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AWIS WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Week Ending 5 June 2020 (Week 49)

The AWEX EMI finished 13¢ higher (+1.1%) in Australian currency and 44¢ higher (+5.7%) in US currency at sales in Sydney and Melbourne in Week 49.

15,375 bales were on offer nationally, compared with 18,828 bales last sale. 6.8% of the offering was passed in after 12.6% of the potential offering was withdrawn prior to sale. 14,337 bales were sold.

AWEX reports that the value of the wool sold was \$19.6 million (\$1,367 per bale), taking the season total to \$1.873 billion (\$1,635 per bale). The number of bales sold at auction this season is now 19.3% less than in 2018/19.

Day-to-Day and Sale-to-Sale Changes in AWEX Regional Indicators (Week 49)									
Centre	Last Sale		Day-to-Day Changes (Week 49)			Sale-to-Sale Change	Closing Indicator	Sale-to-Sale Changes	
	Week	Indicator	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday			US ¢	Euro ¢
Eastern	48	1170	+9	+4	No Sale	+13 (+1.1%)	1183	+44	+24
Northern	48	1212	+18	+2	No Sale	+20 (+1.7%)	1232	+50	+29
Southern	48	1143	+4	+5	No Sale	+9 (+0.8%)	1152	+40	+21
Western	48	1239	No Sale	No Sale	No Sale				

The market moved up in successive weeks for the first time since December when it rose by a two week figure of 28¢ in A\$ and 64¢ in US currency, as the US Exchange Rate moved up again. There were rises in AWEX Price Guides across most micron ranges and types.

The greatest gains were from 17.5 to 20 microns and among the Crossbreds

As mentioned above, the US Exchange Rate continued its upward movement when it rose 3.00¢ (4.5%) to close at 69.40¢ on Wednesday. It was the highest closing Rate since 69.07¢ in the first sale after the Christmas break.

Buyers for China continued their dominance. Data issued by the Australian Bureau of Statistics during the week were the first to reflect the impact of the outbreak of COVID-19 on Australia's wool exports. They reported that 93% of Australia's exports in April went to China. The figure for the previous nine months was 77%.

Looking ahead, offerings for the coming three sales are expected to range from 17,039 bales to 25,420 bales and to be 12.8% less than in the same period last year. The forecast progressive difference to Week 52 is -12.4%.

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	No 22.0µ MPG	No 22.0µ MPG	No 22.0µ MPG	No 22.0µ MPG	No 22.0µ MPG
South	No 22.0µ MPG	No 22.0µ MPG	No 22.0µ MPG	No 22.0µ MPG	No 22.0µ MPG

Market Indicator	Changes From			
	Four Sales Ago Week 45	Start of the Season	Week 49 Last Year	Season Average to Week 49 Last Year
Eastern Market Indicator	+13 (+1.1%)	-556 (-32.0%)	-681 (-36.5%)	-481 (-24.7%)
Western Market Indicator	No Sale	No Sale	No Sale	No Sale

Sale-to-Sale Changes in Average AWEX Merino Micron Price Guides (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 Sale												
Change ¢	+7	+9	+16	+1	+7	+19	+26	+15	+9			
Change %	+0.4%	+0.6%	+1.0%	+0.1%	+0.5%	+1.4%	+2.0%	+1.2%	+0.7%			
Since Start of the Season												
Change ¢	-407	-503	-570	-618	-622	-658	-679	-716	-728			
Change %	-18.8%	-23.5%	-26.8%	-29.2%	-30.3%	-32.3%	-33.4%	-35.3%	-36.0%			
Since Same Week Last Year												
Change ¢			-750	-787	-791	-801	-830	-865	-871			
Change %			-32.5%	-34.4%	-35.6%	-36.7%	-38.1%	-39.7%	-40.2%			

Sale-to-Sale Changes in Other Average AWEX Price Guides						
Micron	25.0	26.0	28.0	30.0	32.0	MC
Since Last Sale						
Change ¢		+22	+14	+41	0	+20
Change %		+2.8%	+2.3%	+8.8%	0.0%	+2.3%
Since Start of the Season						
Change ¢		-549	-433	-343	-274	-105
Change %		-40.8%	-41.4%	-40.4%	-46.5%	-10.6%
Since Same Week Last Year						
Change ¢		-674	-506	-430	-308	-125
Change %		-45.9%	-45.3%	-46.0%	-49.4%	-12.4%

MC Average Merino Cardings Price Guide

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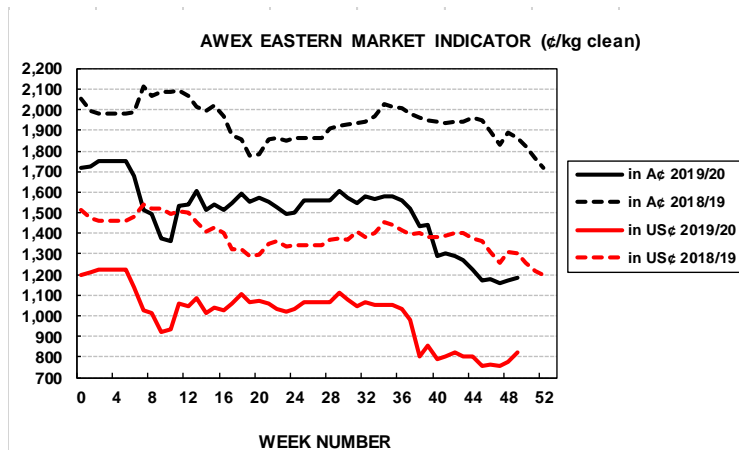
The following tables show the details of this week's sale offering; the expected offerings over the next three sales; the changes in Exchange Rates since the previous sale; and highlights from the March ABS export data.

Details of this Week's Offering and the Comparison with the Previous Sale's Offering							Progressive Changes from Last Year		
Centre	Last Sale	This Sale					All Bales		1 st Time Bales
	Offering	Offering	Passed-In	Withdrawn Before Sale	Re- Offered	Bales Sold	Bales	%	%
North	5,429	6,463	6.4%	12.3%	9.8%	6,050	-53,160	-12.6%	-16.5%
South	9,270	8,912	7.0%	12.9%	14.2%	8,287	-115,563	-13.8%	-17.6%
West	4,129						-26,760	-8.4%	-13.3%
Australia	18,828	15,375	6.8%	12.6%	12.3%	14,337	-195,483	-12.4%	-16.5%

Next Sale Offerings and Year-on-Year Differences				
Centre	Week 50	Week 51	Week 52	Differences
North	5,579	6,184	5,943	-25.9%
South	13,726	10,855	13,087	-6.4%
West	4,835	No Sale	6,390	-8.5%
New Zealand				
Australia	24,140	17,039	25,420	66,599
Differences	-14.2%	-10.7%	-12.8%	-12.8%

Exchange Rates (Reserve Bank)	Last Sale	Day-to-Day Changes					Sale-to-Sale Change	Closing Value	Season Min & Max	
		Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur			Min	Max
United States	66.40	+0.19	+0.83	+0.61	+1.37	Public	+3.00 (+4.5%)	69.40	55.71	70.36
Euro	60.59	-0.61	+0.54	+0.58	+0.84	Holiday	+1.35 (+2.2%)	61.94	51.12	62.48

Country	% Share of Australia's Wool Exports by Weight of Wool Shipped			Year-on-Year % Change July to April	
	April 2020	July to April 2019/20	July to April 2018/19	By Weight	By Value
China	93.0%	78.7%	77.0%	-14.5%	-32.0%
India	0.8%	5.8%	5.9%	-17.4%	-32.5%
Italy	1.4%	4.5%	5.0%	-25.1%	-39.3%
Czech Republic	0.4%	3.7%	3.6%	-14.9%	-30.5%
Korea	1.2%	1.9%	2.5%	-36.4%	-45.9%
Egypt	0.8%	1.1%	0.9%	+1.0%	-20.1%
Thailand	0.9%	0.9%	1.0%	-22.0%	-43.8%
Taiwania	0.2%	0.6%	0.6%	-22.7%	-48.2%
Change all Countries				-16.1%	-33.1%



AVERAGE EMI	
This Year	1470
Last Year	1939
2017/18	1739
2016/17	1408
2015/16	1254

SEASON AVERAGES		
Region	This Year	Diff
North	1503	-479
South	1448	-464
West	1571	-518

THIS YEAR'S EMI	
This Week	1183
First Week	1723
Low (11/01)	1155
High (11/01)	1754

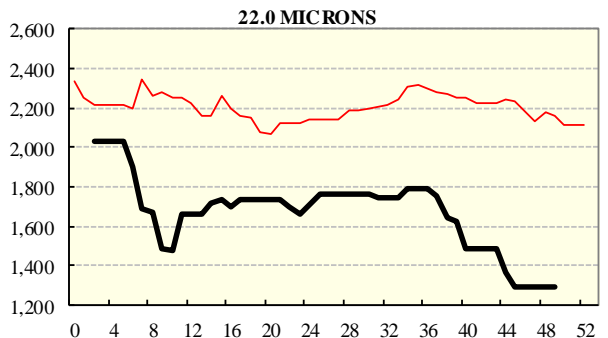
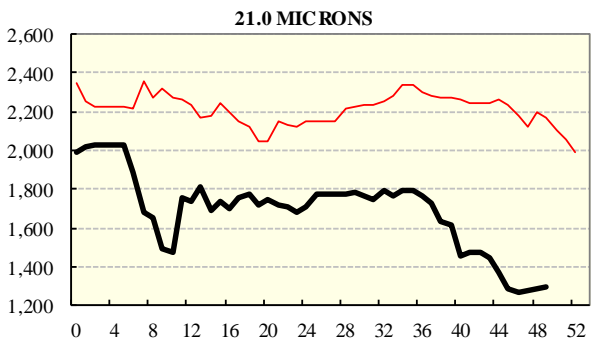
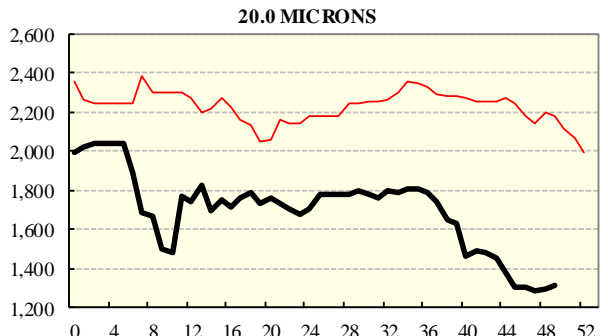
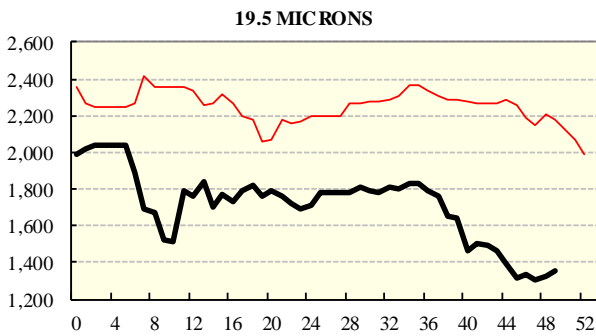
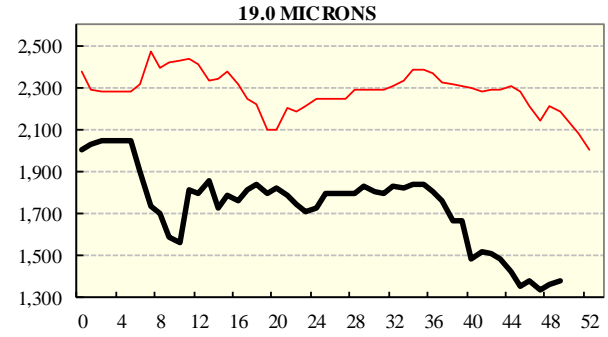
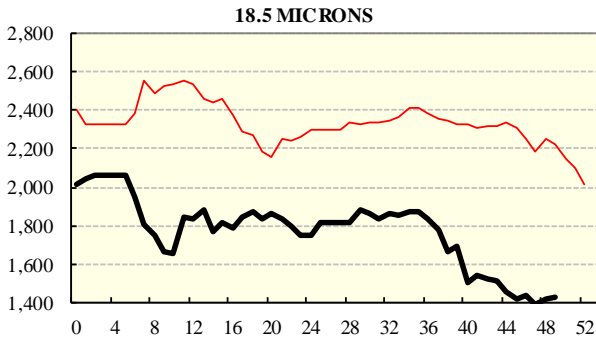
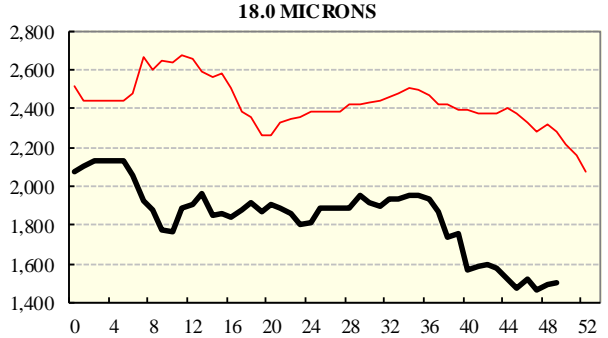
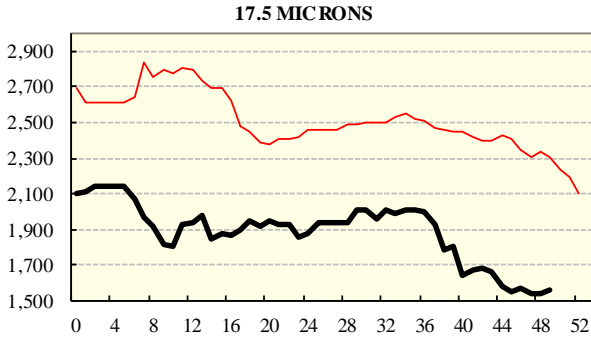
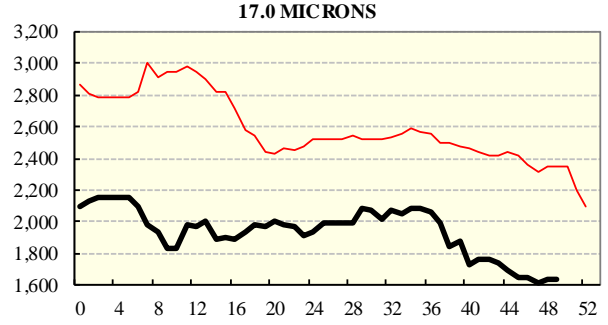
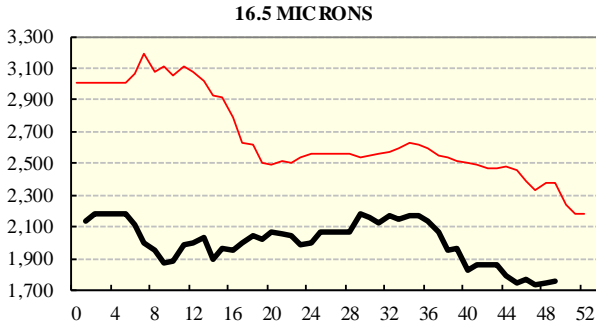
COMPARED WITH WKS 1/2		
Region	This Week	Diff
North	1232	-527
South	1152	-573
West	1239	

BALES OFFERED	
This Year	1,386,029
Last Year	1,581,512
Difference	-195,483
% Diff	-12.4%
FIRST OFFERED BALES	
Difference	-16.5%
% of Offering	88.9%

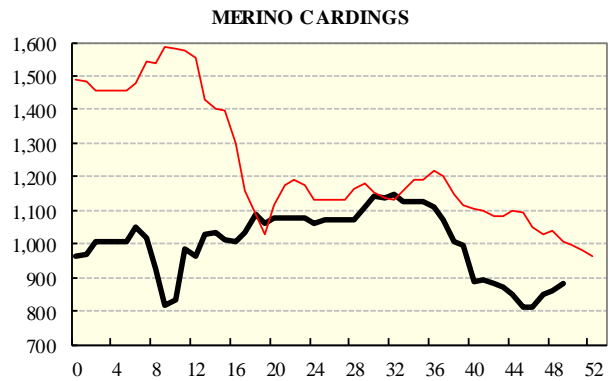
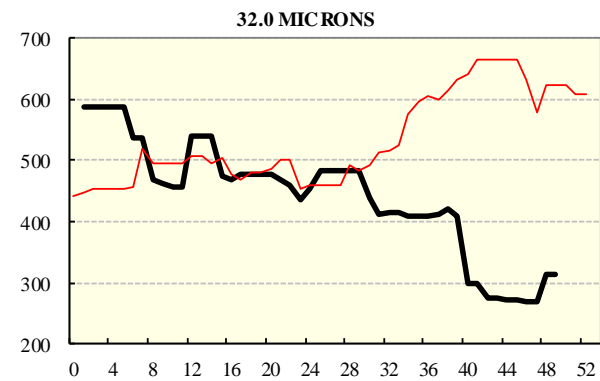
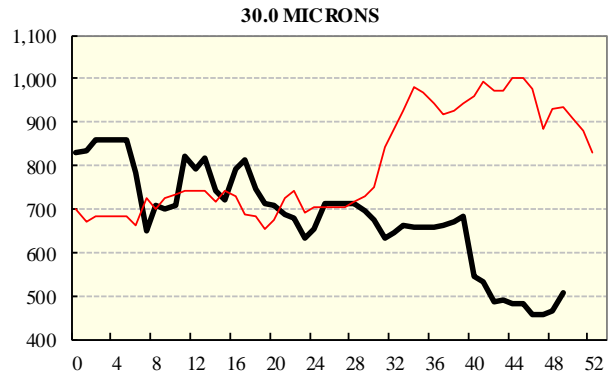
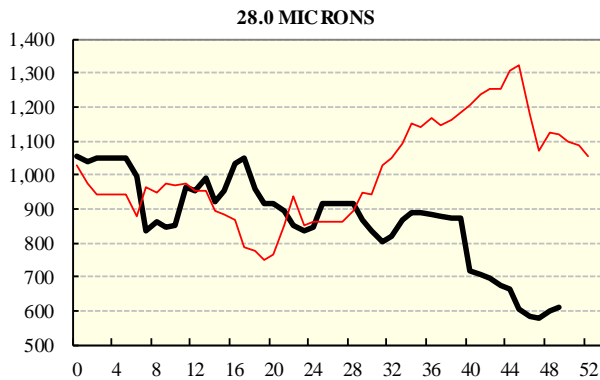
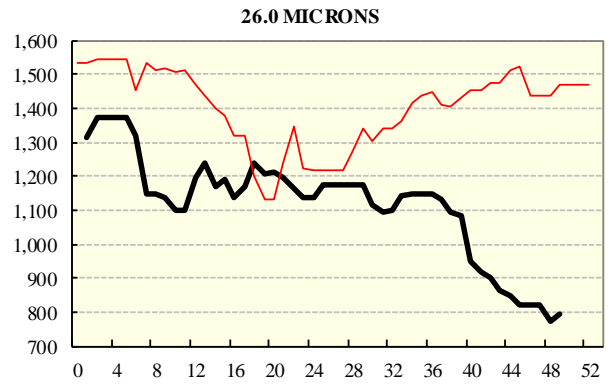
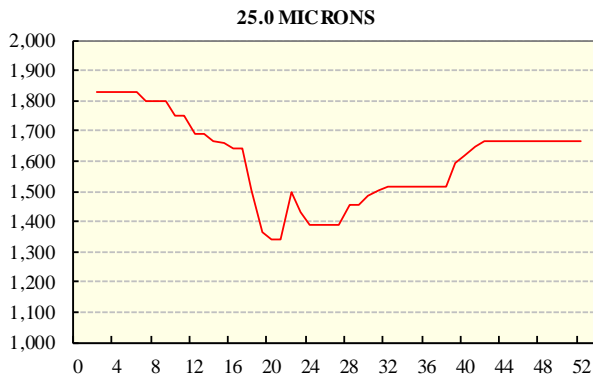
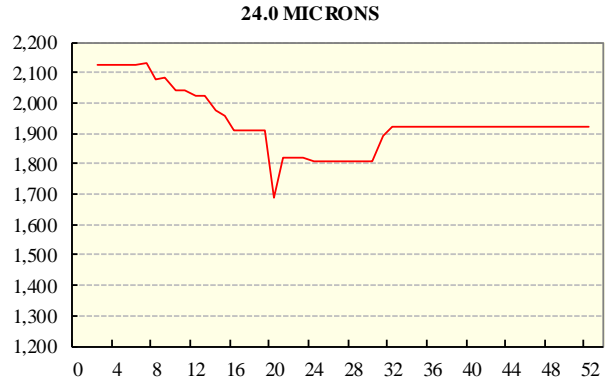
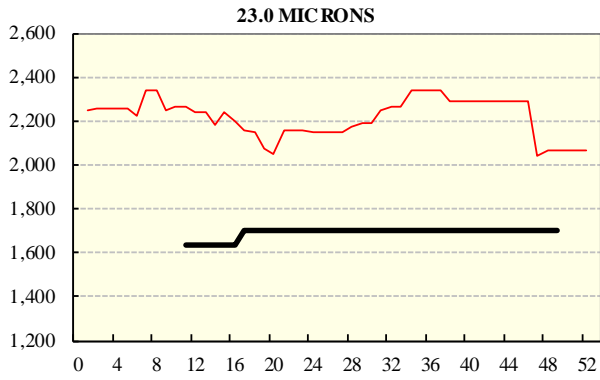
REGION BALES		
This Sale:		
North	6,463	
South	8,912	
West		
Progressive Totals:		Diff
North	368,474	-12.6%
South	723,882	-13.8%
West	293,673	-8.4%

AVERAGE AWEX MICRON PRICE GUIDES

2019/20 (black graph line) and 2018/19 (red graph line)



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EASTERN MARKET INDICATOR (EMI) SINCE 1999/00 (¢/kg clean)

(In Australian, United States and European Currencies)

