



# Sheep Supply CANADA

Year To Date for the Month Ending September, 1998

| Fed. & Prov. Slaughter (head) |                |                |             |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1998 preliminary              | 1998           | 1997           | % chg       |
| B.C./Alta/Sask./Man.          | 44,487         | 49,869         | -10.8       |
| Ontario                       | 125,430        | 127,899        | -1.9        |
| Quebec                        | 52,199         | 52,382         | -0.3        |
| Atl. Provinces                | 2,219          | 5,254          | -57.8       |
| Canada                        | <b>224,335</b> | <b>235,404</b> | <b>-4.7</b> |

| Monthly Prices         |           |              |              |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| Ontario Average \$/cwt |           |              |              |
|                        | 1998      | 1997         | % chg        |
| A&B 80-94 lbs          | 108.19    | 130.13       | -16.9        |
| New Crop               | 117.06    | 121.24       | -3.4         |
| Sheep                  | 60.38     | 65.01        | -7.1         |
| 1998                   | Mkt Lambs | Feeder Lambs | Sheep        |
| Edmonton               | 80.93     | 91.50        | 50.43/HD     |
| Central Alta           | 82.80     | n/a          | .60/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 - Sep 12 |            |            |             |
| Lamb & Mutton                 |            |            |             |
| - United States               | 157        | 120        | 30.8        |
| - Mexico                      | 67         | 55         | 21.8        |
| - Other                       | 16         | 12         | 33.3        |
| - Total                       | <b>240</b> | <b>187</b> | <b>28.3</b> |

| IMPORTS              |              |              |            |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| (No. head) from U.S. | 1998         | 1997         | % chg      |
| Slaughter            | 6,637        | 6,402        | 3.7        |
| Feeder               | -            | -            | -          |
| (Metric Tonnes)      |              |              |            |
| Mutton & Lamb        |              |              |            |
| - United States      | 303          | 212          | 42.9       |
| - Australia          | 2,282        | 2,311        | -1.3       |
| - New Zealand        | 5,686        | 5,488        | 3.6        |
| - Total              | <b>8,271</b> | <b>8,011</b> | <b>3.2</b> |

## UNITED STATES

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### Total Sheep and Lambs

|                       | 1998  | 1997  | % chg |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Slaughter ('000 head) | 2,754 | 2,851 | -3.4  |
| Avg Dressed Wt (lbs)  | 62    | 64    | -3.1  |
| Lamb/Mutton (mil lbs) | 181.2 | 190.2 | -4.7  |

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| U.S. Lamb & Mutton Exports (tonnes) |              |              |             |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
|                                     | 1998         | 1997         | % chg       |
| Canada                              | 4,663        | 1,398        | 70.0        |
| Mexico                              | 1,089        | 1,221        | -12.1       |
| Russia                              | 332          | 73           | 78.0        |
| Taiwan                              | 207          | 12           | 94.2        |
| Japan                               | 232          | 323          | -39.2       |
| <b>World Total</b>                  | <b>6,963</b> | <b>3,551</b> | <b>49.0</b> |

### U.S Price Summary September, 1998

|                           | Price Range |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Choice Lambs - San Angelo | 71.06       |

### BOXED LAMB CUTS - Des Moines

|                            |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| Shoulder, Cross-Cut, 4 rib | 115.00-130.00 |
| Chuck 4-rib                | 139.00-165.00 |
| Ribs, Denver style         | 189.00        |
| Legs, double trotter-on    | 140.00-155.00 |
| Loins, trimmed, 4x4        | 510.00-515.00 |

### LAMB PELTS - SHORN

|            |     |
|------------|-----|
| Fall Clips | n/a |
| N o.1      | n/a |

Source: USDA Market News