

# National Weekly Wool Market Report

Season: 2011/2012

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Market Indicators				Buyers			
Indicator Unit	Current Sale	Last Sale	Change	Company	Bales Purchased This Week	% of Purchases	Total Bales Purchased This Season
SA c/kg	10117	10437	-3.1%	Standard Wool SA	2247	28.5%	63810
Ave. to date (11/12)	9845	9833	0.1%	G Modiano SA	1721	21.8%	53870
Ave. to date (10/11)	6662			Stucken & Co	1485	18.8%	34075
US c/kg	1363	1359	0.3%	Lempriere SA	1364	17.3%	32955
Euro c/kg	1012	1027	-1.4%	Segard Masurel SA	541	6.9%	12436
AWEX EMI	1210	1211	-0.1%	Chargeurs Wool SA	281	3.6%	3469
				New England Wool SA	11	0.1%	1050

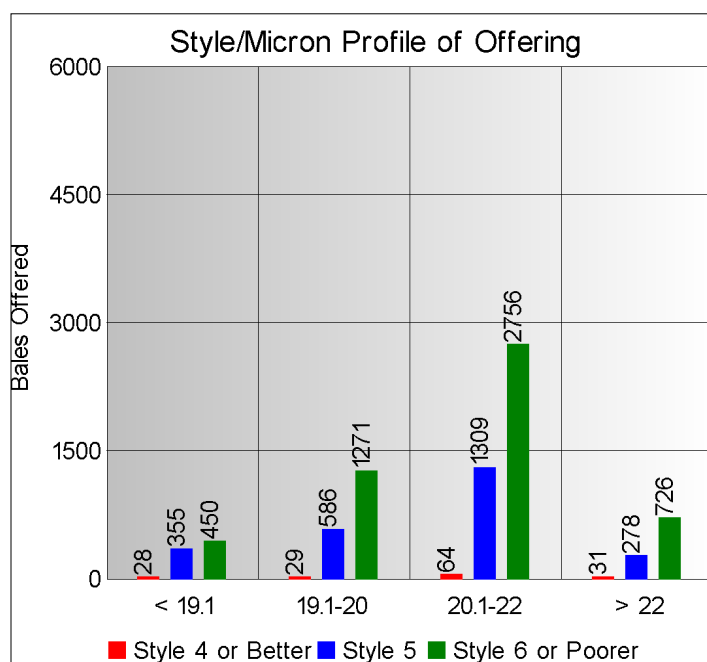
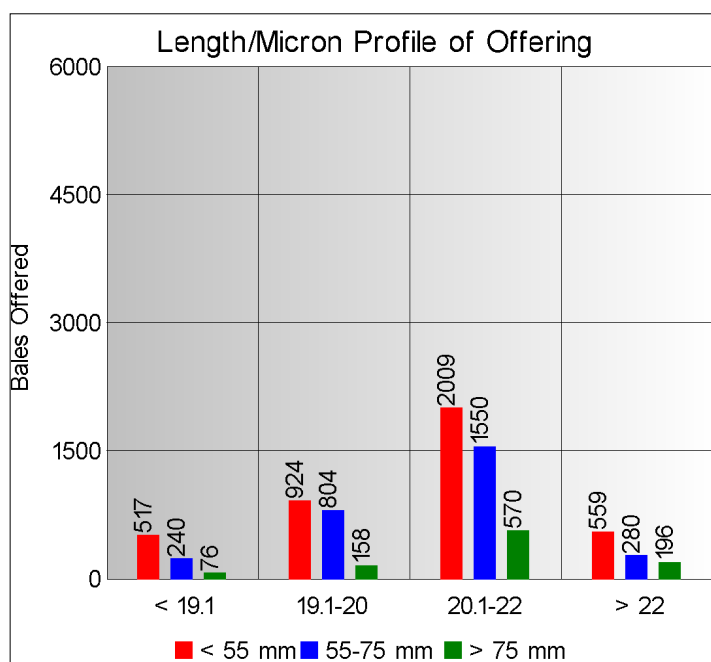
  

Exchange Rates			
Currency Unit	This Week	Previous Week	% Change
R/USD	7.4246	7.6790	3.3%
R/Euro	9.9952	10.1623	1.6%
R/AUD	8.0208	8.1791	1.9%
USD/AUD	1.0801	1.0648	-1.4%

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

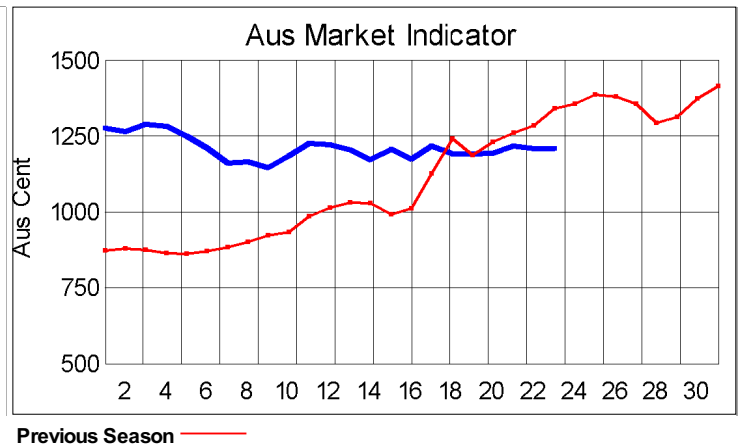
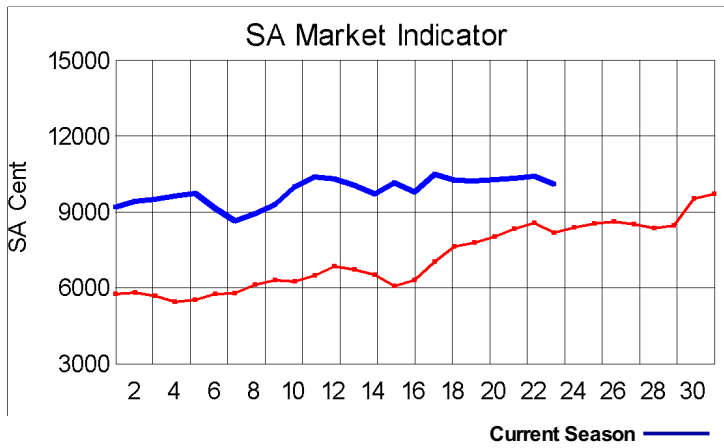
Broker	Merino Fleeces	Merino Bellies	Merino Lambs	Merino Backs	Merino Locks	* Other	Total	% Sold
BKB	2634	395	358	556	403	1057	5403	97.2%
CMW	952	282	289	211	228	518	2480	96.7%
MAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
SBL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
VLW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>3586</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>647</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>631</b>	<b>1575</b>	<b>7883</b>	<b>97.0%</b>

\* Crossbred types, Coarse and Coloured and Inferior



## Receipts 2011/2012 Season

Season to Date (Kg.) 34,722,158.7      Previous Season to Date 36,135,698.0      Percentage Change: -3.91%



**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
18.0										
18.5				11579	11161					
19.0			11365			10809	9539			
19.5			10985	10915	10700		9565			
20.0			10724	10799	10334		9284			
20.5			10927	10666	10275	9495	8924			
21.0				10658	10290	9281	8817			
21.5			10616	10582	10347		8395			
22.0							7138			
22.5							8246			
23.0										
23.5										
24.0										

\* Based on a minimum of 3 lots sold per category

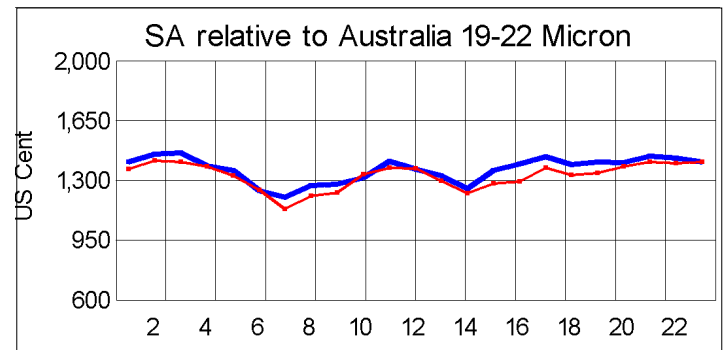
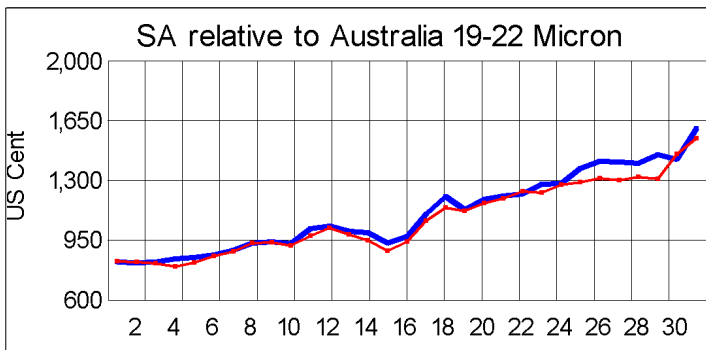
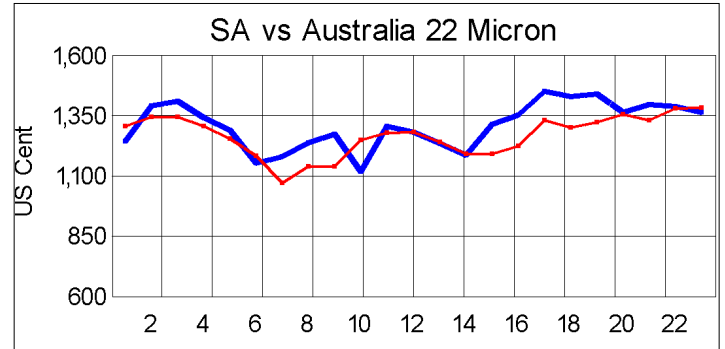
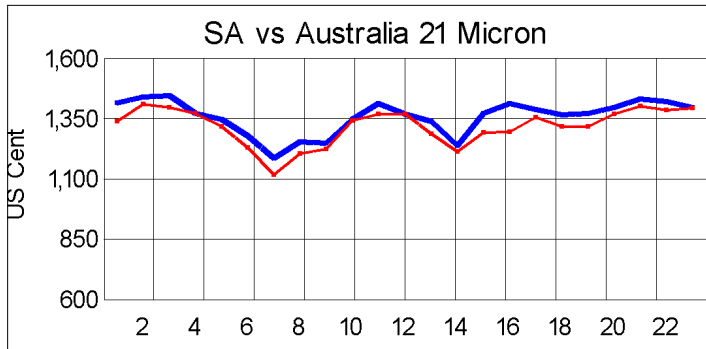
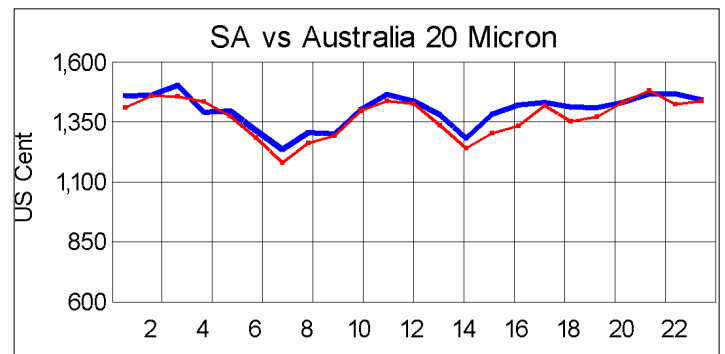
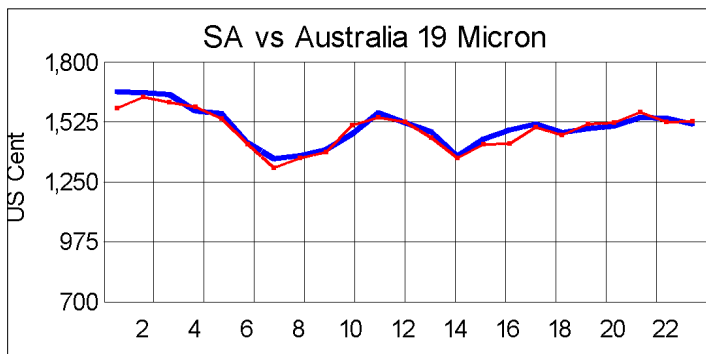
**Average Topmaking Styles (AWEX MF6)**

Micron	100+mm	90mm	80mm	70mm	60mm	50mm	40mm	30mm	20mm	10mm
18.0										
18.5										
19.0										
19.5										
20.0										
20.5							9346			
21.0				10532		9414				
21.5			10584	10100						
22.0										
22.5										
23.0										
23.5										
24.0										

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**Other Selected Types/Qualities**

	Long			Medium		
	19μ	20μ	21μ	19μ	20μ	21μ
<b>Good Quality</b>						
Lambswool	11160			10181	9667	9472
Bellies		9914				
Locks				9132	7694	6963
<b>Average Quality</b>						
Lambswool	10257	10656		9983	8164	8702
Bellies	10109	9992		10119	9462	9113
Locks				9616	8190	
<b>Inferior Quality</b>						
Fleecewool	10391	9940	9426	9020	9495	8403
Lambswool			9046	9659		
Bellies		9818	8169	10089	9321	6596
Locks				6607	4487	4116



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### Market Commentary

#### WOOL PRICES SOFTER AS RAND STRENGTHENS

**PORT ELIZABETH:** Wool prices were softer at this week's sale following a considerable increase in the value of the rand compared with last week and the Cape Wools Merino indicator closed the day down 3,1% at R101,17/kg (clean).

This is up 23% on the same sale last season and 9% higher than the opening level of the season.

The rand was trading at R7,42 against the US dollar, which was a 3,3% increase on last week's average rate. At R9,99, the rand had also appreciated by 1,6% against the euro.

This week saw a smaller offering of 7 883 bales of which 97% was sold. Major buyers were Standard Wool SA (2 247 bales), Modiano SA (1 721 bales), Stucken & Co (1 485 bales) and Lempiere SA (1 364 bales).

Prices were down across the board with the finer micron ranges posting the largest decreases.

The average clean price for the different categories good top -making (MF5), long fleeces were as follows: 19 microns were down a 3,1% at R113,70/kg, 19,5 microns were 4,9% cheaper at R107,42/kg, 20 microns softened by 2,3% to R106,93/kg, 20,5 microns were 2,5% cheaper at R104,60/kg; 21 microns dropped 2,8% to close at R103,61/kg, 21,5 microns were down 1,6% at R104,46/kg and 22 microns softened by 3,1% to R102,83/kg.

Approximately 12 500 bales will be on offer at next week's sale.