

Muchea Sheep Report 08/04/2025

Yarding 16,473 / sheep 9949 / lambs 6524

There was a significant jump in numbers today with roughly 6500 lambs, 5000 ewes and 5000 mixed hoggets and rams. The buyer gallery was crowded with several extra bidders including an eastern states Agent bidding on selected lines of lambs and hoggets and live exporters were also chasing light lambs and hoggets. The sale started off well but lost some traction as the sale progressed and even with the extra interest values on lighter lambs eased a little while mutton prices held firm on recent gains.

Store lambs eased \$5/7 selling from \$25 to \$100 and light lambs followed suit making \$90 to \$118/head. Trade lambs were softer by \$4/5 and sold from \$104 to \$155 and heavy lambs returned \$130 to \$180/head.

Merino wether hoggets with frame and cover were making \$85 to \$138 with a skin while Prime Merino ewe hoggets returned \$85 to \$130 again with a fleece. Plain Crossbred hoggets were making \$49 to \$85 while heavy Crossbred hoggets ranged from \$90 to \$120 and younger rams sold to a top \$170/head.

The Mutton Market was pretty stable with very plain ewes ranging from \$20 to \$70 and boning ewes from \$75 to \$93/head. Medium ewes returned \$90 to \$123 and heavy ewes sold up to \$135/head. The bigger framed wethers made \$101 to \$144 while mature rams were making \$25 to \$89/head.