30kg cwt were keenly sought selling from \$205 to \$220/head with prices unchanged. Heavy old lambs recorded a top price of \$238.20/head. Heavy merino lambs ignited the bidding selling from \$168 to \$201/head.

It was an outstanding yarding of mutton with only heavy sheep available. Heavy ewes sold to strong demand improving from \$16 to \$22/head to average 544c/kg cwt. Heavy wethers were in reasonable numbers making from \$178 to \$183.20/head to average 540c to 573c/kg cwt.

Category	% Yard	Sale Prefix	Fat Score*	\$/Head				Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg*			Skin (\$)*		
				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High
<b>Young Lamb</b>													
<b>16.1-18</b>													
	4	PR	2	125.00	130.00	127.50	N/Q	711	724	717	N/Q	2.00	2.00
<b>18.1-20</b>													
	3	PR	3	130.00	142.00	138.00	4	640	700	680	19	2.00	2.00
<b>20.1-22</b>													
	9	PR	3	150.00	168.00	159.00	12	673	755	714	47	2.00	2.00
<b>22.1-24</b>													
	26	PR	3	168.00	185.00	173.30	12	692	763	714	45	2.00	2.00
	1	PR	4	185.00	185.00	185.00	21	763	763	763	88	2.00	2.00
<b>24.1-26</b>													
	5	PR	4	175.00	186.00	180.40	12	692	708	700	56	2.00	2.00
<b>26.1-30</b>													
	15	PR	4	188.00	212.00	193.30	14	664	700	670	37	2.00	2.00
<b>30.1+</b>													
	5	PR	4	205.00	220.00	207.20	-1	634	675	638	1	2.00	2.00
				125.00	220.00			634	763			2.00	2.00
<b>Lamb</b>													
<b>22.1-24</b>													
	0	MR	3	159.00	159.00	159.00	11	621	621	621	15	10.00	10.00
<b>24.1-26</b>													
	0	MR	3	168.00	168.00	168.00	N/Q	632	632	632	N/Q	10.00	10.00
<b>26.1-30</b>													
	5	PR	4	175.00	217.00	194.00	11	636	717	660	21	2.00	5.00
	1	MR	4	188.00	188.00	188.00	19	614	614	614	33	10.00	10.00
<b>30.1+</b>													
	4	PR	4	201.00	238.00	217.60	4	613	678	642	17	2.00	5.00
	1	MR	4	200.00	201.00	200.70	N/Q	594	597	596	N/Q	10.00	10.00

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				Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High
				159.00	238.00			594	717			2.00	10.00
Ewe													
24.1-30													
	2	1X	4	176.00	176.00	176.00	16	600	600	600	28	2.00	2.00
	1	PR	3	180.00	180.00	180.00	N/Q	607	607	607	N/Q	10.00	10.00
30.1+													
	0	1X	4	190.00	190.00	190.00	16	470	470	470	-5	2.00	2.00
	2	PR	4	177.00	178.00	177.50	N/Q	451	473	462	N/Q	2.00	2.00
	1	MR	4	195.00	195.00	195.00	22	544	544	544	61	10.00	10.00
				176.00	195.00			451	607			2.00	10.00
Wether													
30.1+													
	1	PR	4	178.00	178.00	178.00	N/Q	539	539	540	N/Q	0.00	0.00
	1	MR	4	183.20	183.20	183.20	17	573	573	573	67	0.00	0.00
				178.00	183.20			539	573			0.00	0.00
Ram Lamb													
24.1+													
	0	PR	2	230.00	230.00	230.00	N/Q	420	420	420	N/Q	20.00	20.00
				230.00	230.00			420	420			20.00	20.00

Abbreviations: RS: Restocker MR: Merino RM: Restocker Merino 1X: 1st Cross FD: Feeder RD: Restocker Dorper PR: Processor; DP: Dorper

\* N/A indicates the unavailability of support animal assessments at the time of publishing

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