



**Weekly  
Market  
Report**

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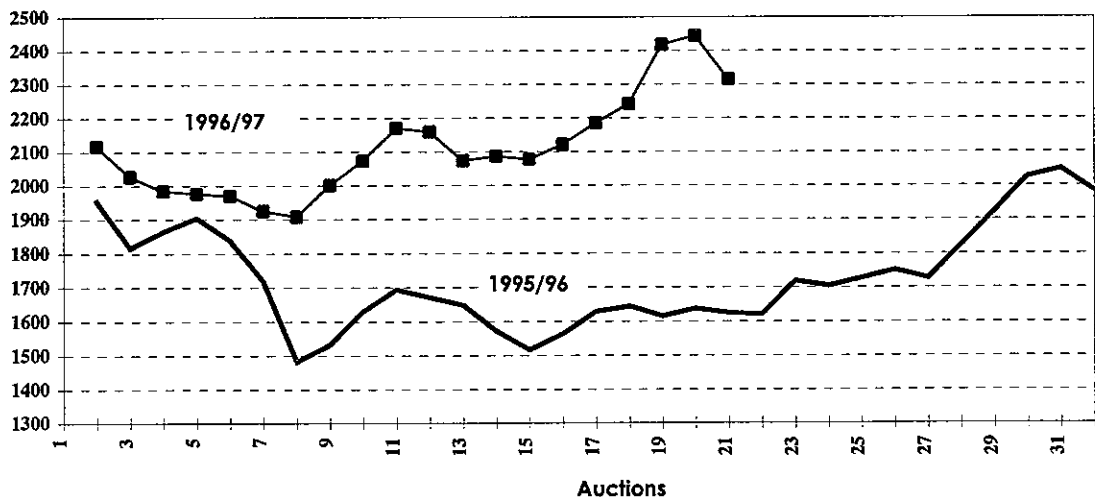
Auction Date 29/01/97

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	2 912	-2.8	2 532	-3.2	-	-	393	98.2
19.6-20.5	2 535	-6.9	2 303	-4.2	-	-	426	92.3
20.6-21.5	2 436	-6.0	2 219	-4.1	-	-	955	90.3
21.6-22.5	2 328	-5.5	2 077	-8.1	-	-	736	94.7
22.6-23.5	2 163	-3.5	1 993	-5.7	-	-	247	96.3
23.6-24.5	2 060	-5.5	1 944	NQ	-	-	107	96.3
24.6-25.5	1 948	-7.6	1 848	NQ	-	-	38	100.0
>25.5	1 905	-	-	-	-	-	20	100.0
<b>Merino Bellies</b>					2 076	-4.0	541	98.7
<b>Merino Lambs</b>					2 430	-5.0	340	93.8
<b>Merino Locks</b>					1 591	0.1	485	96.3
<b>Other White Wools</b>					1 906	-4.9	1 016	99.8
<b>Ciskei/Transkei</b>					949	NQ	37	27.0
<b>Lesotho</b>					2 161	-3.1	1 020	97.8
<b>Coarse &amp; Coloured</b>					1 146	-8.8	273	98.9
<b>Total All Wool</b>					2 213	-9.5	6 634	95.6

Main Buyers	Bales
Stucken	1 588
Beier Wool	1 364
Cape Tops	1 270
United Wool	709
Standard Wool	596
Modiano	452

**Overall Merino Market Indicator**

This Week	Previous Auction	% Change from Prev. Auction	Highest This Season	Lowest This Season	Average Last Season
2 314	2 444	-5.3	2 444	1 908	1 729



Exchange Rates (R1=)	This Week	Last Auction	% Change
US\$	0.2190	0.2160	1.39
A\$	0.2850	0.2785	2.33
Sterling	0.1355	0.1303	3.99
DM	0.3610	0.3536	2.09
FF	0.8210	0.8388	-2.12
ITL	355.34	343.05	3.58
WTI	100.65	99.08	1.58

Receipts (Kg) to 24/01/1997	
Season to date	37 026 549
Previous Season to date	39 871 569
% Difference	-7.1
Next Sale:	05-Feb-97
Offerings:	± 10 000 bales