

SELX Market Report

Prime Lamb & Sheep – 30 August 2023

Lamb numbers almost halved and the quality was back with a very limited supply of prime lambs. Most were secondary, lacking cover. Not all the usual buyers were operating and buyers were selective, heavily discounting longer skins. The market sold to much cheaper trends with prices fall \$15 to \$20/head.

The 2 score processing lambs to 18kg sold from \$15 to \$49/head. Trade lambs 20 to 22kg ranged from \$53 to \$75 and 22 to 24kg lambs \$68 to \$89/head. Heavy weights to 26kg ranged from \$66 to \$97 and 26kg and heavier \$91 to \$103/head. The better lambs averaged from 340c to 380c while the larger run of secondary lambs averaged from 240c to 280c/kg cwt. The best of the heavy hoggets reached \$61/head.

Category	Qty	T/A	\$ / H
Suckers XB	376	Top	\$53.00
		Ave	\$24.66
Lambs Merino	464	Top	\$27.00
		Ave	\$12.14
Lambs XB	2717	Top	\$103.00
		Ave	\$50.14
Hoggets Merino	31	Top	\$50.00
		Ave	\$29.06
Hoggets XB	269	Top	\$61.00
		Ave	\$53.13
Wethers Merino	1053	Top	\$61.00
		Ave	\$38.88
Ewes Merino	757	Top	\$51.00
		Ave	\$31.84
Ewes XB	229	Top	\$64.00
		Ave	\$57.10

Mutton numbers were similar and the quality varied. Prices were back \$10 to \$20/head with the exception of a good run of medium weight Merino wethers which were firm. Medium weight ewes \$17 to \$51/head and heavy crossbred ewes reached \$65/head.

Market Report: MLA's National Livestock Reporting Service.

Upcoming Sales at SELX

Prime Lamb & Sheep – Every Wednesday, 11am. **Note: new start time of 10am from 4 October.**

Prime Cattle – Every Thursday, 8am.

Special Store & Weaner – Friday 29th September, 10am.

Around the Yards

