



**Weekly  
Market  
Report**

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Auction Date	7-May-97		Catalogue:	30		Week:	31	
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	3 323	1.3	2 684	4.4	-	-	69	87.0
19.6-20.5	2 902	1.1	2 311	-1.1	-	-	170	87.7
20.6-21.5	2 678	-0.6	2 285	3.0	-	-	418	89.5
21.6-22.5	2 429	1.4	2 117	0.6	1 882	-2	565	98.1
22.6-23.5	2 041	-2.8	1 943	-1.2	1 947	3	483	98.8
23.6-24.5	1 938	-2.5	1 883	-1.8	-	-	257	99.2
24.6-25.5	1 912	-2.1	1 827	-1.1	-	-	65	100.0
>25.5	1 883	-0.2	-	-	-	-	57	100.0

Main Buyers	Bales
Beier Wool	1 159
Stucken	1 028
Standard Wool	572
Cape Tops	561
ADF	388
United Wool	328

Merino Bellies	2 023	-2.2	446	94.8
Merino Lambs	2 413	-4.9	458	93.5
Merino Locks	1 460	-3.3	424	93.4
Other White Wools	1 774	-0.4	264	97.4
Ciskei/Transkei	1 376	-	59	74.6
Lesotho	2 121	-4.6	540	83.5
Coarse & Coloured	1 132	-5.1	359	95.3
<b>Total</b>			<b>4 634</b>	<b>93.5</b>

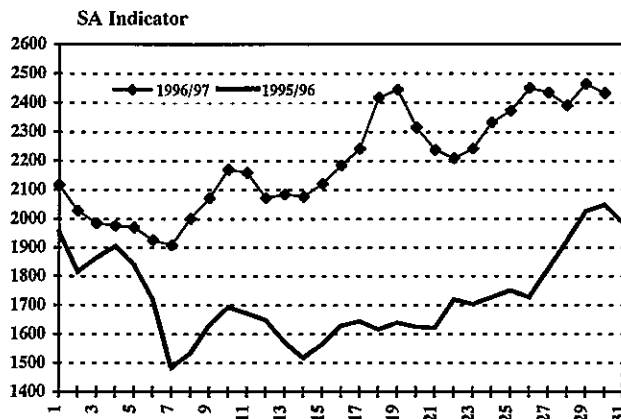
**Overall Merino Market Indicator**

This Week	Previous Auction	% Change from Prev. Auction	Highest This Season	Lowest This Season	Average Last Season
2 433	2 465	-1.3	2 465	1 908	1 729

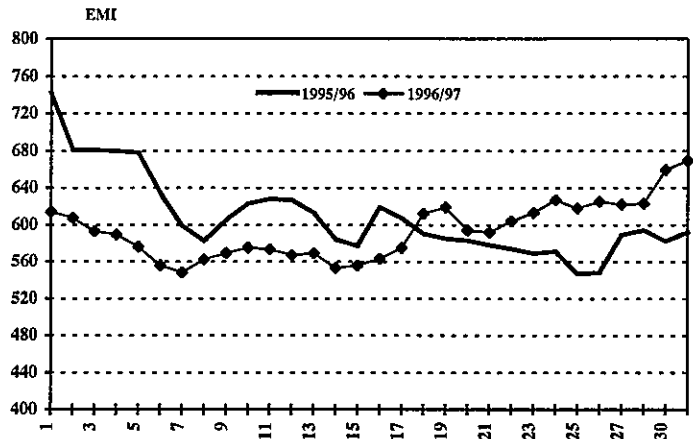
**Australian Market**

EMI This Week	EMI Last Auction
669	659

**South Africa**



**Australia**



Exchange Rates (R1=)	This Week	Last Auction	% Change
US\$	0.2246	0.2252	-0.3
A\$	0.2894	0.2893	0.0
Sterling	0.1375	0.1378	-0.2
DM	0.3871	0.3859	0.3
FF	1.3073	1.3019	0.4
ITL	383.38	384.87	-0.4
WTI	111.12	111.22	-0.1

Receipts (Kg) to 02/05/97	
Season to date	50 511 243.1
Previous Season to date	54 790 430.0
% Difference	-7.8
Next Sale:	21-May-97
Offerings:	± 9 500 bales