

AuctionsPlus Pty Ltd.
Market Comments
 Week ending 02/12/2011

Sheep numbers were back 13,000 this week, finishing at 35,377 head. In both Tuesday's and Thursday's sales, well over half of the offerings were lambs, and there will be plenty more on offer next week in several feature lamb sales. While many yards have had a big drop in cattle numbers due to rain, this week our numbers were up by 1,500 to total 5,149 head, with the biggest increase coming from Queensland.

There were some top quality cows and calves offered out of southern Queensland; Santa/Angus mixed age joined cows with Charolais calves at foot sold for \$1510, and Droughtmaster and Droughtmaster cross cows with Santa, Hereford & Simmental calved made \$1450. There were no young Angus cows and calves offered; one older line in Toowoomba made \$1005, and top quality Red Angus cows & Charolais calves in Kyneton sold for \$1740. Young joined heifers made to \$1000 for Angus heifers at Inverell.

There were more black steers about today, and plenty of competition saw a large line of quality 10-13 month olds at Walcha weighing 262kg make 306c/\$800, and 242kg weaners at Cooma sell for 314c. With the EYCI back over 400c this week, and continuing rain and feed available, young cattle performed well today. In Queensland, 229kg Droughtmaster weaners heifers sold for 282c, and Angus cross steers weighing \$418kg made 206c.

Prices were better for lighter lambs, particularly in Thursday's sale. 3-4 month old 2nd crosses at Young weighing 26kg made \$91.50; and out of Kingscote 31kg 2nd crosses sold for \$95. Heavier lambs were again mostly \$105-110. At Woolomin 4-5 month old Border/Merino mixed sexes made \$116.50 with future breeders in the mob. There have been encouraging reports lately of strengthening export trade to China, with this market predicted to overtake North America as our largest export lamb market, and it will be interesting to see the effect this has on lamb markets come early next year.

Offerings of maiden ewes were the well down this week, with Merinos making \$182.50 in Burra and \$176 for Pastora and Hazeldean blood ewes in Cooma. The only first cross ewes of any age on offer were in Tasmania, where they topped at \$217 for 14-15 month old Border Leicester/Merinos. Older ewes, particularly those with big skins are still faring well, with January shorn sound mouth 7 year old Severn Park blood ewes at Cooma selling for \$117, and a big line of 5 year old North Cowie bloods with ¼" skin at Broken Hill making \$125.50. Merino wether hoggets were up on last week, with most around \$95. Two year olds made to \$102 for October shorn Hazeldean blood wethers at Bombala, and older wethers were scarce.

CATTLE

State	Town	Details
QLD	Blackall	120 Santa DM & CharX Strs, 5-9 mths, 254kg, 274c/\$694; 84 Santa CharX Hfrs, 5-9 mths, 239kg, 271c/\$649; 84 DM Hfrs, 5-9 mths, 229kg, 282c/\$645
QLD	Theodore	40 Charb & Brah Strs, 5-8 mths, 207kg 249c/\$515; 44 Charb & Brah Hfrs, 5-8 mths, 206kg, 231c/\$474 ; 36 Charb & Brah & DM Strs, 5-8 mths, 184kg,

		235c/\$455 ; 44 Charb & BrahX Hfrs, 5-8 mths, 205kg, 217c/\$445 ; 126 AngX Strs, 24-29 mths, 418kg, 206c/\$861 ; 127 AngX Hfrs, 24-29 mths, 396kg, Unjnd, 196c/\$777
QLD	Charleville	84 DMX Hfrs, 10-15 mths, 206kg 233c/\$480; 84 DMX m/s wnrns, 6-10 mths, 186kg, 274c/\$510
QLD	Morven	127 DM & Charb & Santa m/s wnrns, 4-10 mths, 173kg, 274c/\$475
QLD	Roma	43 DM & DMX C&C, 23-26 mths, 394kg, 36 CAF ; 20 Brah C&C, 3-9 yrs, 369kg, CAF, \$1450
QLD	Wallumbilla	35 Her & HerX Hfrs, 16-18 mths, 404kg, Jnd DM & Ang \$885; 25 Ang/Santa C&C, 5-10 yrs, 554kg, Jnd Simm, 25 Char CAF, \$1510 ; 50 Her C&C, 5-10 yrs, 608kg, Jnd Simm & Santa & Her, 50 Santa & Her & Simm CAF, \$1405 ; 17 Her & HerX C&C, 10 yrs, 589kg, Jnd Simm & Santa & Her, 17 CAF, \$1240
QLD	Jackson	20 Brah C&C, 3-9 yrs, 369kg, Brah CAF, passed \$810 ; 20 SantaX C&C, 8-13 yrs, 380kg, CAF , passed \$810 ; 20 Brah C&C, 5-13 yrs, 363kg, CAF, passed \$805
QLD	Wandoan	70 Ang & R/Pol & Char Hfrs, 12-16 mths, 294kg, Unjnd, 230c/\$677 ; 36 BrahX Hfrs, 12-16 mths, 283kg, Unjnd, passed 207c/\$583 ; 21 DM & BrahX & R/PolX Hfrs, 12-16 mths, 234kg, Unjnd, 221c/\$517
QLD	Durong	15 Santa/Her C&C, 3-12 yrs, 546kg, Jnd Limo, 15 Char CAF, passed \$1160 ; 14 CharX & DMX C&C, 2 yrs, 484kg, Jnd Char, 14 DM CAF Avg 108kg, \$1310 ; 10 DM & DMX C&C, 3-12 yrs, 448kg, Jnd Limo, 10 Char CAF Avg 137kg, passed \$1000
QLD	Toowoomba	14 Ang C&C, 6-12 yrs, 439kg, Unjnd, 14 Ang CAF, \$1005
QLD	Ravenswood	59 Brah Hfrs, 24-30 mths, 320kg, Unjnd, passed 178c/\$570
QLD	St George	102 Santa & SantaX Strs, 11-14 mths, 344kg, 238c/\$820
QLD	Goondiwindi	23 AngX C&C, 6 yrs, 525kg, Jnd Sene, 23 Comp CAF Avg 106kg, \$1150 ; 37 DM Strs, 9-12 mths, 274kg, 260c/\$710 ; 36 Her Strs, 9-12 mths, 272kg, 265c/\$720 ; 64 DM Hfrs, 15-17 mths, 326kg, Jnd Ang, \$920
QLD	Prairie	54 DM Brah & BrahX C&C, 3-11 yrs, 393kg, Jnd Charb, XB CAF, \$835
QLD	Stamford	300 Brah C&C, 18-24 mths, 380kg, Jnd Santa & Charb, Santa & DMX CAF Avg 85kg, passed \$885
QLD	Nebo	82 BrahX Hfrs, 18-26 mths, 354kg, passed 160c/\$565
QLD	Moranbah	114 BrahX & DMX Hfrs, 14-28 mths, 426kg, PTIC Brah passed \$805; 64 BrahX & DMX Hfrs, 14-28 mths, 456kg, Jnd Brah, passed \$755
QLD	Dingo	90 Brah Hfrs, 20-26 mths, 390kg, Unjnd, passed 172c/\$670
QLD	Jundah	90 Brah C&C, 5-13 mths, 392kg, Jnd Char Santa & Ang, 73 XB CAF Avg 109kg, passed \$815
QLD	Isisford	94 AngX & Charb Cows, 2-7 yrs, 431kg, PTIC Char & Ang, \$765; 94 BrahX Cows, 2-7 yrs, 389kg, PTIC Ang & Char, \$660
NSW	Yetman	44 SH & SHX C&C, 3-9 yrs, 486kg, Jnd SH, SH CAF, \$1210
NSW	Tenterfield	45 Her C&C, 3-8 yrs, 482 kg, Jnd Her, 45 Her CAF Avg 482kg \$1355; 30 Santa C&C, 23-25 mths, 327kg, CAF, \$1260
NSW	Emmaville	57 Ang Strs, 12-18 mths, 315kg, 262c/\$826
NSW	Inverell	27 Ang Hfrs, 15-16 mths, 390kg, Jnd Ang, \$1000
NSW	Guyra	26 Char C&C, 2-6 yrs, 601kg, Jnd Ang, 26 Ang & Char CAF Avg 124kg, \$1420
NSW	Narrabri	32 Her Strs, 8-11 mths, 210kg, 295C/\$620
NSW	Coonamble	79 Ang & AngX Strs, 20-24 mths, 446kg, 208C/\$925
NSW	Mullaley	55 Comp Strs, 14-15 mths, 369kg, 241C/\$889 ; 62 Comp strs, 14-15 mths, 325kg, 244C/\$794
NSW	Tamworth	36 Ang & AngX C&C, 8-13 yrs, 444kg, Unjnd, 36 Ang CAF, \$1065 ; 44 Ang & AngX C&C, 8-13 yrs, 478kg, Unjnd, 44 Ang CAF, \$1135

NSW	Uralla	100 Ang & AngX C&C, 2-12 yrs, 405kg, Jnd Ang, 61 Ang CAF, \$1120; 26 Brang & brangX C&C, 2-7 yrs, 426kg, Jnd Ang, 16 Ang CAF, passed \$1045
NSW	Walcha	76 SantaX Strs, 10-13 mths, 262kg, 256c/\$670; 320 Ang Strs, 10-13 mths, 262kg, 306c/\$800; 33 Ang/Char/HerX Strs, 8-9 mths, 250kg, 274c/\$685; 26 Ang/Char/Her Hfrs, 8-9 mths, 242kg, 238c/\$575 ; 43 MG & R/Ang C&C, 6-7 yrs, 455kg, Jnd Char/Ang, 43 MG & Char CAF Avg 108kg, \$1280 ; 22 Ang & Ang/Her C&C, 5-10 yrs, 482kg, Jnd Char, 22 Char CAF Avg 108kg, \$1155 ; 14 SH & Her C&C, 7-8 yrs, 442kg, Jnd Char, 14 Char CAF Avg 109kg, \$1050
NSW	Mudgee	41 Ang & AngX Hfrs, 14-16 mths, 307kg, Unjnd, passed \$645
NSW	Molong	15 Ang & AngX C&C, 24-26 mths, 434kg, Jnd SH & Ang, SH & Ang CAF, \$1450 ; 22 Comp C&C, 8 yrs, 578kg, Jnd SH & Ang, Limo CAF, \$1450; 58 SHX Strs, 13-15 mths, 359kg, 233c/\$835
NSW	Broken Hill	30 DM & SHX Cows, 18-120 mths, 414kg, PTIC Santa, passed \$640 ; 36 XB C&C, 18-120 mths, 379kg, Jnd Santa, 36 Santa CAF Avg 86kg, passed \$770
NSW	Bethungra	71 CharbX C&C, 24-30 mths, 418kg, Unjnd, 71 Charb & brang CAF Avg 101kg, passed \$1195
NSW	Canberra	87 AngStrs, 7-8 mths, 242kg, 314c/\$760 ; 22 Ang Strs, 12-14 mths, 303kg, Hazeldean & Clea bld, 248c/\$755
NSW	Tumbarumba	15 Her Hfrs, 10-14 mths, 369kg, Unjnd, passed 182c/\$670
NSW	Cooma	26 Ang Strs, 13-14 mths, 349kg, Hazeldean & Kunuma bld, 237c/\$830
VIC	Kyneton	17 R/Ang C&C, 7-9 yrs, 718kg, Unjnd, 19 Char CAF Avg 304kg, \$1740

SHEEP

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QLD	Blackall	500 Mer Ewes, 6 yrs, 15.5 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Unjnd, \$88
QLD	Cheepie	400 2ndX Dohne Wths, 13-14 mths, 16.7 kgdw, 2" skin, \$70
QLD	Charleville	360 Mer E&L, 2-CFA, 15.1 kgdw, 2" skin, Jnd Mer, 53 Mer LAF, Wellgully bld, \$86.50
QLD	Goondiwindi	390 Dorp/Mer Wth lambs, 9-12 mths, 17.8 kgdw, bare shn, 593c/\$105.50
NSW	Woolomin	228 BL/Mer m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 14.3 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$116.50
NSW	Nyngan	500 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 4-6 mths, 16.9 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$110; 700 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 4-5 mths, 14.2 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$103
NSW	Warren	600 Mer Wth lambs, 7-8 mths, 15.1 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$99
NSW	Gilgandra	320 2ndX WS m/s lambs, 6-7 mths, 16.6 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$110
NSW	Coolah	300 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 13.2 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$101.50
NSW	Dubbo	220 WD/BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 12 mths, 20.4 kgdw, 1" skin, \$115.50
NSW	Broken Hill	1220 Mer Ewes, 5 yrs, 21.8 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, North Cowie bld, \$125.50 ; 1360 Mer Wths, 14-15 mths, 15.9 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$95
NSW	Ivanhoe	1100 Mer Wth lambs, 5-6 mths, 15.5 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Collinsville bld, \$100.50
NSW	Canowindra	280 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 4 mths, 11 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$84.50
NSW	West Wyalong	300 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 5-6 mths, 16.2 kgdw, 1" skin, \$104
NSW	Young	250 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 4 mths, 13.8 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$91.50 ; 240 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 4-5 mths, 13 kgdw, 1" skin, \$90 ; 110 2ndX Comp Ewes, 16 mths, 16.9 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, \$118 ; 70 2ndX Comp Ewes, 2 yrs, 21.8 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, 500c/\$109 ; 145 2ndX Comp Ewes, 3-4 yrs, 21.7 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, 484c/\$105

NSW	Murringo	120 2ndX PD m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 10.3 kgdw, 1/2"skin, \$91.50
NSW	Boorowa	200 Dors/Mer m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 12.4 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$92
NSW	Crookwell	218 Mer Wths, 5-9 mths, 17.7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Hillcreston Park bld, passed \$76 ; 340 Mer Wth lambs, 3-4 mths, 10 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Cressbrook & barrackville bld, \$77.50 ; 400 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 6-7 mths, 14.1 kgdw, 1" skin, \$103.50
NSW	Goulburn	424 Mer Wths, 2-3 yrs, 21.4 kgdw, bare shn, \$85 ; 170 Mer Wths, 2 yrs, 17.6 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Bullamalita bld, 449c/\$79 ; 537 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 16.8 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$106.50 ; 707 Pd/Mer m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 13.4 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$97 ; 227 Pd/Mer m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 10.6 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$89.50
NSW	Yass	125 Coop Wth lambs, 5 mths, 11.9 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$82 ; 255 Mer Wth lambs, 14-15 mths, 14.9 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Hillcreston park bld, \$75 ; 261 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 13.7 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$92 ; 130 Mer Ewes, 4-5 yrs, 13.8 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Unjnd, Merryville bls, \$83.50
NSW	Hay	300 WS/Mer Ewe lambs, 3-4 mths, 14.7 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$98.50 ; 225 WS/Mer Wth lambs, 3-4 mths, 15.9 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$98.50 ; 165 WS/Mer Ewe lambs, 3-4 mths, 9.7 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$72 ; 180 WS/Mer Wth lambs, 3-4 mths, 10.6 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$78 ; 121 2ndX WDorp Ewes, 12 mths, 30.1 kgdw, 2" skin, \$149.50
NSW	Coleambally	255 Mer Wths, 17-20 mths, 20.1 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Walgrove bld, \$95
NSW	Deniliquin	260 Mer Ewes, 4.5 yrs, 20.1 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Unjnd, Wood Park bld, \$139 ; 320 Mer Ewes, 5.5 yrs, 20 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Unjnd, Wood Park bld, \$127 ; 130 Mer Ewes, 6.5 yrs, 18.6 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Unjnd, Wood Park bld, \$91
NSW	Dalgety	340 Mer Ewes, 7 yrs, 20.3 kgdw, 2.75" skin, \$117
NSW	Cheepie	400 2ndX Dohne Wths, 13-14 mths, 16.7 kgdw, 2" skin, \$70
NSW	Cooma	280 Mer Ewes, 13-14 mths, 17.3 kgdw, Unjnd, 1/4" skin, Pastora & Hazeldean Bld, \$176
NSW	Bombala	230 Mer Wths, 2 yrs, 23.7 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Hazeldean Bld, 430c/\$102
NSW	Charleville	360 Mer E&L, 2-CFA, 15.1 kgdw, 2" skin, Jnd Mer, 53 Mer LAF, Wellgully bld, \$86.50
NSW	Goondiwindi	390 Dorp/Mer Wth lambs, 9-12 mths, 17.8 kgdw, bare shn, 593c/\$105.50
NSW	Walgett	213 BL/Mer m/s lambs, 6-7 mths, 13.5 kgdw, bare shn, \$115
VIC	Shepparton	160 Mer Wths, 18 mths, 16.4 kgdw, 1" skin, passed \$82.50
VIC	Horsham	206 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 6-7 mths, 20.4 kgdw, 1/4" skin, passed \$196.50 ; 231 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 6-7 mths, 17.4 kgdw, 1/4" skin, passed \$183 ; 231 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 7-8 mths, 17.4 kgdw, 1/4" skin, passed \$176
VIC	Seymour	140 Mer Wths, 15-16 mths, 18.5 kgdw, 2" skin, 486c/\$90
VIC	Coleraine	685 2ndX Comp Wth lambs, 6 mths, 15.8 kgdw, 2" skin, \$97
VIC	Branxholme	115 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 6 mths, 16.1 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$90 ; 185 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 6 mths, 14.2 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$86 ; 255 BL/Mer Wths lambs, 6 mths, 10.9 kgdw, 1.5" skin, passed \$77
SA	Karoonda	590 Mer Ewes, 5 yrs, 23.3 kgdw, 1" skin, Unjnd, Collinsville bld, passes 560c/\$130.50
SA	Parawa	540 WS/Mer Wth lambs, 6-7 mths, 14.9 kgdw, 2.5" skin, \$100.50
SA	Kingscote	112 2ndX WS m/s lambs, 5-6 mths, 17 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$107 ; 165 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 16.9 kgdw, 1.75" skin, passed \$99.50 ; 90 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 18 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$108 ; 209 2ndX PD m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 17.5 kgdw, 1" skin, \$105.50 ; 224 2ndX PD m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 16.1 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$102.50 ; 85 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 3 mths, 11.5 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$82 ; 250 2ndX PD m/ lambs, 2-3 mths, 13.3 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$96 ; 149 2ndX WS & 2ndX PD m/s lambs, 5 mths, 16 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$102 ; 94 2ndX PD & 2ndX WS m/s lambs, 4 mths, 12.9 kgdw, 1" skin, \$95 ; 320 PD/Mer m/s lambs, 4-5 mths, 15.7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$95 ; 90 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 4-5 mths, 17.1 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$105 ; 80 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 4-5 mths, 14.9 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$121 ; 750 WS/Mer Wth

		lambs, 4-5 mths, 17.4 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$108.50 ; 560 WS/Mer Wth lambs, 4-5 mths, 14.7 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$98.50
SA	Burra	237 Mer Ewes, 18 mths, 25.8 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, \$182.50 ; 382 Mer Ewes, 5.5 yrs, 27.5 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Unjnd, \$131
SA	Kimba	160 Mer Ewes, 1.5-5.5 yrs, 25.4 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Unjnd, Karrawatha Park bld, passed \$134.50
TAS	Flinders Island	230 2ndX Dors m/s lambs, 3-4 mths, 13.8 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$109; 306 2ndX Coop Wth lambs, 5 mths, 13.9 kgdw, 2.5" skin, \$108.50
TAS	Bridport	90 Coop E&L, 2-5 yrs, 23.6 kgdw, 4" skin, 94 Corr LAF Avg 30kg, passed \$200.50; 79 Mer E&L, 2-8 yrs, 19.7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, 94 Coop LAF Avg 20kg, \$150
TAS	Oatlands	294 BL/Mer Ewes, 16 mths, 26.4 kgdw, 1" skin, Unjnd, \$215
TAS	Avoca	450 Mer Ewes, 3 yrs, 16.4 kgdw, 1" skin, \$95; 370 Mer Ewes, 4 yrs, 17 kgdw, 1" skin, \$83
TAS	Campbell Town	230 Suff/Mer m/s lambs, 8-12 weeks, 12.4 kgdw, 1.25" skin, \$96.50; 64 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 3-4 mths, 8-12 weeks, 1.25" skin, \$90; 401 Mer Wth lambs, 14-15 mths, 16.1 kgdw, 3/4" skin, \$81; 571 Mer Ewes, CFA, 20.2 kgdw, 1.75" skin, \$91
TAS	Triabunna	150 Mer Wths, 3-6 yrs, 22.2 kgdw, 3/4" skin, 405c/\$90
TAS	Orford	328 Mer Wth lambs, 3 mths, 21.7 kgdw, 1/4" skin, \$94; 164 Mer Wth lambs, 3 mths, 17.3 kgdw, 1/4" skin, \$89
TAS	Brighton	100 2ndX Dors m/s lambs, 5 mths, 20.7 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$122
TAS	Richmond	185 Mer Wths, 4-5 yrs, 22.1 kgdw, 3/4" skin, 410c/\$90.50
TAS	Sorell	100 Mer Wth lambs, 3 mths, 12.6 kgdw, 1/4" skin, passed \$71.50; 230 BL/Mer Ewes, 14-15 mths, 23.3 kgdw, bare shn, Unjnd, \$217; 37 BL/Mer Ewes, 2-3 yrs, 27.3 kgdw, 2.5" skin, \$150
TAS	Dunalley	287 Mer Wths, 3 yrs, 25.9 kgdw, 3/4" skin, 409c/\$106