

## Detailed saleyard report - sheep and lamb

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### Ballarat

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| <b>Yarding Change</b> | 22014<br>-5144 | <b>Lambs Change</b> | 18072<br>-1995 | <b>Sheep Change</b> | 3942<br>-3149 | <b>comparison date</b> | 17/01/2012 |
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Lamb numbers eased back but there was still a very good selection of heavier trade weight lambs. All the usual buyers attended and most were active with several exporters showing great interest.

Across the market, most weights and grades averaged \$6 to \$10 dearer but the majority of heavy lambs were between \$12 to \$15/head dearer. Light and extra light 1 and 2 score lambs sold from \$40 to \$98/head. Light trade 2 and 3 score made \$88 to \$107 or 480c to 530c/kg cwt, averaging \$2 to \$5/head dearer. Heavier 3 and 4 score trade lambs made \$107 to \$140/head, or 480c to 540c/kg cwt.

Sheep supplies also dropped as only a few agents offered reasonable numbers. Demand averaged from \$4 to \$15/head dearer during the course of the smaller penning, with woolly Merino's generally selling to either processor or restocking buyers. Light and extra light 1 and 2 score ewe mutton sold \$14 to \$60, restockers paid \$72/head. Woolly Merino's 3 and 4 score made \$62 to \$107/head. Wethers 1 and 2 score sold from \$28 to \$75/head. Over all weights and grades processor averages ranged between 200c to 300c to average at 260c to 270c/kg cwt.

| Category Weight   | % 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> |        |             |           |              |               |               |        |                               |      |            |            |           |             |              |
| 0-12              | 1      | RS          | 1         | 60.00        | -68.60        | 66.40         | 1      | 417                           | -    | 472        | 457        | -71       | 10.00       | -12.00       |
|                   | 1      | FD          | 1         | 59.20        | -64.00        | 60.50         | 12     | 512                           | -    | 560        | 525        | N/Q       | 8.00        | -8.00        |
| 12.1-16           | 1      | RS          | 1         | 74.00        | -76.00        | 75.10         | -1     | 492                           | -    | 512        | 503        | -25       | 10.00       | -12.00       |
|                   | 4      | RS          | 2         | 80.00        | -98.50        | 87.80         | -1     | 486                           | -    | 592        | 538        | 11        | 12.00       | -14.00       |
|                   | 2      |             | 2         | 85.00        | -95.60        | 88.40         | -4     | 456                           | -    | 518        | 489        | -18       | 12.00       | -14.00       |
|                   | 1      | FD          | 2         | 78.00        | -78.00        | 78.00         | -6     | 489                           | -    | 489        | 489        | -48       | 12.00       | -12.00       |
| 16.1-18           | 1      |             | 2         | 94.50        | -98.00        | 95.70         | 1      | 482                           | -    | 494        | 486        | 10        | 14.00       | -15.00       |
|                   | 0      | RS          | 2         | 88.00        | -88.00        | 88.00         | N/Q    | 447                           | -    | 447        | 447        | N/Q       | 12.00       | -12.00       |
|                   | 1      |             | 3         | 103.00       | -107.00       | 106.40        | 4      | 500                           | -    | 503        | 501        | 9         | 15.00       | -17.00       |
| 18.1-20           | 0      | 1X          | 2         | 115.00       | -115.00       | 115.00        | N/Q    | 500                           | -    | 500        | 500        | N/Q       | 15.00       | -15.00       |
|                   | 1      |             | 3         | 110.00       | -116.60       | 111.80        | 4      | 470                           | -    | 519        | 490        | 11        | 14.00       | -16.00       |
| 20.1-22           | 2      |             | 3         | 114.60       | -120.00       | 117.20        | -13    | 461                           | -    | 495        | 476        | -62       | 15.00       | -18.00       |
|                   | 1      |             | 4         | 125.00       | -138.00       | 129.40        | 5      | 500                           | -    | 546        | 522        | 26        | 16.00       | -18.00       |
|                   | 0      | 1X          | 4         | 122.00       | -122.00       | 122.00        | 6      | 505                           | -    | 505        | 505        | 40        | 16.00       | -16.00       |
| 22.1-24           | 1      |             | 4         | 130.00       | -145.00       | 140.10        | 10     | 487                           | -    | 529        | 519        | 28        | 17.00       | -18.00       |
| 24.1-26           | 0      |             | 4         | 146.00       | -146.00       | 146.00        | N/Q    | 512                           | -    | 512        | 512        | N/Q       | 18.00       | -18.00       |
|                   |        |             |           | <b>59.20</b> | <b>146.00</b> | <b>101.74</b> |        | <b>417</b>                    |      | <b>592</b> | <b>497</b> |           | <b>8.00</b> | <b>18.00</b> |
| <b>Lamb</b>       |        |             |           |              |               |               |        |                               |      |            |            |           |             |              |
| 0-12              | 3      | RS          | 1         | 40.00        | -70.50        | 63.00         | 5      | 350                           | -    | 605        | 529        | N/Q       | 3.00        | -8.00        |
| 12.1-16           | 0      | FD          | 1         | 75.00        | -75.00        | 75.00         | N/Q    | 520                           | -    | 520        | 520        | N/Q       | 10.00       | -10.00       |
|                   | 1      | FD          | 2         | 78.00        | -90.00        | 83.00         | 2      | 504                           | -    | 513        | 510        | 6         | 8.00        | -10.00       |
|                   | 0      |             | 2         | 82.00        | -82.00        | 82.00         | N/Q    | 476                           | -    | 476        | 476        | N/Q       | 13.00       | -13.00       |
|                   | 0      | 1X          | 2         | 88.00        | -88.00        | 88.00         | N/Q    | 500                           | -    | 500        | 500        | N/Q       | 8.00        | -8.00        |
|                   | 3      | RS          | 2         | 70.00        | -92.00        | 89.00         | -1     | 500                           | -    | 615        | 526        | 8         | 5.00        | -14.00       |
| 16.1-18           | 1      | RS          | 2         | 95.00        | -107.00       | 101.40        | 5      | 500                           | -    | 559        | 533        | 29        | 10.00       | -12.00       |
|                   | 1      | 1X          | 2         | 96.00        | -102.00       | 99.90         | N/Q    | 482                           | -    | 514        | 503        | N/Q       | 12.00       | -14.00       |
|                   | 0      | FD          | 2         | 98.00        | -98.00        | 98.00         | N/Q    | 529                           | -    | 529        | 529        | N/Q       | 8.00        | -8.00        |
|                   | 0      | MR          | 2         | 86.00        | -103.00       | 91.50         | N/Q    | 412                           | -    | 472        | 431        | N/Q       | 16.00       | -18.00       |
| 18.1-20           | 1      | MR          | 3         | 96.00        | -114.00       | 103.80        | N/Q    | 421                           | -    | 480        | 447        | N/Q       | 16.00       | -18.00       |
|                   | 0      | 1X          | 3         | 115.00       | -115.00       | 115.00        | 9      | 515                           | -    | 515        | 515        | 41        | 12.00       | -12.00       |

| Category Weight     | % Yard | Sale Prefix | Fat Score | \$/Head      |               |               |        | Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg |      |            |            | Skin (\$) |              |              |
|---------------------|--------|-------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------|-------------------------------|------|------------|------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
|                     |        |             |           | Low          | High          | Avg           | Change | Low                           | High | Avg        | Change     | Low       | High         |              |
|                     | 5      |             | 3         | 107.00       | -123.00       | 115.20        | 6      | 480                           | -    | 545        | 510        | 10        | 12.00        | - 17.00      |
| 20.1-22             | 3      |             | 3         | 115.00       | -128.00       | 124.20        | 5      | 471                           | -    | 543        | 517        | 22        | 14.00        | - 17.00      |
|                     | 0      | 1X          | 3         | 119.00       | -119.00       | 119.00        | 5      | 500                           | -    | 500        | 500        | 29        | 14.00        | - 14.00      |
|                     | 6      |             | 4         | 121.00       | -140.00       | 131.90        | 5      | 508                           | -    | 559        | 531        | 24        | 12.00        | - 17.00      |
| 22.1-24             | 5      |             | 4         | 130.00       | -146.00       | 138.00        | 5      | 500                           | -    | 550        | 520        | 20        | 12.00        | - 18.00      |
|                     | 0      | 1X          | 4         | 133.00       | -134.60       | 133.60        | 12     | 516                           | -    | 517        | 517        | 51        | 14.00        | - 16.00      |
| 24.1-26             | 3      |             | 4         | 136.00       | -149.00       | 146.30        | 11     | 476                           | -    | 528        | 516        | 46        | 16.00        | - 17.00      |
| 26.1-30             | 6      |             | 4         | 143.60       | -149.60       | 147.20        | 7      | 440                           | -    | 491        | 466        | 47        | 17.00        | - 18.00      |
| 30.1+               | 1      |             | 4         | 150.00       | -153.60       | 151.90        | N/Q    | 413                           | -    | 424        | 418        | N/Q       | 18.00        | - 18.00      |
|                     |        |             |           | <b>40.00</b> | <b>153.60</b> | <b>109.38</b> |        | <b>350</b>                    |      | <b>615</b> | <b>501</b> |           | <b>3.00</b>  | <b>18.00</b> |
| <b>Hogget</b>       |        |             |           |              |               |               |        |                               |      |            |            |           |              |              |
| 0-22                | 0      | 1X          | 3         | 68.00        | -109.00       | 98.40         | 12     | 255                           | -    | 459        | 416        | 52        | 6.00         | - 12.00      |
|                     | 0      | MR          | 3         | 115.50       | -115.50       | 115.50        | N/Q    | 452                           | -    | 452        | 452        | N/Q       | 16.00        | - 16.00      |
| 22.1+               | 0      | 1X          | 3         | 105.00       | -112.00       | 108.20        | 20     | 416                           | -    | 430        | 424        | N/Q       | 6.00         | - 8.00       |
|                     | 1      |             | 4         | 105.50       | -120.00       | 117.70        | 17     | 302                           | -    | 433        | 412        | 71        | 14.00        | - 15.00      |
|                     | 0      |             | 5         | 125.00       | -125.00       | 125.00        | N/Q    | 264                           | -    | 264        | 264        | N/Q       | 30.00        | - 30.00      |
|                     |        |             |           | <b>68.00</b> | <b>125.00</b> | <b>112.96</b> |        | <b>255</b>                    |      | <b>459</b> | <b>394</b> |           | <b>6.00</b>  | <b>30.00</b> |
| <b>Ewe</b>          |        |             |           |              |               |               |        |                               |      |            |            |           |              |              |
| 0-14                | 0      | RS          | 1         | 31.20        | - 31.20       | 31.20         | N/Q    | 225                           | -    | 225        | 225        | N/Q       | 2.00         | - 2.00       |
|                     | 1      | MR          | 1         | 14.00        | - 56.00       | 35.70         | 7      | 110                           | -    | 300        | 197        | 29        | 3.00         | - 14.00      |
|                     | 1      | RM          | 1         | 14.00        | - 51.00       | 40.10         | 17     | 75                            | -    | 307        | 245        | N/Q       | 0.00         | - 12.00      |
|                     | 0      | 1X          | 1         | 22.00        | - 46.00       | 26.90         | -5     | 131                           | -    | 286        | 162        | -53       | 5.00         | - 6.00       |
| 14.1-18             | 1      | 1X          | 1         | 45.20        | - 55.00       | 50.80         | 11     | 268                           | -    | 303        | 288        | 73        | 5.00         | - 10.00      |
|                     | 0      | MR          | 1         | 45.60        | - 58.00       | 53.90         | 4      | 263                           | -    | 273        | 266        | -4        | 6.00         | - 16.00      |
|                     | 0      | 1X          | 2         | 59.00        | - 59.00       | 59.00         | N/Q    | 261                           | -    | 261        | 261        | N/Q       | 12.00        | - 12.00      |
|                     | 1      | MR          | 2         | 58.60        | - 60.00       | 58.70         | 3      | 259                           | -    | 289        | 262        | 8         | 8.00         | - 12.00      |
|                     | 0      | RM          | 2         | 48.60        | - 72.00       | 64.30         | N/Q    | 270                           | -    | 300        | 290        | N/Q       | 0.00         | - 18.00      |
| 18.1-24             | 0      | RM          | 2         | 74.00        | - 74.00       | 74.00         | N/Q    | 270                           | -    | 270        | 270        | N/Q       | 20.00        | - 20.00      |
|                     | 1      | MR          | 2         | 60.00        | - 95.50       | 79.40         | 12     | 255                           | -    | 343        | 292        | 41        | 5.00         | - 27.00      |
|                     | 0      | 1X          | 2         | 69.60        | - 70.00       | 69.80         | 10     | 291                           | -    | 320        | 304        | 43        | 6.00         | - 7.00       |
|                     | 1      | RS          | 2         | 48.00        | - 80.00       | 71.70         | N/Q    | 225                           | -    | 340        | 313        | N/Q       | 3.00         | - 12.00      |
|                     | 1      | MR          | 3         | 69.20        | -107.50       | 84.20         | 6      | 267                           | -    | 362        | 305        | 38        | 7.00         | - 30.00      |
|                     | 1      | 1X          | 3         | 62.00        | - 74.20       | 71.20         | 8      | 248                           | -    | 296        | 280        | 27        | 5.00         | - 12.00      |
| 24.1+               | 0      | 1X          | 3         | 88.00        | - 88.00       | 88.00         | N/Q    | 320                           | -    | 320        | 320        | N/Q       | 8.00         | - 8.00       |
|                     | 2      | 1X          | 4         | 75.00        | - 96.00       | 85.00         | 16     | 214                           | -    | 314        | 265        | 48        | 6.00         | - 12.00      |
|                     | 0      |             | 4         | 77.50        | - 79.20       | 78.70         | 15     | 229                           | -    | 232        | 230        | 11        | 6.00         | - 15.00      |
|                     | 0      | MR          | 4         | 88.20        | - 88.20       | 88.20         | N/Q    | 313                           | -    | 313        | 313        | N/Q       | 10.00        | - 10.00      |
|                     | 0      | 1X          | 5         | 84.00        | - 84.00       | 84.00         | N/Q    | 211                           | -    | 211        | 211        | N/Q       | 6.00         | - 6.00       |
|                     |        |             |           | <b>14.00</b> | <b>107.50</b> | <b>64.74</b>  |        | <b>75</b>                     |      | <b>362</b> | <b>265</b> |           | <b>0.00</b>  | <b>30.00</b> |
| <b>Young Wether</b> |        |             |           |              |               |               |        |                               |      |            |            |           |              |              |
| 0-14                | 0      | RM          | 1         | 49.60        | - 49.60       | 49.60         | N/Q    | 305                           | -    | 305        | 305        | N/Q       | 10.00        | - 10.00      |
| 14.1-18             | 0      | RM          | 2         | 68.60        | - 68.60       | 68.60         | N/Q    | 292                           | -    | 292        | 292        | N/Q       | 16.00        | - 16.00      |
| 24.1+               | 0      | RS          | 4         | 100.00       | -100.00       | 100.00        | N/Q    | 237                           | -    | 237        | 237        | N/Q       | 10.00        | - 10.00      |
|                     | 0      |             | 5         | 125.00       | -125.00       | 125.00        | N/Q    | 263                           | -    | 263        | 263        | N/Q       | 25.00        | - 25.00      |
|                     |        |             |           | <b>49.60</b> | <b>125.00</b> | <b>85.80</b>  |        | <b>237</b>                    |      | <b>305</b> | <b>274</b> |           | <b>10.00</b> | <b>25.00</b> |
| <b>Wether</b>       |        |             |           |              |               |               |        |                               |      |            |            |           |              |              |
| 0-14                | 0      | RM          | 1         | 28.00        | - 55.00       | 45.40         | N/Q    | 192                           | -    | 343        | 289        | N/Q       | 5.00         | - 7.00       |
| 14.1-18             | 0      | RM          | 2         | 64.20        | - 64.20       | 64.20         | N/Q    | 307                           | -    | 307        | 307        | N/Q       | 12.00        | - 12.00      |
|                     | 0      | MR          | 2         | 68.60        | - 68.60       | 68.60         | N/Q    | 292                           | -    | 292        | 292        | N/Q       | 16.00        | - 16.00      |
| 18.1-24             | 0      | MR          | 2         | 75.00        | - 75.00       | 75.00         | N/Q    | 295                           | -    | 295        | 295        | N/Q       | 16.00        | - 16.00      |

| Category<br>Weight | % Yard | Sale Prefix | Fat Score | \$/Head      |               |              |        | Estimated Carcase<br>Weight c/kg |      |            |            | Skin (\$) |             |              |
|--------------------|--------|-------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------|----------------------------------|------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
|                    |        |             |           | Low          | High          | Avg          | Change | Low                              | High | Avg        | Change     | Low       | High        |              |
| 24.1+              | 0      | RM          | 2         | 74.00        | -75.00        | 74.10        | N/Q    | 295                              | -    | 347        | 344        | N/Q       | 8.00        | - 16.00      |
|                    | 1      | MR          | 3         | 88.00        | -92.00        | 89.00        | 26     | 330                              | -    | 339        | 337        | N/Q       | 10.00       | - 16.00      |
|                    | 0      | 1X          | 3         | 82.00        | -82.00        | 82.00        | N/Q    | 308                              | -    | 308        | 308        | N/Q       | 5.00        | - 5.00       |
|                    | 0      | 1X          | 4         | 95.00        | -100.00       | 99.40        | N/Q    | 288                              | -    | 322        | 292        | N/Q       | 8.00        | - 8.00       |
|                    | 0      | RS          | 4         | 122.00       | -122.00       | 122.00       | N/Q    | 326                              | -    | 326        | 326        | N/Q       | 8.00        | - 8.00       |
|                    | 0      | RS          | 5         | 114.00       | -115.00       | 114.60       | N/Q    | 210                              | -    | 252        | 228        | N/Q       | 8.00        | - 10.00      |
|                    |        |             |           | <b>28.00</b> | <b>122.00</b> | <b>83.43</b> |        | <b>192</b>                       |      | <b>347</b> | <b>302</b> |           | <b>5.00</b> | <b>16.00</b> |
| <b>Ram</b>         |        |             |           |              |               |              |        |                                  |      |            |            |           |             |              |
| 0-26               | 0      | MR          | 1         | 38.00        | -38.00        | 38.00        | N/Q    | 140                              | -    | 140        | 140        | N/Q       | 3.00        | - 3.00       |
| 26.1+              | 0      | MR          | 2         | 34.00        | -34.00        | 34.00        | N/Q    | 91                               | -    | 91         | 91         | N/Q       | 5.00        | - 5.00       |
|                    | 0      | RS          | 3         | 76.00        | -152.00       | 98.00        | N/Q    | 160                              | -    | 311        | 210        | N/Q       | 8.00        | - 12.00      |
|                    | 0      |             | 3         | 40.00        | -59.20        | 47.00        | N/Q    | 89                               | -    | 127        | 103        | N/Q       | 6.00        | - 8.00       |
|                    | 0      | 1X          | 3         | 53.00        | -53.00        | 53.00        | N/Q    | 112                              | -    | 112        | 112        | N/Q       | 6.00        | - 6.00       |
|                    |        |             |           | <b>34.00</b> | <b>152.00</b> | <b>54.00</b> |        | <b>89</b>                        |      | <b>311</b> | <b>131</b> |           | <b>3.00</b> | <b>12.00</b> |

#### Abbreviations

CATTLE FD: Feeder RS: Restocker GF: Grainfed DA: Dairy PC: Pastoral CATTLE SHEEP & LAMB RS: Restocker MR: Merino RM: Restocker Merino 1X: 1st Cross FD:

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