

## Market comments week ending 10 April 2015

After the Easter break sheep and lamb numbers dropped by a substantial 10,000 head to 18,042, whilst cattle numbers jumped from 1,500 to 6,568 head offered. However, rain scattered across a number of regions resulted in strong sales.

Breeding stock prices strengthened this week and interest returned to young ewes scanned in lamb. A feature line of scanned Border Leicester/Merino ewes from Dunkeld Vic prompted bidding activity with mixed age proven breeders making \$123 to \$201, to average \$165. All of these were SIL to Poll Dorset rams. 62kg ewe hoggets from the same vendor, SIL to White Suffolks topped the sale at \$224. The only line of first cross ewe lambs available made \$140. These were 9-10 month olds from Trangie NSW.

Scanned Merino ewes were also met with spirited competition. Merino ewe hoggets ranged from \$72.50 to \$133.50, with the top price for 44kg Merrignee blood ewes from Willaura in VIC, SIL to Border Leicester rams. Aged Merino ewes also attracted buyer interest with 2 feature lines from Cambrai SA attracting a premium: 5 year old 65kgs and 6 to 7 years old 70kgs, made \$131 and \$120 respectively. Both lines were joined to White Suffolk rams.

A larger offering of Merino wethers this week met with an increase in prices. Wether hoggets ranged from \$53.50 to \$83 with an average of \$66.70. The top priced line was a mob of Wanganella blood wethers, with a 3/4" skin from Deniliquin NSW. Grown Merino wethers made from \$68.50 to \$70.50. Store lamb numbers continued to drop back this week. 34kg lambs offered made \$75.50 to \$80, or 564c to 590c/kg carcass weight.

Eastern States cattle saw steers weighing 250kg-300kg made 237c to 302c, averaging 257c up 12c on last week, the top line was 260kg Bald Blair and Eastern Plains blood Angus steers from Guyra NSW making \$785. Heifers of the same weight averaged 231c and ranged from 230c to 232c/kg live weight. Steers weighing 300kg to 350kg made 223c to 274c with an average of 245c. Similar heifers made 188c to 215c with an average of 202c. The heaviest steers offered were 350kg+ and made 241c to 255c with an average of 250c, while heifers made 232c to 235c. The top line was a large mob of Simmental heifers from Millmerran Qld, weighing 391kg making \$920.

A large number of young joined and PTIC heifers drew bidder interest, with a price range of \$700 up to \$1110 for 516kg Hereford heifers from Walcha NSW. These were Yalgoo blood and PTIC to Bald Blair Angus bulls. A small offering of mixed age cows with calves at foot brought firm prices, with a range \$1110 to \$1310. By Tom Rookyard Get an edge and become an AuctionsPlus Assessor. The AuctionsPlus Accredited Assessor School is designed to teach participants how to objectively measure livestock utilising the skills of our level 1 assessors and AuctionsPlus staff. Current Assessor Schools: 19-20th May, Sheep, Dubbo NSW 10-11th June, Sheep, Tasmania. July, Sheep, Bordertown, SA Visit the AuctionsPlus website to apply and register your interest or to find out more. School locations will be booked as we get feedback from those wanting to attend.

Cattle		
State	Town	Details

QLD	Charters Towers	152 Brah & Brah/Romagnola Strs, 12- 16 mths, 224kg, passed 212c/\$475.89; 184 Brah & Brah/Romagnola Strs, 12- 16 mths, 184kg, passed 214c/\$393.89
QLD	Collinsville	216 BrangX C&C, 4-14 yrs, 453kg, Jnd Brang, 108 Comp & Brang CAF, passed \$940; 110 Charb/Comp Cows, 5-15 yrs, 541kg, PTIC Brang, passed \$895; 81 Charb/Comp C&C, 3-5 yrs, 406kg, Jnd Brang, 81 Comp & Brang CAF, passed \$930; 72 Charb/Comp C&C, 4-15 yrs, 473kg, Jnd Brang, 72 Comp & Brang CAF, passed \$935; 270 Charb/Comp C&C, 4-15 yrs, 477kg, Jnd Brang, 270 Comp & Brang CAF, passed \$935
QLD	Hughenden	180 Charb/Ang & DM/Ang Strs, 12-15 mths, 300kg, 237c/\$710.69; 192 Charb/Ang & DM/Ang Hfrs, 12-15 mths, 266kg, Unjnd, passed 206c/\$547.33; 136 DMX Strs, 14-18 mths, 293kg, 247c/\$725; 304 DMX Strs, 13-17 mths, 242kg, 246c/\$595; 120 DMX Hfrs, 13-17 mths, 221kg, Unjnd, passed 184c/\$405
QLD	Tambo	109 CharX C&C, 4-9 yrs, 545kg, SH & Char CAF, \$1125
QLD	Gympie	112 Brah & BrahX Hfrs, 17-22 mths, 368kg, PTIC DM & MGX, \$736; 140 DM & DMX Hfrs, 17-22 mths, 369kg, PTIC DM & MGX, \$738; 84 Charb & Brang & Lim Hfrs, 17-22 mths, 390kg, PTIC DM & MGX, \$780
QLD	Mitchell	96 Bfmkr/Her & DMX Strs, 10-16 mths, 302 kg, 247c/\$745
QLD	Meandarra	44 SH C&C 3-12 yrs, 606kg, PTIC SH, 44 SH CAF AVG 122kg, \$1310
QLD	Millmerran	28 Simm Hfrs, 15-18 mths, 391kg, Unjnd, 235c/\$920
QLD	Goondiwindi	61 Her & AngX Strs, 18-19 mths, 364kg, 250c/\$910; 41 MG/Comp & SH/Comp C&C, 6-11 yrs, 495kg, Jnd Brang, 41 CAF AVG 174kg, \$1110; 15 SHX & MG/Comp C&C, 11-15 yrs, 512kg, Jnd Brang, 15 CAF AVG 135kg, passed \$960
QLD	Dirranbandi	97 Ang & Santa/Her & Ang/Her Hfrs, 16-24 mths, 351kg, Unjnd, 232c/\$815
NSW	Tenterfield	15 SH Hfrs, 26-40 mths, 458kg, PTIC SH, Bogan & Damdaloo bld, passed \$855; 43 Ang/Santa Strs, 15-20 mths, 383kg, 255c/\$977.50; 56 Sim/DM Strs, 14-16 mths, 395kg, 254c/\$1003
NSW	Glen Innes	42 AngX & Ang Strs, 8-9 mths, 301kg, 274c/\$825; 28 Comp Strs, 8-9 mths, 301kg, passed 244c/\$735
NSW	Glencoe	9 Ang/Her & Her Hfrs, 7-10 mths, 243kg, 201c/\$490; 65 Ang Hfrs, 7-9 mths, 245kg, Booroomooka & Pee Dee Creek bld, 217c/\$530
NSW	Guyra	107 Ang Hfrs, 7-9 mths, 261kg, Unjnd, Bald Blair bld, 232c/\$605; 55 Ang Hfrs, 7-9 mths, 239kg, Unjnd, Bald Blair bld, 224c/\$535; 43 Ang Hfrs, 7-9 mths, 218kg, Unjnd, Bald Blair bld, 217c/\$475; 37 Ang & Ang/Lim Strs, 6-8 mths, 297kg, 264c/\$785; 37 Ang & Ang/Lim Strs, 6-8 mths, 267kg, 269c/\$720; 126 Ang Hfrs, 6-8 mths, 203kg, Bald Blair & Eastern Plains bld, passed 219c/\$445; 120 Ang Strs, 6-8 mths, 260kg, Bald Blair & Eastern Plains bld, 302c/\$785; 12 Angus Cows, 12 yrs, 510kg, PTIC Ang, Bald Blair & Eastern Plains bld, passed \$805; 42 Ang & Ang/Her Cows, 7-9 yrs, 505kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$855

NSW	Armidale	62 Ang Strs, 7-8 mths, 294kg, Wattletop & Glen Avon & Bald Blair bld, 255c/\$750; 40 Ang Strs, 6-8 mths, 301kg, Bald Blair bld, passed 258c/\$775; 73 Ang Hfrs, 6-8 mths, 240kg, Bald Blair bld, passed 219c/\$525; 76 Ang/Her & Ang Hfrs, 15-17 mths, 286kg, Unjnd, Bald Blair bld, passed 212c/\$605; 27 AngX/CharX Hfrs, 15-17 mths, 281kg, Unjnd, passed 201c/\$656; 100 Ang Hfrs, 7-8 mths, 225kg, Bald Blair bld, 223c/\$500
NSW	Uralla	70 Bonsmara/Ang Hfrs, 7-8 mths, 281kg, Unjnd, 230c/\$645
NSW	Walcha	50 Her Hfrs, 24-30 mths, 516kg, PTIC Ang, Yalgoo bld, \$1110; 16 AngX/Comp & SantaX/Comp Hfrs, 7-9 mths, 300kg, Unjnd, 200c/\$600; 96 Ang Hfrs, 15-18 mths, 368kg, PTIC, Wattletop bld, passed \$890; 38 AngX Hfrs, 15-18 mths, 400kg, PTIC, passed \$905; 25 AngX Hfrs, 15-18 mths, 415kg, PTIC, \$980; 30 Ang & Brang Hfrs, 23-26 mths, 436kg, PTIC Ang & Char, \$995; 17 Ang Hfrs, 17-19 mths, 375kg, PTIC Ang, \$850; 27 Ang/Her Hfrs, 17-19 mths, 374kg, PTIC Ang, \$850; 50 Ang/Her & AngX Cows, 3-6 yrs, 541kg, PTIC Ang & Sim, passed \$1010
NSW	Gunnedah	36 SH Hfrs, 16-19 mths, 404kg, PTIC SH, Yamburgan & Dunbeacon bld, passed \$770
NSW	Coonabarabran	44 Ang/Her & Ang Hfrs, 6-9 mths, 260kg, passed 207c/\$540; 53 Ang/Her & Ang Strs, 6-9 mths, 271kg, 253c/\$685
NSW	Nundle	50 Ang & Ang/Her Strs, 8-9 mths, 243kg, passed 247c/\$600; 17 Ang Hfrs, 8-9 mths, 242kg, Unjnd, passed 186c/\$450
NSW	Barraba	61 Ang Cows, 6.5-7 yrs, 550kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$1050; 97 Ang Cows, 8.5-9 yrs, 548kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$1030; 20 Ang 7.5-8 yrs, 529kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$1030; 51 Ang Cows, 5.5-6 yrs, 534kg, PTIC Ang, passed \$1030
NSW	Singleton	29 SH & SH/ Comp & SH/Char Hfrs, 6-9 mths, 246kg, passed 223c/\$545
NSW	Warren	66 Ang Cows, 8.5-9 yrs, 546kg, PTIC Ang, Te Mania bld, \$950
NSW	Coolah	65 Ang Hfrs, 17-19 mths, 409kg, PTIC Ang, \$800; 65 Ang Hfrs, 17-19 mths, 349kg, PTIC Ang, \$700
NSW	Rylstone	33 Ang Strs, 17-18 mths, 348kg, 223c/\$775; 32 Ang Hfrs, 17-18 mths, 340kg, 206c/\$700
NSW	Blayney	44 Ang Hfrs, 18-20 mths, 453kg, PTIC Ang, Te Mania & Witherswood bld, \$900
NSW	Crookwell	34 Her Cows, 3-3.5 yrs, 620kg, PTIC Her, Landillo bld, passed \$1010; 11 Her Cows, 4.5yrs, 619kg, PTIC Her, Landillo bld, passed \$1010
NSW	Goulburn	46 Ang & AngX Hfrs, 7-10 mths, 303kg, passed 218c/\$660; 18 Ang/Her & Her Strs, 7-10 mths, 305kg, passed 238c/\$725
NSW	Araluen	57 Her Strs, 9-11 mths, 361kg, Billilingra bld, 241c/\$870; 28 Her Hfrs, 9-11 mths, 312kg, Billilingra bld, 188c/\$585

NSW	Tumut	62 Ang & Ang/Her Strs, 6-8 mths, 293kg, 237c/\$695
VIC	Yackandandah	5 Her Hfrs, 10-12 mths, 345kg, passed 191c/\$658; 5 Her C&C, 20-24 mths, 471kg, 5 Ang CAF, passed \$1105
VIC	Mansfeild	29 Char/Ang & ChaX, 7-8 mths, 262kg, passed 215c/\$565
VIC	Macedon	39 Ang Strs, 6-7 mths, 301kg, Coolana bld, passed 244c/\$735; 56 Ang Strs, 6-7 mths, 279kg, Coolana bld, 244c/\$680; 39 Ang Hfrs, 6-7 mths, 256kg, Coolana bld, 215c/\$550
VIC	Cavendish	41 Her Cows, 8 yrs, 613kg, PTIC Her, passed \$1005
SA	Lucindale	85 Ang & Her/Ang Strs, 8-9 mths, 236kg, 250c/\$590; 32 MGX & Her/Sim Strs, 8-9 mths, 233kg, 236c/\$550
TAS	Smithton	20 Her/Ang Strs, 8-9 mths, 295kg, 281c/\$830; 24 Her/Ang Strs, 8-9 mths, 255kg, 261c/\$665; 20 Her Strs, 8-9 mths, 262kg, 271c/\$710; 18 Her Strs, 8-9 mths, 223kg, 242c/\$540

<b>Sheep</b>		
<b>State</b>	<b>Town</b>	<b>Details</b>
QLD	Aramac	880 Mer Wths, 2-2.5 yrs, 15.8kgdw, 2.5" skin, Barcaldine Down Bld, \$68.50
QLD	Ilfracombe	710 Mer Wths, 17-19 mths, 15.9 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Poll Boonoke bld, \$53.5; 410 Mer Wths, 5-7 mths, 11.1kgdw, 1/4" skin, Poll Boonoke bld, \$40.50
QLD	Cunnamulla	450 Mer Wths, 1.5-2.5 yrs, 13.7 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Hazeldean and Collinsville bld, \$54.50
QLD	Goondiwindi	400 WD & 2ndX WD Ewes, 4.5 yrs, 1/4" skin, Jnd, passed \$91
QLD	Warwick	385 2ndX PD & WS/Mer m/s lambs, 6-7 mths, 14.1 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$79.50
NSW	Brewarrina	600 Mer Wths, 3 yrs, 15.6 kgdw, 1.75" skin, Mullengudery bld, \$70.50
NSW	Narrabri	278 Mer Ewes, 5.5 yrs, 20.2 kgdw, 2.5" skin, Rossmore & Buckulla Park bld, passed \$79
NSW	Guyra	230 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 5-6 mths, 14.1 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$80
NSW	Louth	1040 Mer Ewes, 5.5 yrs, 17 kgdw, 3" skin, Unjnd, Haddon Rig bld, \$85
NSW	Walcha	300 Mer Ewes, 6.5 yrs, 19.8 kgdw, 2" skin, Unjnd, Ruby Hills bld, 328c/\$65
NSW	Trangie	415 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 9-10 mths, 17 kgdw, 1/4" skin, \$140
NSW	Pyramul	153 Mer Ewes, 2-3 yrs, 19.8 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL WS, Merryville bld, \$103.50
NSW	Bathurst	200 Ws/Mer Ewes, 4-5 yrs, 33.9 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Jnd WS, \$120.50

NSW	Cowra	200 BL/Mer m/s lambs, 5-6 mths, 10 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$75.50
NSW	Boorowa	262 2ndX DorpX Ewes, 2-3 yrs, 21.3 yrs, 1/4" skin, SIL PD, \$112.50
NSW	Deniliquin	1036 Mer Wths, 1 yr, 17.2 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Wanganella bld, \$83; 2112 Mer Wths, 1 yr, 15.7 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Wanganella bld, \$75.50
VIC	Bowser	277 Mer Ewes, 1.5 yrs, 19.6 kgdw, 1/4" skin, SIL BL, Nerston bld, passed \$99
VIC	Avenel	220 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 8-9 mths, 12.9 kgdw, 1" skin, \$80
VIC	Kilmore	153 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 7-8 mths, 12.8 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$75.50
VIC	Willaura	285 Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 16.7 kgdw, 1/4" skin, SIL BL, Merrignee bld, \$133.50
VIC	Dunkeld	150 BL/Mer Ewes, 18 mths, 26.8 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL WS, \$224; 189 BL/Mer Ewes, 3.5 yrs, 31 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL PD, \$201; 462 BL/Mer Ewes, 4.5 yrs, 31 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL PD, \$175; 121 BL/Mer Ewes, 5.5 yrs, 31 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL PD, \$161; 100 BL/Mer Ewes, 6.5 yrs, 30 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL PD, \$123
VIC	Minimay	217 Mer Ewes, 1.5 yrs, 15.7 kgdw, 2" skin, SIL Mer, Rostrata bld, \$72.50; 291 Mer Ewes, 2.5-3.5 yrs, 19.6 kgdw, 2" skin, SIL SAMM, Rostrata bld, \$92.50; 256 Mer Ewes, 4.5 yrs, 17.4 kgdw, 2" skin, SIL SAMM, Rostrata bld, \$75.5
SA	Burra	100 Mer Ewes, 2.5-5.5 yrs, 28.2 kgdw, 1/4" skin, SIL WS, Kelvale bld, passed \$107
SA	Cambrai	212 Mer Ewes, 5 yrs, 26.3 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Jnd WS, \$131; 301 Mer Ewes, 6-7 yrs, 28.2 kgdw, Jnd WS, \$120