

Sources of Variation in Staple Strength

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Across-body variation in Staple Strength (N/ktex)

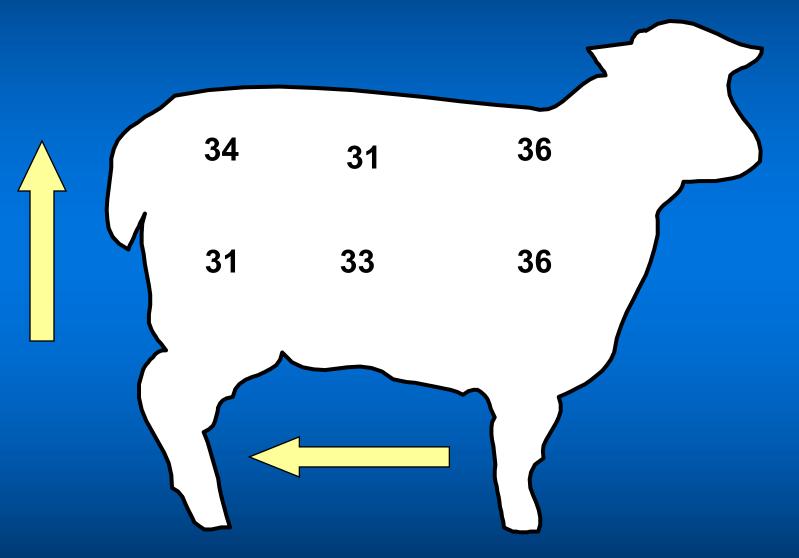
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Within fleece	21
Within regions	18
Between regions	3
Fleece x region	14

Between fleeces 65

as % of total within mob variation



Measurements of Staple Strength taken from most sites provide a reliable estimate of the fleece average.

Mid-side sample likely to be best.

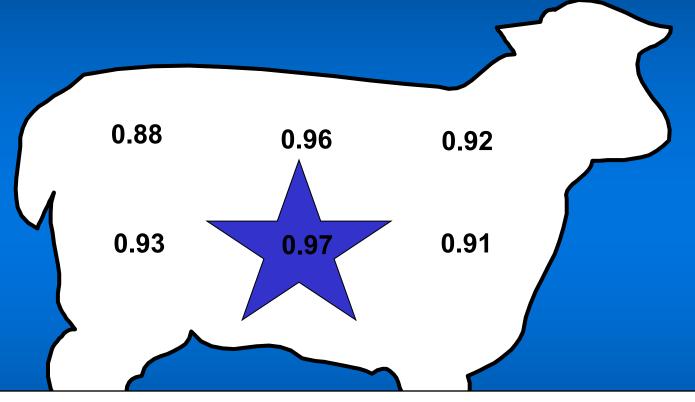
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Dam age and b/rearing status effects appear to be negligible.

Between-year variation significant.

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