

AuctionsPlus market report week ending 20 July 2012

Sheep and lamb numbers tightened up again this week, totalling 25,930 head, and with recent rain there was plenty of restocker interest. These factors, combined with some good quality store sheep offered, saw the best clearance rates we have had in several months, and processors were largely outpriced. Cattle numbers increased slightly to 4,662 head, with a few lines having been held off from the previous couple of weeks due to rain.

Aside from aged ewes, almost all joined Merinos were back over the \$100 mark, topping at \$150 for One Oak blood 2-3 year olds in lamb to Merino; even the older and mixed age offerings were making above \$90, provided they were in lamb. Merino wether lambs ranged from \$62 to \$80, with a large feature line Pooginook blood lambs out of Cunnamulla selling for \$76.

It was also a better week for crossbred ewes, topping at \$181 for two year old Border Leicester/Merinos in lamb to Dorset out of Bombala. The useful cross of Dorper/Damara saw young scanned ewes in Mt Gambier make to \$114.

Processors were only able to compete on lambs this week, with Merino wether lambs estimated to dress 21kg with an inch on their backs making 410c/kg cwt including skin value – an improvement of 21c on a similar offering from the same vendor last week. In Tasmania, 20kg lambs averaged 430c and export weight lambs made 413c, including skin.

Weaner cattle numbers dropped off slightly this week, and restockers confident in a good spring were again competing fiercely for those available. Whether they hoped for plentiful pasture eventuates, as well as how weather in the US continues to affect grain prices, will impact the market for weaners in the next couple of months. As feedlotters adjust to increasing grain prices, restockers purchasing weaners now with the intention of selling on to be fed for export markets later in the year could face disappointment with their profit margin, and we may see more of these light weight cattle hitting the supermarket trade.

Black steers could only be found in southern NSW today, topping at \$725 or 227c for the 327kg draft, and the lighter end at 237kg making 230c. The biggest demand from restockers in the past few weeks seems to be steers in the 250-300kg range, with this offering averaging 238c for these weights. Elsewhere in the state, 316kg Limousin cross steers made 214c or \$675, and at the heavier end of the market Hereford steers weighing 442kg sold for \$840 or 190c. In the north, Brahman steers out of Townsville weighing 212kg made 196c, and at Cloncurry a big offering of Droughtmaster and Droughtmaster cross steers topped at \$609 or 213c for the heaviest draft at 287kg.

After the disruption of unseasonal wet weather, females attracted more attention in the north today. Young crossbred cows with Charolais calves at foot made \$1065 out of Muttaborra, and Angus/Santa young cows with Santa calves sold for \$1200. Further south the reputation of S. Kidman cattle, backed up by excellent video footage, saw rising two year old PTIC Santa heifers reach \$1095, and the 4-5 year olds make \$1160.

Cattle

State	Town	Details
QLD	Talwood	144 CharX Strs, 6-11 mths, 293kg, 215c/\$630; 120 CharX Hfrs, 6-11 mths, 281kg, 198c/\$555
QLD	Yetman	18 CharX & SantaX Hfrs, 21-23 mths, 385kg, Jnd Santa, \$870
QLD	Townville	120 Brah Strs, 7-10 ths, 212kg, 196c/\$415
QLD	Hughenden	130 BrahX Strs, 7-10 mths, 304kg, passed 203c/\$618
QLD	Cloncurry	212 DM & DMX Strs, 6-12 mths, 287kg, 213c/\$609; 240 DM & DMX Strs, 5-7 mths, 230kg, 214c/\$492; 210 DM & DMX Strs, 5-8 mths, 217kg, 192c/\$418 ; 176 DMX Cows, 2-10 yrs, 533kg, PTIC Brang, passed \$685
QLD	Muttaburra	57 XB Cows, 2-6 yrs, 537kg, PTIC DM & Char, \$765; 74 XB C&C, 2-6 yrs, 275kg, Char CAF avg 85kg, Jnd Char, \$1035; 120 Brah Hfrs, 16-32 mths, 388kg, PTIC Brah, \$655; 120 Brah & BrahX Hfrs, 16-32 mths, 376kg, PTIC Brah, \$650
QLD	Aramac	114 CharX & AngX Hfrs, 6-10 mths, 260kg, 196c/\$510; 144 CharX & DMX & Ang Strs, 6-12 mths, 284kg, 217c/\$615
QLD	Isisford	81 XB Hfrs, 15-19 mths, 372kg, Jnd Santa & Ang, 148c/\$550
QLD	Tambo	54 Ang/Santa C&C, 2-6 yrs, Sanat CAF avg 132kg, Jnd Santa, \$1200; 54 Santa C&C, 2-6 yrs, 445kg, Santa CAF avg 150kg, Jnd Santa, \$1175; 36 DM & Brang & Santa C&C, 2-6 yrs, 374kg, Santa CAF avg 151kg, Jnd Santa, \$895
QLD	Mitchell	168 Ang/Her & Ang Cows, 9-12 yrs, 505kg, PTIC Ang, \$735
NSW	Tenterfield	30 Her Hfrs, 6-11 mths, 179kg, 196c/\$350; 25 Her Hfrs, 20-24 mths, 373kg, Unjnd, 225c/\$840; 25 Her Hfrs, 18-22 mths, 326kg, Unjnd, 233c/\$760
NSW	Glen Innes	34 MG/Char Cows, 4-6 yrs, 616kg, PTIC Ang, \$930
NSW	Guyra	31 Her Strs, 9-10 mths, 240kg, Glenwarrah & Amosvale, 221c/\$530
NSW	Gunnedah	54 BrahX m/s Wnrs, 5-6 mths, 191kg, 236c/\$450
NSW	Walcha	80 Ang & AngX Strs, 10-12 mths, 316kg, 228c/\$720
NSW	Brewarrina	56 Santa Cows, 5-6 yrs, 637kg, PTIC Santa, Kidman bld, \$1050 ; 86 Santa Cows, 7 yrs, 610kg, PTIC Santa, Kidman bld, \$995
NSW	Mendororan	57 R Ang & AngX Strs, 8-10 mths, 244kg, 226c/\$550; 52 R Ang & AngX Hfrs, 8-10 mths, 232kg, 213c/\$495; 27 Ang/Her Strs, 11-12 mths, 245kg, 233c/\$570
NSW	Merriwa	28 LimoX Strs, 11-13 mths, 316kg, 214c/\$675; 23 LimoX Strs, 10-12 mths, 260kg, 223c/\$580
NSW	Dunedoo	60 Her Strs, 11-12 mths, 237kg, Dalkeith bld, passed 220c/\$515
NSW	Cassilis	79 Her Strs, 23-27 mths, 442kg, Dalkeith bld, 190c/\$840; 97 Her Strs, 23-27 mths,

		367kg, Dalkeith bld, 191c/\$700
NSW	Condobolin	200 Santa Hfrs, 20-22 mths, 489kg, PTIC Santa, Kidman bld, \$1080; 11 SantaX Hfrs, 20-22 mths, 505kg, PTIC Santa, \$1095 ; 43 Santa Cows, 4-5 yrs, 603kg, PTIC Santa, Kindman bld, \$1160 ; 44 Santa Cows, 4-5 yrs, 588kg, PTIC Santa, Kidman bld, \$1150
NSW	Cowra	27 Ang Hfrs, 21-11 mths, 513kg, PTIC Ang, \$1065
NSW	Bathurst	39 Ang Hfrs, 9-10 mths, 250kg, 196c/\$490
NSW	Braidwood	60 Ang strs, 10-11 mths, 319kg, KO & Hazeldean bld, 227c/\$725 ; 56 Ang Strs, 10-11 mths, 327kg, KO & Hazeldean bld, 220c/\$720 ; 90 Ang strs, 10-11 mths, 276kg, KO & Hazeldean bld, 235c/\$650 ; 88 Ang Strs, 10-11 mths, 273kg, KO & Hazeldean bld, 240c/\$655; 48 Ang Strs, 10-11 mths, 237kg, KO & Hazeldean bld, 230c/\$545 ; 70 Ang Hfrs, 10-11 mths, 274kg, KO & Hazeldean bld, 201c/\$550 ; 65 Ang hfrs, 10-11 mths, 278kg, KO & Hazeldean bld, 194c/\$540 ; 95 Ang Hgrs, 10-11 mths, 236kg, KO & Hazeldean bld, 229c/\$540
NSW	Bombala	45 Her/Ang Hfrs, 20-24 mths, 482kg, PTIC Ang, \$965; 45 Her/Ang Cows, 4-9 yrs, 600kg, PTIC Ang, \$1065; 13 HerX Cows, 4-9 yrs, 603kg, PTIC Ang, \$800 ; 6 Her/Ang C&C, 4-8 yrs, 546kg, CAF avg 122kg, \$1025
NSW	Deniliquin	38 Ang & Ang/Her Hfrs, 22-23 mths, 477kg, PTIC Ang, \$900
TAS	Flinders Island	60 Ang Strs, 10-11 mths, 325kg, 203c/\$660

Sheep		
State	Town	Details
QLD	Mttaburra	1560 Mer Wths, 12-14 mths, 12.6 kgdw, 1" skin, Lansdowne bld, \$62
QLD	Barcaldine	658 Mer Ewes, 8-23 mths, 11.5 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Unjnd, Coreena bld, \$62.50
QLD	Cunnamulla	3050 Mer Wth lambs, 12 mths, 14.6 kgdw, 1.5" skin, Pooginook bld, \$76
NSW	Nyngan	190 WD/Mer E&L, 2-3 yrs, 23.7 kgdw, 2.5" skin, 172 DorpX LAF, Unjnd, \$123.50
NSW	Cobar	620 Dohne/Mer & WS/Mer Wth lambs, 9-10 mths, 14.5 kgdw, 1.25" skin, pased \$65.50
NSW	Ivanhoe	660 Mer Wths, 14-15 mths, 21 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Collinsville bld, 410c/\$86 ; 640 Mer Wths, 14-15 mths, 21.6 kgdw, 1.25" skin, Collinsville bld, 405c/\$86.50
NSW	Wellington	360 Mer Ewes, 2-3 yrs, 26.3 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL Mer, One Oaks bld, \$150 ; 300 Mer Ewes, 4-5 yrs, 25.1 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL Mer, One Oak bld, \$132.50 ; 235 Mer Ewes, CFA, 23.2 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL PD, One Oak bld, \$101.50 ; 280 Mer Ewes, 12 mths, 14.3 kgdw, 3/4" skin, One Oak bld, \$130.50 ; 150 Mer Ewes, 2-4

		ysr, 22.3 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL PD, One Oaks bld, \$140
NSW	Forbes	205 Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 19.4 kgdw, 1/4" skin, SIL BL, Tara Park bld, \$141.50 ; 370 Mer Ewes, mxgd age, 20 kgdw, 1/4" skin, SIL BL, Tara Park bld, \$100 ; 480 Mer Ewes, CFA, 23.5 kgdw, 1/4" skin, SIL BL, Tara Park bld, \$95
NSW	Boorowa	150 Mer Ewes, 2-4 yrs, 20.9 kgdw, 3/4" skin, SIL PD & Cool, Pastora bld, \$117.50
NSW	Wagga Wagga	490 WS/Mer Ewes, 12-13 mths, 27.5 kgdw, 1.75" skin, SIL Comp, \$135.50 ; 190 BL/Mer Ewes, 14 mths, 22.5 kgdw, 1" skin, Unjnd, \$124
NSW	Bombala	690 2ndX PD m/s lambs, 9 mths, 13.8 kgdw, 1.5" skin, \$72.50 ; 830 Mer Wths, 2 yrs, 19.7 kgdw, 3/4" skin, Adina bld, passed 350c/\$69 ; 436 BL/Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 29.9 kgdw, 2.25" skin, SIL Dors, \$181
NSW	Inverell	273 WS/Mer & BL/Mer Ewes, 2-3 yrs, 20.7 kgdw, 1.25" skin, SIL PD, passed \$135.50
NSW	Armidale	520 BL/Mer Wth lambs, 10-11 mths, 13.4 kgdw, 1/4" skin, \$53 ; 360 Mer Ewes, 3-7 yrs, 15.7 kgdw, 2.5" skin, SIL WS, Glanna bld, passed \$82.50
NSW	Wee Waa	466 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 10 mths, 16 kgdw, 2.75" skin, passed \$115.50
NSW	Walgett	448 WS/Mer m/s lambs, 9-10 mths, 16.2 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$79 ; 464 Mer Wths, 2 yrs, 18.4 kgdw, 1/2" skin, Bungulla bld, 345c/\$63.50 ; 433 Mer Ewes, 2 yrs, 17.9 kgdw, 1/2" skin, SIL BL, Bungulla bld, \$133 ; 571 Mer Ewes, 2-5 yrs, 20.1 kgdw, 1/2" skin, SIL BL, Bungulla bld, \$118.50 ; 555 Mer Ewes, 6-7 yrs, 21.2 kgdw, 1/2" skin, SIL BL, Bungulla bld, \$94
NSW	Gulargambone	510 Mer Wths, 13 mths, 16.5 kgdw, 2.5" skin, Egelabra bld, \$80
VIC	Euroa	100 Mer Ewe lambs, 11 mths, 12.8 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Bogo bld, \$65 ; 185 Mer Wth lambs, 11 mths, 14.9 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Bogo bld, \$65
VIC	Clunes	400 Mer Ewes, 3-6 yrs, 25.2 kgdw, 1.25" skin, SIL WS, \$90
SA	Naracoorte	66 Mer Ewes, 11-13 mths, 16.4 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Willalooka bld, \$126 ; 710 Mer Ewes, 11-13 mths, 13.3 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Willalooka bld, \$126 ; 550 Mer Ewes, 11-13 mths, 12 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Willalooka bld, \$102.50 ; 325 Mer Ewes, 11-13 mths, 10.8 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Willalook bld, \$92.50
SA	Mt Gambier	220 Dorp/Dam Ewes, 1-2 yrs, 18.4 kgdw, 1/4" skin, SIL WD, \$114 ; 200 Dorp/Dam Ewes, 1-2 yrs, 18 kgdw, 1/4" skin, SIL WD, \$110.50
TAS	Evandale	335 2ndX m/s lambs, 10 mths, 20.5 kgdw, 1.5" skin, 427c/\$87.50 ; 253 Southdown/Mer m/s lambs, 10 mths, 20.7 kgdw, 1.25" skin, 432c/\$89.50
TAS	Longford	440 WS/BL/Mer & 2ndX Comp m/s lambs, 9-10 mths, 24.3 kgdw, 2.25" skin, 414c/\$100.50
TAS	Swansea	200 Mer Ewes, 4-6 yrs, 15.3 kgdw, bare shn, Jnd WS, Merryville bld, \$52.50 ; 188

		Mer Ewes, mxd age, 18.8 kgdw, bare shn, Jnd WS, Merryville bld, \$64
TAS	Sorell	204 BL/Mer Ewe lambs, 210 mths, 11.1 kgdw, 1/2" skin, \$73 ; 100 Mer Ewes, 2-4 yrs, 14.8 kgdw, 1/4" skin, Jnd BL, \$56.50