



Sheep Supply CANADA

Year To Date for the Month Ending August, 1998

Fed. & Prov. Slaughter (head)			
1998 preliminary	1998	1997	% chg
B.C./Alta/Sask./Man.	40,758	44,218	-7.8
Ontario	111,090	114,677	-3.1
Quebec	47,109	46,899	0.4
Atl. Provinces	1,941	4,660	-58.3
Canada	200,898	210,454	-4.5

Monthly Prices			
Ontario Average \$/cwt			
	1998	1997	% chg
A&B 80-94 lbs	119.25	124.99	-4.6
New Crop	94.48	114.64	-17.6
Sheep	61.63	64.63	-4.6
1998	Mkt Lambs	Feeder Lambs	Sheep
Edmonton	83.50	102.16	59.11/HD
Central Alta	86.40	n/a	.70/LB(rail)

EXPORTS			
(No. head) to U.S.	1998	1997	% chg
Slaughter	6,009	8,650	-30.5
Feeder	1,135	1,455	-22.0
(Metric Tonnes) For the period Jan 1 - Aug 22			
Lamb & Mutton			
- United States	157	97	61.9
- Mexico	67	38	76.3
- Other	13	10	30.0
- Total	237	145	63.4

IMPORTS			
(No. head) from U.S.	1998	1997	% chg
Slaughter	6,637	6,067	9.4
Feeder	-	-	-
(Metric Tonnes)			
Mutton & Lamb			
- United States	256	197	29.9
- Australia	2,013	2,046	-1.6
- New Zealand	5,089	4,841	5.1
- Total	7,358	7,084	3.9

UNITED STATES

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Total Sheep and Lambs

	1998	1997	% chg
Slaughter ('000 head)	2,417	2,500	-3.3
Avg Dressed Wt (lbs)	62	64	-3.1
Lamb/Mutton (mil lbs)	160.6	167.5	-4.1

U.S. Price Summary August, 1998

	Price Range
Choice Lambs - San Angelo	82.06

BOXED LAMB CUTS - Des Moines

Shoulder, Cross-Cut, 4 rib	115.00-135.00
Chuck 4-rib	139.00-180.00
Ribs, Denver style	189.00
Legs, double trotter-on	130.00-150.00
Loins, trimmed, 4x4	475.00-525.00

LAMB PELTS - SHORN

Fall Clips	16.00-16.50
No.1	14.00

Source: USDA Market News

Year to Date for Month Ending June 1998

U.S. Lamb & Mutton Exports (tonnes)			
	1998	1997	% chg
Canada	4,121	1,050	74.5
Mexico	959	1,008	-5.1
Russia	308	68	77.9
Taiwan	206	12	94.2
Japan	204	260	-27.5
World Total	6,157	2,901	52.9