



# Sheep Supply CANADA

Year To Date for the Month Ending March, 1998

## Fed. & Prov. Slaughter (head)

*preliminary	*1998	1997	% chg
B.C./Alta/Sask./Man.	16,201	17,359	-6.7
Ontario	30,477	39,299	-22.4
Quebec	12,981	17,326	-25.1
Atl. Provinces	778	1,683	-53.8
Canada	60,437	75,667	-20.1

## Monthly Prices

	1998	1997	% chg
<b>Ontario Average \$/cwt</b>			
A&B 80-94 lbs	165.43	173.10	-4.4
New Crop	150.85	215.73	-30.1
Sheep	76.63	60.24	27.2
<b>1998 Mkt Lambs Feeder Lambs Sheep</b>			
Edmonton	114.63	132.06	82.50/HD
Central Alta	100.80	n/a	.78/LB(rail)

## EXPORTS

(No. head) to U.S.	1998	1997	% chg
Slaughter	4,812	5,670	-15.1
Feeder	1,135	-	-

(Metric Tonnes) \* For the period Jan 1 - Feb 28 (preliminary)

Lamb & Mutton *	1998	1997	% chg
- United States	42	-	-
- Mexico	31	11	181.8
- Other	1	1	-
- Total	74	12	516.7

## IMPORTS

(No. head) from U.S.	1998	1997	% chg
Slaughter	2,244	3,453	-35.0
Feeder	-	-	-

(Metric Tonnes)

Mutton & Lamb	1998	1997	% chg
- United States	79	70	12.9
- Australia	585	817	-28.4
- New Zealand	1,690	1,741	-2.9
- Total	2,354	2,628	-10.4

# UNITED STATES

Year To Date for the Month Ending March, 1998

## Total Sheep and Lambs

	1998	1997	% chg
Slaughter ('000 head)	966	981	-1.5
Avg Dressed Wt (lbs)	68	65	4.6
Lamb/Mutton (mil lbs)	63.7	64.8	-1.7

Year to Date for Month Ending January 1998

Exports (Carcass wt.)	1998	1997	% chg
Lamb & Mutton ('000 lbs)	634	580	9.3

## Imports ('000 lbs Carcass wt.)

Lamb - Australia	2,975	2,656	12.0
- New Zealand	2,494	2,393	4.2
Mutton Total	3,874	3,073	26.1

## U.S Price Summary March, 1998

	Price Range
Choice Lambs - San Angelo	69.06
<b>BOXED LAMB CUTS - Des Moines</b>	
Shoulder, Cross-Cut, 4 rib	65.00-85.00
Chuck 4-rib	90.00-120.00
Ribs, Denver style	150.00-215.00
Legs, double trotter-on	180.00-205.00
Loins, trimmed, 4x4	260.00-325.00
<b>LAMB PELTS - SHORN</b>	
Fall Clips	17.00-18.00
No.1	16.00-17.50

Source: USDA Market News

Source: Red Meat Section, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

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