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### AWIS WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Week Ending 31 March 2023 (Week 39)

The AWEX EMI was unchanged, in Australian currency and 7¢ lower (-0.8%) in US currency at sales in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle in Week 39.

44,145 bales were on offer nationally, compared with 40,224 bales last sale. 10.6% of the offering was passed in after 4.5% of the potential offering was withdrawn prior to sale. 39,483 bales were sold.

AWEX reports that the value of the wool sold was \$57.8 million (\$1,464 per bale), taking the season total to \$1.869 billion (\$1,560 per bale). The number of bales sold at auction this season is now 1.5% greater than in 2021/22.

	Day-to-Day and Sale-to-Sale Changes in AWEX Regional Indicators (Week 39)								
Centre	La	st Sale	Day-to	Day-to-Day Changes (Week 39)			Closing	Sale-to-Sa	le Changes
	Week	Indicator	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Change	Indicator	US ¢	Euro ¢
Eastern	38	1318	+2	+2	-4	0 (0.0%)	1318	-7	-2
Northern	38	1389	+5	+1	No Sale	+6 (+0.4%)	1395	-3	+2
Southern	38	1271	0	+2	-6	-4 (-0.3%)	1267	-10	-4
Western	38	1462	+11	+7	No Sale	+18 (+1.2%)	1480	+4	+9

The steadying influence in the market continued this week, with a closing EMI of  $1318\phi$ . It was unchanged from last week and up by  $1\phi$  from two weeks ago. The WMI had another good week, when it was up by  $18\phi$  for the week, adding to the  $17\phi$  gain in the previous week. The greatest gains on a diameter basis were at the fine end.

The US Exchange Rate eased by 0.54¢ (-0.8%), after last week's lift of \$1.04. It closed at 66.87¢ on Thursday.

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

Looking ahead, the offerings for the next sale in Week 40 (the last sale before Easter) is expected to be 52,724 bales; and to be 16.3% more than in the same week last year. The following sale (Week 42) after the Easter break is currently expected to be 50,443 bales (+16.0%).

In other countries, the South African Cape Wools Indicator was up by 1.3% since last week against a 1.7% depreciation of the Rand against the US Dollar and a 1.2% appreciation against the Euro.

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						
South No 22.0μ M		No 22.0μ MPG	No 22.0μ MPG	No 22.0μ MPG	No 22.0μ MPG		
Market Indicators		Changes From					

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	Week 39	Four Sales Ago	Start of	Week 39	Season Average to		
		Week 35	the Season	Last Year	Week 39 Last Year		
Eastern Market Indicator	1318	-50 (-3.7%)	-80 (-5.7%)	-57 (-4.1%)	-57 (-4.2%)		
Western Market Indicator	1480	-44 (-2.9%)	0 (0.0%)	+62 (+4.4%)	+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 ¢	+34	+24	+9	-27	+9	0	-14	-19	+3			
Change %	+1.5%	+1.1%	+0.4%	-1.4%	+0.5%	0.0%	-0.9%	-1.2%	+0.2%			
Since Start of	f the Seasor	1										
Change ¢	-570	-478	-358	-209	-99	-35	+24	+56	+29			
Change %	-19.4%	-17.8%	-14.7%	-9.8%	-5.3%	-2.1%	+1.5%	+3.8%	+2.1%			
Since Week	39 Last Yea	ır		-		-						
Change ¢	-502	-400	-297	-173	-104	-10	+74	+149	+156			
Change %	-17.5%	-15.3%	-12.5%	-8.3%	-5.5%	-0.6%	+4.9%	+10.9%	+12.2%			

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 ¢		+10	-10	-13	-6	+11	
Change %		+1.9%	-2.9%	-4.1%	-2.5%	+1.3%	
Since Start of	the Seaso						
Change ¢		-165	-69	-18	+8	-46	
Change %		-23.4%	-17.1%	-5.5%	+3.5%	-5.0%	
Since Week 39 Last Year							
Change ¢		-100	-46	-23	-17	-85	
Change %		-15.6%	-12.1%	-7.0%	-6.7%	-8.9%	

MC Average Merino Cardings Price Guide

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 January ABS export data.

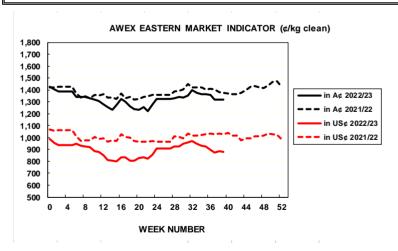
Details	Details of this Week's Offering and the Comparison with the Previous Sale's Offering						
Centre	Last Sale		This Sale				
	Offering	Offering	Passed-In	Withdrawn Before Sale	Re- Offered	Bales Sold	
North	9,257	12,013	8.0%	2.9%	9.0%	11,049	
South	23,505	22,964	10.9%	3.1%	11.2%	20,451	
West	7,462	9,168	12.9%	9.8%	17.6%	7,983	
Australia	40,224	44,145	10.6%	4.5%	11.9%	39,483	

Progressive Changes from Last Year						
All B	1st Time					
Bales	%	%				
+5,907	+1.5%	+2.3%				
-2,438	-0.3%	-1.0%				
+687	+0.3%	+0.2%				
+4,156	+0.3%	+0.2%				

	Next Sale Offerings and Year-on-Year Differences						
Centre	Week 40	Week 41	Week 42	Differences			
North	13,377	No Sale	12,955	-45.9%			
South	27,551	No Sale	27,488	-40.9%			
West	11,796	No Sale	10,000	-33.0%			
New Zealand							
Australia	52,724		50,443	103,167			
Differences	+16.3%			+16.0%			

Exchange Rates	Last		Day-	to-Day Ch	anges		Sale-to-Sale	Closing	Season Mi	n & Max
(Reserve Bank)	Sale	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Change	Value	Min	Max
United States	67.41	-0.54	-0.37	+0.39	+0.14	No	-0.54 (-0.8%)	66.87	62.71	71.02
Euro	61.82	-0.10	+0.04	+0.11	-0.03	Sale	-0.13 (-0.2%)	61.69	61.69	69.45

Country	% Share of Austra	lia's Wool Exports by Weigh	nt of Wool Shipped	Year-on-Year % Change		
	January	July to January	July to January	July to January		
	2023	2022/23	2021/22	By Weight	By Value	
China	80.4%	81.5%	80.8%	+2.9%	-1.5%	
India	6.0%	6.4%	5.0%	+41.4%	+37.7%	
Italy	3.8%	4.3%	4.9%	-11.3%	+0.1%	
Czech Republic	3.0%	2.7%	4.1%	-31.4%	-34.7%	
Korea	2.4%	1.5%	1.6%	-2.6%	-9.0%	
Egypt	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%	+9.8%	+19.5%	
Thailand	0.5%	0.7%	0.6%	+23.7%	+25.5%	
Germany	0.1%	0.3%	0.5%	-26.9%	-19.0%	
Change all Countries		_	_	+2.1%	-0.8%	



AVERA	GE EMI	SEAS	ON AVE
his Year	1316	Region	This Yea
ast Year	1385	North	1396
2020/21	1199	South	1264
2019/20	1448	West	1452
2018/19	1939		

THIS YEAR'S EMI					
This Week	1318				
First Week	1407				
Low (14/01)	1224				
High (9/01)	1407				

BALES OFFERED		
This Year	1,363,453	
Last Year	1,359,297	
Difference	+4,156	
% Diff	+0.3%	
FIRST OFFERED BALES		
Difference	+0.2%	
% of Offering	91%	

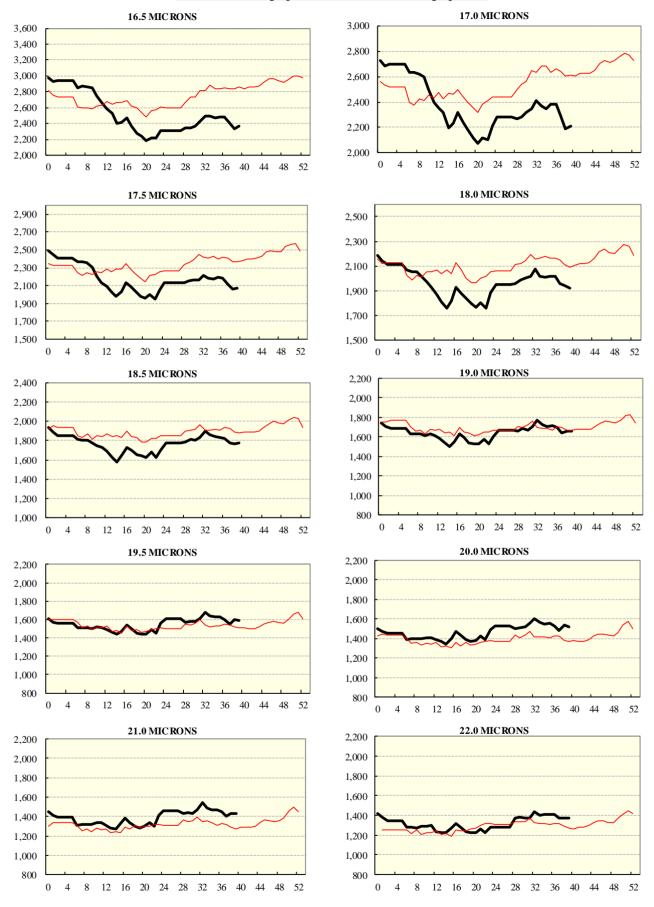
SEASON AVERAGES		
Region	This Year	Diff
North	1396	-78
South	1264	-61
West	1452	+22

COMPARED WITH WKS 1/2		
Region	This Week	Diff
North	1395	-79
South	1267	-80
West	1480	0

REGION BALES		
This Sale:		
North	12,013	
South	22,964	
West	9,168	
Progressive Totals:		Diff
North	396,338	+1.5%
South	707,620	-0.3%
West	259,495	+0.3%

## **AVERAGE AWEX MICRON PRICE GUIDES**

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



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