

CAPE WOOLS SA
Final Wool Sales Report and Price Summary

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Market Commentary

PRICES SLIGHTLY DOWN

Port Elizabeth - This week's sale saw prices for most micron categories correcting downward following the strong surge during the previous two weeks. Cape Wools¹ market indicator closed at R25,37/kg clean - down 1,8% on last week.

Traders say local prices, which often trade at levels above those of similar Australian types as a result of the supply squeeze, currently are more in line with Australia. Prices for 19 and 20 microns, which have been trading at levels below similar Australian types, improved for a third consecutive week, widening the gap between the 20- and 25-micron ranges.

The offering comprised 9 120 bales of which 97% was traded. Receipts into brokers' stores currently are at 21,3 million kg, down 10,2% on last season.

Average price movements for good quality long (60 - 95mm) Merino fleeces (spinners' and good topmakers' styles) were as follows: 19 microns gained 5,4% at R43,60/kg, 20 microns were up 1,3% at R35,03/kg, 21 microns were down 1,5% to R33,06/kg, 22 microns were 0,7% cheaper at R32,87/kg, 23 microns shed 1,3% at R32,71/kg, 24 icrons dropped 1,7% to R32,57/kg, and 25 microns closed 2,3% down at R32,39/kg.

Approximately 9 000 bales will be on offer at next week's sale.

Auction Analysis

Composition of Fleece Offerings				Analysis of Offerings					
Description	% This Week	% Prev Week	Description	This Week			Previous Week		
				%	Bales	% Sold	Bales	% Sold	
Long Wool	64.7	51.1	Merino Fleeces	43.8	3 991	98.2	4 644	98.0	
Medium Wool	29.9	40.8	Merino Bellies	6.6	605	98.5	627	97.3	
Short Wool and Locks	5.4	8.1	Merino Lambs	8.0	726	92.1	758	83.4	
Fine Wool (<20μ)	9.9	11.0	Merino Locks	7.8	711	100.0	690	100.0	
Medium Wool (20 - 22μ)	48.7	51.8	Other	33.8	3 087	96.5	3 076	98.1	
Strong Wool (22 - 24μ)	38.0	34.0	Total		9 120	97.3	9 795	97.0	
Overstrong (24 - 27μ)	3.4	3.2							
Other Indicators				Offerings per Port					
Indicators	This Week	Prev Week	% Change	Ports	This Week (Bales)			Prev Week (Bales)	
					Offered	Sold	% Sold	Offered	Sold
SA Market Indicator	2 537	2 584	-1.8	Cape Town	1 319	1 285	97.4	2 082	2 059
AWEX EMI	690	697	-1.0	Durban	2 313	2 256	97.5	2 119	2 056
R/US Dollar	9.7350	9.7070	-0.3	Port Elizabeth	5 488	5 334	97.2	5 594	5 388
R/A Dollar	5.0505	5.0710	0.4	Total	9 120	8 875	97.3	9 795	9 503
R/Euro	8.5717	8.5635	-0.1						
Main Buyers				Receipts 16/11/2001					
Buyers	This Week	Prev Week	% Change	Season to Date (Kg)		Last Season (Kg)		% Change	
Chargeurs Wool	1909	2216	-13.9	21 349 496		23 663 498		-10.2	
ADF	1403	1155	21.5	Next Auction					
United Wool	1319	1261	4.6	Name		Date		Offerings (Bales)	
Stucken	1214	1917	-36.7	S A Wool Exchange		28/11/2001		± 9 000	
G Modiano	1094	1519	-28.0	Van Lill Wool Buyers		27/11/2001		± 846	
STD Wool	1019	671	51.9	Saunders et al.		27/11/2001		± 807	
Beier Fin	745	662	12.5						
Fibres Int	172	102	68.6						
CPC	0	0	0.0						

Price Analysis											
Long Merino Fleece Wool (60 - 90mm)											
Spinners, Best and Good Topmakers						Average to Inferior Topmakers					
Micron	Price (c/kg)		Lots Sold		% Price Change	Micron	Price (c/kg)		Lots Sold		% Price Change
	This Week	Prev Week	This Week	Prev Week			This Week	Prev Week	This Week	Prev Week	
<18.7µ	4 819	4 991	11	6	-3.4	<18.7µ	4 795	4 779	5	1	0.4
18.8-19.2µ	4 360	4 138	14	12	5.4	18.8-19.2µ	4 010	0	1	0	0.0
19.3-19.7µ	3 773	3 715	21	19	1.6	19.3-19.7µ	3 810	3 659	4	5	4.1
19.8-20.2µ	3 503	3 459	20	30	1.3	19.8-20.2µ	3 017	3 312	4	7	-8.9
20.3-20.7µ	3 338	3 387	48	32	-1.5	20.3-20.7µ	3 145	3 294	13	11	-4.5
20.8-21.2µ	3 306	3 356	50	50	-1.5	20.8-21.2µ	3 128	3 169	17	20	-1.3
21.3-21.7µ	3 288	3 313	52	45	-0.8	21.3-21.7µ	3 163	3 186	36	31	-0.7
21.8-22.2µ	3 287	3 310	52	50	-0.7	21.8-22.2µ	3 081	3 239	30	37	-4.9
22.3-22.7µ	3 262	3 324	58	57	-1.9	22.3-22.7µ	3 077	3 129	24	31	-1.7
22.8-23.2µ	3 271	3 315	55	34	-1.3	22.8-23.2µ	2 991	3 199	13	20	-6.5
23.3-23.7µ	3 275	3 300	45	31	-0.8	23.3-23.7µ	3 050	3 195	7	12	-4.5
23.8-24.2µ	3 257	3 313	19	12	-1.7	23.8-24.2µ	3 152	3 113	3	4	1.3
24.3-24.7µ	3 209	3 315	17	5	-3.2	24.3-24.7µ	0	3 220	0	2	0.0
24.8-25.2µ	3 239	3 314	4	6	-2.3	24.8-25.2µ	0	3 011	0	1	0.0
25.3-25.7µ	3 171	3 210	4	1	-1.2	25.3-25.7µ	0	3 004	0	1	0.0
>25.8µ	0	3 232	0	1	0.0	>25.8µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
Medium Merino Fleece Wool (40 - 55mm)											
Spinners, Best and Good Topmakers						Average to Inferior Topmakers					
Micron	Price (c/kg)		Lots Sold		% Price Change	Micron	Price (c/kg)		Lots Sold		% Price Change
	This Week	Prev Week	This Week	Prev Week			This Week	Prev Week	This Week	Prev Week	
<18.7µ	3 681	3 636	5	4	1.3	<18.7µ	3 370	3 516	2	9	-4.2
18.8-19.2µ	3 266	3 281	7	5	-0.4	18.8-19.2µ	3 235	3 335	3	7	-3.0
19.3-19.7µ	3 110	3 148	6	10	-1.2	19.3-19.7µ	3 035	3 234	3	3	-6.1
19.8-20.2µ	3 141	3 148	10	15	-0.2	19.8-20.2µ	3 112	3 190	5	9	-2.4
20.3-20.7µ	3 088	3 157	14	16	-2.2	20.3-20.7µ	2 958	3 047	10	15	-2.9
20.8-21.2µ	3 004	3 089	13	18	-2.7	20.8-21.2µ	2 912	2 871	16	14	1.4
21.3-21.7µ	3 048	3 069	22	24	-0.7	21.3-21.7µ	2 970	2 931	9	14	1.3
21.8-22.2µ	3 021	3 056	18	26	-1.2	21.8-22.2µ	2 951	2 978	17	23	-0.9
22.3-22.7µ	3 038	3 082	15	28	-1.4	22.3-22.7µ	2 925	2 993	6	13	-2.3
22.8-23.2µ	3 000	3 031	17	13	-1.0	22.8-23.2µ	2 892	2 729	6	7	6.0
23.3-23.7µ	2 871	3 107	4	16	-7.6	23.3-23.7µ	2 699	2 962	1	4	-8.9
23.8-24.2µ	3 108	3 154	7	6	-1.5	23.8-24.2µ	0	2 870	0	1	0.0
24.3-24.7µ	0	3 052	0	3	0.0	24.3-24.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
24.8-25.2µ	0	3 093	0	3	0.0	24.8-25.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
25.3-25.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	25.3-25.7µ	2 792	0	1	0	0.0
>25.8µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	>25.8µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
Short Merino Fleece Wool (20 - 35mm)											
Spinners, Best and Good Topmakers						Average to Inferior Topmakers					
Micron	Price (c/kg)		Lots Sold		% Price Change	Micron	Price (c/kg)		Lots Sold		% Price Change
	This Week	Prev Week	This Week	Prev Week			This Week	Prev Week	This Week	Prev Week	
<18.7µ	2 931	3 582	1	3	-18.2	<18.7µ	0	3 191	0	1	0.0
18.8-19.2µ	2 976	3 158	1	1	-5.8	18.8-19.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
19.3-19.7µ	0	2 884	0	3	0.0	19.3-19.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
19.8-20.2µ	2 699	0	2	0	0.0	19.8-20.2µ	0	3 042	0	1	0.0
20.3-20.7µ	0	2 969	0	3	0.0	20.3-20.7µ	0	2 631	0	2	0.0
20.8-21.2µ	2 946	2 738	2	1	7.6	20.8-21.2µ	0	2 671	0	3	0.0
21.3-21.7µ	0	2 831	0	2	0.0	21.3-21.7µ	2 772	2 817	1	1	-1.6
21.8-22.2µ	0	2 785	0	1	0.0	21.8-22.2µ	2 818	0	1	0	0.0
22.3-22.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	22.3-22.7µ	0	2 785	0	1	0.0
22.8-23.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	22.8-23.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
23.3-23.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	23.3-23.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
23.8-24.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	23.8-24.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
24.3-24.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	24.3-24.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
24.8-25.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	24.8-25.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
25.3-25.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	25.3-25.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
>25.8µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	>25.8µ	0	0	0	0	0.0

Other Types					
Spinners, Best and Good Topmakers					
Micron	Price (c/kg)		Lots Sold		% Price Change
	This Week	Prev Week	This Week	Prev Week	
Long Lambs (19μ)	4 463	3 991	2	4	11.8
Long Lambs (20μ)	3 598	3 299	2	2	9.0
Medium Lambs (19μ)	3 240	3 337	3	4	-2.9
Medium Lambs (20μ)	3 145	3 059	7	3	2.8
Long Bellies (20μ)	3 115	3 096	6	6	0.6
Long Bellies (21μ)	3 077	3 077	6	3	0.0
Medium Bellies (20μ)	3 009	3 014	3	3	-0.2
Medium Bellies (21μ)	2 959	3 010	3	5	-1.7
Long Locks (Good Color)	2 129	2 340	9	9	-9.0
Other Types					
Average to Inferior Topmakers					
Micron	Price (c/kg)		Lots Sold		% Price Change
	This Week	Prev Week	This Week	Prev Week	
Long Lambs (19μ)	4 323	0	1	0	0.0
Long Lambs (20μ)	3 052	3 447	1	3	-11.5
Medium Lambs (19μ)	3 414	3 159	4	1	8.1
Medium Lambs (20μ)	2 929	0	3	0	0.0
Long Bellies (20μ)	3 080	3 151	2	1	-2.2
Long Bellies (21μ)	2 937	3 028	8	1	-3.0
Medium Bellies (20μ)	2 950	2 984	9	15	-1.1
Medium Bellies (21μ)	2 900	2 836	12	17	2.2
Long Locks (Good Color)	1 698	1 971	9	3	-13.8

