# WTIN Wool Market Report

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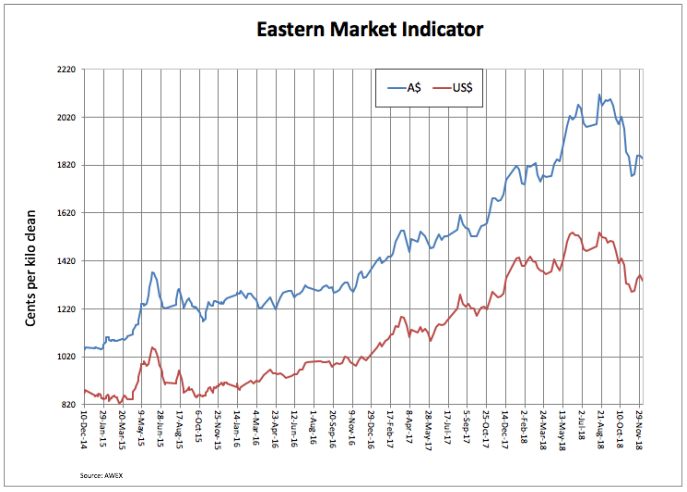
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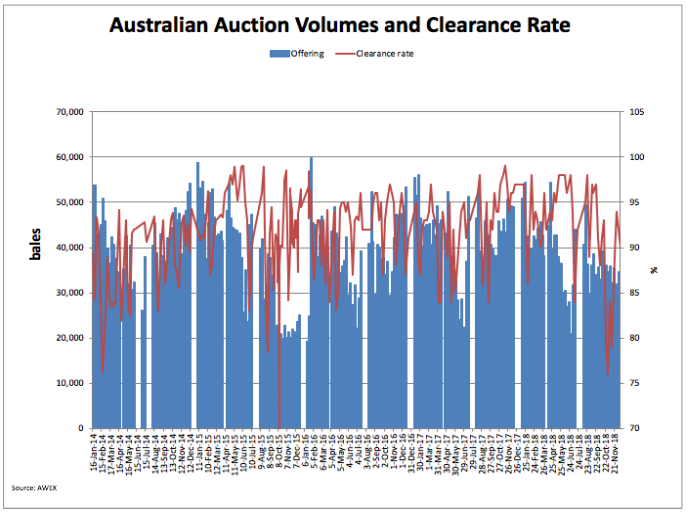
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# AUSTRALIA

## Market suffers as crossbred types see big corrections




At the penultimate sale of the 2018 calendar year, the Australian wool market experienced a small decline. In a complete contrast to the previous sale, this was mainly due to large losses experienced in the crossbred sector, while the Merino fleece types recorded overall gains.

The Australian Wool Exchange (AWEX) Eastern Market Indicator (EMI) fell by 11 cents (0.6%) for the week to close on 1,849 cents per kilo clean on Thursday 6 December. In US dollar terms, the EMI lost 25 cents (1.8%) to finish on 1,336 US cents.

The Australian dollar against the US dollar finished 0.88 cents (1.2% lower) to close at 72.26 US cents on Thursday.

This week's total national offering was 38,315 bales, compared with 34,513 bales last week. This means that the amount of wool offered so far this season is 162,043 bales less than at the same point in the previous season, a reduction of over 18%.

The overall clearance rate this week was 89.75%. Among the Merino types the clearance rate was 93.5%, while among the crossbreds it was 80.9%.

The New Zealand Merino Company offered 905 bales in Melbourne on Thursday, with a clearance rate of 83.8%.

Sales were held at all three selling centres on Wednesday 5 December and Thursday 6 December. On Wednesday, the EMI fell by 14 cents to 1,846 cents and in US dollar terms declined by 16 cents to 1,345 US cents. On Thursday the EMI rose by 3 cents to 1,849 cents and in US dollar terms decreased by a further 9 cents to 1,336 US cents.

Analysts observed that on Wednesday the market displayed a downward trend that was more apparent among the lesser Merino and crossbred types, before becoming positive among the Merinos on Thursday when prices were assisted by a 0.62 cent fall in the Aussie dollar against the US dollar.

The falls in the crossbred wools continued on Thursday, cancelling out the big gains made last week when these wools were in very strong demand.

AWEX reported that the Merino sector performed solidly across the two days, recording gains across most microns, with only a lack of interest in some inferior types and reduced buyer demand for wool with poor additional measurement results preventing the average AWEX Micron Price Guides (MPGs) posting larger increases than they did. Superfine wool enjoyed the largest gains, with 17 microns and finer generally 20 to 30 cents higher.

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Among the MPGs, 16.5 microns rose by 32 cents (1.3%); 17 microns was up by 22 cents (0.9%); 17.5 microns climbed by 8 cents (0.3%); 18 microns increased by 9 cents (0.4%); 18.5 microns lifted by 19 cents (0.8%); 19 microns increased by 24 cents (1.1%); 19.5 microns gained 15 cents (0.7%); 20 microns increased by 4 cents (0.2%); 21 microns decreased by 5 cents (0.2%); and 22 microns fell by 1 cent.

After recording large gains at the previous sale, the crossbred market had a quick reversal.
Wools of 30 microns and finer lost between 70 and 130 cents. The sharp reduction in price was met with firm seller resistance, and by the end of the week nearly 20% of crossbred wool was passed in.

Among the average AWEX MPGs for the crossbred types, 25 microns declined by 66 cents (4.4%); 26 microns fell by 122 cents (9.1%); 28 microns fell by 85 cents (9.1%); and 30 microns decreased by 50 cents (6.7%).

After three weeks of sustained price rises, the oddment market lost ground this week. Locks, stains and crutchings generally fell by 10 to 20 cents, pushing the average AWEX Merino Cardings Price Guide down by 15 cents to close at 1,173 cents.

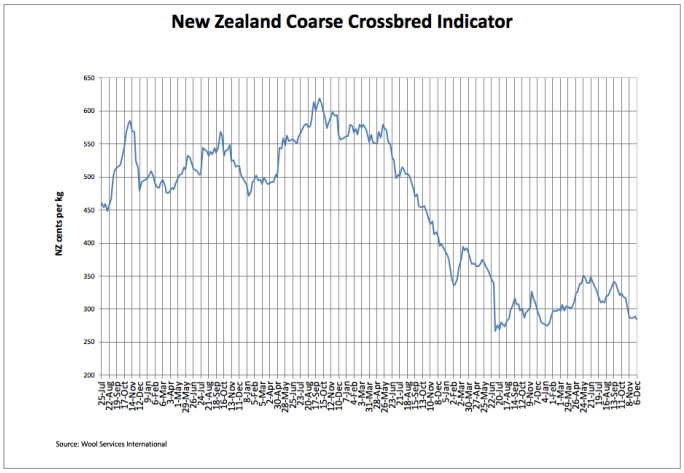
AWEX reported that the total value of the wool sold this week was AU$68.2m (AU$2,029 per bale), taking the season total to AU$1.466bn (AU$2,275 per bale). Buyers for China were dominant, with support from buyers for Europe and India.

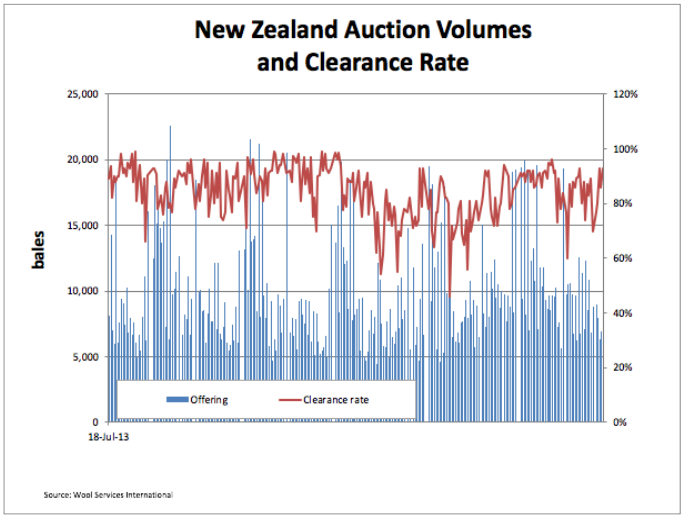
Looking ahead, next week's sale will be the last before the annual three-week Christmas recess. This is the final selling opportunity until January and quantities have increased.

Currently, there are 48,777 bales rostered for sale in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle, which would make it the largest sale since the first sale after the mid-year break, when 49,414 bales were offered. However, the offering is still forecast to be 4.2% lower than the corresponding week last year.

# NEW ZEALAND

## Coarse Crossbred Indicator falls by 1.7%




The New Zealand wool market declined this week with most types seeing price decreases.

At the North Island sale held on 6 December, the Coarse Crossbred Indicator fell by 5 cents (1.7%) to close at 284 cents, and in US dollar terms lost 3 cents (1.6%) to finish on 196 US cents.

The New Zealand dollar strengthened by 0.15% against the US dollar compared with last week, finishing at 68.90 US cents.

The total offering was 7,641 bales, with a clearance rate of 93%.

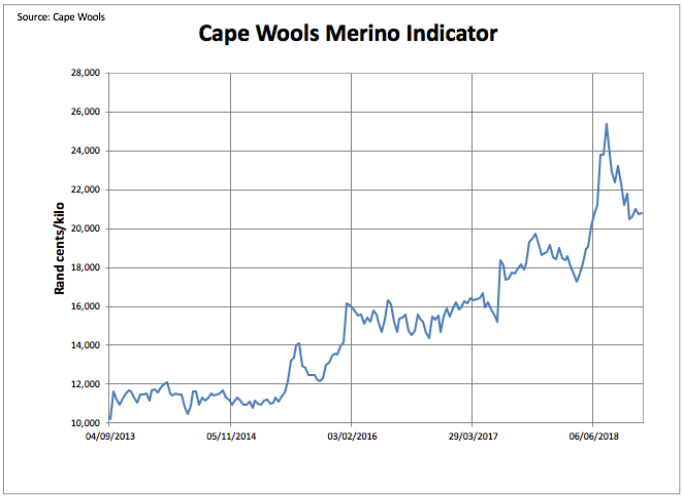
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Compared with the South Island sale on 29 November, prices moved as follows: Fine crossbred fleece of 33.5 microns and finer – nominally 2% cheaper. Fine crossbred early shorn of 34 microns and finer – buyers favour. Coarse crossbred fleece of 36-39 microns – good styles 1-3% cheaper, average styles 1-2% cheaper, poorer styles 1-2% cheaper. Among the coarse crossbred early shorn and second shear types of 36-39 microns, 3/5 inch were 1-2% cheaper, 3/4 inch 1-2% cheaper, 2/4 inch 1-2% cheaper, and 2/3 inch buyers favour. Crossbred oddments – good style – 1-3% dearer, poor style – 2-3% dearer.

**Source: Wool Services International**

# SOUTH AFRICA

## *Market eases slightly as fluctuations in rand continue*




The South African wool market ended the first half of the season unchanged at this week's auction, held on 4-5 December, with the Cape Wools Merino Indicator increasing by 14 points (0.1%) to close at a value of R207.85 (clean). The Cape Wools All Wool Indicator gained 0.1%.

The market eased again on the back of a stronger rand and a slightly easier market in Australia. There was good support for well grown, long fleeces whereas the short wools continued to suffer due to changing fashion trends in China. The fluctuation of the rand continues to make trading difficult for the buying houses as the continuing drought makes things difficult for producers. It is apparent that the market is looking for well grown, long wools as well as proven sustainable clips. These clips are achieving a regular premium every week.

This week saw the rand at R13.78 to the US dollar and R15.63 to the euro. The rand was 1.2% stronger against the US dollar and 0.7% stronger against the euro compared with the average rate at the previous sale. The offering comprised 12,261 bales of which 97.1% was sold. Major traders were G Modiano SA (4,182 bales), Standard Wool SA (3,063), Lempriere SA (1,813) and Tianyu SA (1,711).

The average clean prices for the selection within the different micron categories for good top-making (MF5), long fleeces were as follows: 18 microns decreased 1.4% to close at R235.00/kg; 18.5 microns moved 1.1% down to close at R234.79/kg; 19 microns lost 0.7% to close at R222.85/kg; 19.5 microns weakened by 0.5% to close at R222.84/kg; 20 microns was 0.5% weaker to close at R220.43/kg; 20.5 microns lost 0.7% to close at R218.88/kg; 21 microns lost 0.8% to close at R217.41/kg; 21.5 microns tumbled by 0.2% to close at R207.86/kg; 22 microns fell 1.1% to close at 204.92/kg; and 22.5 microns declined by 0.9% to close at R204.61/kg.

**Source: Cape Wools**

# ***Mohair***

## *Stronger rand and lower quality pushes market down*

The final sale of the 2018 mohair season took place on 4 December with 80,463 kg on offer.

The average market indicator softened by 3.9% from the previous sale, to close on R278.97 p/kg, with 97.8% of the offering sold.

The SA currency traded 3.3% stronger against the US dollar, which exercised negative pressure on the mixed offering available at the sale. Although there were some

good individual clips on offer, the quality was not as good as the previous sale.

A highest price of R510.00 p/kg was paid for a bale of good style 24 micron kid mohair. The average market indicator for the winter season came in at R289.88 p/kg, 36% higher than the 2017 winter season. The 2018 year average was also 38% higher than 2017.

The effect of the drought can also still be seen in the decrease in auction volumes this year.

Compared to the previous sale, prices were as follows: Kids (winter) down 1.8%. Young Goats (winter) down 3.2%. Fine Adults down 5%. Strong Adults down 3.7%. Average down 3.9%.

**Source: Mohair South Africa**

## UNITED STATES

US wool trading on a clean basis was at a standstill with no confirmed sales this week.

Greasy wool sales were also at a standstill with no confirmed sales this week.

**Source: USDA-AMS, Greeley, CO.**

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# AUSTRALIA

## AWEX REGIONAL INDICATORS

| Australian cents/kg, clean, Schlumberger dry. | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Region | | Nov 28 | Nov 29 | Dec 5 | Dec 6 |
| Northern | Sydney | 1,903 | 1,905 | 1,892 | 1,897 |
| Southern | Melbourne | 1,833 | 1,831 | 1,817 | 1,818 |
| Western | Fremantle | 1,998 | 2,009 | 1,995 | 2,009 |
| Eastern Market Indicator (EMI) | | 1,860 | 1,860 | 1,846 | 1,849 |

| | Season 2017/18 | | | Season 2018/19 | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Opening | High | Low | Opening | High | Low | Year ago |
| Northern | 1,593 | 2,163 | 1,588 | 2,026 | 2,163 | 1,804 | 1,782 |
| Southern | 1,480 | 2,063 | 1,471 | 1,975 | 2,087 | 1,745 | 1,646 |
| Western | 1,561 | 2,270 | 1,561 | 2,154 | 2,270 | 1,926 | 1,762 |
| Eastern | 1,524 | 2,101 | 1,519 | 1,994 | 2,116 | 1,768 | 1,699 |

## AWEX REGIONAL MICRON PRICE GUIDES

Australian cents/kg, clean, Schlumberger dry.

| Northern Region - (Sydney) | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Micron | Nov 28 | Nov 29 | Dec 5 | Dec 6 |
| 16.5 | 2,535 | 2,535 | 2,532 | 2,565 |
| 17 | 2,477 | 2,487 | 2,487 | 2,513 |
| 17.5 | 2,413 | 2,432 | 2,427 | 2,450 |
| 18 | 2,358 | 2,372 | 2,363 | 2,379 |
| 18.5 | 2,277 | 2,288 | 2,280 | 2,305 |
| 19 | 2,191 | 2,188 | 2,189 | 2,218 |
| 19.5 | 2,168 | 2,163 | 2,164 | 2,180 |
| 20 | 2,151 | 2,141 | 2,143 | 2,147 |
| 21 | 2,138n | 2,129 | 2,129 | 2,129 |
| 22 | - | - | - | - |
| 23 | - | - | - | - |
| 24 | - | - | - | - |
| 25 | 1,500 | - | - | 1,433n |
| 26 | 1,320 | 1,335n | 1,265n | 1,205 |
| 28 | 895 | - | 870n | 855 |
| 30 | 743n | - | 713n | 703n |
| 32 | - | - | - | - |
| MC | 1,186 | 1,199 | 1,180 | 1,183 |

| Southern Region - (Melbourne) | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Micron | Nov 28 | Nov 29 | Dec 5 | Dec 6 |
| 16.5 | 2,473n | 2,473 | 2,511 | 2,506n |
| 17 | 2,421 | 2,426 | 2,423 | 2,445 |
| 17.5 | 2,376 | 2,389 | 2,386 | 2,388 |
| 18 | 2,304 | 2,315 | 2,306 | 2,326 |
| 18.5 | 2,238 | 2,253 | 2,244 | 2,247 |
| 19 | 2,194 | 2,195 | 2,198 | 2,202 |
| 19.5 | 2,171 | 2,164 | 2,163 | 2,173 |
| 20 | 2,164 | 2,152 | 2,139 | 2,156 |
| 21 | 2,153 | 2,138 | 2,129 | 2,133 |
| 22 | 2,159n | 2,141n | 2,136n | 2,140n |
| 23 | - | - | - | - |
| 24 | 1,910n | - | - | - |
| 25 | 1,503n | 1,503n | 1,434 | - |
| 26 | 1,361 | 1,359 | 1,250 | 1,244n |
| 28 | 931 | 946 | 895 | 850 |
| 30 | 750 | 753 | 715 | 683 |
| 32 | 498n | - | 478n | 450n |
| MC | 1,184n | 1,181 | 1,168 | 1,174n |

| Western Region - (Fremantle) | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Micron | Nov 28 | Nov 29 | Dec 5 | Dec 6 |
| 16.5 | - | - | - | - |
| 17 | - | - | - | - |
| 17.5 | - | - | - | - |
| 18 | 2191n | 2,215n | 2,227n | 2,273n |
| 18.5 | 2162n | 2,177n | 2186n | 2,223n |
| 19 | 2143 | 2,166 | 2156 | 2,200 |
| 19.5 | 2123 | 2,134 | 2120 | 2,155 |
| 20 | 2118 | 2,128 | 2109 | 2,130 |
| 21 | 2099 | 2,113n | 2084 | 2,103n |
| 22 | - | - | 2,079n | - |
| 23 | - | - | - | - |
| 24 | - | - | - | - |
| 25 | - | - | - | - |
| 26 | - | - | - | - |
| 28 | - | - | - | - |
| 30 | - | - | - | - |
| 32 | - | - | - | - |
| MC | 1174n | 1,183n | 1188n | 1,163n |

SOURCE: AUSTRALIAN WOOL EXCHANGE (AWEX)

# NEW ZEALAND

## NEW ZEALAND WOOL SERVICES INDICATORS

| NZ cents per kg, clean | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Merino | Mid Micron | Fine Xbred | Coarse Xbred | Lamb |
| Week 14 04/10/18 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 321 | N/A |
| Week 15 11/10/18 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 324 | N/A |
| Week 16 18/10/18 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 319 | N/A |
| Week 17 25/10/18 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 316 | N/A |
| Week 19 08/11/18 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 287 | N/A |
| Week 20 15/11/18 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 287 | N/A |
| Week 21 22/11/18 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 287 | N/A |
| Week 22 29/11/18 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 289 | N/A |
| Week 23 06/12/18 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 284 | N/A |

SOURCE: NEW ZEALAND WOOL SERVICES INTERNATIONAL

## SCHNEIDER FINE WOOL INDEXES

Each Index represents a market quotation, based on Australian dollars,for a selected range of types. The Indexes are not price expressions.

| Micron | 22-Nov | 29-Nov | 06-Dec |
|---|---|---|---|
| 15 | 2,634 | 2,721 | 2,647 |
| 16 | 2,508 | 2,529 | 2,509 |
| 17 | 2,362 | 2,356 | 2,350 |
| 18 | 2,225 | 2,241 | 2,212 |
| 19 | 2,086 | 2,119 | 2,111 |

SOURCE: SCHNEIDER GROUP

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# SOUTH AFRICA

## CAPE WOOLS OVERALL MERINO INDICATOR

| SA cents/kg. clean | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| December 4 - 5 | November 27 - 28 | % change | 2018/19 Season | | 2018/19 Average to date | 2017/18 Average to date |
| | | | high | low | | |
| 20,785 | 20,771 | 0.1% | 25,382 | 17,264 | 22,321 | 18,382 |

## CAPE WOOLS FLEECE WOOL PRICES

| Spinners and good topmaking styles, AWEX types MF4 and MF5. Fibre Length measurements in millimetres. | | | | | | | December 4 - 5 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Micron | 100+ | 90 | 80 | 70 | 60 | 50 | 40 | 30 | 20 |
| 18.0 | - | - | 23767 | 23468 | 22236 | 20900 | 19082 | - | - |
| 18.5 | - | - | 23535 | 22861 | 22471 | 19784 | 18460 | - | - |
| 19.0 | - | - | 22822 | 22317 | 21438 | 19891 | 18084 | - | - |
| 19.5 | - | - | 22349 | 21724 | 21023 | 19919 | 17994 | 14877 | - |
| 20.0 | - | - | 21553 | 21350 | 20694 | 19332 | 16691 | - | - |
| 20.5 | - | - | 21328 | 21077 | 20504 | 19241 | 16749 | - | - |
| 21.0 | - | - | 21178 | 20884 | 20181 | 19100 | 16746 | - | - |
| 21.5 | - | - | 21104 | 20880 | 20505 | 18435 | 15275 | - | - |
| 22.0 | - | - | 20798 | 20713 | 20486 | 19359 | 14340 | - | - |
| 22.5 | - | - | 20675 | 20847 | 20027 | 19680 | - | - | - |
| 23.0 | - | - | - | 20295 | 20224 | - | - | - | - |
| 23.5 | - | - | - | 17930 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 24.0 | - | - | - | 19256 | - | - | - | - | - |
| SOURCE: CAPE WOOLS. | | | | | | | | | |

# CHINA

## NANJING WOOL MARKET

| Average greasy wool prices, ex-warehouse in yuan per tonne | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Product | China Type | Micron | August 13 | August 6 | Change % |
| Australian | T54PPPFNF (100S) | 16.5 | 83,200 | 81,700 | 1.84 |
| | T54PPFNF (90S) | 17.5 | 81,800 | 77,800 | 5.14 |
| | T54PFNF (80S) | 18.5 | 80,000 | 76,000 | 5.26 |
| | T54FNF (70S) | 19.5 | 79,000 | 75,000 | 5.33 |
| | T55FNF | 21 | 77,000 | 73,000 | 5.48 |
| | T56FNF | 22.6 | 75,000 | 71,000 | 5.63 |
| | T58FNF | 24.1 | 71,500 | 68,000 | 5.15 |
| | T423FNF | 26.8 | 58,500 | 57,500 | 1.74 |
| | T424FNF | 28.8 | 51,500 | 51,000 | 0.98 |
| | T425FNF | 32.2 | 42,000 | 42,000 | 0.00 |
| Combed Australian | 110S | 15.5 | 136,500 | 136,500 | 0.00 |
| | 100S | 16.5 | 108,500 | 108,500 | 0.00 |
| | 90S | 17.5 | 98,200 | 96,700 | 1.55 |
| | 80S | 18.5 | 94,000 | 91,500 | 2.73 |
| | 70S | 19.5 | 91,500 | 89,000 | 2.81 |
| | 66S | 21 | 89,500 | 86,000 | 4.07 |
| | 64S | 22.6 | 87,000 | 84,000 | 3.57 |
| | 60S | 24.1 | 81,000 | 79,000 | 2.53 |
| | 58S | 26.8 | 70,000 | 69,000 | 1.45 |
| | 56S | 28.8 | 60,000 | 59,000 | 1.69 |
| Carbonized Australian | 66S | 21 | 72,000 | 72,000 | 0.00 |
| | 64S | 22.6 | 68,000 | 68,000 | 0.00 |
| New Zealand | T100 3-5" | 32.2 | 40,800 | 40,800 | 0.00 |
| | T107 3-5" | 33.7 | 38,600 | 38,600 | 0.00 |
| | T128 3-5" | 34/36 | 35,300 | 35,300 | 0.00 |
| Combed New Zealand | 56S | 28.8 | 58,000 | 58,000 | 0.00 |
| | 50S | 32.2 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 0.00 |
| | 48/50S | 33.7 | 45,500 | 45,500 | 0.00 |
| Uruguary | 60S | 24 | 70,000 | 70,000 | 0.00 |
| | 58S | 26.8 | 57,600 | 57,600 | 0.00 |
| | 56S | 28.8 | 52,300 | 52,300 | 0.00 |
| Domestic | 70S | 19.5 | 80,400 | 80,400 | 0.00 |
| | 66S | 21 | 75,800 | 75,800 | 0.00 |
| | 64S | 22.6 | 67,100 | 67,100 | 0.00 |
| | 60S | 24 | 62,100 | 62,100 | 0.00 |
| SOURCE: NANJING WOOL MARKET | | | | | |

## SOUTH AFRICAN MOHAIR

| MOHAIR AUCTION RESULT | | | Dec 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Bales sold | Nett Mass | Av. price (rand/kg) |
| Kids | | | |
| Long (A/B) Summer | | | |
| Long (A/B) Winter | 48 | 5,340.1 | 427.60 |
| Medium (C) Summer | | | |
| Medium (C) Winter | 38 | 3,839.9 | 420.72 |
| Short (D) Summer | | | |
| Short (D) Winter | 18 | 1,571.3 | 424.05 |
| Washing (E) Summer | | | |
| Washing (E) Winter | 10 | 928.4 | 219.37 |
| Seady/Stain and Locks | 30 | 2,659.0 | 216.27 |
| **Summer total** | | | |
| **Winter Total** | **114** | **11,679.7** | |
| Young Goats | | | |
| Long (A/B) Summer | | | |
| Long (A/B) Winter | 32 | 3,797.0 | 330.37 |
| Medium (C) Summer | | | |
| Medium (C) Winter | 52 | 5,597.8 | 327.28 |
| Short (D) Summer | | | |
| Short (D) Winter | 7 | 632.8 | 303.99 |
| Washing (E) Summer | | | |
| Washing (E) Winter | | | |
| Seady/Stain and Locks | 20 | 1,974.8 | 196.19 |
| **Summer total** | | | |
| **Winter Total** | **91** | **10,027.6** | **326.98** |
| Adults | | | |
| Long (A/B) Fine | 63 | 7,528.1 | 289.57 |
| Long (A/B) Strong | 58 | 7,858.0 | 277.69 |
| Medium (C) Fine | 94 | 11,114.2 | 288.39 |
| Medium (C) Strong | 82 | 10,742.6 | 275.89 |
| Short (D) Fine | 15 | 1,598.2 | 273.98 |
| Short (D) Strong | 9 | 1,140.6 | 264.02 |
| Washing (E) Fine | 1 | 119.0 | 265.00 |
| Washing (E) Strong | | | |
| Seady/Stain and Locks | 117 | 12,231.2 | 168.50 |
| **Fine total** | **173** | **20,359.5** | **287.56** |
| **Strong Total** | **149** | **19,741.2** | **275.92** |
| SOURCE: MOHAIR SOUTH AFRICA | | | |

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# UNITED KINGDOM

## BRITISH QUOTATIONS FOR TOPS

| GB PENCE/KG | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Old Quality | Mic/Lgt | 6-Dec | 29-Nov | 22-Nov | 3 months ago | Year ago |
| **Merino/fine crossbred** | | | | | | |
| 120's | 17.5 | 1780 | 1845 | 1820 | 2,020 | 1,765 |
| 110's | 18.0 | 1660 | 1750 | 1720 | 1,880 | 1,670 |
| 80's | 19 | 1560 | 1490 | 1475 | 1,675 | 1,460 |
| 70's super | 21/70 | 1445 | 1470 | 1460 | 1,510 | 1,160 |
| 70's blended | 21/65 | 1435 | 1460 | 1450 | 1,500 | 1,140 |
| 66's | 22 | 1430 | 1445 | 1420 | 1,500 | 1,120 |
| 64's super | 23/68 | 1420 | 1430 | 1410 | 1,490 | 1,060 |
| 64's blended | 23/64 | 1220 | 1300 | 1280 | 1,365 | 970 |
| 60's super | 25 | 1000 | 1050 | 1000 | 1,155 | 860 |
| 60's blended | 25.5 | 900 | 920 | 890 | 1,005 | 780 |
| 58's super | 27.5 | 700 | 760 | 740 | 805 | 680 |
| 58's blended | 28 | 525 | 565 | 545 | 595 | 560 |
| **Crossbred** | | | | | | |
| 56's (Australian) | 29.5 | 500 | 530 | 500 | 510 | 500 |
| 56's super | 29.5 | 460 | 490 | 460 | 480 | 470 |
| 54's | 31 | 450 | 480 | 450 | 450 | 435 |
| 50's | 34 | 440 | 460 | 430 | 430 | 425 |
| £/US$ rate | | 1.27 | 1.28 | 1.29 | 1.30 | 1.34 |
| **British crossbred** | | | | | | |
| 31.5 English | | 310 | 295 | 295 | 315 | 315 |
| 33/34 English | | 285 | 270 | 270 | 280 | 290 |

## BRADFORD AUCTION PRICES IN GB PENCE/KG

| N.Q. = NO QUOTE | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| GRADE DESCRIPTION | Nov 20 | Nov 6 | Oct 18 | Oct 2 |
| FINE EWES No1 | NQ | NQ | NQ | 126 |
| FINE EWES No2 | 98 | 101 | 102 | 110 |
| ROMNEY EWES No1 | NQ | NQ | NQ | 129 |
| ROMNEY EWES No2 | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ |
| MEDIUM HOGS No1 | NQ | NQ | NQ | 195 |
| MEDIUM HOGS No2 | 104 | 105 | 111 | 117 |
| MEDIUM EWES No1 | NQ | NQ | 138 | 135 |
| MEDIUM EWES No2 | 106 | 109 | NQ | 120 |
| MULE EWES NO. 1 | NQ | 117 | NQ | 127 |
| MULE EWES NO. 2 | 105 | 106 | 110 | 115 |
| CHEVIOT EWES No1 | 135 | NQ | 137 | 147 |
| CHEVIOT EWES No2 | 128 | 131 | 130 | 141 |
| FINE RADNOR EWES No1 | NQ | 120 | NQ | NQ |
| FINE RADNOR EWES No2 | NQ | NQ | NQ | 119 |
| WELSH No1 | 79 | 82 | 85 | 88 |
| WELSH No2 | 59 | 59 | 58 | 61 |
| **SWALEDALE No1** | NQ | NQ | NQ | 74 |
| SWALEDALE GREY | 55 | 54 | 56 | 58 |
| BLACKFACE MEDIUM No1 | 104 | 105 | 103 | NQ |
| BLACKFACE COTTS | 96 | 97 | 100 | 100 |
| **BRITISH FLEECE INDICATOR P/KG** | | | | |
| British Wool Price Index | 1.46 | 1.53 | 1.61 | 1.61 |
| Greasy | 90 | 91 | 105 | 105 |
| Clean | 139 | 141 | 160 | 160 |
| SOURCE: BRITISH WOOL MARKETING BOARD | | | | |

## SPECIALITY FIBRES

| SPECIALITY FIBRES - QUOTATIONS FOR ALL THE FOLLOWING FIBRES AND TOPS ARE AVERAGE PRICES IN US$ PER KG, FOB | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 10-Dec | 29-Nov | 22-Nov | 15-Nov |
| **Chinese cashmere (dehaired)** | | | | |
| **White** | | | | |
| Hosiery 38mm | 137.00 | 138.00 | 138.00 | 139.00 |
| Weaving 32mm | 125.00 | 126.00 | 126.00 | 127.00 |
| **Brown** | | | | |
| Hosiery 38mm | 131.00 | 132.00 | 132.00 | 133.00 |
| Weaving 32mm | 122.00 | 123.00 | 123.00 | 124.00 |
| **Mongolian cashmere (dehaired)** | | | | |
| Brown | 108.00 | 109.00 | 109.00 | 110.00 |
| Light Grey | 109.00 | 110.00 | 110.00 | 111.00 |
| **Afghan/Iranian cashmere (dehaired)** | | | | |
| White | 107.00 | 108.00 | 108.00 | 109.00 |
| Fawn | 106.00 | 107.00 | 107.00 | 108.00 |
| Dark Brown | 106.00 | 107.00 | 107.00 | 108.00 |
| **Cape mohair tops** | | | | |
| Adult 37 microns | 32.00 | 32.00 | 32.00 | 32.00 |
| Young goat 33 microns | 35.00 | 35.00 | 35.00 | 35.00 |
| Super young goat 31 microns | 41.00 | 41.00 | 41.00 | 41.00 |
| Kid 28 microns | 51.00 | 51.00 | 51.00 | 50.00 |
| Kid 25 microns | 55.00 | 55.00 | 55.00 | 54.00 |
| **Alpaca tops** | | | | |
| White Baby (BL) | 36.50 | 36.50 | 36.50 | 36.50 |
| Fine spinning (FS) | 33.00 | 33.00 | 33.00 | 33.00 |
| Adult (AG) | 20.00 | 20.00 | 20.00 | 20.00 |
| **Angora** | | | | |
| Super quality | 35.00 | 35.00 | 35.00 | 35.00 |
| 1st quality | 31.00 | 31.00 | 31.00 | 31.00 |
| 2nd quality | 29.00 | 29.00 | 29.00 | 29.00 |
| 3rd quality | 27.50 | 27.50 | 27.50 | 27.50 |
| 4th quality | 25.50 | 25.50 | 25.50 | 25.50 |
| Off | 24.50 | 24.50 | 24.50 | 24.50 |
| **Camel-hair (dehaired)** | | | | |
| Super baby | 53.00 | 54.00 | 54.00 | 54.00 |
| Medium baby | 49.00 | 50.00 | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| Adult | 39.00 | 40.00 | 40.00 | 40.00 |
| **Yak-hair (dehaired)** | | | | |
| Super | 65.00 | 65.00 | 65.00 | 65.00 |
| Medium | 45.00 | 45.00 | 45.00 | 45.00 |
| **Silk** | | | | |
| Mulberry sliver | 46.50 | 47.50 | 47.50 | 47.50 |
| Mulberry noil | 19.00 | 19.50 | 19.50 | 19.50 |
| Tussah sliver | 37.00 | 37.50 | 37.50 | 37.50 |
| Tussah noil | 16.50 | 17.00 | 17.00 | 17.00 |
| SOURCE: SEAL INTERNATIONAL | | | | |

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## AMERICAS

URUGUAY - UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, PRICES ARE IN US$/KG, GREASY AT FARMGATE FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 21 - 28

| Breed | Fineness Micron | Unconditioned Lots | Conditioned Lots | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | US$ 0.02 Blue Lable | US$ 0.07 Green Label |
| Superfine Merino | Finer or equal to 17.9 | - | - | - |
| Superfine Merino | 18.0 - 18.9 | - | - | - |
| | 19.0 - 19.9 | - | - | - |
| Australian Merino/ Dohne | 20.0 - 20.9 | - | - | - |
| | 21.0 - 21.9 | - | - | - |
| Merino/Ideal/ Crosses/Dohne | 22.0 - 22.9 | - | 8.00 | 9.25 |
| Merino Crosses/ Ideal/Merilin | 23.0 - 23.9 | - | - | - |
| | 24.0 - 24.9 | - | - | - |
| Fine Crosses | 25.0 - 25.9 | - | - | - |
| | 26.0 - 26.9 | - | - | - |
| Fine Corriedale | 27.0 - 27.9 | - | 3.40 | 3.60 |
| Medium Corriedale | 28.0 - 28.9 | 2.88 | 3.00 | 3.30 |
| Coarse Corriedale | 29.0 - 29.9 | 2.80 | - | 3.20 |
| | 30.0 - 31.5 | - | - | - |
| Very Coarse Corriedale/ Romney Marsh | 31.6 - 34.0 | - | - | - |
| Romney Marsh | Coarser than 34.1 | - | - | - |
| Fine Bellies and sub-products | | - | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| General Bellies and sub-products | | 0.60 | 0.60 | 0.65 |
| Fine Lambs | | - | - | - |
| General Lambs | | - | - | - |

SOURCE: URUGUAYAN WOOL SECRETARIAT (SUL)

ARGENTINA - UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, PRICES ARE IN US$/KG, GREASY AT FARMGATE FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 21 – 28

| Fineness | Combing Yield | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Micron | 40% | 45% | 50% | 55% | 60% |
| 16.0 | 7.23 | 8.25 | 9.34 | 10.29 | 11.25 |
| 16.5 | 6.84 | 7.81 | 8.85 | 9.75 | 10.66 |
| 17.0 | 6.46 | 7.38 | 8.35 | 9.21 | 10.07 |
| 17.5 | 6.05 | 6.91 | 7.82 | 8.63 | 9.43 |
| 18.0 | 5.70 | 6.51 | 7.38 | 8.14 | 8.90 |
| 18.5 | 5.41 | 6.18 | 7.00 | 7.72 | 8.45 |
| 19.0 | 5.40 | 6.17 | 6.92 | 7.64 | 8.35 |
| 19.5 | 5.37 | 6.14 | 6.88 | 7.60 | 8.31 |
| 20.0 | 5.35 | 6.12 | 6.90 | 7.57 | 8.23 |
| 20.5 | 5.35 | 6.11 | 6.89 | 7.56 | 8.22 |
| 21.0 | 5.39 | 6.16 | 6.94 | 7.62 | 8.29 |
| 21.5 | 5.38 | 6.15 | 6.93 | 7.61 | 8.27 |
| 22.0 | 5.42 | 6.20 | 6.95 | 7.63 | 8.30 |
| 22.5 | 5.11 | 5.84 | 6.55 | 7.19 | 7.83 |
| 23.0 | 4.79 | 5.48 | 6.15 | 6.79 | 7.39 |
| 23.5 | 4.77 | 5.45 | 6.12 | 6.78 | 7.42 |
| 24.0 | 4.69 | 5.36 | 6.02 | 6.68 | 7.30 |
| 24.5 | 4.31 | 4.93 | 5.54 | 6.15 | 6.73 |

SOURCE: PROLANA

## EXCHANGE RATES

| | € | £ | US $ | A $ | £ 3 Mths ago | £ Year ago |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| US $ | 1.14 | 1.27 | | 0.72 | 1.29 | 1.34 |
| £ | 0.89 | | 0.79 | 0.57 | | |
| € | | 1.12 | 0.88 | 0.63 | 1.11 | 1.13 |
| A $ | 1.58 | 1.77 | 1.39 | | 1.80 | 1.78 |
| NZ $ | 1.66 | 1.85 | 1.46 | 1.05 | 1.96 | 1.96 |
| SA Rand | 16.17 | 18.07 | 14.20 | 10.22 | 19.79 | 18.17 |
| ¥ | 128.36 | 143.45 | 112.70 | 81.15 | 143.40 | 150.71 |
| Index | 94.4 | 93.38 | 118.19 | 88.95 | 92.98 | 78.43 |

## NEXT SALES

| | |
|---|---|
| **11 December** | **Bradford** |
| **12, 13 December** | **Sydney (13,072 bales)** |
| **12, 13 December** | **Melbourne (27,146 bales)** |
| **12, 13 December** | **Fremantle (8,559 bales)** |
| **13 December** | **Napier (5,000 bales)** |
| **9 January** | **Port Elizabeth (wool)** |
| **12 February** | **Port Elizabeth (mohair)** |

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