

**CAPE WOOLS SA**  
**Final Wool Sales Report and Price Summary**

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**Market Commentary**

**WOOL MARKET SOFTENS**

**Port Elizabeth - The penultimate sale of the season posted mixed results with prices of the longer, broader micron ranges increasing, while the finer end of the market saw prices decreasing. Cape Wools' overall indicator finished the day 1,6% down at R36,79/kg (clean).**

**Traders say the supply squeeze, particularly for longer wools, was the main reason for the increase in the prices of some micron ranges. Short wools failed to attract much attention and prices for these types subsequently declined significantly. Early stage processors say the market currently is fairly depressed with orders slow to come in. The offering comprised 5 324 bales of which 93.5% changed hands.**

**Average price movements for good quality long (60 - 95mm) Merino fleeces (spinners' and good topmakers' styles) were as follows: 19 microns were down 13,5% at R58,71/kg, 20 microns rose 0,7% to R54,22/kg, 21 microns were down 2,3% at R50,26/kg, 22 microns were up 0,7% at R51,06/kg, 23 microns shed 1,2% to R50,67/kg, 24 microns were up 2,4% at R51,79/kg, but there no quotes for 25 microns due to the limited offering.**

**No sale has been scheduled for next week. The final sale of the season will take place on 19 June when approximately 4 000 bales will be offered.**

**Auction Analysis**

<b>Composition of Fleece Offerings</b>			<b>Analysis of Offerings</b>					
<b>Description</b>	<b>% This Week</b>	<b>% Prev Week</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>This Week</b>			<b>Previous Week</b>	
				<b>%</b>	<b>Bales</b>	<b>% Sold</b>	<b>Bales</b>	<b>% Sold</b>
Long Wool	26.2	20.0	Merino Fleeces	52.3	2 785	94.5	1 920	98.7
Medium Wool	61.5	68.3	Merino Bellies	7.0	372	68.3	285	83.2
Short Wool and Locks	12.2	11.7	Merino Lambs	13.2	703	78.7	572	95.5
Fine Wool (<20µ)	9.2	5.6	Merino Locks	7.0	373	84.7	277	97.8
Medium Wool (20 - 22µ)	46.8	52.9	Other	20.5	1 091	89.8	885	82.9
Strong Wool (22 - 24µ)	40.2	38.5	<b>Total</b>		<b>5 324</b>	<b>88.9</b>	<b>3 939</b>	<b>93.5</b>
Overstrong (24 - 27µ)	3.7	3.0						

**Other Indicators**

<b>Indicators</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>Ports</b>	<b>This Week (Bales)</b>			<b>Prev Week (Bales)</b>	
					<b>Offered</b>	<b>Sold</b>	<b>% Sold</b>	<b>Offered</b>	<b>Sold</b>
<b>SA Market Indicator</b>	<b>3 679</b>	<b>3 740</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	Cape Town	233	216	92.7	389	375
AWEX EMI	891	892	-0.1	Durban	765	612	80.0	503	455
R/US Dollar	9.6800	9.8900	2.1	Port Elizabeth	4 326	3 907	90.3	3 047	2 853
R/A Dollar	5.5432	5.5586	0.3	<b>Total</b>	<b>5 324</b>	<b>4 735</b>	<b>88.9</b>	<b>3 939</b>	<b>3 683</b>
R/Euro	9.1040	9.3055	2.2						

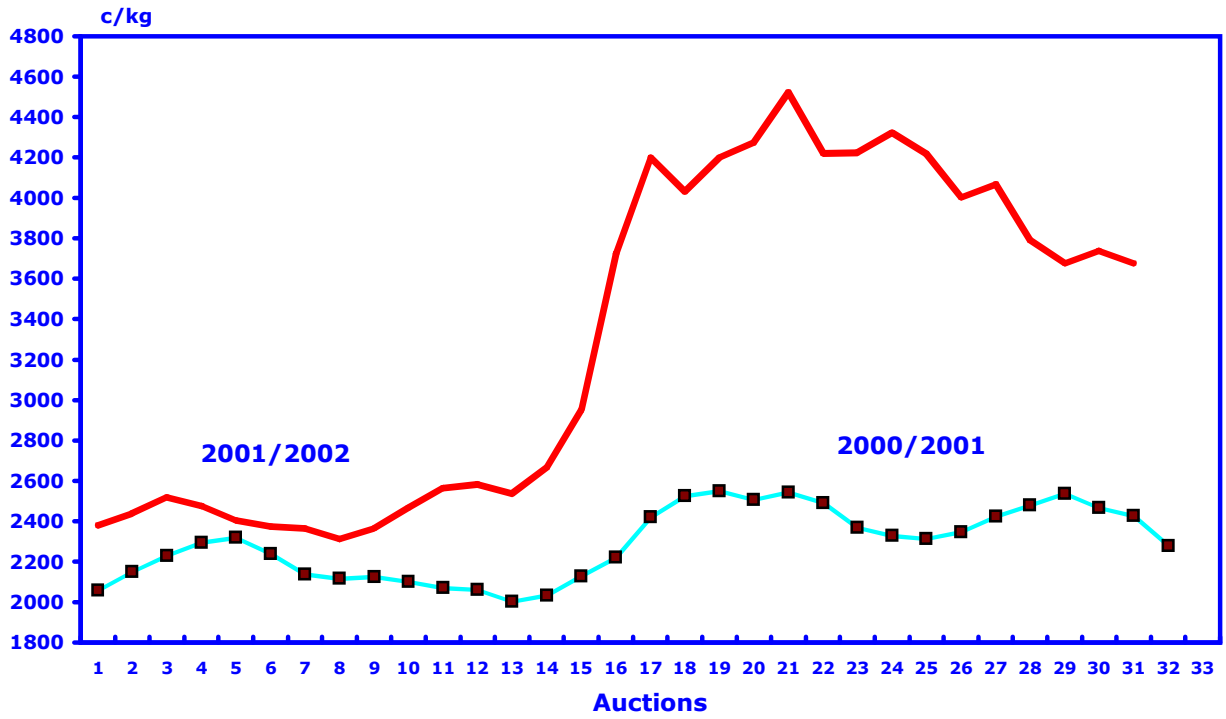
**Main Buyers**

<b>Buyers</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>Receipts 31/05/2002</b>		<b>% Change</b>
				<b>Season to Date (Kg)</b>	<b>Last Season (Kg)</b>	
Chargeurs Wool	1379	1023	34.8	<b>47 047 636</b>	<b>47 681 993</b>	<b>-1.3</b>
Stucken	879	578	52.1			
ADF	545	151	260.9	<b>Next Auction</b>		
United Wool	517	295	75.3	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Offerings (Bales)</b>
STD Wool	467	439	6.4	S A Wool Exchange	19/06/2002	± 4 000
Beier Fin	386	380	1.6	Van Lill Wool Buyers	18/06/2002	± 400
G Modiano	340	698	-51.3	Saunders et al.	18/06/2002	± 250
Fibres Int	222	119	86.6			
CPC	0	0	0.0			

<b>Price Analysis</b>											
<b>Long Merino Fleece Wool (60 - 90mm)</b>											
<b>Spinners, Best and Good Topmakers</b>						<b>Average to Inferior Topmakers</b>					
<b>Micron</b>	<b>Price ( c/kg )</b>		<b>Lots Sold</b>		<b>% Price Change</b>	<b>Micron</b>	<b>Price ( c/kg )</b>		<b>Lots Sold</b>		<b>% Price Change</b>
	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>			<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	
<18.7µ	6 935	8 240	5	5	-15.8	<18.7µ	5 450	0	2	0	0.0
18.8-19.2µ	5 871	6 785	8	1	0.0	18.8-19.2µ	6 019	0	2	0	0.0
19.3-19.7µ	5 364	5 326	9	4	0.7	19.3-19.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
19.8-20.2µ	5 422	5 386	6	5	0.7	19.8-20.2µ	4 801	0	4	0	0.0
20.3-20.7µ	5 232	5 392	18	10	-3.0	20.3-20.7µ	4 977	4 614	2	2	7.9
20.8-21.2µ	5 026	5 142	17	6	-2.3	20.8-21.2µ	4 984	5 055	12	4	-1.4
21.3-21.7µ	5 144	5 089	28	29	1.1	21.3-21.7µ	4 967	4 947	7	3	0.4
21.8-22.2µ	5 106	5 069	33	16	0.7	21.8-22.2µ	4 719	4 919	3	7	-4.1
22.3-22.7µ	5 078	5 036	26	11	0.8	22.3-22.7µ	5 008	4 316	6	4	16.0
22.8-23.2µ	5 067	5 127	23	17	-1.2	22.8-23.2µ	4 833	4 333	5	1	11.6
23.3-23.7µ	5 181	5 077	18	9	2.0	23.3-23.7µ	5 302	0	1	0	0.0
23.8-24.2µ	5 179	5 056	7	2	2.4	23.8-24.2µ	5 051	0	1	0	0.0
24.3-24.7µ	5 048	5 124	8	2	-1.5	24.3-24.7µ	5 086	0	1	0	0.0
24.8-25.2µ	4 959	0	6	0	0.0	24.8-25.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
25.3-25.7µ	5 092	0	3	0	0.0	25.3-25.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
>25.8µ	4 743	4 862	1	1	-2.5	>25.8µ	4 749	0	1	0	0.0
<b>Medium Merino Fleece Wool (40 - 55mm)</b>											
<b>Spinners, Best and Good Topmakers</b>						<b>Average to Inferior Topmakers</b>					
<b>Micron</b>	<b>Price ( c/kg )</b>		<b>Lots Sold</b>		<b>% Price Change</b>	<b>Micron</b>	<b>Price ( c/kg )</b>		<b>Lots Sold</b>		<b>% Price Change</b>
	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>			<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	
<18.7µ	5 168	5 299	9	4	-2.5	<18.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
18.8-19.2µ	4 671	4 806	7	4	-2.8	18.8-19.2µ	4 559	0	2	0	0.0
19.3-19.7µ	4 714	4 575	8	5	3.0	19.3-19.7µ	4 737	4 398	1	1	7.7
19.8-20.2µ	4 640	4 603	12	8	0.8	19.8-20.2µ	4 384	4 487	8	1	-2.3
20.3-20.7µ	4 483	4 713	18	16	-4.9	20.3-20.7µ	4 363	4 616	7	5	-5.5
20.8-21.2µ	4 526	4 813	34	25	-6.0	20.8-21.2µ	4 410	4 652	7	8	-5.2
21.3-21.7µ	4 608	4 689	37	30	-1.7	21.3-21.7µ	4 357	4 616	11	4	-5.6
21.8-22.2µ	4 551	4 640	21	30	-1.9	21.8-22.2µ	4 409	4 401	10	3	0.2
22.3-22.7µ	4 637	4 720	24	28	-1.8	22.3-22.7µ	4 415	4 361	11	10	1.3
22.8-23.2µ	4 533	4 835	22	21	-6.2	22.8-23.2µ	4 404	4 415	11	6	-0.3
23.3-23.7µ	4 622	4 614	9	14	0.2	23.3-23.7µ	4 588	4 477	2	2	2.5
23.8-24.2µ	4 552	4 525	7	8	0.6	23.8-24.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
24.3-24.7µ	4 571	4 348	6	3	5.1	24.3-24.7µ	4 215	4 168	1	1	1.1
24.8-25.2µ	0	4 456	0	3	0.0	24.8-25.2µ	0	4 368	0	1	0.0
25.3-25.7µ	0	4 440	0	1	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
<b>Short Merino Fleece Wool (20 - 35mm)</b>											
<b>Spinners, Best and Good Topmakers</b>						<b>Average to Inferior Topmakers</b>					
<b>Micron</b>	<b>Price ( c/kg )</b>		<b>Lots Sold</b>		<b>% Price Change</b>	<b>Micron</b>	<b>Price ( c/kg )</b>		<b>Lots Sold</b>		<b>% Price Change</b>
	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>			<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	
<18.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	<18.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
18.8-19.2µ	0	3 646	0	1	0.0	18.8-19.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
19.3-19.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	19.3-19.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
19.8-20.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0	19.8-20.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
20.3-20.7µ	4 299	0	1	0	0.0	20.3-20.7µ	3 838	4 374	2	1	0.0
20.8-21.2µ	4 407	0	2	0	0.0	20.8-21.2µ	0	3 588	0	1	0.0
21.3-21.7µ	4 156	4 393	1	1	-5.4	21.3-21.7µ	3 625	3 663	2	3	-1.0
21.8-22.2µ	0	4 380	0	1	0.0	21.8-22.2µ	3 386	3 186	2	1	6.3
22.3-22.7µ	3 490	3 543	3	1	-1.5	22.3-22.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
22.8-23.2µ	0	3 715	0	1	0.0	22.8-23.2µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
23.3-23.7µ	4 158	0	1	0	0.0	23.3-23.7µ	0	0	0	0	0.0
23.8-24.2µ	4 082	0	1	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

<b>Other Types</b>					
<b>Spinners, Best and Good Topmakers</b>					
<b>Micron</b>	<b>Price ( c/kg)</b>		<b>Lots Sold</b>		<b>% Price Change</b>
	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	
Long Lambs (19μ)	6 090	0	4	0	0.0
Long Lambs (20μ)	5 409	5 439	4	3	-0.5
Medium Lambs (19μ)	4 726	4 682	10	7	0.9
Medium Lambs (20μ)	4 379	4 558	5	8	-3.9
Long Bellies (20μ)	0	0	0	0	0.0
Long Bellies (21μ)	4 457	0	1	0	0.0
Medium Bellies (20μ)	4 273	0	2	2	0.0
Medium Bellies (21μ)	4 261	4 587	4	2	-7.1
Long Locks (Good Color)	1 908	2 529	3	3	-24.5
<b>Other Types</b>					
<b>Average to Inferior Topmakers</b>					
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	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Prev Week</b>	
Long Lambs (19μ)	0	0	0	0	0.0
Long Lambs (20μ)	5 518	5 017	1	2	0.0
Medium Lambs (19μ)	4 504	4 734	6	2	-4.9
Medium Lambs (20μ)	4 493	4 455	10	4	0.9
Long Bellies (20μ)	0	0	0	0	0.0
Long Bellies (21μ)	4 633	0	1	0	0.0
Medium Bellies (20μ)	4 304	4 300	1	2	0.1
Medium Bellies (21μ)	4 260	4 705	4	2	-9.4
Long Locks (Stain)	1 930	2 358	1	1	0.0

### S.A. Market Indicator



### Aust Market Indicator

