

## *Abstract*

Wool Production is an important output of sheep production . this research on wool production from the Awassi sheep in the Badia programme area was carried out to :-

- obtain information about wool production ( shearing process, shearers)
- obtain information about wool marketing ( traders, export of wool and local manufacturers)
- obtain information about wool made by interviewing the NGO's, Factories and local manufacture
- doing a field measurement of fleece weight and staple length

The information was collected by interviewing flock owners, shearers, traders, NGO's, factories and local manufacture. They discussed different points: quality, marketing and problems of wool faced the owners, shearers, traders, NGO's and local manufacturers

The shearing season starts at the beginning of April and lasts to end of May. However 98% of owners starts shearing during May.

In this research discussed s reason of shearing, location of shearers, preparation before shearing, role of family in shearing and shearing system.

2794 tonne of wool export to Turkey because its the loon country import wool from Jordan. The traders buy the wool from the owners directly by striking deals with them before shearing season , or owners visit traders to sell their wool. Traders determine prices of wool according to several factors: weight of fleece, staple length, cleanliness and origin of sheep.

80% of the shearers are Syrian and 205 are Iraqi but the Iraqi as labours not shearers.

The mean weight of fleece was 2.9 kg (range 1.6-4.5 kg). The mean staple length was 21.00 cm ( range 10.00 cm - 20 cm )

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