

# International reference price for cotton: Weekly average Dec'26 NY Futures

| Week of<br>12/01/2026 -<br>16/01/2026 | Dec '26 NY Futures<br>(SLM 1 1/16")<br>US c/lb | Basis Lint price<br>SLM 1 1/16")<br>R/kg |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Week average                          | 69,21                                          | 25,00                                    |
| Exchange rate for:<br>16 January '26. | 16,3829                                        |                                          |

It is important to note that this is only an average reference price for this week.

The final price for your cotton will be determined by the applicable marketing model, the actual quality of your lint and after the deduction of the relevant costs e.g., transport, ginning, grading, levies, export, storage, interest, etc.

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## COTTON SA PRICE MATRIX CALCULATION

PRICE DIFFERENTIALS - Percentage above/below base price for SLM A2 (SLM 1 1/16")

MINIMUM STRENGTH VALUE 26 G/TEX

| CLASS                                           | AX        | AO+       | AO        | A1        | A2        | B         |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| AVG HVI STAPLE                                  | 1,19      | 1,16      | 1,12      | 1,09      | 1,06      | 1,03      |
| STAPLE (INCHES)                                 | 1 3/16    | 1 5/32    | 1 1/8     | 1 3/32    | 1 1/16    | 1 1/32    |
| MICRONAIRE                                      | 3.5 - 4.9 | 3.5 - 4.9 | 3.5 - 4.9 | 3.5 - 4.9 | 3.5 - 4.9 | 3.5 - 4.9 |
| GRADE                                           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| GM                                              | 29,00     | 28,63     | 28,38     | 27,88     | 26,88     | -         |
| SM                                              | 28,38     | 27,88     | 27,63     | 27,25     | 26,25     | -         |
| MIDD                                            | 27,75     | 27,25     | 27,00     | 26,63     | 25,63     | -         |
| SLM                                             | 27,13     | 26,63     | 26,38     | 26,00     | 25,00     | -         |
| LM                                              | 26,50     | 26,00     | 25,75     | 25,25     | 24,25     | -         |
| Derived seed cotton price<br>based on a 38% GOT | R10,31    | R10,12    | R10,02    | R9,88     | R9,50     |           |

MINIMUM STRENGTH VALUE 24.5 G/TEX

| CLASS                                           | AOM         | A1M         | A1L         | A2L         |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| AVG HVI STAPLE                                  | 1,12        | 1,09        | 1,09        | 1,06        |
| STAPLE (INCHES)                                 | 1 1/8       | 1 3/32      | 1 3/32      | 1 1/16      |
| MICRONAIRE                                      | 3.30 - 3.49 | 3.30 - 3.49 | 3.00 - 3.29 | 3.00 - 3.49 |
| GRADE                                           |             |             |             |             |
| GM                                              | 27,75       | 27,38       | 26,63       | 26,38       |
| SM                                              | 27,13       | 26,75       | 26,00       | 25,75       |
| MIDD                                            | 26,50       | 26,13       | 25,38       | 25,13       |
| SLM                                             | 25,88       | 25,50       | 24,75       | 24,50       |
| LM                                              | 25,25       | 24,75       | 24,00       | 23,75       |
| Derived seed cotton price<br>based on a 38% GOT | R9,83       | R9,69       | R9,41       | R9,31       |

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Any cotton below a micronaire value of 3.00 or higher than 5 will be discounted according to International Cotton Association Rules and Regulations.

(See Rules 233 - 236 for further information) Unless the buyer and seller agree otherwise

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| CLASS                                          | AX        | AO+       | AO        | A1        | A2        | B         |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| AVG HVI STAPLE                                 | 1,19      | 1,16      | 1,12      | 1,09      | 1,06      | 1,03      |
| STAPLE                                         | 1 3/16"   | 1 5/32"   | 1 1/8"    | 1 3/32"   | 1 1/16"   | 1 1/32"   |
| MICRONAIRE                                     | 3.5 - 4.9 | 3.5 - 4.9 | 3.5 - 4.9 | 3.5 - 4.9 | 3.5 - 4.9 | 3.5 - 4.9 |
| GRADE                                          |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| GM                                             | 16,00%    | 14,50%    | 13,50%    | 11,50%    | 7,50%     | -         |
| SM                                             | 13,50%    | 11,50%    | 10,50%    | 9,00%     | 5,00%     | -         |
| MIDD                                           | 11,00%    | 9,00%     | 8,00%     | 6,50%     | 2,50%     | -         |
| SLM                                            | 8,50%     | 6,50%     | 5,50%     | 4,00%     | BASIS     | -         |
| LM                                             | 6,00%     | 4,00%     | 3,00%     | 1,00%     | -3,00%    | -         |
| Derived seed cotton prys<br>based on a 38% GOT | 38%       | 38%       | 38%       | 38%       | 38%       |           |

| CLASS                                          | AOM         | A1M         | A1L         | A2L         |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| AVG HVI STAPLE                                 | 1,12        | 1,09        | 1,09        | 1,06        |
| STAPLE                                         | 1 1/8'      | 1 3/32"     | 1 3/32"     | 1 1/16"     |
| MICRONAIRE                                     | 3.30 - 3.49 | 3.30 - 3.49 | 3.00 - 3.29 | 3.00 - 3.49 |
| GRADE                                          |             |             |             |             |
| GM                                             | 11,00%      | 9,50%       | 6,50%       | 5,50%       |
| SM                                             | 8,50%       | 7,00%       | 4,00%       | 3,00%       |
| MIDD                                           | 6,00%       | 4,50%       | 1,50%       | 0,50%       |
| SLM                                            | 3,50%       | 2,00%       | -1,00%      | -2,00%      |
| LM                                             | 1,00%       | -1,00%      | -4,00%      | -5,00%      |
| Derived seed cotton prys<br>based on a 38% GOT | 38%         | 38%         | 38%         | 38%         |

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