



British Wool – Sale Report

BW125 – 06th July 2021



Key Points

The first sale of the new season saw a 68% clearance with prices generally holding firm. Given that the major UK processors will be having their annual shut down in the next few weeks the offer had been reduced to 965 tonnes. This comprised 559 tonnes of new season wool and 406 tonnes of old season wool (predominantly mountain types). The average greasy sale price for new season wool was 72.9p per kg and the average price of the old season wool was 50.4p per kg. The older mountain types sold well but demand for finer combing types was relatively soft. The high proportion of mountain wool sold weighed on the average price but the more representative British Wool index slipped back by just 1% to 0.996.

- Total weight offered 0.965m kg Total weight sold 0.657m kg
- Clearance 68.0%
- Average clean price £0.898 / kg Average greasy price £0.612 / kg
- British Wool Index 0.996 per kg vs. 1.007 per kg in BW124

The clearances by wool type were as follows;

- Fine wool 44%,
- Medium wool 67%,
- Mule wool 60%,
- Hill wool 37%,
- Mountain wool 96%,
- Lamb 85%.

Price movements for key wool types

Prices where comparable to BW124;

Fine: Ewes No1 & No2 – buyers favour.

Romney: Ewes No1 & No2 – firm.

Medium: Hogs No1 – firm. Hogs No2 – sellers favour to 2.5% dearer. Ewes No2 – buyers favour.

Mules: Ewes No1 – sellers favour to 2% dearer. Ewes No2 – firm to 2% dearer. Cott grades – buyers favour to 2% cheaper.

Cheviots: Ewes No2 – firm.

Swaledale: No1 – firm. Grey – firm.

Blackface: Medium No1 – 2.5% cheaper. No2 – firm. Cotts – firm.

Welsh: No1 – 1% dearer. No2 – 2.5% dearer. Coloured kempy – 1.5% dearer.