

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

<b>Week of</b> 11/05/2026 - 15/05/2026	<b>Dec '26 NY Futures</b> (SLM 1 1/16") US c/lb	<b>Basis Lint price</b> SLM 1 1/16") R/kg
<b>Week average</b>	<b>85,31</b>	<b>31,35</b>
Exchange rate for: 15 May'26.	<b>16,6666</b>	

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.

\*SLM 1 1/16" = SLM A2

## 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	36,37	35,90	35,58	34,96	33,70	-
SM	35,58	34,96	34,64	34,17	32,92	-
MIDD	34,80	34,17	33,86	33,39	32,13	-
SLM	34,01	33,39	33,07	32,60	31,35	-
LM	33,23	32,60	32,29	31,66	30,41	-
Derived seed cotton price based on a 38% GOT	R12,93	R12,69	R12,57	R12,39	R11,91	

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	34,80	34,33	33,39	33,07
SM	34,01	33,54	32,60	32,29
MIDD	33,23	32,76	31,82	31,51
SLM	32,45	31,98	31,04	30,72
LM	31,66	31,04	30,10	29,78
Derived seed cotton price based on a 38% GOT	R12,33	R12,15	R11,79	R11,67

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

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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 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 based on a 38% GOT	38%	38%	38%	38%

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