

## Media report - sheep and lamb

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<b>Forbes</b>						report date	15/06/2010
<b>Yarding Change</b>	32350 7929	<b>Lambs Change</b>	29700 7869	<b>Sheep Change</b>	2650 60	<b>comparison date</b>	08/06/2010

Numbers improved for the lambs and the quality remained mixed with some very well presented supplementary fed lambs offered. There were also a large proportion of plainer lots. Heavy trade and heavy lambs were in very good numbers with one pen of extra heavy lambs breaking the state record and equalling the national record reaching \$193/head. All the usual buyers were active in the dearer market.

Light restocking lambs ranged from \$46 to \$97 and feeder lambs \$88 to \$113/head. Trade lambs were \$4 better with the heavier trades selling between \$96 and \$139/head to average around 555c/kg cwt. Merino trade weights ranged from \$92 to \$125/head.

Heavy and extra heavy lambs were \$3 to \$4 stronger ranging from \$126 to \$193/head and the majority averaged 510c/kg cwt. The \$193/head pen had an estimated dressed weight of 42kgs.

Mutton numbers stayed steady and prices firm. Medium weight ewes made between \$92 and \$117 and heavy crossbreds to \$132/head with most averaging 425c/kg cwt. Wethers were limited and ranged from \$99 to \$125/head for the medium and heavy lines averaging 440c/kg cwt.

Category Weight	Fat Score	\$/Head				Estimated Carcase c/kg		Skin (\$)	
		Low	High	Avg	Change	Avg	Change	Low	High
<b>Lamb</b>									
12.1-16	2 - 4	49.20	97.00	77.72	-4	491	27	2.00	8.00
18.1-20	3 - 4	92.00	118.00	104.52	-4	504	-4	2.00	10.00
22.1-24	3 - 5	115.00	141.40	134.49	1	532	8	4.00	12.00
24.1-26	3 - 5	128.00	160.00	141.51	4	512	17	9.00	14.00
<b>Ewe</b>									
18.1-24	2 - 4	88.00	117.00	102.85	3	435	42	4.00	18.00
<b>Wether</b>									
18.1-24	2 - 4	99.00	108.00	105.26	14	441	N/Q	8.00	12.00
<b>Young Lamb</b>									
20.1-22	2 - 4	126.00	139.60	138.08	3	584	29	10.00	12.00

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