



**Weekly
Market
Report**

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Cat: MJ20

Week: 20

Micron Category	Weighted Clean Price (c/kg)						Bales Offered	Sales % Sold	
	Long Fleeces (60 - 95mm)		Medium Fleeces (40 - 60mm)		Short Fleeces (<40mm)				
	This Week	% Change from Prev. Auction	This Week	% Change from Prev. Auction	This Week	% Change from Prev. Auction			
18.6-19.5	2 935	1.3	2 609	0.5	-	-	195	90.3	
19.6-20.5	2 590	0.4	2 204	-3.9	-	-	376	82.2	
20.6-21.5	2 248	-2.7	1 975	-6.0	-	-	917	80.5	
21.6-22.5	2 130	-1.4	1 856	-7.1	-	-	869	81.6	
22.6-23.5	2 032	-0.5	1 841	-5.4	-	-	330	83.9	
23.6-24.5	1 955	-0.2	-	-	-	-	81	82.7	
24.6-25.5	1 901	-0.6	-	-	-	-	15	100.0	
>25.5	NQ	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.0	
					Merino Bellies	1 856	-1.9	414	78.7
					Merino Lambs	2 389	3.9	404	77.5
					Merino Locks	1 229	-1.9	407	58.5
					Other White Wools	1 680	0.5	676	90.7
					Ciskei/Transkei	1 028	-3.4	112	84.8
					Lesotho	1 993	-5.7	637	90.7
					Coarse & Coloured	884	10.1	476	71.9
					Total			5 909	81.2

Main Buyers	Bales
Cape Tops	1 427
Stucken	821
Beler Wool	756
F.I.	399
United Wool	390
A.D.F.	384

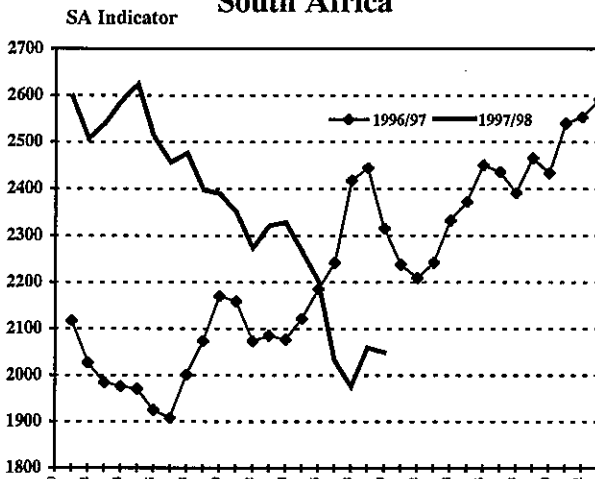
Overall Merino Market Indicator

This Auction	Previous Auction	% Change from Prev. Auction	Highest This Season	Lowest This Season	Average Last Season
2 049	2 059	-0.5	2 624	1 976	2 228

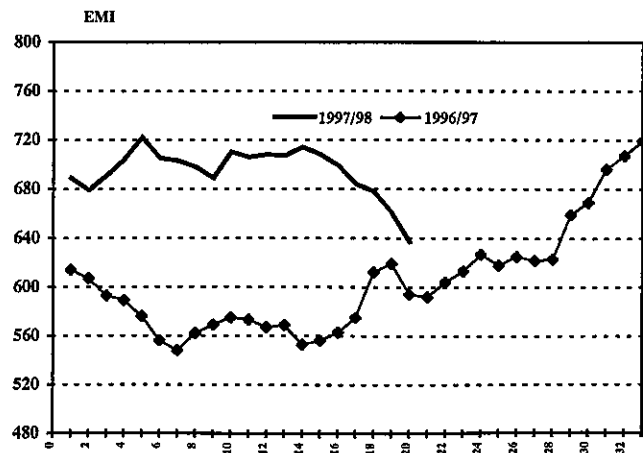
Australian Market

EMI This Week	EMI Last Auction
637	661

South Africa



Australia



Exchange Rates (R1=)	This Week	Last Auction	% Change
US\$	0.2035	0.2015	1.0
A\$	0.3000	0.3038	-1.3
Sterling	0.1244	0.1236	0.7
DM	0.3669	0.3689	-0.5
FF	1.2291	1.2348	-0.5
ITL	362.08	362.59	-0.1
WTI	103.03	103.02	0.0

Receipts (Kg) to 23/01/1998

Season to date	35 238 628.4
Previous Season to date	37 026 548.9
% Difference	-4.8
Next Sale:	04 February 1998
Offerings:	± 5 000