

Tuesday 8th December 2020

## Muchea Sheep Market Report

Muchea Sheep Market Report		Previous Week		Change
Head		Head	Head	
Muchea Total Yarding		9095	7605	DOWN 1490
Nutrien Yarding		2937	2553	DOWN 384
Sale Prices:				
Description Type (Score)		This Week		Week
		High \$/hd	Low \$/hd	\$/hd
<b>XB Lambs</b>				
	Heavy (3/4)	164	155	EQUAL
	Trade (2/3)	150	135	EQUAL
	Airfreight / shipping (1/2)	140	125	UP 5
	Store (1)	120	70	EQUAL
<b>Mutton</b>				
	Heavy (>24kg)	175	152	EQUAL
	Trade (2/3)	150	125	EQUAL
	Boners (2)	120	85	EQUAL
	Light Boners (1)	82	40	EQUAL
<b>Merino Wether Lambs &amp; Hoggets</b>				
	Trade (3)	140	120	UP 5
	Store	115	70	EQUAL
<b>Merino Ewe Lambs / Hgts</b>				
	Trade (3/4)	140	110	EQUAL
	Store (1/2)	95	60	EQUAL
<b>Wethers</b>				
	Export	145	115	UP 5/10
	Store (1)	110	90	EQUAL
	Slaughter (>24kg)	170	100	EQUAL
<b>Rams</b>				
	Heavy Export >55kgs	90	70	EQUAL
	Medium 48-54kgs	80	60	EQUAL
	Slaughter	50	10	EQUAL
<b>Ram Lambs</b>				
	Export >45kgs	120	95	EQUAL
	Store 34-39kgs	105	50	EQUAL

## Market Comment:

Agents yarded 9095 head this week with Nutrien accounting for 2937 head of the offering. The yarding was made up predominately of ewe mutton (3925 head) with several lines of older wethers also present with a very small offering of trade quality lambs.

Our trade lamb offering lacked large drafts of quality but the first few pens sold well at rates of \$164 to \$145 per head to be very similar to last week. The airfreight and lighter trade lambs were buoyed slightly by the live export market this week strengthening slightly to be up approx \$5 on last week with the majority selling at rates of \$120 to \$140 per head. The store grades were well supported by local agents and feeders to remain firm on last week with the majority being sold at rates of \$95 to \$120 per head.

The ewe mutton had some reasonable drafts for the small offering. The larger drafts attracted stronger competition from processors while the younger ewe mutton (5yo and younger) were competed on by several local agents again. The heavy types sold well at rates of \$150 to \$165 to a high of \$170 per head. The trade weights strengthened on last week with a small premium being paid for bigger offerings with the majority being sold at rates of \$130 to \$150 per head.

Merino wether lambs strengthened slightly this week with the added competition from the live export. Exporters competed with the airfreight and feeders on select lines to strengthen the market approx \$5 per head. The majority of better wether lambs sold at rates of \$125 to \$140 with the store grades selling at rates of \$90 to \$115 with some lighter drafts to a low of \$70 per head.

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### Top Prices

DJ & JR Ottaway, Lancelin 30	Dohne x Suckers	\$164.00
MA Stewart, Keysbrook 34	XB Lambs	\$158.00
AR Torrens, Gidgegannup 6	PD x Lambs	\$161.00
Kilkerran Ag P/L, Mingenew 70	Dorper Ewes	\$170.00
M & J Lancaster, Beacon 6	Merino Ewe Hgt	\$161.00