



**Weekly
Market
Report**

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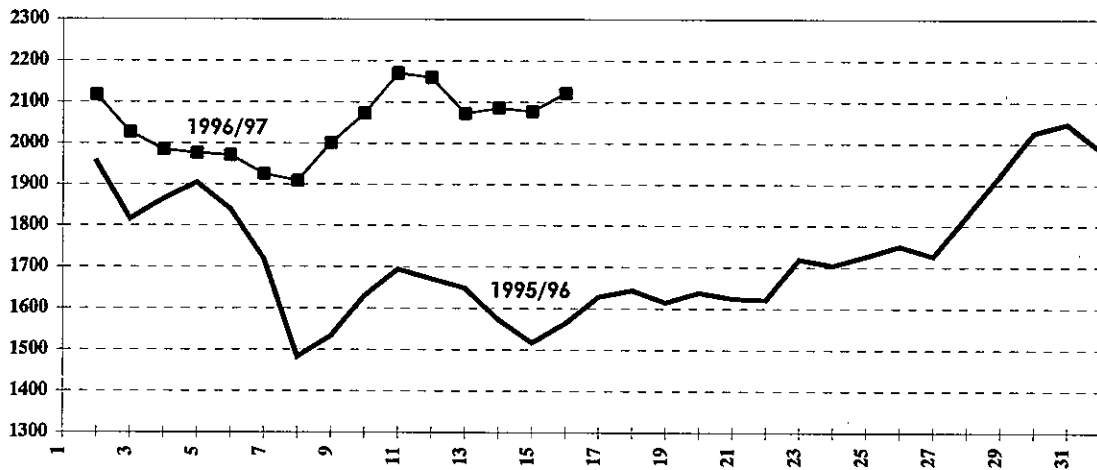
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Micron Category	Weighted Clean Price (c/kg)						Sales	
	Long Fleeces (60 - 95mm)		Medium Fleeces (40 - 60mm)		Short Fleeces (<40mm)			
	This Week	% Change from Prev. Auction	This Week	% Change from Prev. Auction	This Week	% Change from Prev. Auction	Bales Offered	% Sold
<19.5	2 743	2.4	2 553	1.9	-	-	196	94.4
19.6-20.5	2 372	-1.0	2 112	-0.8	-	-	396	97.0
20.6-21.5	2 279	-0.5	2 109	-1.0	1 994	-	1 254	98.5
21.6-22.5	2 152	1.9	2 022	1.3	-	-	2 222	97.5
22.6-23.5	1 974	2.9	1 864	-0.9	-	-	1 214	97.8
23.6-24.5	1 885	1.9	1 822	2.1	-	-	545	97.8
24.6-25.5	1 850	1.8	-	-	-	-	138	100.0
>25.5	1 783	0.7	-	-	-	-	26	100.0
Merino Bellies					1 963	2.3	840	97.7
Merino Lambs					2 285	0.3	652	97.9
Merino Locks					1 458	-2.3	698	97.9
Other White Wools					1 692	1.9	1 668	98.4
Ciskei/Transkei					1 489	-	175	69.7
Lesotho					1 927	7.7	331	100.0
Coarse & Coloured					1 199	1.4	553	100.0
Total All Wool					2 042	1.8	10 908	97.7

Main Buyers	Bales
Beier Wool	2 207
Cape Tops	2 031
Stucken	1 980
A.D.F.	1 561
United Wool	1 227
Modiano	791

Overall Merino Market Indicator

This Week	Previous Auction	% Change from Prev. Auction	Highest This Season	Lowest This Season	Average Last Season
2 121	2 077	2.1	2 170	1 908	1 729



Auctions

Exchange Rates (R1=)	This Week	Last Auction	% Change
US\$	0.2153	0.2189	-1.64
A\$	0.2698	0.2697	0.04
Sterling	0.1309	0.1312	-0.23
DM	0.3355	0.334	0.45
FF	0.8825	0.8837	-0.14
ITL	330.12	331.87	-0.53
WTI	98.51	99.04	-0.54

Receipts (Kg) to 29/11/1996

Season to date	29 146 679
Previous Season to date	31 182 642
% Difference	-6.5
Next Sale:	11-Dec-96
Offerings:	± 10 000 bales