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AWIS WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Week Ending 24 February 2023 (Week 34)

The AWEX EMI finished at 1364¢, 10¢ lower (-0.7%) in Australian currency and 19¢ lower (-2.0%) in US currency at sales in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle in Week 34.

49,458 bales of Australian wool were on offer nationally, compared with 57,196 bales last sale. 12.9% of the offering was passed in after 4.2% of the potential offering was withdrawn prior to sale. 43,080 bales were sold.

AWEX reports that the value of the wool sold was \$66.0 million (\$1,532 per bale), taking the season total to \$1.578 billion (\$1,576 per bale). The number of bales sold at auction this season is now 2.9% greater than in 2021/22.

The New Zealand Merino Company also offered 3,602 bales in Melbourne on Wednesday, of which 16.1% were passed in.

	Day-to-Day and Sale-to-Sale Changes in AWEX Regional Indicators (Week 34)									
Centre	La	st Sale	Day-to	Day-to-Day Changes (Week 34)			Closing	Sale-to-Sale Changes		
	Week	Indicator	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Change	Indicator	US ¢	Euro ¢	
Eastern	33	1374	-11	+1	0	-10 (-0.7%)	1364	-19	-11	
Northern	33	1446	0	0	No Sale	0 (0.0%)	1446	-13	-5	
Southern	33	1326	-19	+2	+1	-16 (-1.2%)	1310	-23	-15	
Western	33	1525	-5	-8	No Sale	-13 (-0.9%)	1512	-23	-14	

The market opened on a downward note on Tuesday, that was greatest in the South where there were falls across all micron ranges, but particularly among the broader Merinos. The market steadied on Wednesday and Thursday, with some individual AWEX Micron Price Guides going up and some down.

The US Exchange Rate continued its recent downward path, when it finished 0.92ϕ (-1.3%) lower to close at 68.30ϕ on Thursday. It has now fallen by 2.72ϕ (3.8%) over the last four weeks.

Buyers for China were dominant, with support from buyers for India

Looking ahead, offerings for the coming three sales are expected to range from 44,000 bales to 53,000 bales and to be 3.3% less than in the same period last year. The forecast progressive difference to Week 37 is +1.0%.

In other countries, the South African Cape Wools Indicator was down by 2.9% US for both RWS Certified and non-Certified wool since last week against a 1.8% depreciation of the Rand against the US Dollar.

Differences in AWEX MPGs	18.5 and 22	2.0 18.0 and	22.0	17.5 and 22.0	17.0 and 22.0	16.5 and 22.0
North	Νο 22.0μ Μ	IPG No 22.0μ	MPG	No 22.0μ MPG	No 22.0μ MPG	No 22.0μ MPG
South	446¢	606¢		786¢	967¢	1089¢
Market Indicators				Change	s From	
	Week 34	Four Sales Ago Week 30		Start of the Season	Week 34 Last Year	Season Average to Week 34 Last Year
Eastern Market Indicator	1364	+26 (+1.9%)		-34 (-2.4%)	-57 (-4.0%)	-55 (-4.0%)
Western Market Indicator	1512	+37 (+2.5%)		+32 (+2.2%)	+53 (+3.6%)	+39 (+2.8%)

		Sa	ale-to-Sale (Changes in	Average A	WEX Meri	no Micron	Price Guide	es (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 ¢	-20	-16	-12	-12	-19	-15	-7	-19	-19	+3		
Change %	-0.8%	-0.7%	-0.5%	-0.6%	-1.0%	-0.9%	-0.4%	-1.2%	-1.3%	+0.2%		
Since Start of	f the Seasor	1										
Change ¢	-462	-340	-259	-122	-33	+12	+69	+89	+63	+42		
Change %	-15.7%	-12.6%	-10.7%	-5.7%	-1.8%	+0.7%	+4.4%	+6.1%	+4.5%	+3.1%		
Since Week	34 Last Yea	r	-									
Change ¢	-363	-337	-262	-171	-81	+21	+100	+136	+126	+92		
Change %	-12.8%	-12.5%	-10.8%	-7.9%	-4.2%	+1.2%	+6.5%	+9.6%	+9.4%	+7.0%		

Sale	e-to-Sale Cl	nanges in O	ther Averag	ge AWEX I	Price Guide	S	
Micron	25.0	26.0	28.0	30.0	32.0	MC	
Since Last Sa	Since Last Sale						
Change ¢	+2	+1	0	+5	+8	-5	
Change %	+0.3%	+0.2%	0.0%	+1.6%	+3.3%	-0.5%	
Since Start of	Since Start of the Season						
Change ¢	-109	-122	-44	-3	+24	+4	
Change %	-12.0%	-17.3%	-10.9%	-0.9%	+10.6%	+0.4%	
Since Week 34 Last Year							
Change ¢		-165	-59	-30		-65	
Change %		-22.1%	-14.1%	-8.5%		-6.6%	

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 December ABS export data.

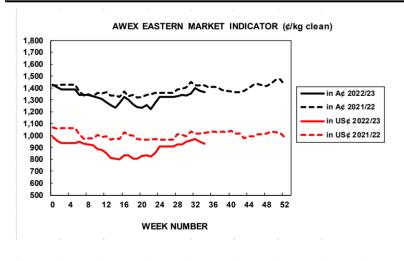
Details	Details of this Week's Offering and the Comparison with the Previous Sale's Offering								
Centre	Last Sale		This Sale						
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	Offering	Offering	Passed-In	Withdrawn Before Sale	Re- Offered	Bales Sold			
				Before Safe	Offered	Sola			
North	13,744	13,313	8.3%	1.2%	5.5%	12,203			
South	30,235	26,825	13.3%	4.4%	9.0%	23,259			
West	13,217	9,320	18.3%	7.4%	5.6%	7,618			
Australia	57,196	49,458	12.9%	4.2%	7.4%	43,080			

Progressive	Progressive Changes from Last Year							
All B	ales	1st Time						
	Bales							
Bales	Bales %							
+11,382	+3.5%	+4.4%						
+62	0.0%	-0.6%						
+5,628	+2.7%	+2.7%						
+17,072	+1.5%	+1.5%						

	Next Sale Offerings and Year-on-Year Differences							
Centre	Week 35 Week 36 Week 37 Differ							
North	12,811	11,010	10,945	-15.0%				
South	30,375	24,030	24,790	+5.6%				
West	10,014	9,180	9,250	-9.1%				
New Zealand								
Australia	53,200	44,220	44,985	142,405				
Differences	+6.1%	-10.5%	-5.6%	-3.3%				

Exchange Rates	Last		Day-to-Day Changes			Sale-to-Sale	Closing	Season Mi	n & Max	
(Reserve Bank)	Sale	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Change	Value	Min	Max
	69.22	-0.79	+0.49	+0.04	-0.57	No	-0.92 (-1.3%)	68.30	62.71	71.02
United States										
Euro	64.64	-0.32	+0.17	+0.14	-0.46	Sale	-0.34 (-0.5%)	64.30	63.95	69.45

Country	% Share of Australia's Wool Exports by Weight of Wool Shipped Year-on-Year							
	December	July to December	July to December	July to December				
	2022	2022/23	2021/22	By Weight	By Value			
China	78.8%	81.7%	81.3%	-0.2%	-4.4%			
India	6.0%	6.5%	4.4%	+47.0%	+46.6%			
Italy	4.2%	4.3%	5.0%	-14.7%	-2.0%			
Czech Republic	4.3%	2.7%	4.3%	-38.0%	-38.0%			
Korea	1.3%	1.4%	1.5%	-7.6%	-11.5%			
Egypt	1.2%	0.8%	1.0%	+34.9%	+46.2%			
Thailand	1.3%	0.7%	0.5%	+42.5%	+44.8%			
Germany	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	-4.8%	+1.7%			
Change all Countries				-0.7%	-2.9%			



AVERAGE EMI			SEASON AVERAGES			
This Year	1313	ĺ	Region	This Year	Diff	
Last Year	1385		North	1393	-81	
2020/21	1199		South	1260	-65	
2019/20	1448		West	1447	+17	
2018/19	1939			-		

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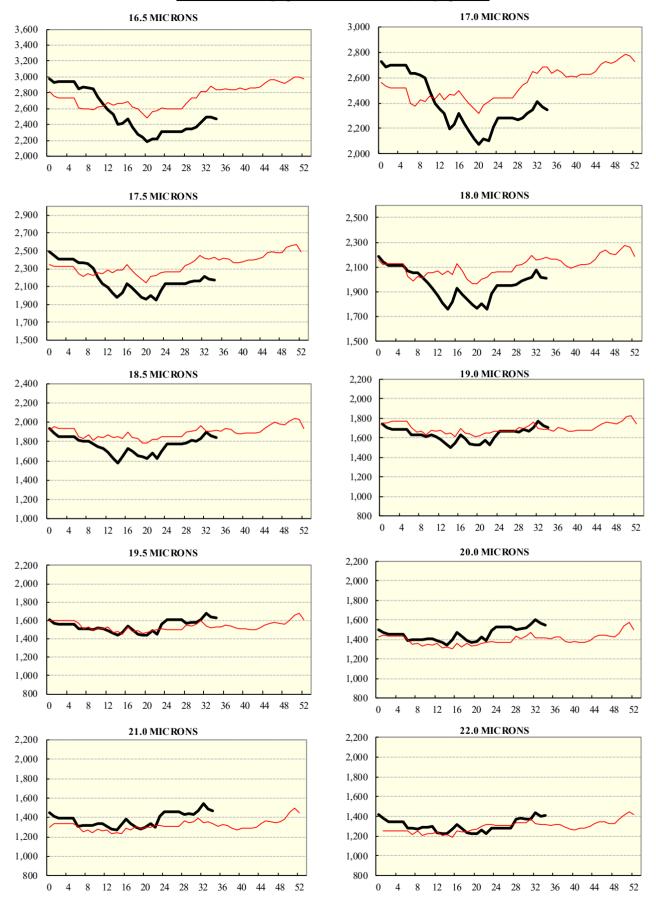
THIS YEA	THIS YEAR'S EMI							
This Week	1364							
First Week	1407							
Low (14/01)	1224							
High (9/01)	1407							

REGION BALES		
This Sale:		
North	13,313	
South	26,825	
West	9,320	
Progressive Totals:		Diff
North	337,584	+3.5%
South	586,335	0.0%
West	214,812	+2.7%

BALES OFFERED			
This Year	1,138,731		
Last Year	1,121,659		
Difference	+17,072		
% Diff	+1.5%		
FIRST OFFERED BALES			
Difference	+1.5%		
% of Offering	91.1%		

AVERAGE AWEX MICRON PRICE GUIDES

2022/23 (black graph line) and 2021/22 (red graph line)



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