

# National Weekly Wool Market Report

Season: 2009/2010

Sale Date: 2/3 February 2010



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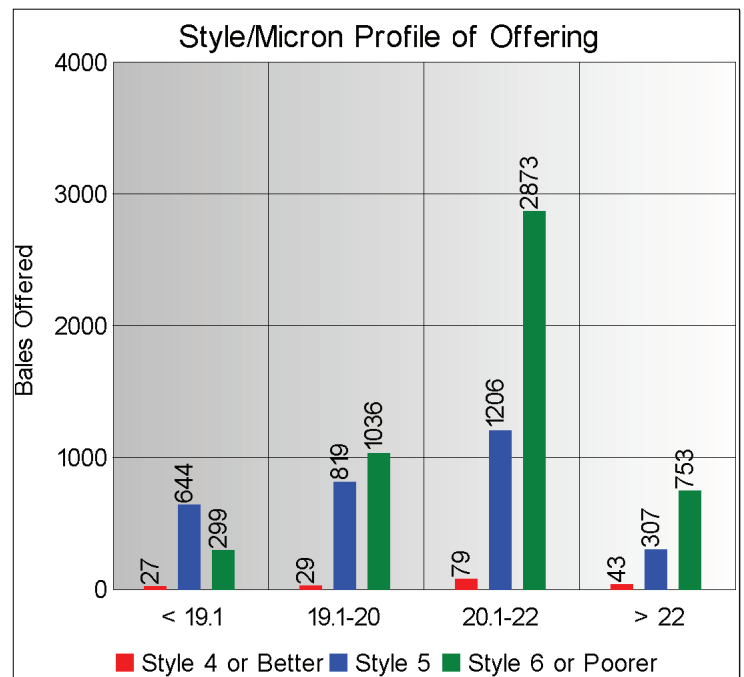
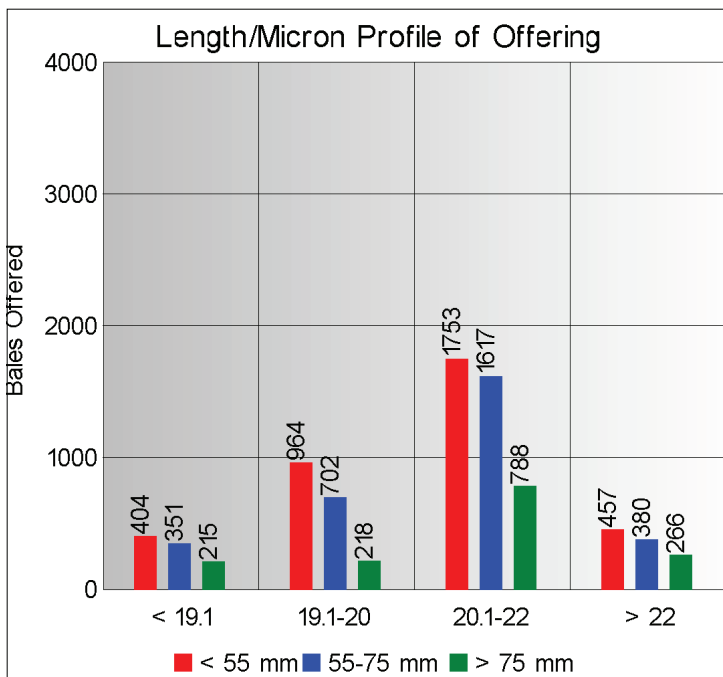
Market Indicators				Buyers			
Indicator Unit	Current Sale	Last Sale	Change	Company	Bales Purchased This Week	% of Purchases	Total Bales Purchased This Season
SA c/kg	6166	6205	-0.6%	G Modiano SA	2598	32.0%	38657
Ave. to date (09/10)	5823	5805	0.3%	Standard Wool SA	2459	30.3%	68878
Ave. to date (08/09)	4882			Lempriere SA	1284	15.8%	30140
US c/kg	835	821	1.6%	Stucken & Co	1139	14.0%	29310
Euro c/kg	597	584	2.2%	Segard Masurel SA	535	6.6%	10855
AWEX EMI	926	920	0.7%	New England Wool SA	24	0.3%	164

Exchange Rates			
Currency Unit	This Week	Previous Week	% Change
R/USD	7.3883	7.5558	2.2%
R/Euro	10.3306	10.6233	2.8%
R/AUD	6.5657	6.7925	3.3%
USD/AUD	0.8887	0.8991	1.2%

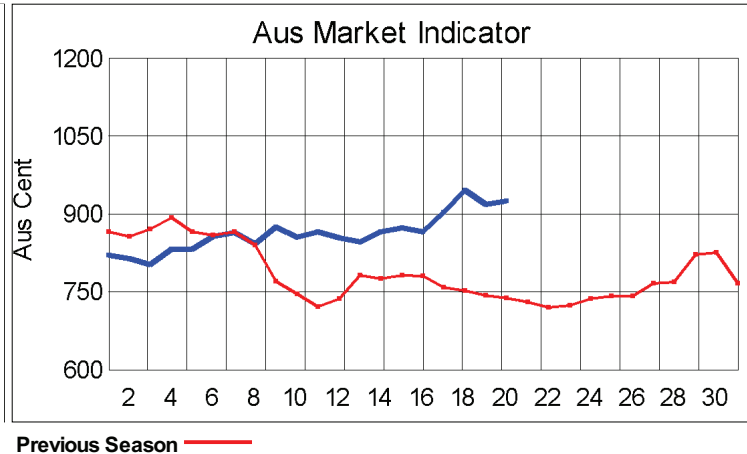
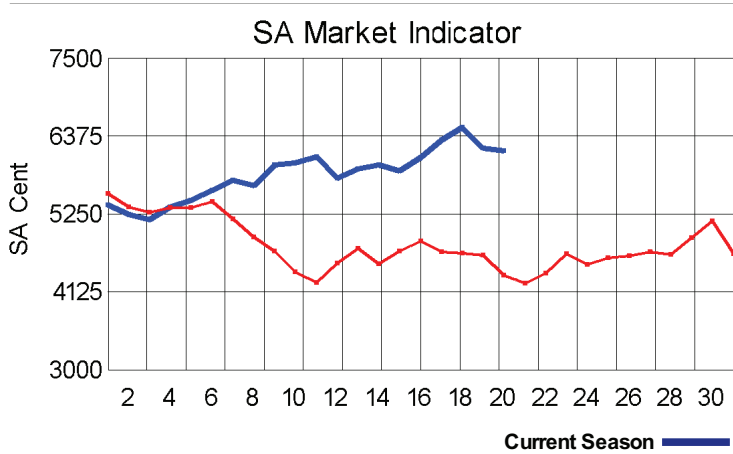
Analysis of Offerings by Broker This Week (Bales)								
Broker	Merino Fleeces	Merino Bellies	Merino Lambs	Merino Backs	Merino Locks	* Other	Total	% Sold
BKB	1648	550	331	608	511	1921	5569	98.9%
CMW	545	188	112	78	118	277	1318	99.6%
LAN	64	5	2	0	18	53	142	100.0%
SBL	285	37	34	27	43	190	616	98.4%
VLW	272	51	27	43	45	32	470	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2814</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>2473</b>	<b>8115</b>	<b>99.1%</b>

\* Crossbred types, Coarse and Coloured and Inferior



## Receipts 2009/2010 Season

Season to Date (Kg.) 33,367,383.4 Previous Season to Date 33,006,127.0 Percentage Change: 1.09%



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
18.0					7566					
18.5			7375							
19.0			7188	7172	6973	6758				
19.5			6835		6462	6683				
20.0			6527	6449			6345			
20.5			6370	6356	6018	6219				
21.0			6528	6397	6238	6064				
21.5			6369							
22.0										
22.5										
23.0				5955						
23.5										
24.0										

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

**Average Topmaking Styles (AWEX MF6)**

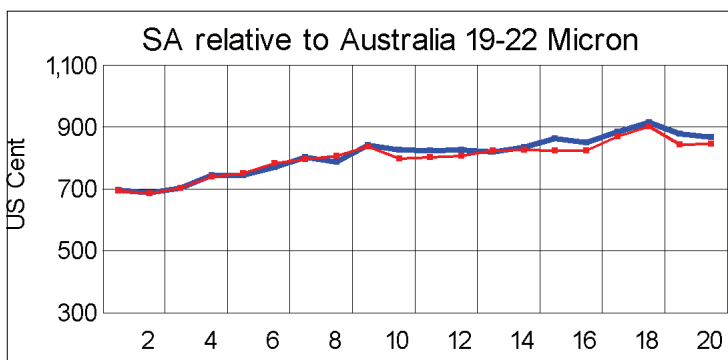
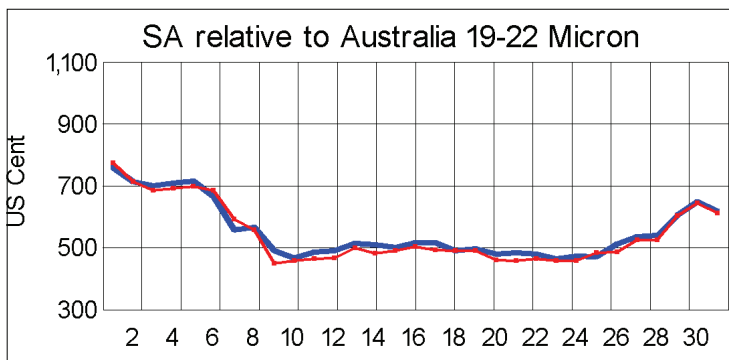
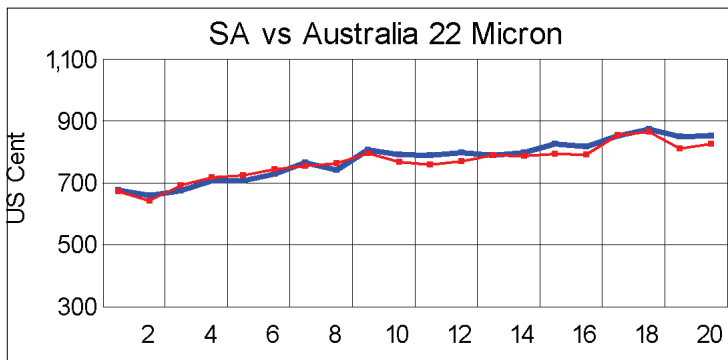
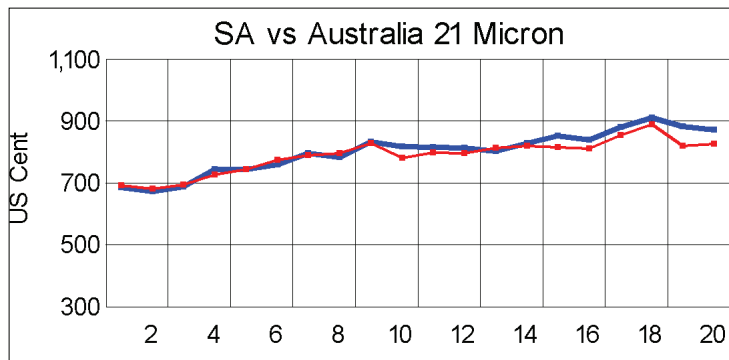
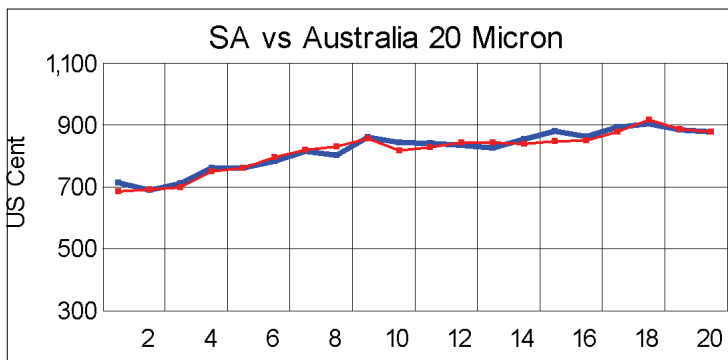
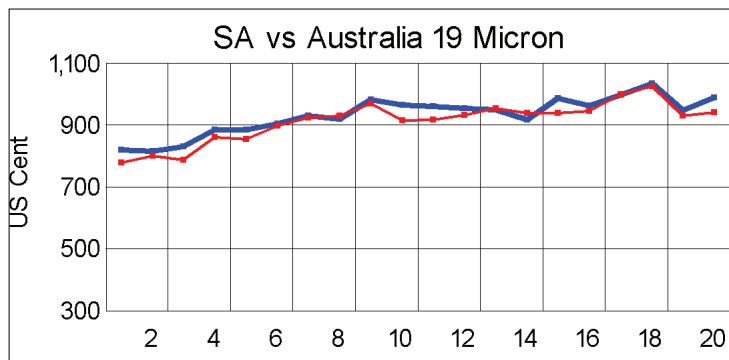
Micron	100+mm	90mm	80mm	70mm	60mm	50mm	40mm	30mm	20mm	10mm
18.0										
18.5										
19.0										
19.5							6584			
20.0										
20.5				6385						
21.0				6260						
21.5										
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24.0										

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**Other Selected Types/Qualities**

Long Medium

	19μ	20μ	21μ	19μ	20μ	21μ
<b>Good Quality</b>						
Lambswool	7256	6381		6829	6624	
Bellies	6691	6440		6556	6266	
Locks				5894	5087	4968
<b>Average Quality</b>						
Lambswool	7222	6059		6548	6362	5908
Bellies	6328	6113		6424	5729	5724
Locks		5528		4894	5252	4198
<b>Inferior Quality</b>						
Fleecewool	6485	6164	5591			4776
Lambswool		6412				
Bellies	5295	5980	5980	6353	5421	5056
Locks				4877	4047	3784



— SA in USc  
— Aus in USc

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## Market Commentary

### WOOL MARKET HOLDS FIRM

**PORT ELIZABETH:** The wool market held up well at this week's sale despite a stronger rand en Cape Wools' Merino indicator closed a marginal 0,6% lower compared with last week at R61,66/kg (clean).

This was a particularly stable performance considering the 2,2% appreciation of the rand against the US dollar and the 2,8% strengthening against the euro.

Strong demand from Asia, notably China and India, continues to support the market, while demand from Europe remains sluggish.

The sale was marked by keen competition from particularly grease wool exporters and 99% of the 8 115 bales on offer was sold.

Major buyers were Modiano SA (2 589 bales); Standard Wool SA (2 459 bales); Lempriere SA (1 284 bales), and Stucken (1 239 bales).

Average prices for good topmaking (MF5), sound, long fleeces (less than 1% seed content) were as follows: 19 microns declined by 1,2% to R69,57/kg; 21 microns were 1,6% cheaper at R61,17/kg; and 22 microns were down 0,5% to R61,09/kg.

Approximately 7 000 bales will be offered at next week's sale.