Sheep and lamb numbers this week tightened to 53,410 head, down 12,000 on last week.

Cattle numbers increased by 1200 to total 6506 head due to feature offerings as well as a regular seasonal increase in weaner numbers. With conditions becoming more critical in much of Queensland, there has been a marked reduction in numbers out of the north.

As is so often the case when dry conditions force early or unseasonal turnoffs, there is a clear divide in buyer activity on these lots as compared to those offered as part of a planned marketing strategy. This was more noticeable in this week's sheep sales,however here was still plenty of interest in the marketplace with 239 bidders logging in over Tuesday's two sales and 95 on Thursday.

While prices and clearances followed wider marketplace trends this week, quality breeder ewes were still attracting reasonable prices, especially crossbred ewes. First cross ewe lambs sold from \$90 to \$135, and scanned four to six year olds made \$150. Merino ewes in lamb to terminal sires met similar demand with young scanned ewes selling from \$120 to a top of \$151 for three year old Charinga blood ewes in lamb to Poll Dorset. Ewes joined back to Merinos made \$130 to \$149, and maiden Merino ewes sold from \$90 to \$120. Ewe lambs approaching joinable age made \$106-\$114. Merino wether lamb prices softened to average \$54 this week, ranging from \$40.50 to a top of \$76.50 for 35kg Nyowee and Bunyara blood lambs out of SA. Hoggets out of Victoria weighing 50kg and just a month off shears sold for \$83.

Good quality breeder females were the highlight of today's cattle sales, while weaner prices were up and down on last week across different weight classes. Cow and calf sales were dominated by a herd dispersal in northern NSW, with young cows with calves selling from \$1140 to \$1240, and mixed age lines making \$1120 to a top of \$1250 for five to nine year old Murray Grey cows, rejoined and with Angus calves. Yearling PTIC heifers sold from \$740 to \$1180, and proven breeders made \$855 to a top of \$1200 for five and six year old Angus cows out of Gunnedah in calf to Angus. The lighter end of weaner steers weighing less than 250kg sold from 242c to 288c averaging 273c, well up on last week's 225c average, and heifers made 200c to 224c to average 214c, down 3c. 250kg-300kg steers were primarily black steers, selling from 245c to 268c to average 258c, down 12c and heifers made 187c-216c averaging 199c. 300kg-350kg steers made 233c-260c to average 247c, down 6c and heifers sold from 214c to 224c. The top priced steers of the day were 321kg crossbred weaners out of Guyra selling for \$835, while heifers topped at \$785 for 364kg Angus yearlings.

AuctionsPlus will be launching two new sale concepts in coming weeks - Prime Lamb Sales and Machinery & Clearing Sales. These sales are open to all producers who want to take advantage of a national buying audience – talk to your agent or call us on 02 9262 4222 for more details.

Cattle		
State	Town	Details
QLD	Charters Towers	155 Santa Hfrs, 24-30 mths, 242kg, Unjnd, passed 178c/\$430
QLD	Winton	144 CharX Hfrs, 10-18 mths, 288kg, 190c/\$548; 108 Santa/Char Hfrs, 10-18 mths, 273kg, 187c/\$510;120 Char/Santa Hfrs, 6-12 mths, 181kg, 200c/\$360

QLD	Bollon	80 XB Hfrs, 9-14 mths, 217kg, passed 207c/\$450
QLD	Mitchell	108 XB Hfrs, 10-16 mths, 270kg, 202c/\$545
QLD	Glenmorgan	21 Santa C&C, 6-11 yrs, 546kg, Jnd Santa, Santa CAF, passed \$1070; 40 Brah & BrahX C&C, 6-10 yrs, 526kg, 30 PTIC Char, 10 Char CAF, passed \$870
QLD	Toowoomba	31 Ang & SantaX Cows, 7-12 yrs, 528kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$1060
QLD	Goondiwindi	59 Ang Hfrs, 17-20 mths, 294kg, 223c/\$655; 58 Ang Hfrs, 17-20 mths, 326kg, 219c/\$715; 37 Ang & AngX Strs, 19-20 mths, 335kg, 243c/\$815
NSW	Tenterfield	77 Ang Hfrs, 9-11 mths, 315kg, Alumy Creek & Sara Park bld, passed 208c/\$655
NSW	Deepwater	23 Ang & Ang/Her Cows, 6.5-7.5 yrs, 550kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$910
NSW	Glen Innes	31 Her/Ang Hfrs, 20-22 mths, 333kg, PTIC Ang, Woonooka bld, \$740
NSW	Guyra	38 Sim/Ang & Ang Strs, 5-7 mths, 262kg, 260c/\$680; 9 Her Hfrs, 16-18 mths, 417kg, Jnd Her, passed \$775; 23 Her Hfrs, 6-9 mths, 289kg, passed 200c/\$580; 30 Ang Strs, 7-8 mths, 240kg, 269c/\$645
NSW	Armidale	52 Ang Hfrs, 15-18 mths, 489kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$1015; 61 Ang/Brang Hfrs, 12-14 mths, 377kg, passed 213c/\$805; 55 Ang/Brang Hfrs, 12-14 mths, 269kg, passed \$213c/\$790
NSW	Walcha	61 Ang Hfrs, 16-19 mths, 433kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$980; 50 Ang Hfrs, 16-19 mths, 421kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$960
NSW	Boggabilla	36 SH Cows, 7-9 yrs, 592kg, PTIC SH, passed \$1030; 35 Ang/SH Cows, 3-6 yrs, 499kg, PTIC SH, passed \$955
NSW	Moree	73 Ang Hfrs, 15-18 mths, 543kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$1015
NSW	Inverell	86 Ang/Brang Hfrs, 12-14 mths, 324kg, 224c/\$727
NSW	Bingara	35 Ang Strs, 14-16 mths, 288kg, Booroomooka bld, 245c/\$705 ; 57 Ang Cows, 3-5 yrs, 538kg, PTIC Ang & Santa, passed \$1000
NSW	Barraba	20 SH/Lim Strs, 7-9 mths, 267kg, passed 237c/\$635; 52 Char/Ang Strs, 6-8 mths, 281kg, 260c/\$730; 109 Ang Strs, 6-9 mths, 263kg, 268c/\$705; 68 Ang & Ang/Her Cows, 3-7 yrs, 484kg, Jnd Ang, \$850
NSW	Manilla	21 Her C&C, 8.5-10.5 yrs, 489kg, Jnd Ang, 21 Her CAF avg 183kg, \$1030
NSW	Tamworth	26 Ang Cows, 2-9 yrs, 564kg, passed 176c/\$995; 13 Ang C&C, 4.5-9.5 yrs, 495kg, Jnd Ang, 13 Ang CAF avg 148kg, \$1220; 11 Brang C&C, 2.5-9.5 yrs, 400kg, Jnd Ang, 11 Ang CAF avg 187kg, \$1130; 30 MG C&C, 5.5-7.5 yrs, 520kg, Jnd Ang, 30 Ang CAF avg 185kg, \$1210; 53 MG C&C, 5.5-9.5 yrs, 547kg, Jnd Ang, 53 Ang CAF avg 175kg, \$1250; 76 Ang/MG C&C, 2.5-4.5 yrs, 421kg, Jnd Ang, 76 Ang CAF avg 180kg, \$1140; 70 Ang C&C, 2.5-4.5 yrs, 432kg, Jnd Ang, 70 Ang CAF avg 167kg, \$1240

NSW	Mullaley	50 Her & HerX Strs, 6-7 mths, 271kg, passed 234c/\$635
NSW	Gunnedah	61 Ang/Her Strs, 5-8 mths, 260kg, 270c/\$700; 61 Ang Strs, 6-8 mths, 256kg, 273c/\$700; 43 Ang & Ang/Her Strs, 5-7 mths, 210kg, 278c/\$585; 43 Her Strs, 5-7 mths, 238kg, 242c/\$575; 42 Ang Cows, 5.5-6.5 yrs, 581kg, PTIC Ang, \$1200
NSW	Coonamble	30 Santa & Ang Cows, 4.5-5.5 yrs, 569kg, PTIC Ang, \$950
NSW	Coonabarabran	60 Ang/Sim & Ang/Her Strs, 16-19 mths, 413kg, passed 233c/\$960; 50 Ang & AngX C&C, 3-10 yrs, 517kg, passed \$1210
NSW	Tooraweenah	40 Ang Strs, 7-9 mths, 270kg, 252c/\$680
NSW	Glen Innes	35 Ang Hfrs, 19-20 mths, 513kg, PTIC Ang, Dulverton bld, \$1180; 12 Ang/Santa Hfrs, 19-20 mths, 517kg, PTIC Ang, \$1180; 14 Ang & Ang/Santa Cows, 2.5-3.5 yrs, 564kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$1140; 30 Ang/Ang/RPoll Hfrs, 19- 20 mths, 461kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$1080; 92 Ang Hfrs, 19-20 mths, 466kg, PTIC Ang, Dulverton bld, passed \$1080; 31 Ang Hfrs, 19-21 mths, 418kg, PTIC Ang, Dulverton & Speriby North bld, \$990
NSW	Coonabarabran	70 Ang Hfrs, 20-22 mths, 404kg, PTIC Ang, Dulverton bld, \$960
NSW	Guyra	97 Comp Strs, 7-8 mths, 321kg, 260c/\$835
NSW	Deepwater	48 Ang Strs, 6-8 mths, 263kg, Speriby North & Wattletop bld, passed 279c/\$735
NSW	Emmaville	104 Her & Ang/Her Strs, 6-8 mths, 196kg, 270c/\$530; 88 Her & Ang/Her Hfrs, 6-8 mths, 177kg, 215c/\$380
NSW	Bourke	62 DM & Santa Cows, 3-4.5 yrs, 385kg, PTIC Lim, passed \$665;
NSW	Muswellbrook	58 Ang Hfrs, 16-18 mths, 346kg, Pomany bld, 214c/\$740
NSW	Warren	107 HerX Strs, 9-12 mths, 301kg, 233c/\$700
NSW	Nevertire	77 Ang Cows, 3.5-5.5 yrs, 486kg, PTIC Ang, \$855
NSW	Cumnock	23 Ang Strs, 8-9 mths, 290kg, Dulverton & Booroomooka bld, passed 256c/\$745; 22 Ang Hfrs, 8-9 mths, 257kg, Dulverton & Booroomooka bld, passed 208c/\$535
NSW	Condobolin	37 Her Cows, 9-8 yrs, 588kg, PTIC Ang, Jindalee bld, passed \$1100; 10 Her Cows, 9-10 yrs, 609kg, PTIC Ang, Jindelee bld, passed \$975
NSW	Forbes	17 Ang C&C, 5 yrs, 510 kg, Calves av 184kg, \$1120
NSW	Orange	60 SH & Ang/SH Hfrs, 20-22 mths, 398kg, PTIC SH, passed \$855
NSW	Bathurst	47 Her Hfrs, 18-20 mths, 418kg, PTIC Her, \$900
NSW	Goulburn	25 Ang Strs, 5-6 mths, 266kg, 255c/\$680; 22 Ang Hfrs, 7-8 mths, 276kg, Myanga & Dunoon bld, 216c/\$595
NSW	Crookwell	35 Ang Strs, 6-7 mths, 278kg, 257c/\$715; 52 Ang Strs, 7-8 mths, 304kg,

		252c/\$765; 30 Ang Hfrs, 6-7 mths, 311kg, passed 233c/ \$725
NSW	Yass	44 Her Hfrs, 15-25 mths, 407kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$755
NSW	Wagga Wagga	110 Ang Strs, 6-8 mths, 272kg, 263c/\$715
NSW	Holbrook	30 Ang Strs, 6-7 mths, 261kg, passed 217c/\$645; 35 Ang Hfrs, 6-7 mths, 239kg, Dunoon & Glenruben bld, 224c/\$535; 37 Ang Hfrs, 18-19 mths, 364kg, 215c/\$785; 26 Ang Hfrs, 30-31 mths, 434kg, Glenruben bld, 195c/\$845
NSW	Albury	78 Ang Strs, 7-8 mths, 270kg, Rennylea & Dunoon bld, 258c/\$698; 88 Ang Strs, 7-8 mths, 227kg, Rennylea & Dunoon bld, 286c/\$650; 64 Ang Hfrs, 7-8 mths, 221kg, Rennylea & Dunoon bld, 290c/\$530;
VIC	Mt Macedon	24 Ang/Sim Strs, 6-7 mths, 257kg, passed 249c/\$640; 30 Ang/Sim Strs 6-7 mths, 227kg, passed 249c/\$565; 40 Ang/Sim Hfrs, 6-7 mths, 227kg, 216c/\$490; 30 Ang/Sim Hfrs, 6-7 mths, 211kg, 216c/\$455
VIC	Camperdown	85 Ang, Strs, 6-7 mths, 270kg, 216c/\$745
VIC	Caramut	19 Ang Strs, 9-10 mths, 215kg, passed 246c/\$775; 116 Ang Strs, 6-7 mths, 249kg, 288c/\$715; 108 Ang Strs, 6-7 mths, 217kg, 276c/\$600; 40 Ang Hfrs, 6-7 mths, 195kg, passed 213c/\$415; 21 Ang Cows, 2.5- 8.5 yrs, 517kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$880
VIC	Hamilton	30 Her/Ang Strs, 9-10 mths, 317kg, passed 219c/\$695
SA	Kingston	52 SH Hfrs, 9-12 mths, 290kg, passed 200c/\$580
SA	Coonalpyn	54 Ang Cows, 4.5-7yrs, 582kg, PTIC Ang, Hazeldean & Te Mania bld, passed \$1090
SA	Balhannah	22 SH/Santa Strs, 8-11 mths, 265kg, passed 209c/\$555

Sheep		
State	Town	Details
QLD	Winton	915 Mer Ewes, 10-11mths, 12.8 kgdw, 2" skin, Barcaldine Downs bld, \$48; 920 Mer Wths, 10-11 mths, 13.6 kgdw, 2" skin, Barcaldine bld, \$48; 1600 Mer Ewes, 23-28 mths, 16.3 kgdw, 2" skin, Unjnd, Barcaldine Down bld, \$59
QLD Longread	Longreach	1500 2ndX Dohne Ewes, 8-9 mths, 8.4 kgdw, 2.5" skin, \$47.50; 1200 Mer Wths, 8-9 mths, 8.4 kgdw, 2.5" skin, \$40.50; 606 Dohne Wths, 2 yrs, 14.9 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Uardry Dohne Bld, \$45; 625 Mer Ewes, 6-8 yrs, 17.4 kgdw, 1" skin, Jnd Mer, 259c/\$45
QLD	Ilfracombe	380 Mer Ewes, 2-3 yrs, 12 kgdw, 1" skin, Unjnd, passed \$40.50
QLD	Tambo	720 Dohne Ewes, 6-7 mths, 15.4 kgdw, 1.5" skin, passed \$69.50

QLD	Wyandra	480 Dorp Wths, 6-7 mths, 16.4 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$80.50; 400 Dorp Wths, 6-7 mths, 19.5 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$90.50;
QLD	Cunamulla	540 Mer Ewes, 7.5 yrs, 14.8 kgdw, 3" skin, Unjnd, Ascot bld, \$45; 720 Mer Ewes, 6.5 yrs, 15.8 kgdw, 3" skin, Unjnd, Ascot bld, \$45
QLD	Dirranbandi	520 WD Wths, 6 mths, 17.1 kgdw, 1/4" skin, \$87
QLD	Mungindi	440 Mer Ewes, 5.5 yrs, 19.6 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Karbullah bld, \$58
NSW	Goodooga	1170 2ndX Dohne Wths, 7-9 mths, 16.4 kgdw, 2" skin, \$78;
NSW	Ashford	213 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 6-7 mths, 10.9 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$76
NSW	Moree	260 Mer Ewes, 18 mths, 20.9 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, \$120
NSW	Brewarrina	1100 Mer Wths, 5-6 mths, 10.9 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Weealla bld, \$56; 740 Mer Wths, 5-6 mths, 8.3 kgdw, 1.5" skin, weealla bld, \$47.50
NSW	Bourke	1000 Mer Wths, 6-7 mths, 11.1 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Woodside bld, \$49
NSW	Narrabri	360 Mer Ewes, 5-6 yrs, 21.1 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Karbullah bld, \$58; 149 Mer Ewes, 1.5 yrs, 18.3 kgdw, 3" skin, Unjnd, Karbullah bld, \$105
NSW	Armidale	365 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 6-7 mths, 15.3 kgdw, 1" skin, passed \$76.50; 365 Mer Ewes, 1.5 yrs, 12.3 kgdw, 2" skin, passed \$42.50
NSW	Uralla	255 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 5-6 mths, 16.5 kgdw, 2" skin, Shalimar bld, \$80
NSW	Cobar	440 Mer Ewes, 2-5 yrs, 20.6 kgdw, 1" skin, SIL Mer, Gum Hill bld, passed 110.50
NSW	Broken Hill	1500 Mer Ewes, 6 yrs, 21.8 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Jnd Mer, Coromandel bld, 373c/\$81.50; 448 Mer Ewes, 6-7 yrs, 18.8 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Jnd Mer, \$70; 630 Dohne Wths, 7-8 mths, 18.5 kgdw, 2.5" skin, passed \$95
NSW	Coonamble	155 BL/Mer Ewes, 9-10 mths, 20.2 kgdw, 2" skin, \$132.50;
NSW	Nyngan	75 BL/Mer Ewes, 8-9 mths, 12.4 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$90; 255 Mer Ewes, 18-19 mths, 20 kgdw, 2" skin, Unjnd, Mullengudgery bld, passed \$116
NSW	Warren	280 Mer Ewes, 2-3 yrs, 26.2 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Grass Merino bld, Unjnd, \$115; 330 Mer Ewes, 5.5 yrs, 23.7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Unjnd, Grass Merino bld, \$100
NSW	Dubbo	245 Mer Ewes, 1-4 yrs, 24.6 kgdw, 1.5" skin, SIL WS, Kerri Kerri bld, passed \$140.50
NSW	Condobolin	378 Dohne Ewes, 4 yrs, 32.4 kgdw, 2" skin, SIL Dohne, \$152
		235 Mer Ewes, 24 mths, 22.2 kgdw, 2" skin, SIL WS, Charinga bld, \$141; 266 Mer
NSW	Forbes	Ewes, 4 yrs, 28.2 kgdw, 2" skin, SIL WS Charinga bld, \$147; 227 Mer Ewes, 3 yrs, 27.6 kgdw, 2" skin, SIL PD, Charinga bld, \$151

	Wyalong	
NSW	Young	200 2ndX PD/Comp Ewes, 7-8 mths, 19.2 kgdw, 1" skin, \$103.50; 400 Mer Ewes, 10-11 mths, 14.4 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$106
NSW	Boorowa	235 2ndX PD m/s lambs, 6-7 mths, 17.6 kgdw, 2" skin, \$100; 230 Mer Ewes, 18 mths, 19 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, passed \$96.50
NSW	Laggan	207 Mer Wths, 5-6 mths, 12.9 kgdw, 2.5" skin, Avon bld, \$62
NSW	Crookwell	235 Mer Wths, 6 mths, 13.8 kgdw, 1/2" skin, 442c/\$61; 75 Mer Ewes, 18 mths, 19 kgdw, 2" skin, Unjnd, Carrabungla bld, \$95
NSW	Yass	250 Mer Ewes, 18 mths, 19.1 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, Bogo bld, \$90 330 Mer Wths, 6-7 mths, 10.4 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Towalba bld, passed \$45.50
NSW	Ganmain	282 Mer Ewes, 4 yrs, 24.1 kgdw, 1" skin, SIL BL, \$120
NSW	Deniliquin	198 BL/Mer Ewes, 6-7 mths, 20.5 kgdw, 1" skin, \$127.50; 480 Samm/Mer Ewes, 5-6 yrs, 23.2 kgdw, 1" skin, SIL PD, \$120
NSW	Delegate	600 Mer Ewes, 3.5 yrs, 18.2 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Unjnd, Severn Park bld, \$97.50
VIC	Violet Town	380 Mer Wths, 18 mths, 19.9 kgdw, 1/4" skin, \$83
VIC	Avenel	430 PD/Mer & WS/Mer & BL/Mer m/s lambs, 7-10 mths, 13.5 kgdw, 1" skin, passed \$87.50
VIC	Kilmore	135 Mer Ewes, 3 yrs, 24.4 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Jnd Mer, Charinga bld, \$149; 185 Mer Ewes, 4 yrs, 24.7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Jnd Mer, Charinga bld, \$130; 175 Mer Ewes, 5 yrs, 25 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Jnd Mer, Charinga bld, passed \$112.50
VIC	Marnoo	400 Mer Wths, 6-7 mths, 11.9 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Wirrinourt bld, \$61; 400 Mer Wths, 6-7 mths, 10.2 kgdw, 1" skin, Wirrinourt bld, \$49.50
SA	Spalding	130 BL/Mer Ewes, 7-8 mths, 24.4 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, Ridgeway Advance bld, \$135
SA	Clare	245 Mer Ewes, 3 yrs, 19.6 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Jnd WS & Pd, passed \$89.50
SA	Angaston	217 Mer Wths, 6-7 mths, 13.7 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Nyowee & Bunyara bld \$76.50
SA	Kingscote	100 2ndX WS/PD m/s lambs, 8-9 mths, 16.3 kgdw, 1" skin, \$88.50
SA	Naracoorte	515 BL/Mer Ewes, 4-6 yrs, 20.3 kgdw, 1.5" skin, SIL WS & Suff, \$150
TAS	Sorell	55 2ndX WS & 2ndX South Down m/s lambs, 8-9 mths, 16.7 kgdw, 1" skin, 550c/\$92
TAS	Bothwell	210 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 5-6 mths, 12.4 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$79; 432 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 5-6 mths, 11.6 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$65; 505 WS/Mer m/s lambs,5-6 mths, 11 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$72.50

TAS	Evandale	1250 Mer Ewes, 3-5 Yrs, 18.8 kgdw, 2.75" skin, 426c/\$80
TAS	Oatlands	527 Mer Ewes, 6 Yrs, 15.1 kgdw, 2.25" skin, 361c/\$54.50