

# National Weekly Wool Market Report

Season: 2014/2015

Sale Date: 3 June 2015



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SA Merino Indicator				Buyers			
Indicator Unit	Current Sale	Last Sale	Change	Company	Bales Purchased This Week	% of Purchases	Total Bales Purchased This Season
# SA c/kg	14000	13377	4.7%	Standard Wool SA	3354	49.7%	84331
Ave. to date (14/15)	11450	11367	0.7%	Lempriere SA	1477	21.9%	88792
Ave. to date (13/14)	11374			G Modiano SA	1465	21.7%	60215
US c/kg	1144	1108	3.2%	Stucken & Co	316	4.7%	38843
Euro c/kg	1028	1018	1.0%	H Dawson Sons & Co	58	0.9%	7737
AWEX EMI	1340	1276	5.0%	Segard Masurel SA			17003
				CMW Operations			6158
				New England Wool SA			2777
				Chargeurs Wool SA			2367

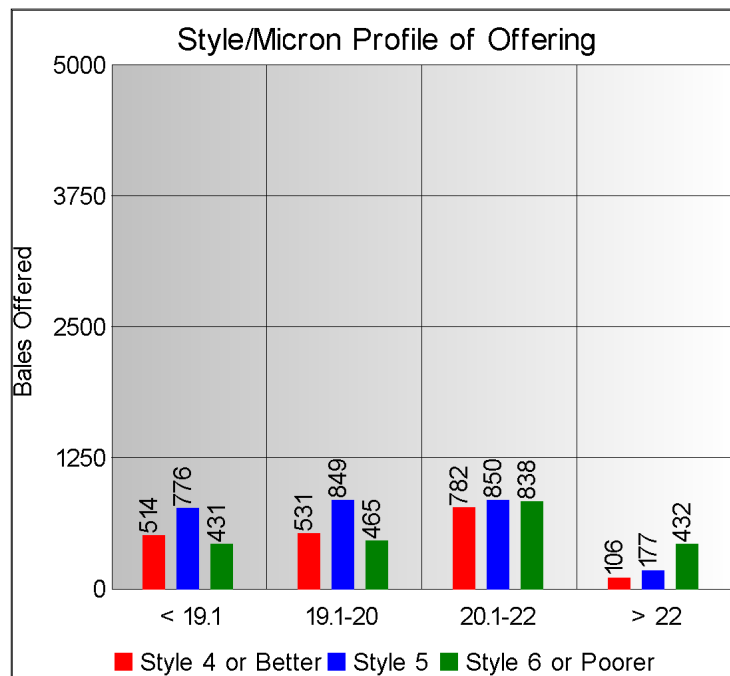
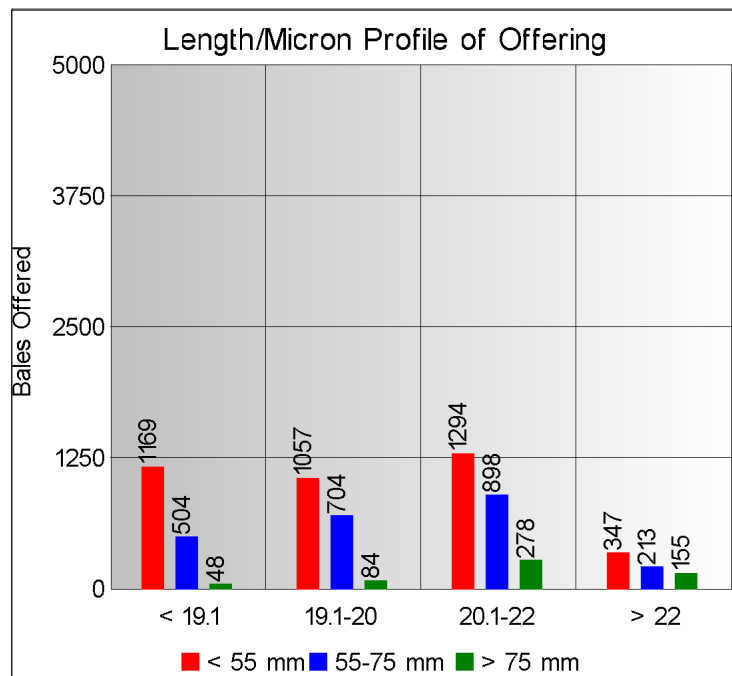
Exchange Rates			
Currency Unit	This Week	Previous Week	% Change
R/USD	12.2429	12.0708	-1.4%
R/Euro	13.6208	13.1398	-3.7%
R/AUD	9.5181	9.3301	-2.0%
USD/AUD	0.7772	0.7728	-0.6%

## Analysis of Offerings by Broker This Week (Bales)

Broker	Merino Fleeces	Merino Bellies	Merino Lambs	Merino Backs	Merino Locks	* Other	Total	% Sold
BKB	2031	370	384	0	351	814	3950	98.4%
CMW	1165	367	349	87	1	201	2170	99.3%
MAS	79	25	27	4	14	183	332	99.4%
SBL	84	16	32	7	15	12	166	100.0%
VLW	55	21	15	3	23	16	133	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3414</b>	<b>799</b>	<b>807</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>1226</b>	<b>6751</b>	<b>98.8%</b>

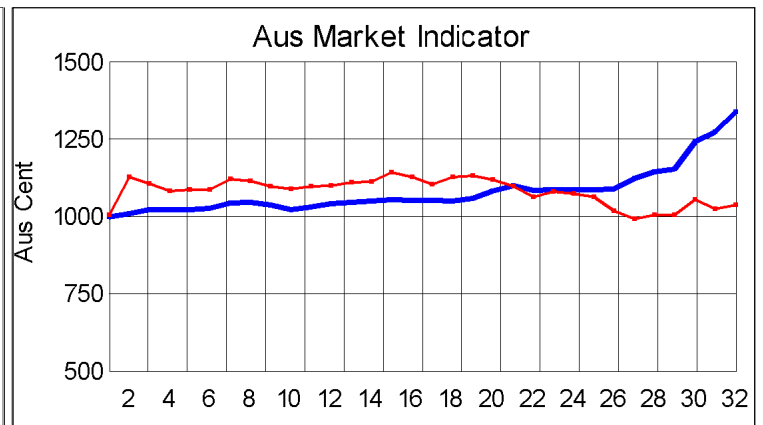
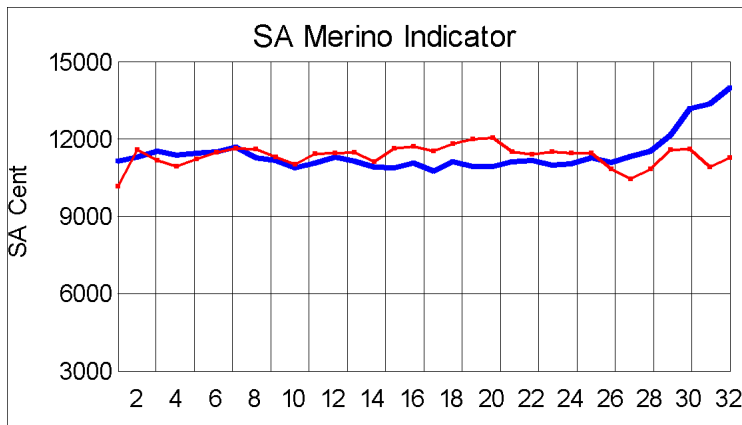
# SA Merino Indicator includes Merino types comparable to international indicators.  
 ## Cape Wools All Wool Indicator, includes all white wool sold at auction.

\* crossbred, coarse and coloured, inferior



## Receipts 2014/2015 Season

Season to Date (Kg.) 49,641,698.3      Previous Season to Date 50,504,634.9      Percentage Change: -1.71%



Current Season — Previous Season —

**Average Fleece Wool Prices (c/kg. clean)  
Spinners and Good Topmaking Styles (AWEX Types MF4 and MF5)**

Micron	100+mm	90mm	80mm	70mm	60mm	50mm	40mm	30mm	20mm	10mm
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18.5				14791	14267	14438	13692			
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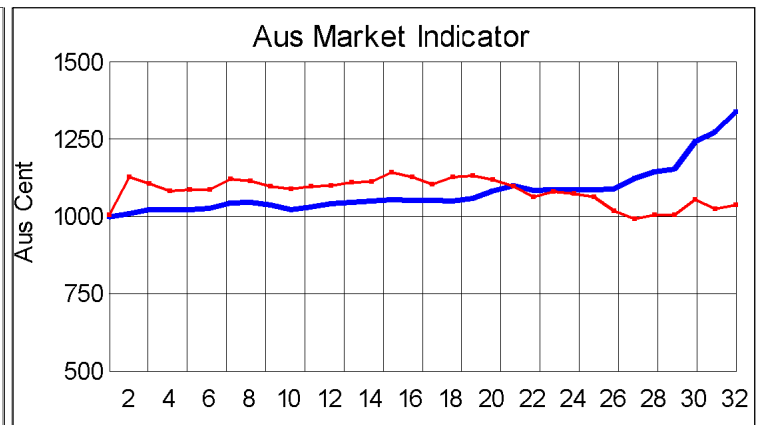
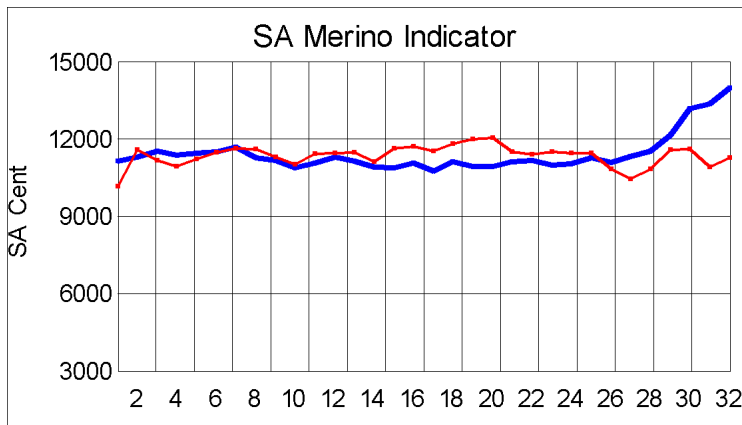
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**Other Selected Types/Qualities**

	Long			Medium		
	19μ	20μ	21μ	19μ	20μ	21μ
<b>Good Quality</b>						
Lambswool	14265	14093	13557	14103	13646	13191
Bellies				13255	12905	12146
Locks				11614	11898	
<b>Average Quality</b>						
Lambswool	13787	13339		13529	14068	
Bellies	11584	13101		12754	12905	11235
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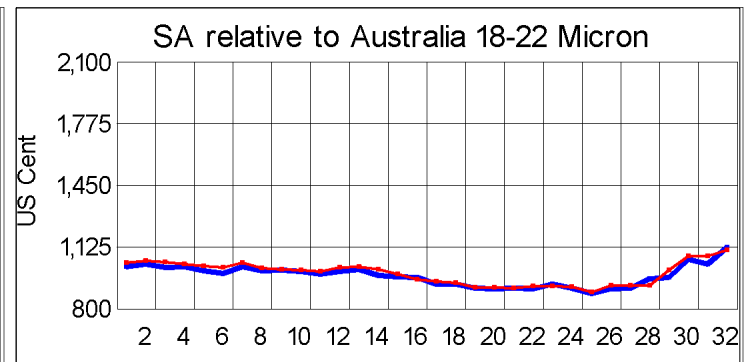
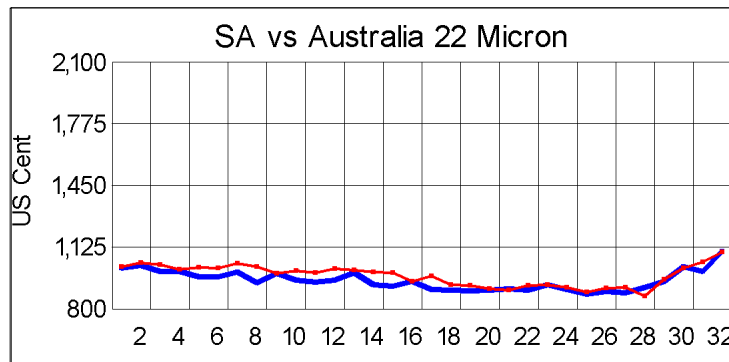
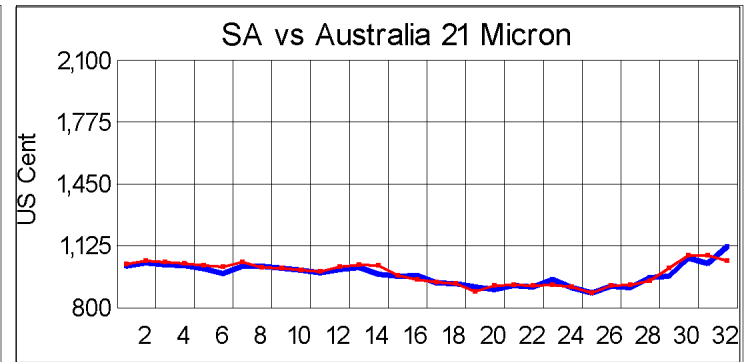
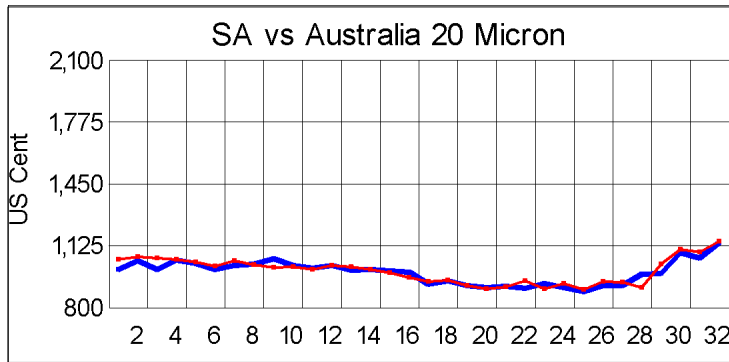
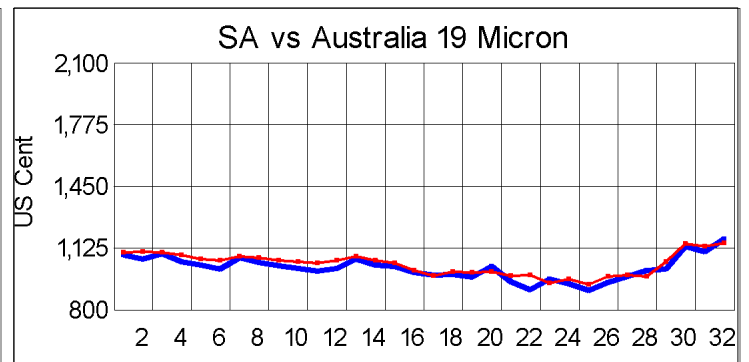
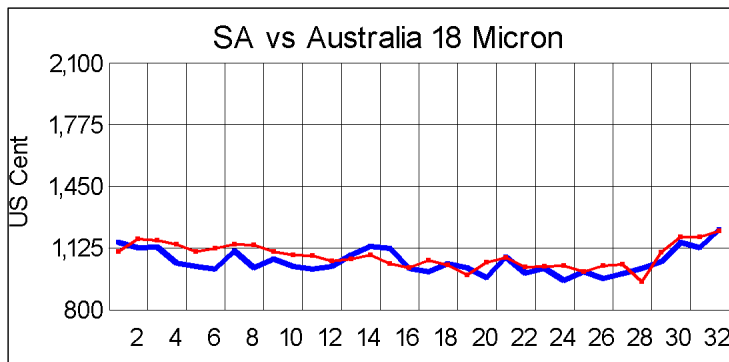
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## Market Commentary

### STRONG DEMAND DRIVES WOOL MARKET TO NEW RECORD HIGH

Port Elizabeth - Strong demand and a persistently weak Rand drove wool prices to a record high and the Cape Wools Merino indicator gained 4,7% to close at R140,00/kg (clean). This is 25,4% higher compared to the opening sale of this season and up 27,9% compared to the corresponding sale of the previous season. On the Australian market, the indicator increased with 5,0%. The Cape Wools All-Wool Indicator gained 4,6%.

Buyers reported a strong demand for and a shortage of good quality Merino wool on the day and commented on the low levels of stockholding further forward along the wool processing pipeline. Seasonal supply concerns also impacted with production showing little evidence of recovery. The weaker Rand played its part in driving market prices to these new record levels.

The Rand on the day traded 1,4% weaker at R12,24 against the US dollar, compared with last week's average rate, and weakened 3,7% against the Euro at R13,62. The offering comprised of 6 751 bales of which 99% was sold. Major traders were Standard Wool SA (3 354), Lempriere SA (1 476) and G Modiano SA (1 466).

The weekly price monitor sample, limited to AWEX type MF5, 70-80mm, VM<=2% wool only, experienced an average price movement as follows: 18 microns were up by 5,4% to close at R149,82/kg, 18,5 microns strengthened by 4,6% to R147,45/kg, 19 microns gained 4,3% to close at R142,30/kg, 19,5 microns rose with 5,6% to close at R142,49/kg, 20 microns gained 7,0% to close at R141,11/kg, 20,5 microns increased with 4,8% to close at R137,91/kg, 21 microns gained 4,4% to close at R136,41/kg, 21,5 microns strengthened by 4,4% to R134,70/kg and 22 microns rose with 10,1% to close at R135,04/kg.

The last sale of the season is scheduled for 10 June where approximately 10 200 bales will be on offer.