

Auction Date 04-Mar-98

Cat: MJ25

Week: 25

Micron Category	Weighted Clean Price (c/kg)						Sales	
	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	2 849	-2.5	2 546	-6.2	-	-	338	79.6
19.6-20.5	2 667	0.8	2 362	2.9	-	-	741	94.2
20.6-21.5	2 281	-0.6	2 114	0.3	-	-	1 458	92.2
21.6-22.5	2 167	-1.0	2 013	-1.3	-	-	1 406	93.1
22.6-23.5	2 098	-0.5	1 934	0.7	-	-	980	95.6
23.6-24.5	1 966	-2.5	1 918	2.6	-	-	551	91.7
24.6-25.5	1 915	-1.4	1 748	-4.0	-	-	289	96.9
>25.5	1 832	-2.8	1 702	NQ	-	-	59	100.0
<b>Merino Bellies</b>					1 942	2.9	653	94.8
<b>Merino Lambs</b>					2 392	0.5	811	90.1
<b>Merino Locks</b>					1 355	10.5	774	94.4
<b>Other White Wools</b>					1 823	0.7	934	97.0
<b>Ciskei/Transkei</b>					1 140	NQ	169	51.5
<b>Lesotho</b>					1 996	-6.4	421	97.2
<b>Coarse &amp; Coloured</b>					956	5.5	231	91.8
<b>Total</b>							9 815	92.7

Main Buyers	Bales
Stucken	2 252
Cape Tops	1 507
United Wool	1 472
A.D.F.	1 294
Beier Wool	813
Modiano	793

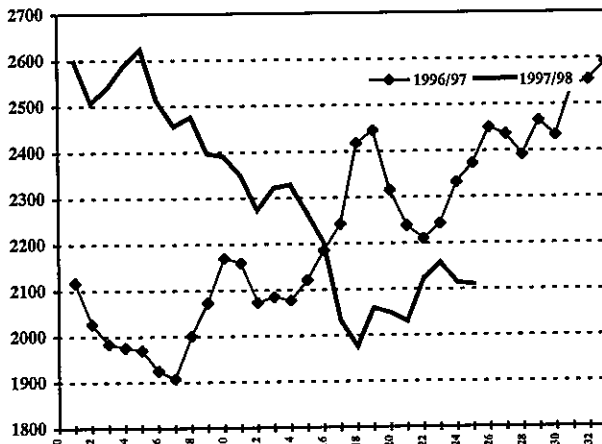
**Overall Merino Market Indicator**

This Auction	Previous Auction	% Change from Prev. Auction	Highest This Season	Lowest This Season	Average Last Season
2 110	2 114	-0.2	2 624	1 976	2 228

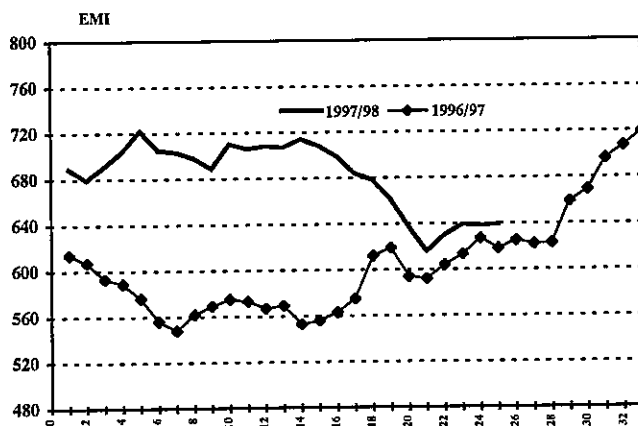
**Australian Market**

EMI This Week	EMI Last Auction
639	638

SA Indicator South Africa



Australia



Exchange Rates (R1=)	This Week	Last Auction	% Change
US\$	0.2028	0.2026	0.1
A\$	0.3000	0.3055	-1.8
Sterling	0.1231	0.1228	0.2
DM	0.3679	0.3642	1.0
FF	1.2335	1.2208	1.0
ITL	362.03	359.62	0.7
WTI	102.92	102.43	0.5

**Receipts (Kg) to 27/02/1998**

Season to date	40 904 304.7
Previous Season to date	43 870 406.5
% Difference	-6.8
Next Sale:	11 March 1998
Offerings:	± 9 000