AuctionsPlus market comments week ending 14 September 2012

Sheep and lamb numbers increased slightly this week, though numbers were still low at 17,446 head, and will likely continue to be until the market reaches some semblance of stability and vendors gain confidence in setting a reserve price. We are also yet to see the numbers of new season lambs hitting the yards, though we expect this should pick up within the next month. Cattle numbers jumped 1,000 to total 5,464 head, including a feature offering from RMA offered in the Eastern States sales.

Another disappointing week for the sheep market, with young Merino and first cross ewes difficult to sell. Only one line of these young ready to join ewes found a home, these being good quality Border Leicester/Merinos out of SA that made \$175. A large line of old Merino ewes in lamb to Merinos out of Ivanhoe made \$71. Dohne ewes were again a highlight, with 12 month old unjoined F3 ewes making \$118 out of Warren, and purebred Roseville Park blood mixed age joined ewes at Parkes selling for \$109. Merino wether lamb sales were limited to two lots of unshorn 6 month olds selling from \$55 to \$57.50. Store crossbred lambs made to \$71 for 35kg Border/Merino mixed sexes out of Narrabri. With mutton prices dropping again toward the end of the week, processors were inactive on older sheep.

The young cattle market was strong in northern NSW today; in particular there was strong competition from feedlotters and restockers on lines of good quality Te Mania blood Angus cattle coming out of Walgett. Of this offering, steers weighing 315kg made 238c or \$750, and 329kg yearling heifers reached \$765 or 232c. In the remainder of the state, lighter black steers 250-300kg averaged 209c and black heifers 181c. 300-350kg Angus heifers showed a broad range of prices from 177c-232c to average 206c. Further north, crossbred weaner heifers out of QLD averaged 198c.

The continuing increase in numbers of cows with calves at foot shows no sign of slowing down, and there is still plenty of competition for them. Today Angus heifers with their first calf at foot made to \$1440 at Gundagai, with all similar offerings making above \$1200. Mixed age Droughtmaster cows with Angus calves out of Warren made \$1000. Joined Angus and Angus cross yearling heifers made from \$635 to \$700, and older PTIC Angus cows sold for \$800.

Cattle		
State	Town	Details
QLD	Isisford	320 Santa & santaX Strs, 5-8 mths, 221kg, 231c/\$510
QLD	Wyandra	54 Brah &XB C&C, 4-12 yrs, 404kg, Jnd, 54 CharX CAF avg110kg, passed \$610
QLD	Brooweena	70 XB Strs, 6-10 mths, 278kg, passed 213c/\$590
QLD	Cooyar	114 Comp Hfrs, 8-11 mths, 215kg, 200c/\$430
QLD	Meandarra	85 XB Hfrs, 5-11 mths, 225kg, passed 195c/\$440

QLD	Westmar	55 Comp Strs, 10-13 mths, 270kg, 228c/\$615; 36 Ang/Brah Hfrs, 10-13 mths, 223kg, 216c/\$480; 49 Comp Hfrs, 10-13 mths, 235kg, 187c/\$440
QLD	Dirranbandi	100 Comp Hfrs, 18-22 mths, 404kg, PTIC Ang, \$755; 60 XB Hfrs, 18-22 mths, 414kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$705
QLD	Goondiwindi	38 AngX Hfrs, 10-12 mths, 267kg, 178/\$475
NSW	Deepwater	35 Ang & AngX Strs, 9-12 mths, 315kg, passed 216c/\$680
NSW	Armidale	18 AngX & Ang C&C, 2yrs, 452kg, Unjnd, 18 Ang CAF, \$1210; 23 Her & Ang & Her/Ang C&C, 6-8 yrs, 512kg, Unjnd, 23 Red Ang CAF, passed \$890; 60 Ang & Ang/Santa C&C, 2 yrs, 426kg, Unjnd, 60 Ang CAF, passed \$1255
NSW	Uralla	24 Ang & AngX Strs, 10-11 mths, 256kg, 221c/\$565
NSW	Walcha	29 Her & Her/Ang Hfrs, 10 -12 mths, 221kg, 188c/\$415
NSW	Gloucester	25 Ang/Her & Ang Hfrs, 12-14 mths, 331kg, 173c/\$570
NSW	Warialda	35 Ang & Ang/Her C&C, 4-12 yrs, 403kg, Jnd Ang & Char, Ang CAF \$805
NSW	Delungra	19 Ang & AngX Strs, 10-12 mths, 289kg, 213c/\$615
NSW	Inverell	31 AngX Hfrs, 17-21 mths, 353kg, PTIC Ang, \$700
NSW	Warren	175 Ang Hfrs, 12-13 mths, 312kg, Te Mania bld, 210c/\$655; 75 DM C&C, 4-12 yrs, 498kg, Jnd Ang, CAF, \$1000
NSW	Walgett	156 Ang Hfrs, 11-14 mths, 279kg, Unjnd, Te Mania bld, 206c/\$573; 300 Ang Hfrs, 11-14 mths, 329kg, Unjnd, Te Mania bld, 232c/\$765; 57 Ang Hfrs, 11-14 mths, 380kg, Unjnd, Te Mania bld, 203c/\$770; 51 Ang Hfrs, 17-19 mths, 304 kg, Unjnd, Dulverton & Glenavon bld, 177c/\$537; 29 Ang Hfrs, 7-8 mth, 249kg, 181c/\$450; 104 Ang Strs, 10-11 mths, 315kg, Te Mania bld, 238c/\$750; 70 Ang Strs, 10-11 mths, 318kg, Te Mania bld, 230c/\$730
NSW	Coonamble	63 Her Strs, 11-13 mths, 336kg, Mountain View bld, 215c/\$720; 44 Santa Strs, 6-8 mths, 256kg, 203c/\$520
NSW	Gunnedah	61 Ang & Ang/Her Strs, 9-12 mths, 291kg, 213c/\$620
NSW	Manilla	48 Ang & Ang/Her Strs, 7-10 mths, 197kg, 232c/\$455; 52 Ang & Ang/Her Hfrs, 7-10 mths, 196kg, passed 189c/\$370
NSW	Tamworth	20 Ang Hfrs, 14-15 mths, 354kg, Jnd Ang, \$635; 31 Ang & AngX C&C, 2 yrs, 406kg, Jnd Ang, 31 Ang CAF avg 90kg, \$1350; 33 Ang & AngX C&C, 3-4 yrs, 446kg, Jnd Ang, 33 Ang CAF avg 89kg, \$1350; 43 Ang C&C, 5-7 yrs, 547kg, Jnd Ang, 43 Ang CAF avg 116kg, \$1220; 44 Ang & AngX C&C, 8-10 yrs, 523kg, Jnd Ang, 43 Ang CAF avg 105kg, \$960; 5 Dev Hfrs, 11-12 mths, 339kg, Spongo bld, 188c/\$635
NSW	Willow Tree	43 Ang & Ang/Her Strs, 12-14 mths, 367kg, 204c/\$750; 30 Ang & AngX Strs, 12-14

		mths, 359kg, 206c/\$740; 66 Ang & Ang/Her Hfrs, 12-14 mths, 400kg, Outwest bld, Unjnd, 180c/\$720; 38 Ang & Ang/Her C&C, 4 yrs, 515kg, Unjnd, Ang CAF, \$1150; 57 Ang C&C, 5-7 yrs, 534kg, Unjnd, Ang CAF, \$1230; 20 Ang/Her C&C, 5-7 yrs, 562kg, Unjnd, Ang CAF, \$1230; 21 Ang & Ang/Her C&C, 8-11 yrs, 565kg, Unjnd, Ang CAF, \$1040; 28 Ang & Ang/Her C&C, 2 yrs, 506kg, Unjnd, Ang CAF, \$1410
NSW	Scone	23 SH C&C, 3-5 yrs, 402kg, Unjnd, Char CAF, passed \$820
NSW	Girilambone	36 Ang Strs, 11-13 mths, 370kg, 196c/\$725
NSW	Molong	42 Ang/Her & Ang Hfrs, 10-12 mths, 271kg, 173c/\$470
NSW	Gundagai	36 Ang C&C, 2 yrs, 456kg, Unjnd, CAF, Crawford & Reiland bld, \$1440
NSW	Goulburn	46 Ang Hfrs, 11-12 mths, 229kg, Reiland bld, 200c/\$460; 20 Ang Hfrs, 11-12 mths, 186kg, Reiland bld, 188c/\$350
NSW	Yass	30 SH Hfrs, 12-14 mths, 358kg, Unjnd, Shamrock & Sprys bld, 191c/\$685
NSW	Wagga Wagga	36 Santa/DM C&C, 3 yrs, 483kg, Jnd Char, 36 Char CAF avg 110kg, passed \$1185
NSW	Tumbarumba	28 LimX & CharX Strs, 7-9 mths, 232kg, passed 198c/\$455
NSW	Нау	16 Ang Strs, 5-8 mths, 282kg, Sparta bld, 187c/\$525; 22 Ang Hfrs, 5-8 mths, 263kg, Sparta bld, 166c/\$435; 65 Ang C&C, 4-7 yrs, 472kg, PTIC Ang, 33 Ang CAF avg 140kg, Sparta bld, \$855; 140 Ang Cows, 8 yrs, 551kg, PTIC Ang, \$850
NSW	Tocumwal	58 CharX & LimX Hfrs, 13-14 mths, 303kg, Unjnd, passed 193c/\$585; 26 CharX & LimX & Santa/Char Hfrs, 14-15 mths, 263kg, Unjnd, 204c/\$535
VIC	Cobram	12 Red Ang/Char Hfrs, 6-8 mths, 286kg, 196c/\$560
VIC	Wangaratta	12 Ang C&C, 2 yrs, 469kg, Jnd Ang, Ang CAF, \$1250; 21 Her C&C, 5 yrs, 636kg, Jnd Blonde, 21 Blonde CAF, Injemira bld, passed \$1310; 20 Her C&C, 5 yrs, 661kg, Jnd Blonde, 20 Blonde CAF, Injemira bld, passed \$1330; 32 Ang & AngX C&C, 3-8 yrs, 543kg, Jnd Ang, Ang CAF avg 225kg, \$1200
TAS	Longford	20 Ang Hfrs, 10-12 mths, 313kg, 230c/\$720 ; 20 Ang Hfrs, 10-12 mths, 276kh, 254c/\$700

Sheep		
State	Town	Details
QLD	Stanthorpe	660 Dam E&L, 2-4 yrs, 13.7 kgdw, Jnd Dorp, 367 Dorp LAF, \$35
NSW	Yass	140 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 15.6 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$62; 43 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 12.5 kgdw, 1.25" skin, passed \$49.50
NSW	Нау	650 Mer Wth lambs, 5-6 mths, 16.4 kgdw, 1.75" skin, Uardry bld, \$55

NSW	Ivanhoe	1200 Mer Ewes, 6 yrs, 25.3 kgdw, SIL Mer, Greenfields bld, \$71
NSW	Narrabri	400 BL/Mer m/s lambs, 6-7 mths, 14.6 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$71; 360 Mer E&L, 4-7 yrs, 14.7 kgdw, 2.25" skin, Unjnd, WD LAF, passed \$70
NSW	Warren	404 F3 Dohne Ewes, 12 mths, 26.1 kgdw, 1" skin, Unjnd, \$118
NSW	Parkes	150 Dohne Ewes, 1-5 yrs, 35.3 kgdw, 1.5" skin, SIL Dohne, Roseville Park bld, \$109; 140 Dohne Ewes, 13 mths, 19.6 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Unjnd, AA & Roseville Park bld, passed \$71
NSW	Geurie	280 Mer Ewes, 14 mths, 9.1 kgdw, 2" skin, Grathlyn bld, passed \$60
NSW	Orange	100 F3 Comp Ewes, 13-14 mths, 24.5 kgdw, 1.25" skin, SIL WS, passed \$112
NSW	Cowra	188 BL/Mer & 2ndX WS Ewes, 12-15 mths, 17.4 kgdw, 1/4" skin, SIL WS, passed \$100.50
NSW	Boorowa	85 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 3-4 mths, 13.9 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$58
SA	Clare	299 BL/Mer Ewes, 14-15 mths, 27.4 kgdw, 2.5" skin, \$175
SA	Streaky Bay	560 Mer Wth lambs, 6 mths, 15.3 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Glenville bld, \$57.50