**How to read a sheep & lamb market report**

**Detailed saleyard report - sheep and lamb**

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Lamb numbers slipped after some rain around the district and quality was reasonable. The fresh new season lambs and heavy old lambs were showing good condition. The majority of the yarding was heavy trade and heavy weights with the lighter grades in supply. All the buyers were present but not all operated and competition was slightly softer with most rates easing.

Light lambs to the processors sold to a dearer trend mainly due to quality and averaged from $92 to $102/head. There were a couple of pens of new season medium and heavy trade weights and they sold from $128 to $132/head. Medium and heavy trade old lambs were $2 to $4/head cheaper and averaged from 550c to 566c/kg cwt. Most of the quality lines sold from $128 to $135/head.

Heavyweight lambs were $3 to $7/head cheaper and averaged from $25c to $30c/kg cwt. A pen of heavyweight new season lambs topped $138/head with an estimated carcase weight of 23kg while extra heavyweight old lambs sold from $151 to $155/head. Mutton numbers fell for a very limited yarding with medium and heavyweight lambs averaging $105/head or 392c/kg cwt.

Young lambs weighing in the 9 to 12kg range that were showing good condition and were in good trade weight range. All the buyers were present but competition was softer with a number of the lines trading dearer.

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