



**Weekly  
Market  
Report**

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Cat: MJ27

Week: 27

Micron Category	Weighted Clean Price (c/kg)						Bales Offered	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	2 770	-2.2	2 479	0.4	-	-	80	100.0
19.6-20.5	2 568	-0.7	2 345	4.2	-	-	425	86.8
20.6-21.5	2 305	1.5	2 087	3.2	-	-	999	95.6
21.6-22.5	2 210	1.9	2 011	3.4	-	-	1 250	91.8
22.6-23.5	2 087	0.8	1 937	1.8	-	-	907	99.1
23.6-24.5	1 941	2.1	1 789	-0.6	-	-	368	100.0
24.6-25.5	1 874	4.1	1 766	5.4	-	-	155	100.0
>25.5	1 809	3.6	1 725	1.2	-	-	86	100.0
<b>Merino Bellies</b>					1 908	1.5	468	95.3
<b>Merino Lambs</b>					2 339	-1.2	737	88.9
<b>Merino Locks</b>					1 296	-2.1	741	96.1
<b>Other White Wools</b>					1 649	-3.8	606	95.9
<b>Ciskei/Transkei</b>					815	NQ	222	60.8
<b>Lesotho</b>					1 988	-2.3	261	100.0
<b>Coarse &amp; Coloured</b>					1 067	NQ	329	90.0
<b>Total</b>							7 634	93.6

Main Buyers	Bales
Stucken	2 397
Modiano	1 128
Cape Tops	895
Beier Wool	708
A.D.F.	650
United Wool	635

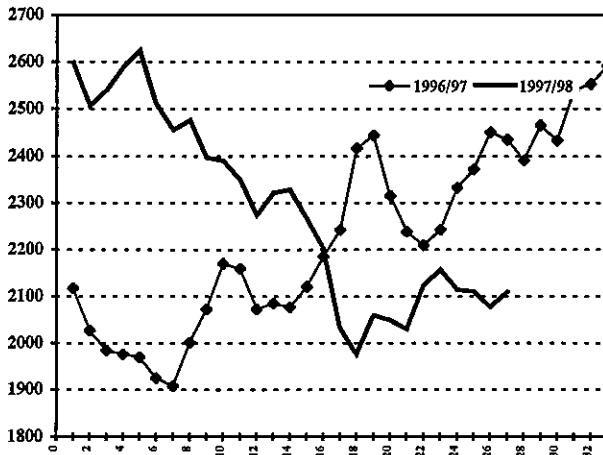
**Overall Merino Market Indicator**

This Auction	Previous Auction	% Change from Prev. Auction	Highest This Season	Lowest This Season	Average Last Season
2 109	2 078	1.5	2 624	1 976	2 228

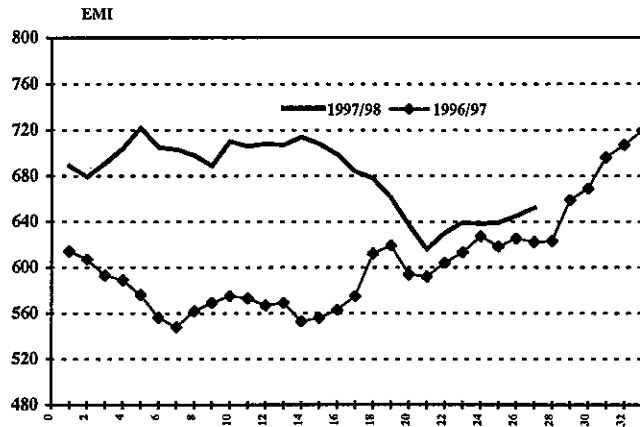
**Australian Market**

EMI This Week	EMI Last Auction
652	645

SA Indicator South Africa



Australia



Exchange Rates (R1=)	This Week	Last Auction	% Change
US\$	0.2011	0.2010	0.1
A\$	0.3016	0.3007	0.3
Sterling	0.1203	0.1227	-1.9
DM	0.3665	0.3684	-0.5
FF	1.2287	1.2352	-0.5
ITL	361.04	362.60	-0.4
WTI	102.58	102.83	-0.2

**Receipts (Kg) to 13/03/1998**

Season to date	42 970 516.9
Previous Season to date	45 830 477.2
% Difference	-6.2
Next Sale:	01 April 1998
Offerings:	± 10 000