



Livestock Market Report

Roma Store Cattle

Numbers increased by 2552 head for a yarding of 7110 head.
Market quoted as firm on better types with secondary lines significantly cheaper.

Calves ave	226c
Yearling Steers	298c
Steers under 400kg	289c
Yearling Heifers	229c
Med weight Hfrs	239c
Med 2 score Cows	169c
Heavy Cows	212 – 227c

Gunnedah Prime Cattle

There was a sharp increase in numbers as producers offload before the winter sets in. Cows and young cattle were plentiful, along with a few grown heifers and bulls. The quality of the offering was very mixed from both a breed and quality perspective. There were very few well finished cattle available to processors. All regular buyers attended, however both demand and competition were weaker across all categories.

Through the young cattle, the buyers showed a preference for cattle showing sufficient weight for age and better condition regardless of muscle score. Those deemed too light and too lean attracted limited competition, seeing big discounts applied. Steer vealers to restockers were up to 27c/kg cheaper on the better quality lines and much more on the balance. The trend through the heifer vealers was much cheaper and showed greater decreases than those of the steers. Light weight yearling steers saw the greatest decline in that category, with the good quality medium and heavy weight feeder steers only slightly cheaper. Heifer yearlings were significantly cheaper in all classes, with the medium weights showing decreases of as much as 35c/kg. Cheaper trends for a plainer quality penning of grown heifers. The demand for cows was weaker, with competition varying at times. Market trends saw little change for those going onto feed. Cows returning to the paddock sold to cheaper trends, while the well finished heavy weight cows were as much as 23c/kg cheaper, along with some quality related price change.

Dubbo Sheep & Lambs Lambs 18070 up 3295 Mutton 9240 up 2575.

It was a very good quality yarding, with once again a top selection of well finished heavy weight lambs, along with some good trade weights. There were also some good runs of well finished Merino lambs. There was not the percentage of light weights compared to previous sales. All the regular buyers were in attendance and operating.

Light weight lambs to the processors were firm to \$3 cheaper, with the 12-18kg 2 scores making from \$85 to \$139/head. Trade lambs were firm to \$3 dearer, with the 18-24kg lambs receiving from \$135 to \$195/head to average from 760c to 795c/kg cwt. Heavy weight lambs sold \$4 to \$9 dearer, with the 25-30kg lambs making from \$183 to \$234, while the lambs over 30kg sold from \$233 to \$268/head to average 770c/kg cwt. Merino lambs were firm, with trade weight Merinos, making from \$142 to \$170, while heavy weight Merinos sold from \$180 to \$200/head. Restocker lambs were close to firm, receiving from \$106 to \$160, while light weight Merinos to the restockers sold from \$65 to \$95/head. Hoggets sold to \$200/head.

Most grades were represented in a mixed yarding of mutton where most grades were \$4 to \$7/head cheaper. 2 score ewes sold from \$65 to \$107, while the better 3 and 4 scores made from \$95 to \$231 for crossbreds and \$223/head for Merinos. Merino wethers sold to \$228 and very heavy crossbred wethers sold to \$245/head. Carcase prices for the better covered sheep received from 540c to 635c/kg cwt

Extra Heavy lamb	\$233 - \$268	
Heavy lamb	\$183 - \$234	+4 - 9
Trade lamb	\$135 - \$195	+3
Light lamb	\$ 85 - \$139	-3

Mutton quoted as \$4 - \$7 cheaper

Light Mutton	\$ 65 - \$107
Heavy Mutton	\$ 95 - \$245

Forbes Sheep & Lambs Lambs 22250 Sheep 6500

Numbers eased slightly this sale and quality continues to be similar to that of previous weeks. There was good numbers of well finished lambs on offer, along with the plainer types. The usual buyers were present and competing in a firm to dearer market.

Light lambs reached \$145/head. Trade weights were firm to \$4 better, with prices varying from \$150 to \$189/head. Heavy and extra heavy weight lambs were well supplied and sold \$4 to \$5/head dearer. Heavy lambs to 26kg sold from \$180 to \$217, with those over 26kg receiving from \$223 to \$270/head. Carcase prices averaged from 765c to 799c/kg cwt.

Mutton quality was fair, with good numbers of medium and heavy weight sheep on offer. Merinos made up the majority of the yarding and prices were strong. Merino ewes sold from \$111 to \$245/head. Crossbred ewes varied in price from \$125 to \$228, with Dorper ewes receiving from \$100 to \$194/head. Merino wethers sold from \$112 to \$225/head.

Heavy Lamb	\$204 - \$272	firm - +6
Trade Lamb	\$162 - \$203	firm
Store Lambs	\$ 88 - \$158	
Merino lamb	\$104 - \$189	
Merino Ewes	\$111 - \$245	+5
Xbred Ewes	\$103 - \$228	

Auctions Plus Sheep & Lambs

Listed 65239 head in 216 lots with a 75.5% clearance (lots not head)

M/W/L \$ 76 - \$147
Xbred Lambs \$110 - \$167

Merino ewes

NSM Ewes \$ 88 - \$195
SIL Ewes \$ 72 - \$ 275

1st X Ewes Lmbs \$173 - \$198
1st X Ewe SIL \$129 - \$250

Livestock For Sale

Auctions Plus Friday 24th

A/c the Breeder

40 Angus cows PTIC to Angus bulls
30 Angus heifers NSM

Nyngan NSW district

Livestock Wanted

Lines of Merino ewes up to 5 year old, any number.

Lines of merino wether lambs 32kg to go onto feed.

Runs of Xbred lambs to feed, 35kg +

Livestock Specialists

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