

CAPE WOOLS SA
Final Wool Sales Report and Price Summary

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Market Commentary

WOOL CONTINUES TO SURGE

Port Elizabeth - The wool market continued to surge at this week's sale and Cape Wools market indicator reached a fresh seasonal high at R45,24/kg (clean) - 5,9% up on last week - its highest level in 10 years.

Last week's record price for fine wool was also topped when a bale of 16,3 microns offered by one of the country's largest producers, Mr C.L. Greyling from Wakkerstroom in Mpumalanga, fetched R109,00/kg (greasy). He also obtained R107,00/kg (greasy) for two bales of 16,3 and one bale of 16,2 microns, while a further 6 bales of 17,3 microns were sold for R91,50/kg (greasy).

Though traders were reluctant to commit themselves, the general expectation was that current price levels would be maintained for some time, particularly in view of low supply levels and an expected increase in Chinese activity.

The total offer comprised 8 057 bales of which 98% was cleared to the trade.

Average price movements for good quality long (60 - 95mm) Merino fleeces (spinners' and good topmakers' styles) were as follows: 19 microns were up 2,1% at R75,60/kg, 20 microns gained 12,5% at R66,74/kg, 21 microns gained 6,3% to R59,99/kg, 22 microns were 5% dearer at R59,21/kg, 23 microns rose 10,6% to R59,99/kg, 24 microns gained 8% to R58,32/kg, and 25 microns closed 9,9% higher at R56,91/kg.

No sale has been scheduled for next week. Sales will resume on 20 February when approximately 6 000 bales will be offered.

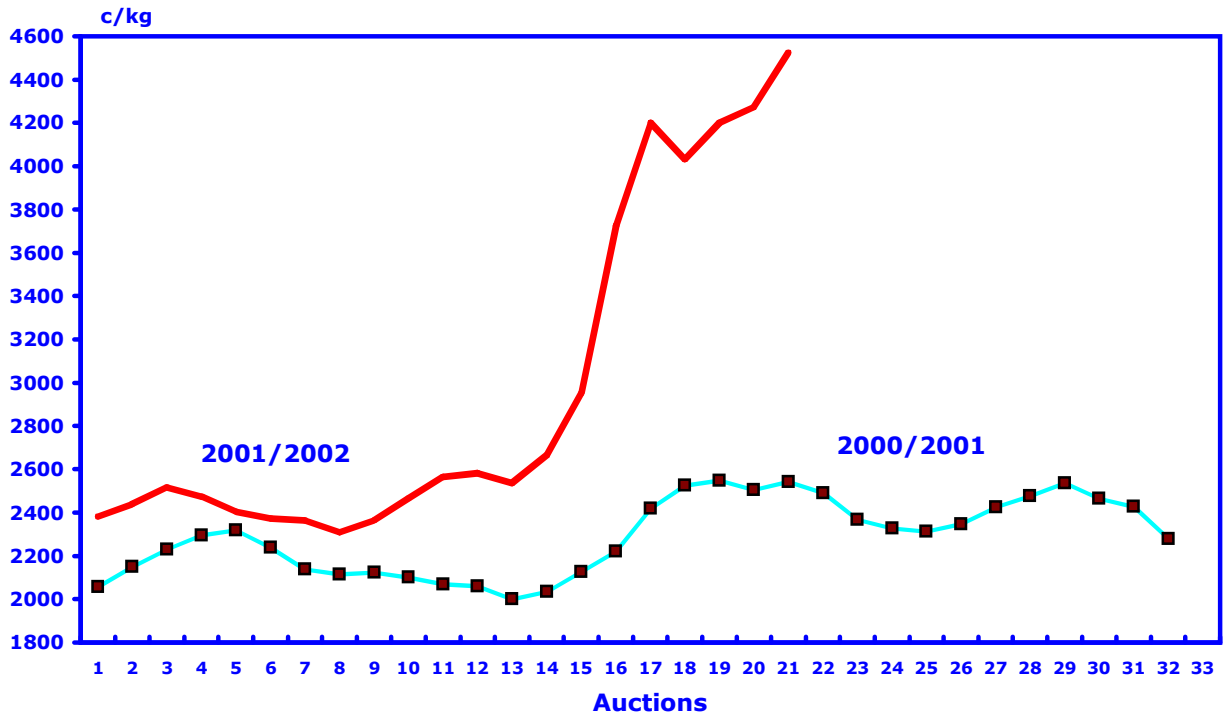
Auction Analysis

Composition of Fleece Offerings				Analysis of Offerings					
Description	% This Week	% Prev Week	Description	This Week			Previous Week		
				%	Bales	% Sold	Bales	% Sold	
Long Wool	48.8	48.6	Merino Fleeces	38.0	3 060	97.1	2 354	99.5	
Medium Wool	44.2	46.9	Merino Bellies	6.3	510	91.2	403	98.3	
Short Wool and Locks	7.1	4.5	Merino Lambs	10.4	839	84.1	567	97.4	
Fine Wool (<20µ)	14.4	15.5	Merino Locks	6.8	544	97.6	641	98.1	
Medium Wool (20 - 22µ)	50.2	52.5	Other	38.5	3 097	94.5	2 302	97.1	
Strong Wool (22 - 24µ)	29.2	30.6	Total		8 050	94.4	6 267	98.2	
Overstrong (24 - 27µ)	6.1	1.3							
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	4 524	4 273	5.9	Cape Town	365	361	98.9	577	569
AWEX EMI	989	945	4.7	Durban	3 414	3 396	99.5	2 889	2 841
R/US Dollar	11.4400	11.4700	0.3	Port Elizabeth	4 271	3 845	90.0	2 801	2 745
R/A Dollar	5.8207	5.8411	0.3	Total	8 050	7 602	94.4	6 267	6 155
R/Euro	10.0192	9.9410	-0.8						
Main Buyers				Receipts					
Buyers	This Week	Prev Week	% Change	Season to Date (Kg)		Last Season (Kg)		% Change	
				33 786 849	35 225 401	33 786 849	35 225 401		
Chargeurs Wool	1698	1930	-12.0	Next Auction					
Stucken	1359	863	57.5						
STD Wool	1006	680	47.9	Name	Date	Offerings (Bales)			
United Wool	892	843	5.8	S A Wool Exchange	27/02/2002	± 7 500			
Fibres Int	762	334	128.1	Van Lill Wool Buyers	26/02/2002	± 1 017			
Beier Fin	756	583	29.7	Saunders et al.	26/02/2002	± 900			
G Modiano	631	827	-23.7						
ADF	498	95	424.2						
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	11 499	9 994	17	14	15.1	<18.7µ	8 528	0	6	0	0.0
18.8-19.2µ	7 560	7 406	7	11	2.1	18.8-19.2µ	0	6 710	0	2	0.0
19.3-19.7µ	6 869	6 333	9	10	8.5	19.3-19.7µ	6 668	5 924	1	3	12.6
19.8-20.2µ	6 674	5 935	13	13	12.5	19.8-20.2µ	5 750	5 855	9	3	-1.8
20.3-20.7µ	6 155	5 757	23	13	6.9	20.3-20.7µ	5 731	5 483	12	9	4.5
20.8-21.2µ	5 999	5 645	33	19	6.3	20.8-21.2µ	5 918	5 538	20	8	6.9
21.3-21.7µ	6 047	5 587	23	30	8.2	21.3-21.7µ	5 637	5 292	22	22	6.5
21.8-22.2µ	5 921	5 637	21	24	5.0	21.8-22.2µ	5 725	5 315	23	12	7.7
22.3-22.7µ	5 908	5 522	22	34	7.0	22.3-22.7µ	5 707	5 226	17	15	9.2
22.8-23.2µ	5 999	5 426	17	21	10.6	22.8-23.2µ	5 747	5 230	8	8	9.9
23.3-23.7µ	5 916	5 421	11	13	9.1	23.3-23.7µ	5 421	5 176	10	4	4.7
23.8-24.2µ	5 832	5 400	9	5	8.0	23.8-24.2µ	5 563	5 277	2	1	5.4
24.3-24.7µ	5 671	5 270	5	2	7.6	24.3-24.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
24.8-25.2µ	5 691	5 176	4	1	9.9	24.8-25.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
25.3-25.7µ	5 642	0	1	0	0.0	25.3-25.7µ	5 170	0	1	0	0.0
>25.8µ	5 418	0	5	0	0.0	>25.8µ	4 362	0	2	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	6 799	7 347	4	8	-7.5	<18.7µ	8 108	6 809	7	1	19.1
18.8-19.2µ	6 270	6 313	4	1	-0.7	18.8-19.2µ	6 471	5 936	4	4	9.0
19.3-19.7µ	5 698	5 529	4	1	3.1	19.3-19.7µ	5 885	5 237	8	8	12.4
19.8-20.2µ	5 415	5 322	3	10	1.8	19.8-20.2µ	5 454	5 225	4	4	4.4
20.3-20.7µ	5 510	5 262	6	6	4.7	20.3-20.7µ	5 232	5 027	14	8	4.1
20.8-21.2µ	5 339	5 181	8	9	3.1	20.8-21.2µ	5 431	5 058	20	10	7.4
21.3-21.7µ	5 492	5 080	11	10	8.1	21.3-21.7µ	5 322	5 001	16	12	6.4
21.8-22.2µ	5 515	5 094	13	4	8.2	21.8-22.2µ	5 459	5 039	11	15	8.3
22.3-22.7µ	5 393	5 112	11	13	5.5	22.3-22.7µ	5 366	5 005	17	6	7.2
22.8-23.2µ	5 332	5 027	2	5	6.1	22.8-23.2µ	4 850	5 087	5	4	-4.7
23.3-23.7µ	5 369	5 027	5	4	6.8	23.3-23.7µ	5 287	0	2	0	0.0
23.8-24.2µ	5 441	5 092	2	4	6.9	23.8-24.2µ	5 494	0	4	0	0.0
24.3-24.7µ	5 399	5 016	2	1	7.6	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
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	0	0	0	0	0.0	<18.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
18.8-19.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	18.8-19.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
19.3-19.7µ	5 354	0	1	0	0.0	19.3-19.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
19.8-20.2µ	3 855	4 868	1	1	-20.8	19.8-20.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
20.3-20.7µ	0	5 095	0	1	0.0	20.3-20.7µ	3 836	0	2	0	0.0
20.8-21.2µ	0	4 945	0	2	0.0	20.8-21.2µ	4 780	0	1	0	0.0
21.3-21.7µ	3 877	4 820	1	1	-19.6	21.3-21.7µ	5 084	0	1	0	0.0
21.8-22.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	21.8-22.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
22.3-22.7µ	4 947	4 626	1	1	6.9	22.3-22.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
22.8-23.2µ	5 324	0	1	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	4 285	0	1	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)	0	0	0	0	0.0
Long Lambs (20μ)	0	0	0	0	0.0
Medium Lambs (19μ)	6 136	5 598	4	5	9.6
Medium Lambs (20μ)	5 490	5 073	4	2	8.2
Long Bellies (20μ)	5 505	0	3	3	0.0
Long Bellies (21μ)	0	5 152	0	1	0.0
Medium Bellies (20μ)	5 249	4 982	2	2	5.4
Medium Bellies (21μ)	5 218	4 927	4	5	5.9
Long Locks (Good Color)	3 795	3 739	7	7	1.5
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)	0	6 521	0	1	0.0
Long Lambs (20μ)	6 277	5 485	1	2	14.4
Medium Lambs (19μ)	6 034	5 757	5	3	4.8
Medium Lambs (20μ)	5 422	5 148	9	4	5.3
Long Bellies (20μ)	5 484	4 998	1	2	9.7
Long Bellies (21μ)	5 311	5 114	1	4	3.8
Medium Bellies (20μ)	5 226	4 961	10	7	5.4
Medium Bellies (21μ)	5 142	4 944	13	11	4.0
Long Locks (Good Color)	3 215	3 123	3	3	3.0

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