## SELX Market Report

## Prime Lamb \& Sheep - 10 January 2024

Total Yarding: 14,261

Lamb numbers lifted and so did the quality. There was a much better run of trade and heavy weights. Fresh new season lambs were limited with a big percentage dry in the skin and the store lambs were limited in numbers with most going to processors with strong competition from the buyers. The market was firm to slightly dearer after last weeks strong opening sale. All the usual buyers were operating.

New season trade lambs 20 to 24 kg ranged from $\$ 147$ to $\$ 175 /$ head averaging 680 c to 700c after reaching 750c/kg, heavy weights reached \$218/head.

| Category | Qty | T/A | $\mathbf{\$ / H}$ |
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| Suckers XB | 2700 | Top | $\$ 218.00$ |
|  |  | Ave | $\$ 151.45$ |
| Lambs Merino | 460 | Top | $\$ 106.00$ |
|  |  | Ave | $\$ 43.82$ |
| Lambs XB | 4258 | Top | $\$ 248.00$ |
|  |  | Ave | $\$ 150.96$ |
| Hoggets Merino | 76 | Top | $\$ 140.20$ |
|  |  | Ave | $\$ 82.66$ |
| Hoggets XB | 1003 | Top | $\$ 157.20$ |
|  |  | Ave | $\$ 116.08$ |
| Wethers Merino | 622 | Top | $\$ 88.00$ |
|  |  | Ave | $\$ 72.27$ |
| Ewes Merino | 1989 | Top | $\$ 100.00$ |
|  |  | Ave | $\$ 57.39$ |
| Ewes XB | 1653 | Top | $\$ 105.00$ |
|  |  | Ave | $\$ 68.17$ |

The shorn lambs sold to very strong competition and the trade weights ranged from $\$ 140$ to $\$ 191 /$ head averaging 730c to $750 \mathrm{c} / \mathrm{kg}$ with the odd pen of short skin lambs reaching around $800 \mathrm{c} / \mathrm{kg}$. Heavy weights to 30 kg sold from $\$ 188$ to $\$ 230 /$ head or 700c to 750 c and extra heavy weights sold from $\$ 226$ to $\$ 248 /$ head. Heavy hoggets reached \$157/head.

There was a lift in mutton numbers and prices were dearer especially on the light and medium weights. Medium weight ewes sold from $\$ 39$ to $\$ 60 /$ head. Heavy crossbred ewes sold from $\$ 60$ to $\$ 119 /$ head for 4 and 6 tooth ewes and the best Merinos reached $\$ 100 /$ head.

Market Report: MLA's National Livestock Reporting Service.

## Upcoming Sales at SELX:

Prime Lamb \& Sheep - Every Wednesday, 10am
Prime Cattle - Every Thursday, 8am.
Store Lamb Sale - Friday, 12 January, 10am - CANCELLED
Monthly Store Cattle - Friday, 23 February, 10am

## Around the Yards



