



**Weekly
Market
Report**

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Cat: MJ28 Week: 28

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	2 847	2.8	2 449	-1.2	-	-	179	97.8
19.6-20.5	2 562	-0.2	2 323	-1.0	-	-	459	87.4
20.6-21.5	2 227	-3.4	2 050	-1.8	-	-	1 262	88.2
21.6-22.5	2 136	-3.4	1 949	-3.1	-	-	1 549	89.1
22.6-23.5	2 039	-2.3	1 856	-4.2	-	-	1 620	94.1
23.6-24.5	1 924	-0.9	1 764	-1.4	-	-	841	86.2
24.6-25.5	1 850	-1.3	1 672	-5.3	-	-	271	84.5
>25.5	1 760	-2.7	1 732	0.4	-	-	77	72.7
Merino Bellies					1 799	-5.7	860	95.4
Merino Lambs					2 289	-2.1	1 007	82.8
Merino Locks					1 305	0.7	961	95.7
Other White Wools					1 589	-3.6	1 426	89.1
Ciskei/Transkei					1 261	N/Q	175	87.0
Lesotho					1 918	-3.5	511	98.6
Coarse & Coloured					932	N/Q	454	96.7
Total							11 652	90.4

Main Buyers	Bales
Stucken	3 422
Cape Tops	1 973
Modiano	1 910
Beier Wool	1 102
United Wool	1 049
Standard Wool	659

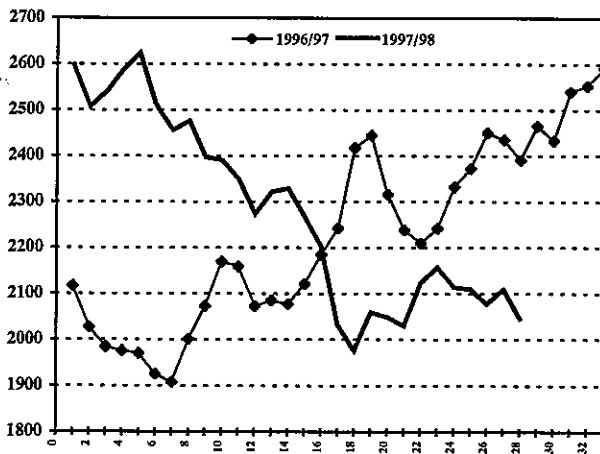
Overall Merino Market Indicator

This Auction	Previous Auction	% Change from Prev. Auction	Highest This Season	Lowest This Season	Average Last Season
2 046	2 109	-3.0	2 624	1 976	2 228

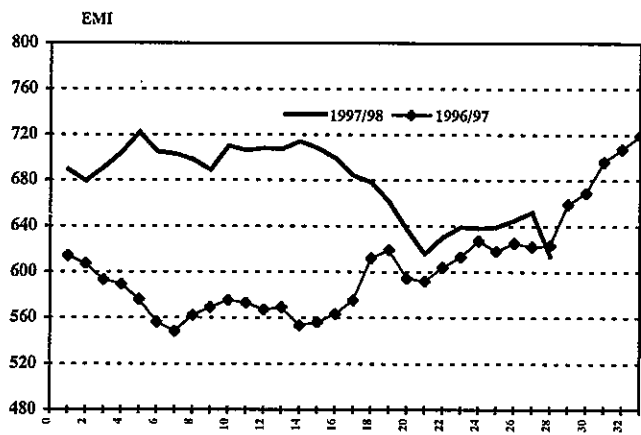
Australian Market

EMI This Week	EMI Last Auction
614	652

SA Indicator South Africa



Australia



Exchange Rates (R1=)	This Week	Last Auction	% Change
US\$	0.1983	0.2011	-1.4
A\$	0.2991	0.3016	-0.8
Sterling	0.1186	0.1203	-1.4
DM	0.3662	0.3665	-0.1
FF	1.2269	1.2287	-0.1
ITL	361.08	361.04	0.0
WTI	102.16	102.58	-0.4

Receipts (Kg) to 27/03/1998

Season to date	44 558 949.7
Previous Season to date	47 065 437.6
% Difference	-5.3
Next Sale:	22 April 1998
Offerings:	± 10 000