



Sheep Supply CANADA

Year To Date for the Month Ending February, 1998

Fed. & Prov. Slaughter (head)

*preliminary	*1998	1997	% chg
B.C./Alta/Sask./Man.	12,014	11,307	6.3
Ontario	19,659	21,115	-6.9
Quebec	8,004	8,531	-6.2
Atl. Provinces	593	1,133	-47.7
Canada	40,270	42,086	-4.3

Monthly Prices

	1998	1997	% chg
Ontario Average \$/cwt			
A&B 80-94 lbs	161.61	161.13	0.3
New Crop	146.18	200.40	-27.1
Sheep	73.08	65.97	10.8
	Mkt Lambs	Feeder Lambs	Sheep
Edmonton	114.63	127.75	79.75/HD
Central Alta	98.40	N/A	75¢/LB (rail)

EXPORTS

(No. head) to U.S.	1998	1997	% chg
Slaughter	2,970	3,061	-3.0
Feeder	1,135	-	-

(Metric Tonnes)

Lamb & Mutton

- United States	-	-	
- Mexico	11	-	
- Other	1	-	
- Total	12	-	

IMPORTS

(No. head) from U.S.	1998	1997	% chg
Slaughter	1,724	1,516	13.7
Feeder	-	-	-

(Metric Tonnes)

Mutton & Lamb

- United States	55	60	-8.3
- Australia	376	571	-34.2
- New Zealand	1,065	991	7.5
- Total	1,496	1,622	-7.8

UNITED STATES

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Total Sheep and Lambs

	1998	1997	% chg
Slaughter ('000 head)	620	610	1.6
Avg Dressed Wt (lbs)	69	67	3.0
Lamb/Mutton (mil lbs)	41.5	40.2	3.2

Year to Date for Month Ending December, 1997

Exports (Carcass wt.)	1997	1996	% chg
Lamb & Mutton ('000 lbs)	5,786	5,698	1.5

Imports ('000 lbs Carcass wt.)

Lamb - Australia	32,969	26,425	24.8
- New Zealand	26,416	23,969	10.2
Mutton Total	22,607	21,752	3.9

U.S. Price Summary February, 1998

	Price Range
Choice Lambs - San Angelo	73.56
BOXED LAMB CUTS - Des Moines	
Shoulder, Cross-Cut, 4 rib	79.00 -100.00
Chuck 4-rib	125.00-135.00
Ribs, Denver style	180.0 0-189.00
Legs, double trotter-on	125.00-170.00
Loins, trimmed, 4x4	275.00-345.00
LAMB PELTS - SHORN	
Fall Clips	14.00-16.00
No.1	15.00-17.00

Source: USDA Market News

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