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AWIS WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Week Ending 4 November 2016 (Week 18)

The AWEX EMI finished at 1303ϕ , 28ϕ lower (-2.1%) in Australian currency and 17ϕ lower (-1.7%) in US currency at sales in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle this week.

45,976 bales were on offer nationally, compared with 42,190 bales last sale. 12.5% of the offering was passed in.

AWEX reports that the value of the wool sold was \$62.8 million (\$1,560 per bale).

The New Zealand Merino Company offered 1,244 bales in Melbourne on Wednesday, of which 13.9% were passed in.

	Day-to-Day and Sale-to-Sale Changes in AWEX Regional Indicators (Week 18)								
Centre	La	st Sale	Day-to-	Day-to-Day Changes (Week 18)			Closing	Sale-to-Sa	le Changes
	Week	Indicator	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Change	Indicator	US ¢	Euro ¢
Eastern	17	1331	No Sale	-15	-13	-28 (-2.1%)	1303	-17	-33
Northern	17	1375	No Sale	-14	-13	-27 (-2.0%)	1348	-15	-33
Southern	17	1303	No Sale	-17	-12	-29 (-2.2%)	1274	-17	-33
Western	17	1393	No Sale	-19	-11	-30 (-2.2%)	1363	-18	-35

The increase in the offering for this week and the news on Monday of a 25% increase in the expected offering for Week 19 put the market under pressure. Nevertheless, the EMI is still above 1300¢ in A\$ and is only 1¢ under 1000¢ in US currency. The falls were less on Thursday, particularly when converted to US currency.

The increase in the offerings is due to the easing of the rainfall over two of the last three weeks, allowing shearing to resume. Falls occurred across all wool types and micron ranges, with the finer types least affected among the Merinos. The better prices at the fine end meant that the difference between the fine end and the medium end were 301ϕ in the North and 274ϕ in the South, the highest since August 2013.

The falls were greater in the crossbred wools, where the average AWEX MPGs were down by just over 4% up to 30 microns and by 7.9% at 32 microns. Crossbred sellers responded with a pass-in rate of 20.7%

Merino Cardings which have had a very good run this season were least affected of all wool types.

The US Exchange Rate finished 0.37¢ (0.5%) higher to close at 76.68¢ on Thursday.

Buyers for China were dominant, with support from buyers for India, Europe and Korea.

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Differences in AWEX MPGs	18.5 and 22.0	18.0 and 22.0	17.5 and 22.0	17.0 and 22.0	16.5 and 22.0
North	245¢	270¢	283¢	291¢	301¢
South	230¢	251¢	255¢	269¢	274¢

Market Indicator	Changes From						
	Four Sales Ago Week 14	Start of the Season	Week 18 Last Year	Season Average to Week 18 Last Year			
Eastern Market Indicator	+3 (+0.2%)	-13 (-1.0%)	+53 (+4.2%)	+75 (+6.1%)			
Western Market Indicator	+15 (+1.1%)	-56 (-3.9%)	+70 (+5.4%)	+117 (+9.2%)			

		Sale	e-to-Sale C	hanges in A	Average A'	WEX Meri	no Micron	Price Guio	des (MPGs)		
Micron	16.5	17.0	17.5	18.0	18.5	19.0	19.5	20.0	21.0	22.0	23.0	24.0
Since Last S	ale											
Change ¢	-22	-28	-31	-25	-19	-27	-29	-32	-38	-33	-22	
Change %	-1.3%	-1.7%	-1.9%	-1.5%	-1.2%	-1.7%	-1.9%	-2.2%	-2.7%	-2.4%	-1.6%	
Since Start o	of the Seaso	n							•			
Change ¢	+60	+63	+59	+67	+66	+26	-10	-67	-116	-110	-101	
Change %	+3.8%	+4.0%	+3.8%	+4.3%	+4.3%	+1.7%	-0.7%	-4.5%	-7.8%	-7.5%	-6.9%	
Since Same	Week Last	Year		•					•			
Change ¢	+129	+129	+124	+127	+143	+136	+120	+76	+37	+35	+63	
Change %	+8.5%	+8.6%	+8.3%	+8.5%	+9.9%	+9.7%	+8.8%	+5.6%	+2.8%	+2.7%	+4.9%	

Sale-1	Sale-to-Sale Changes in Other Average AWEX Price Guides						
Micron	25.0	26.0	28.0	30.0	32.0	$MC^{\#}$	
Since Last S	ale						
Change ¢	-52	-48	-31	-25	-38	-10	
Change %	-4.5%	-4.5%	-4.2%	-4.2%	-7.9%	-0.9%	
Since Start o	f the Seaso	n					
Change ¢	-91	-83	-49	-72	-78	+20	
Change %	-7.6%	-7.5%	-6.5%	-11.2%	-14.9%	+1.8%	
Since Same	Since Same Week Last Year						
Change ¢	-15	-24	-171	-261	-265	+34	
Change %	-1.3%	-2.3%	-19.5%	-31.4%	-37.3%	+3.2%	

Average Merino Cardings Price Guide

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The following tables show the details of this week's sale offering; the expected offerings over the next three sales; the changes in Exchange Rates since the previous sale; and highlights from the September ABS export data.

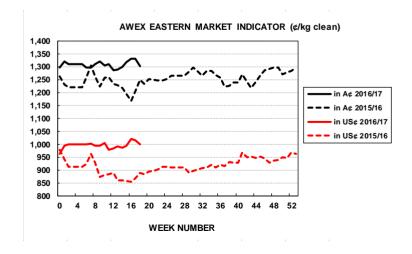
Details o	Details of this Week's Offering and the Comparison with the Previous Sale's Offering						
Centre	Last Sale		This Sale				
	Offering	Offering	Passed-In	Withdrawn Before Sale	Re- Offered	Bales Sold	
North	12,375	13,966	7.4%	1.6%	1.1%	12,932	
South	20,035	22,910	16.4%	1.9%	2.6%	19,155	
West	9,780	9,100	10.4%	4.1%	4.0%	8,157	
Australia	42,190	45,976	12.5%	2.3%	2.4%	40,244	

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+4,620	+2.7%
-2,315	-0.8%
+13,228	+12.2%
+15.533	+2.8%

	Next Sale Offerings and Year-on-Year Differences					
Centre	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21	Differences		
North	15,085	12,090	10,990	+14.8%		
South	24,604	25,400	24,700	+12.1%		
West	11,420	8,120	8,120	-3.4%		
New Zealand			2,400			
Australia	51,109	45,610	43,810	+9.3%		
Differences	+23.8%	-2.7%	+8.5%			

Exchange Rates	Last		Day-to-Day Changes				Sale-to-Sale	Closing	Season M	in & Max
(Reserve Bank)	Sale	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Change	Value	Min	Max
United States	76.31	-0.34	+0.16	+0.40	-0.29	+0.44	+0.37 (+0.5%)	76.68	74.69	77.11
Euro	70.00	-0.34	-0.25	+0.39	-0.93	+0.11	-1.02 (-1.5%)	68.98	66.40	70.00

Country	% Share of Austr	ght of Wool Shipped	Year-on-Yea	r % Change		
	September	September July to September Jul		July to September		
	2016	This Season	Last Season	By Weight	By Value	
China	75.3%	75.2%	73.9%	+7.2%	+7.5%	
India	7.2%	7.4%	9.3%	-16.2%	-11.8%	
Italy	6.3%	5.9%	5.5%	+14.3%	+25.5%	
Czech Republic	5.5%	5.4%	3.8%	+50.3%	+56.3%	
Malaysia	0.5%	0.8%	1.4%	-37.7%	-49.2%	
Korea	1.2%	1.5%	1.6%	-5.4%	-7.4%	
Taiwan	1.1%	0.9%	0.9%	+0.3%	+5.4%	
Egypt	1.0%	1.0%	1.4%	-22.9%	-21.2%	
Change all Countries				+5.4%	+5.9%	



AVERA	AVERAGE EMI					
This Year 1309						
Last Year	1254					
2014/15	1102					
2013/14	1070					
2012/13	1035					

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THIS YEAR'S EMI					
This Week	1303				
First Week	1320				
Low (26/10)	1287				
High (17/10)	1331				

BALES OFFERED		
This Year	577,802	
Last Year	562,269	
Difference	+15,533	
% Diff	+2.8%	
FIRST OFFERED BALES		
Difference	+3.5%	
% of Offering	96%	

SEASON AVERAGES		
Region	This Year	Diff
North	1340	+61
South	1288	+50
West	1385	+77

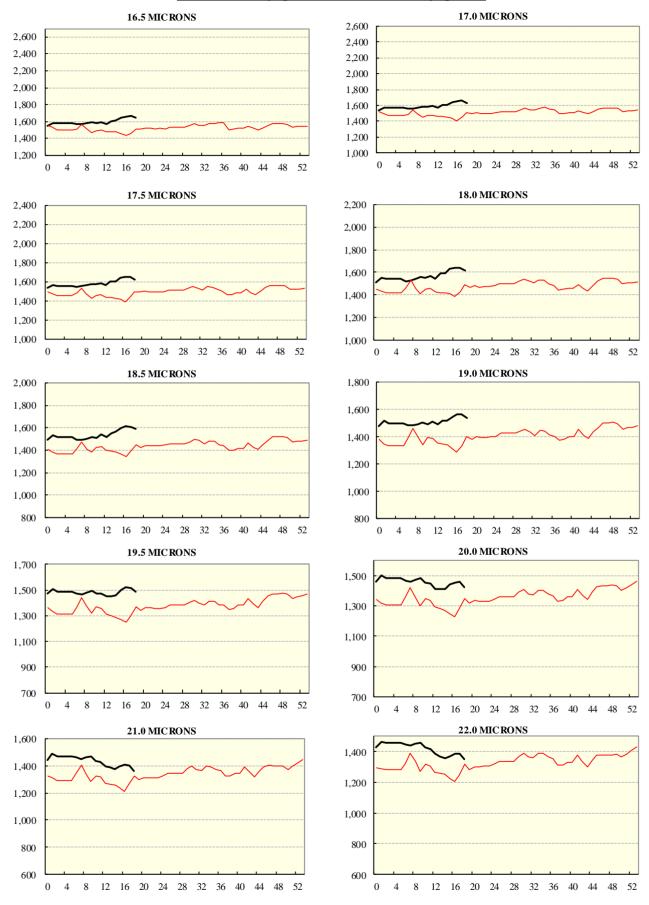
COMPARED WITH WKS 1/2		
Region	This Week	Diff
North	1348	+11
South	1274	-27
West	1363	-56

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13,966	
22,910	
9,100	
Progressive Totals:	
177,552	+2.7%
278,884	-0.8%
121,366	+12.2%
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AVERAGE AWEX MICRON PRICE GUIDES

2016/17(black graph line) and 2015/16 (red graph line)



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