

AuctionsPlus Pty Ltd.
Market Comments
 Week ending 27/05/2011

Following good falls of rain on many areas in the eastern states, sheep and lamb numbers dropped by almost 12,000 head to finish with 40,848 head. Most of the falls occurred on Thursday, when it was impossible to buy a Merino wether of any description, and only Tasmania was still able to supply reasonable numbers of slaughter sheep.

Cattle numbers totalled 6,618 head, up approximately 1,200 head on the previous week, and again good quality steer weaners are still hard to find.

The sheep and lamb market started the week on a firm note but tended to struggle with the limited offering on Thursday. Restockers are still very selective when chasing breeding ewes but the market is definitely still strong for the better lines, while the secondary sheep are starting to meet some resistance at these still relatively high price levels. With winter now starting to encroach on most of the areas, I expect demand will not improve greatly until sowing is completed and a good spring is nearly guaranteed. The wool market this week has shown some gains, while today's skin report is again slightly cheaper with the fluctuating Australian dollar being blamed for export buyers not prepared to confirm orders.

The cattle market has continued to firm all week and our sales today were again stronger and we witnessed improved clearance rates for the four sales today. Top quality Droughtmaster heifers from the Winton district weighing 287kg, sold to 194.9c/kg to strong competition, while Angus heifers from Cooma. weighing 272kg, sold to 265c/kg and further south at Mortlake Angus heifers 259kg sold for 239c/kg. Again steers were in short supply, although I have noticed some good quality weaners and females advertised for the next few weeks.

Another fall of rain in the next few weeks will surely see the momentum maintained.

CATTLE

State	Town	Details
QLD	Goondiwindi	32 Brah, BrahX Hfrs, 24/36 mths, 385 kg, PTIC, passed 183c/\$705; 84 Brah Hfrs, 24/36 mths, 407 kg, PTIC, passed 194c/\$790
QLD	Mt Isa	320 Santa Cows, 36/120 mths, 538 kg, PTIC, 146c/\$785
QLD	Richmond	78 Brah Cows, 6/14 yrs, 373 kg, Passed 106c/\$395; 27 Brah C&C, 8/14 yrs, 319 kgs, calves 319 kg, passed \$500
QLD	Winton	96 DMSTR Strs, 13/16 mths, 322 kg, 195c/\$630; 136 DMSTR Hfrs, 13/18 mths, 287 kg, 195c/\$559; 78 DMSTR Strs 13/18 mths, 383 kg, 181c/\$692
QLD	Nebo	78 BrahX Hfrs, 20/36 mths, 383 kg, PTIC, 171c/\$655; 56 BrahX Hfrs, 20/36 mths, 364 kg, PTIC, 173c/\$630
QLD	Longreach	60 Santa C&C, 4/13 yrs, 458 kg, Jnd, passed \$915
QLD	Moura	47 Brah Hfrs, 22/32 mths, 424 kg, PTIC, 173c/\$735
QLD	Quilpie	196 Brah Hfrs, 24/32 mths, 432 kg, 179c/\$775

QLD	Mitchell	140 HerX Strs, 8/12 mths, 258 kg, 236c/\$608; 74 HerX Hfrs, 8/12 mths, 236 kg, 197c/\$464
NSW	Goodooga	108 Ang Strs, 7/9 mths, 290 kg, 241c/\$697
NSW	North Star	73 Ang Hfrs, 8/9 mths, 274 kg, 210c/\$575
NSW	Walgett	108 AngX Strs, 7/10 mths, 280 kg, 241c/\$675
NSW	Bingara	39 SH Hfrs, 15/18 mths, 252 kg, passed 195c/\$490; 21 Ang Strs, 14/17 mths, 282 kg, 230c/\$650
NSW	Wee Waa	73 Santa Strs, 7/8 mths, 246 kg, 246c/\$605; 32 Santa Hfrs, 7/8 mths, 217 kg, 203c/\$440; 37 Santa Strs, 13/17 mths, 343 kg, 214c/\$735; 21 Santa Hfrs, 14/19 mths, 393 kg, 186c/\$730; 41 Ang Cows, 5 yrs, 556 kg, PTIC, \$1170
NSW	Narrabri	28 SH Cows, 6/8 yrs, 577 kg, PTIC, 143c/\$825; 35 CharX Strs, 8/11 mths, 313 kg, 223c/\$700; 33 CharX Hfrs, 8/11 mths, 303 kg, passed 204c/\$620
NSW	Guyra	26 Ang, AngX Cows, 8/10 yrs, 605 kg, PTIC, 140c/\$845
NSW	Armidale	80 Ang Hfrs, 7/10 mths, 222 kg, 242c/\$535; 59 Ang Strs, 7/10 mths, 217 kg, 254c/\$550; 80 Ang Strs, 7/10 mths, 270 kg, 260c/\$700; 63 Ang Hfrs, 7/10 mths, 265 kg, 238c/\$630, 28 Ang Cows, 3/4 yrs, 510 kg, PTIC, passed \$1005
NSW	Tamworth	32 Her, HerX C&C, 8/11 yrs, 546 kg, passed \$985, 43 Ang Strs, 10/11 mths, 338 kg, 231c/\$780; 35 Ang Hfrs, 10/11 mths, 314 kg, 207c/\$650
NSW	Tambar Springs	40 Ang Hfrs, 8/10 mths, 270 kg, 230c/\$620
NSW	Coonabarabran	111 Ang Strs, 8/11 mths, 263 kg, 256c/\$675; 50 Ang Strs, 16/17 mths, 389 kg, 209c/\$815; 40 Ang Hfrs, 16/17 mths, 332 kg, 201c/\$665
NSW	Coolah	43 Ang C&C, 2/8 yrs, 499 kg, Jnd, Calves 96 kg, \$1105
NSW	Merriwa	40 SH Cows, 3/5 yrs, 490 kg, PTIC, \$1025; 80 SH Cows, 6/9 yrs, 573 kg, PTIC, \$1000
NSW	Rylestone	42 Ang Strs, 5/6 mths, 191 kg, 279c/\$530; 28 Ang Strs, 7/9 mths, 265 kg, 227c/\$600
NSW	Oberon	116 Ang Strs, 6/9 mths 273 kg, passed 246c/\$670; 39 Her Strs, 8/9 mths, 323 kg, passed 217c/\$700; 23 Her Hfrs, 6/7 mths, 240 kg, passed 203c/\$485
NSW	Boorowa	18 Ang Strs, 9/10 mths, 301 kg, passed 229c/\$690; 22 Ang Hfrs, 9/10 mths, 285 kg, 219c/\$624; 25 Ang Hfrs, 11/12 mths, 370 kg, 192c/\$710
NSW	Yass	24 Ang Strs, 8/9 mths, 304 kg, 238c/\$723
NSW	Crookwell	70 AngX Strs, 8/9 mths, 290 kg, 226c/\$655
NSW	Goulburn	46 Ang Strs, 9/10 mths, 358 kg, 226c/\$810
NSW	Braidwood	45 Ang Strs, 7/9 mths, 283 kg, 244c/\$690
NSW	Marulan	50 Ang Strs, 7/8 mths, 263 kg, 249c/\$655
NSW	Gundagai	36 Ang Hfrs, 19/20 mths, 299 kg, passed 207c/\$620; 70 Ang Strs, 9/10 mths, 374 kg, passed 224c/\$835
NSW	Holbrook	67 Ang Strs, 8/9 mths, 352 kg, 226c/\$795; 132 Ang Strs, 8/9 mths, 295 kg, 246c/\$725; 99 Ang/H Cows, 7 yrs, 645 kg, PTIC, \$1260
NSW	Cooma	160 Ang Hfrs, 9/10 mths, 272 kg, 265c/\$720
VIC	Woolsthorpe	49 Ang Hfrs, 7/10 mths, 259 kg, 239c/\$620; 43 Ang Hfrs, 7/10 mths, 224 kg, 243c/\$545; 10 Ang Hfrs, 7/10 mths, 191 kg, 239c/\$455
VIC	Hamilton	27 Ang/Her Hfrs 19/20 mths, 443kg, PTIC, \$1160; 10 Ang/Her Hfrs, 19/20 mths, 382 kg, PTIC, \$960; 22 Ang Hfrs, 20/21 mths, 403 kg, Unjnd, 159c/\$640;
VIC	Coleraine	50 Ang Hfrs, 20/21 mths, 465 kg, PTIC, \$1155; 25 Ang Hfrs, 20/21 mths, 430 kg, Unjnd, 181c/\$780

TAS	Bridport	16 Shav Cows, 8/12 yrs, 633 kg, PTIC \$830; 29 Shav Cows, 8/12 yrs, 610 kg, PTIC, \$800
WA	Margaret River	44 M/G Hfrs, 18/20 mths, 427 kg, PTIC, \$800; 20 M/G Hfrs, 30/33 mths, 443 kg, PTIC, \$850; 55 M/G Cows, 5/6 yrs, 532 kg, PTIC, \$845; 22 M/G Cows, 7 yrs, 540 kg, PTIC, \$700

SHEEP

State	Town	Details
QLD	Mitchell	500 Dohne X Wth Imbs, 5/7 mths, 11.0 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$68.50
QLD	Thallon	255 Mer Ewes, 1/4 yrs, 19.6 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Bullamon Plains bld, NSM, \$96.50
QLD	Hughenden	745 Mer Ewes/Wths, 10/14 mths, 13.7 kgdw, 1/4" skin, \$68
QLD	Aramac	665 Dorp Ewes, 7/12 mths, 19.7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$140
QLD	Longreach	240 Mer Wths, 19/20 mths, 17.6 kgdw, 2.5" skin, \$93.50; 435 Mer Ewes, 19/20 mths, 16.6 kgdw, 2.5" skin, \$126; 300 Mer Ewes, 12 mths, 14.3 kgdw, 2.5" skin, \$117.50; 420 Mer Ewes, 5/7 yrs, 19.2 kgdw, 1.5" skin, SIL W Dorp, passed \$88
QLD	Barcaldine	720 Mer Ewes, 6/7 yrs, 16.3 kgdw, 1/2" skin, depast Dorp, \$64.50
QLD	Blackall	210 W Dorp X Ewes, 9 mths, 19.2 kgdw, 1" skin, depast W Dorp, passed \$124.50
QLD	Tambo	1350 Mer Wth Imbs, 12/13 mths, 15.5 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Haddon Rig & Uardry bld, passed \$85.50
QLD	Augathella	390 Mer, PD/Mer m/s Imbs, 7/9 mths, 11.2 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$73
QLD	Quilpie	630 Mer Ewes, 5/8 yrs, 18.5 kgdw, 3/4" skin, depast Mer, Mumblebone bld, \$80
NSW	Lightning Ridge	470 1stX WS/Mer Ewe Imbs, 10/11 mths, 17.4 kgdw, 1.5" skin, NSM, \$125; 526 1stX WS/Mer Wth Imbs, 10/11 mths, 18.1 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$118.50
NSW	Moree	585 Mer Wths, 21/22 mths, 20.9 kgdw, 2.25"skin, \$127.50; 140 Mer Ewes, 21/22 mths, 16.0 kgdw, 2" skin, Airlie bld, NSM, \$100.50
NSW	Warialda	51 W Dorp Ewes, 8/24 mths, 32.2 kgdw, unshn, SIL W Dorp, \$208.50
NSW	Bourke	915 Mer Ewes, CFA, 19.7 kgdw, 2" skin, SIL PD, \$125; 230 Mer Ewes, CFA, 18.6 kgdw, 3" skin, SIL PD, \$125; 270 Mer Ewes, 6 yrs, 17.9 kgdw, 1" skin, SIL PD, \$125
NSW	Brewarrina	465 W Dorp/Damara Wth Imbs, 7/9 mths, 12.7 kgdw, unshrn, \$71
NSW	Walgett	146 1stX BL/Mer Ewe Imbs, 8/9 mths, 1" skin, \$109; 650 Mer Wth Imbs, 9/10 mths, 16.9 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Haddon Rig bld, \$98.50; 450 Mer Wths, 1/6 yrs, 16.6 kgdw, 3/4" skin, 515c/ \$85.50
NSW	Rowena	830 Mer Ewes, 2/5 yrs, 17.4 kgdw, 3.5" skin, Pooginook bld, NSM, \$170
NSW	Burren Junction	380 1st X BL/Mer Wth Imbs, 9/10 mths, 15.2 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$105.50; 240 1st X BL/Mer Wth Imbs, 9/10 mths, 11.4 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$83.50
NSW	Manilla	750 1stX PD/Mer m/s Imbs, 8/9 mths, 14.7 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$123; 260 1stX WS/Mer m/s Imbs, 8/9 mths, 12.3 kgdw, bare shn, \$95
NSW	Armidale	252 Mer Ewes, 6 yrs, 21.8 kgdw, 2" skin, SIL WS, \$124
NSW	Uralla	350 Mer Wths, 20 mths, 14.5 kgdw, 2" skin, Roseville Park & Willandra bld, \$106.50; 210 Mer Wths, 2.5 yrs, 18.5 kgdw, 2" skin, \$107.50; 260 Mer Ewes, 20 mths, 15.0 kgdw, 2" skin, Roseville Park & Willandra bld, Jnd Mer, \$152; 149 Mer Ewes, 2.5 yrs, 16.5 kgdw, 1.75" skin, Roseville Park & Willandra bld, Jnd Mer, \$152; 440 Mer Ewes, 3.5 yrs, 16.9 kgdw, 1.75" skin, Roseville Park & Willandra bld, Jnd Mer, \$152
NSW	Quambone	500 Mer Ewes, 21/22 mths, 20.7 kgdw, 2" skin, SIL WS, \$202
NSW	Coonamble	390 Dohne/Mer Wth Imbs, 8/10 mths, 10.0 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$58.50; 430 Mer Wth Imbs, 11/12 mths, 16.3 kgdw, 1" skin, 592c/ \$96.50

NSW	Mendooran	241 1stX BL/Mer Ewes, 2/6 yrs, 27.1 kgdw, 2" skin, 379 WS & PD LAF, \$301; 233 1stX BL/Mer Ewes, 2/6 yrs, 26.1 kgdw, 2" skin, 223 WS & PD LAF, \$250; 278 1stX BL/Mer Ewes, 2/6 yrs, 28.1 kgdw, 2" skin, 434 WS & PD LAF, \$304; 344 1stX BL/Mer Ewes, 2/6 yrs, 24.4 kgdw, 2" skin, 333 WS & PD LAF, \$246
NSW	Tottenham	382 W Dorp/Mer Ewes, 2/4 yrs, 27.0 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL W Dorp, \$165
NSW	Narromine	330 Mer Ewes, 5 yrs, 17.0 kgdw, bare shn, SIL WS, \$135.50
NSW	Mudgee	370 BL/Mer X Wth Imbs, 8/9 mths, 17.0 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$116.50 240 1stX WS/Mer m/s Imbs, 8/9 mths, 14.0 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$113; 195 1stX BL/Mer Ewe Imbs, 8/9 mths, 15.5 kgdw, 1/2" skin, NSM, \$144
NSW	Coleambally	240 Mer Wths, 3 yrs, 30.8 kgdw, 1.25" skin, 481.5c/ \$148.30
NSW	Cootamundra	620 Mer Wths, 21/22 mths, 18.8 kgdw, 1" skin, \$123.50; 316 Mer Wths, 21/22 mths, 16.2 kgdw, 1" skin, \$99.50
NSW	Boorowa	56 2ndX W Dorp Ewes, 14 mths, 23.8 kgdw, 2" skin, SIL Dorp, passed \$152.50
NSW	Yass	290 Mer Ewes, 2/6 yrs, 21.3 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL WS 100%, \$169; 265 Mer Ewes, 2/6 yrs, 24.3 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL WS 200%, \$187; 300 1stX BL/Mer Ewe Imbs, 11-12 mths, 2" skin, NSM, \$150; 60 1stX BL/Mer Ewes, 2/3 yrs, 2.25" skin, \$150; 65 1stX BL/Mer Ewes, 4 yrs, 2.25" skin, \$150
NSW	Goulburn	135 Mer Ewes, 3.5 yrs, 14.7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$105.50
NSW	Wedderburn	220 Mer Wth Imbs, 12 mths, 19.4 kgdw, 1" skin, 603c/ \$117; 160 Mer Wth Imbs, 12 mths, 19.0 kgdw, 1" skin, 542c/ \$103; 600 Mer Wth Imbs, 12 mths, 21.8 kgdw, 1" skin, \$135
NSW	Culcairn	57 1stX BL/Mer Ewe Imbs, 12/13 mths, 17.2 kgdw, 1" skin, NSM, \$135; 69 1stX BL/Mer Ewes, 3/6 yrs, 23.0 kgdw, 1" skin, NSM, \$100.50
NSW	Cooma	720 Mer Wths, 3.5 yrs, 34.0 kgdw, 2" skin, 490c/ \$166.60; 249 Mer Wth Imbs, 8/9 mths, 14.4 kgdw, 2.5" skin, Hazeldean & Kelton Plain bld, \$110.50; 120 Mer Ewes, 6 yrs, 24.5 kgdw, 1/4" skin, SIL BL, \$150; 161 Mer Ewes, 3/6 yrs, 24.8 kgdw, 1/2" skin, SIL PD, \$172
VIC	Ararat	63 Mer Ewes, 3 yrs, 22.8 kgdw, 2.5" skin, depast Mer, The Mountain Dam bld, \$170; 454 Mer Ewes, 4 yrs, 23.4 kgdw, 2.5" skin, depast Mer, The Mountain Dam bld, \$220.50; 489 Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 19.3 kgdw, 2" skin, depast Mer, The Mountain Dam bld, \$171.50
VIC	Mildura	164 W Dorp Ewes, 2/3 yrs, 24.2 kgdw, 2" skin, 112 WSX LAF, \$241
SA	Bordertown	210 Mer Ewes, 6 yrs, 26.4 kgdw, 1.75" skin, SIL WS, \$160
SA	Tintinara	210 Mer Ewes, 5 yrs, 28.3 kgdw, 1.5" skin, SIL WS, \$188.50; 47 Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 24.4 kgdw, 1.5" skin, SIL PD, \$175
SA	Hawker	300 1stX WS/Mer Ewe Imbs, 10/12 mths, 22.4 kgdw, 1.25" skin, SIL WS, \$181.00
TAS	Deloraine	78 2ndX PD m/s Imbs, 8/9 mths, 22.0 kgdw, 2.25" skin, passed \$142
TAS	Launceston	217 2ndX PD m/s Imbs, 7/8 mths, 20.8 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$130.50
TAS	Cressy	107 1stX WS/Corr m/s Imbs, 8 mths, 22.4 kgdw, 2" skin, \$144
TAS	Campbell Town	230 1stX Dohne/Mer Wth Imbs, 18.4 kgdw 8/9 mths, 1.5" skin, \$115; 132 Mer Ewes, CFA, 16.2 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$71
TAS	Oatlands	104 1stX PD/Mer m/s Imbs, 8 mths, 18.6 kgdw, 1/2" skin, passed \$117; 150 2ndX Suff m/s Imbs, 7/8 mths, 17.4kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$118; 45 Mer Ewes, 5/6 yrs, 17.9 kgdw, 2.5" skin, \$87.50
TAS	Bothwell	183 2ndX Suff m/s Imbs, 7/8 mths, 19.7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$127.50
TAS	Levendale	121 Mer Ewes, 5/6 yrs, 11.6 kgdw, 1/4" skin, \$51.50
TAS	Gretna	82 1stX WS/Mer m/s Imbs, 8 mths, 18.7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, passed \$119.50