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AWIS WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Week Ending 21 April 2023 (Week 42)

The AWEX EMI finished at 1289¢, 11¢ lower (-0.8%) in Australian currency and 10¢ lower (-1.1%) in US currency when sales resumed after the Easter break in Week 42.

52,951 bales were on offer nationally, compared with 46,250 bales in the last sale. 12.3% of the offering was passed in after 6.3% of the potential offering was withdrawn prior to sale. 46,417 bales were sold.

AWEX reports that the value of the wool sold was \$65.4 million (\$1,409 per bale), taking the season total to \$1.990 billion (\$1,550 per bale). The number of bales sold at auction this season is now 2.0% greater than in 2021/22.

	Day-to-Day and Sale-to-Sale Changes in AWEX Regional Indicators (Week 39)										
Centre	Last Sale		Day-to-Day Changes (Week 39)			Sale-to-Sale	Closing	Sale-to-Sa	le Changes		
	Week	Indicator	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Change	Indicator	US ¢	Euro ¢		
Eastern	40	1300	-12	-3	+4	-11 (-0.8%)	1289	-10	-9		
Northern	40	1370	-8	-8	No Sale	-16 (-1.2%)	1354	-14	-13		
Southern	40	1254	-15	0	+7	-8 (-0.6%)	1246	-8	-8		
Western	40	1439	-2	+5	No Sale	+3 (+0.2%)	1442	-1	-2		

The market opened on a softer note when the EMI was down by 12ϕ on Tuesday and by a further 3ϕ on Wednesday. The Southern Indicator moved up by 7ϕ on Thursday when Melbourne was the only centre selling. Overall, AWEX reported lifts in the market at the fine and the broad end of the Merino types and some mixed results among the Crossbreds The US Exchange Rate finished 0.21ϕ (-0.3%) lower to close at 67.15 ϕ on Thursday.

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

Looking ahead, offerings for the coming three sales are expected to range from 40,082 bales to 44,901 bales and to be 3.2% less than in the same period last year. The forecast progressive difference to Week 45 is $\pm 1.0\%$.

In other countries, the South African Cape Wools Indicator was down by 1.9% since the last week before Easter against a 2.1% depreciation of the Rand against the US Dollar and a 2.3% depreciation against the Euro.

Differen	ces in AWE	X MPGs	18.5 an	d 22.0	18.0 and	1 22.0	17.5 and 22.0		17.0 and	22.0	16.5 and 22.0	
North	rth No 22.0µ MPG		μ MPG	No 22.0µ MPG		No 22.0µ MPG		No 22.0µ MPG		No 22.0μ MPG		
South	South			2¢	445	¢	674¢		778¢		951¢	
	Market Indicators				Changes From							
			Week 42		Four Sales Ago Week 37		Start of the Season		Week 42 Last Year		Season Average to Week 42 Last Year	
Eastern l	Market Indio	cator	1289	-2	28 (-2.1%)	-	109 (-7.8%)	No Sale		No Sale	
Western	Western Market Indicator		1442	-	3 (-0.2%)	(-0.2%) -38 (-2.6%)			No Sale		No Sale	
		Sa	le-to-Sale	Changes in	Average A	WEX Mer	ino Micron	Price Gu	ides (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 Sa	ale											
Change ¢	+12	-4	-2	-41	-13	-9	-9	-5	+16	+19		
Change %	+0.5%	-0.2%	-0.1%	-2.2%	-0.7%	-0.6%	-0.6%	-0.3%	+1.1%	+1.4%	ó	
Since Start o	f the Seasor	l										
Change ¢	-588	-508	-378	-283	-141	-78	-17	+18	+18	+27		
Change %	-20.0%	-18.9%	-15.6%	-13.3%	-7.5%	-4.6%	-1.1%	+1.2%	+1.3%	+2.0%	6	
Since Week	42 Last Yea	r								-		-
Change ¢	No Sale											
Change %	No Sale											

Sale	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 ¢		-7	-3	+2	+3	-15				
Change %		-1.3%	-0.9%	+0.7%	+1.3%	-1.8%				
Since Start of	f the Seasor	1								
Change ¢	-183	-176	-72	-20	+6	-80				
Change %	-20.1%	-25.0%	-17.9%	-6.2%	+2.6%	-8.7%				
Since Week 42 Last Year										
Change ¢	No Sale									
Change %	No Sale									
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MC Average Merino Cardings Price Guide

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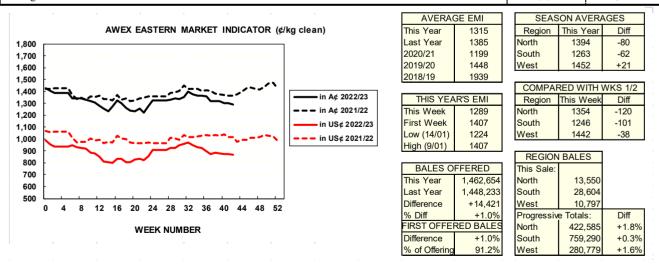
The following tables show the details of this week's sale offering; the expected offerings over the next three sales; the changes in Exchange Rates since the previous sale; and highlights from the August ABS export data.

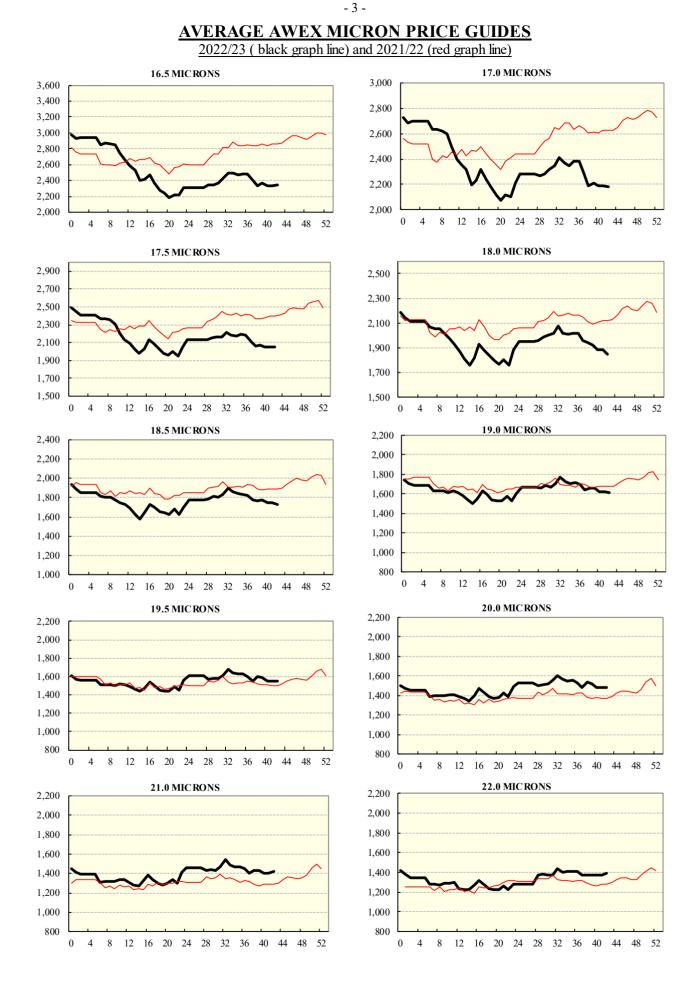
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Centre	Last Sale		This Sale						All Bales		
	Offering	Offering	Passed-In	Withdrawn Before Sale	Re- Offered	Bales Sold		Bales	%	%	
North	12,697	13,550	11.1%	2.5%	6.9%	12,045		+7,414	+1.8%	+2.7%	
South	23,066	28,604	11.9%	6.4%	7.3%	25,211		+2,641	+0.3%	-0.2%	
West	10,487	10,797	15.2%	10.5%	8.3%	9,161		+4,366	+1.6%	+1.8%	
Australia	46,250	52,951	12.3%	6.3%	7.4%	46,417		+14,421	+1.0%	+1.0%	

	Next Sale Offerings and Year-on-Year Differences									
Centre	Week 43	Week 44	Week 45	Differences						
North	9,648	9,310	9,590	-11.5%						
South	24,727	23,670	21,812	-0.2%						
West	10,526	8,680	8,680	-0.8%						
New Zealand										
Australia	44,901	41,660	40,082	126,643						
Differences	-7.9%	+3.8%	-4.2%	-3.2%						

Exchange Rates	Last		Day-to-Day Changes					Closing	Season Mi	n & Max
(Reserve Bank)	Sale	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Change	Value	Min	Max
United States	67.36	+0.47	-0.68	+0.18	-0.06	Mel	-0.21 (-0.3%)	67.15	62.71	71.02
Euro	61.48	-0.23	-0.14	+0.42	-0.16	Only	-0.22 (-0.4%)	61.26	61.26	69.45

Country	% Share of Austr	Year-on-Year % Change				
	February	July to February	July to February	July to February		
	2023	2022/23	2021/22	By Weight	By Value	
China	79.1%	81.2%	80.9%	+0.3%	-4.2%	
India	6.5%	6.4%	4.8%	+33.0%	+31.3%	
Italy	3.5%	4.2%	4.9%	-14.3%	-6.9%	
Czech Republic	5.4%	3.1%	4.0%	-22.8%	-23.0%	
Korea	2.0%	1.5%	1.5%	-1.5%	-8.1%	
Egypt	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	+3.6%	+13.0%	
Thailand	0.6%	0.7%	0.6%	+22.6%	+26.6%	
Germany	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	-16.7%	-10.2%	
Change all Countries	•	•		+0.0%	-3.2%	





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