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AWIS WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Week Ending 13 March 2020 (Week 38)

The AWEX EMI finished at 1521¢, 41¢ lower (-2.6%) in Australian currency and 52¢ lower (-5.0%) in US currency at sales in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle in Week 37.

43,579 bales were on offer nationally, compared with 62,166 bales last sale. 25.5% of the offering was passed in after 6.2% of the potential offering was withdrawn prior to sale.

AWEX reports that the value of the wool sold was \$49.9 million (\$1,537 per bale), taking the season total to \$1.517 billion (\$1,706 per bale). The number of bales sold at auction this season is now 18.5% less than in 2018/21.

	Day-to-Day and Sale-to-Sale Changes in AWEX Regional Indicators (Week 37)								
Centre	Last Sale		Day-to-Day Changes (Week 37)			Sale-to-Sale	Closing	Sale-to-Sa	le Changes
	Week	Indicator	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Change	Indicator	US ¢	Euro ¢
Eastern	36	1562	No Sale	-39	-2	-41 (-2.6%)	1521	-52	-59
Northern	36	1605	No Sale	-41	-7	-48 (-3.0%)	1557	-58	-64
Southern	36	1536	No Sale	-39	+1	-38 (-2.5%)	1498	-50	-57
Western	36	1662	No Sale	-27	-19	-46 (-2.8%)	1616	-57	-64

The market opened on a downward movement on Wednesday and continued to a lesser extent on Thursday. While it is difficult to know the exact influence of various factors on the market, history indicates that losses of global economic confidence, such as those associated with the falls in this week's share market, do impact on wool prices.

Sellers again showed strong resistance to the falls when they passed-in 27.4% on Wednesday and 23.6% on Thursday.

Falls among the AWEX MPGs were greatest at the fine end; but generally improved as the Fibre Diameter increased. Crossbreds did better, with smaller falls. Merino skirtings were reported as down sharply on Wednesday, but more mixed on Thursday. Carding types were down on both days.

The US Exchange Rate continued its downward movement, as it usually does when global economic confidence falls. It finished $1.63 \, \text{¢} \, (-2.5 \, \text{\%})$ lower to close at $64.57 \, \text{¢}$ on Thursday.

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

In other countries, the South African Cape Wools Indicator was down by 0.7% since last week against a 6.9% depreciation of the Rand against the US Dollar and a 7.8% depreciation 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	2.0	16.5 and 22.0
North	No 22.0μ MPG	No 22.0μ MPG	No 22.0μ MPG	Νο 22.0μ Μ	PG	No 22.0μ MPG
South	46¢	134¢ 194¢ 240¢			292¢	
Market Indicator			Changes From			
	Four Sales Ago Week 32	Start of the Season		eek 37 st Year		eason Average to Teek 37 Last Year
Eastern Market Indicator	-56 (-3.6%)	-218 (-12.59	%) -458	-458 (-23.1%)		-408 (-20.8%)
Western Market Indicator	-93 (-5.4%)	-265 (-14.19	%) -511	-511 (-24.0%)		-457 (-21.6%)

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 ¢	-70	-74	-76	-69	-53	-37	-38	-43	-41			
Change %	-3.3%	-3.6%	-3.8%	-3.6%	-2.9%	-2.1%	-2.1%	-2.4%	-2.3%			
Since Start of	f the Seasor	1										
Change ¢	-93	-153	-199	-248	-273	-274	-273	-286	-295	-280		
Change %	-4.3%	-7.1%	-9.4%	-11.7%	-13.3%	-13.5%	-13.4%	-14.1%	-14.6%	-13.8%		
Since Same V	Week Last	Year										
Change ¢	-475	-512	-542	-555	-576	-559	-547	-552	-550	-523		
Change %	-18.7%	-20.5%	-21.9%	-22.9%	-24.5%	-24.1%	-23.7%	-24.1%	-24.1%	-23.0%		

Sale	-to-Sale C	hanges in O	ther Averag	ge AWEX I	Price Guide:	S	
Micron	25.0	26.0	28.0	30.0	32.0	MC	
Since Last Sale							
Change ¢		-18	-5	+3	+3	-34	
Change %		-1.6%	-0.6%	+0.5%	+0.7%	-3.1%	
Since Start of	the Seaso	n					
Change ¢		-213	-167	-186	-178	+86	
Change %		-15.8%	-16.0%	-21.9%	-30.2%	+8.7%	
Since Same Week Last Year							
Change ¢		-279	-265	-255	-188	-129	
Change %		-19.8%	-23.2%	-27.8%	-31.4%	-10.7%	

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.

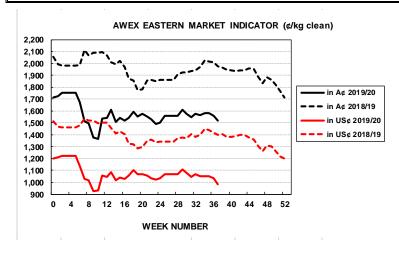
Centre	Last Sale		This Sale			
	Offering	Offering	Passed-In	Withdrawn Before Sale	Re- Offered	Bales Sold
North	18,043	8,864	20.4%	3.3%	7.4%	7,057
South	29,315	23,204	25.2%	6.1%	8.4%	17,345
West	14,808	11,511	29.9%	8.6%	12.5%	8,064
Australia	62,166	43,579	25.5%	6.2%	9.3%	32,466

Progressive Changes from Last Year				
All B	1st Time			
	Bales			
Bales	%	%		
-35,684	-11.0%	-14.6%		
-94,656	-14.9%	-18.0%		
-7,827	-3.2%	-8.8%		
-138,167	-11.5%	-15.3%		

	Next Sale Offerings and Year-on-Year Differences					
Centre	Week 38	Week 39	Week 40	Differences		
North	9,131	8,281	7,516	-14.7%		
South	29,345	24,050	19,574	19,574 + 16.5%		
West	11,777	9,400	9,400 7,550 +			
New Zealand						
Australia	50,253	41,731	34,640	126,624		
Differences	+16.5%	+11.6%	-7.5%	+7.3%		

Exchange Rates	Last		Day-to-Day Changes			Sale-to-Sale	Closing	Season M	lin & Max	
(Reserve Bank)	Sale	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Change	Value	Min	Max
United States	66.20	-0.18	-0.63	+0.27	-0.61	-0.48	-1.63 (-2.5%)	64.57	64.57	70.36
Euro	59.43	-0.65	-1.43	+0.37	-0.34	-0.22	-2.27 (-3.8%)	57.16	57.16	62.48

Country	% Share of Austr	alia's Wool Exports by Weig	ght of Wool Shipped	Year-on-Year % Change		
	January	July to January	July to January	July to .	January	
	2020	2019/20	2018/21	By Weight	By Value	
China	79.3%	77.1%	74.9%	-11.4%	-30.5%	
India	5.9%	6.1%	6.4%	-17.7%	-33.8%	
Italy	3.2%	5.5%	6.1%	-22.3%	-39.1%	
Czech Republic	3.6%	3.2%	3.9%	-30.1%	-49.2%	
Korea	2.2%	2.1%	2.7%	-32.4%	-44.4%	
Egypt	0.6%	1.2%	0.9%	+13.2%	-11.4%	
Thailand	0.4%	0.9%	1.0%	-26.1%	-48.6%	
Bulgaria	0.9%	0.7%	0.4%	+30.4%	+35.2%	
Change all Countries				-13.9%	-32.6%	



AVERAGE EMI							
This Year	1554						
Last Year	1939						
2017/18	1739						
2016/17	1408						
2015/16	125/						

		COMPAR
THIS YEA	R'S EMI	Region
his Week	1521	North
irst Week	1723	South
ow (10/01)	1365	West
liah (11/01)	1754	

BALES O	BALES OFFERED						
This Year	1,063,913						
Last Year	1,202,080						
Difference	-138,167						
% Diff	-11.5%						
FIRST OFFE	RED BALES						
Difference	-15.3%						
% of Offering	89.9%						

SEASON AVERAGES					
Region	This Year	Diff			
North 1584 -397					
South 1533 -379					
West	1658	-431			

COMPARED WITH WKS 1/2				
Region	This Week	Diff		
North	1557	-202		
South	1498	-227		
West	1616	-265		

REGION		
This Sale:		
North	8,864	
South	23,204	
West	11,511	
Progressiv	e Totals:	Diff
North	289,161	-11.0%
South	541,208	-14.9%
West	233,544	-3.2%

NEW INFORMATION

IWTO MEETINGS

Tonxgiang (now Brussels) Congress 21-23 May Nuremburg Round Table 2020

NANJING WOOL MARKET CONFERENCE

2020

INDUSTRY FUNCTIONS and MEETINGS

KEY INDUSTRY INFORMATION

 PRODUCTION FORECAST at 20 November 2019

 2017/18
 341 mkg
 up by 0.3% (+1 mkg)

 2018/19
 300 mkg
 down by 12.1% (-41 mkg)

 2019/20
 272 mkg
 down by 9.2% (-28 mkg)

Next Meeting 29 April 2020

WOOL TESTED BY AWTA to February 2020

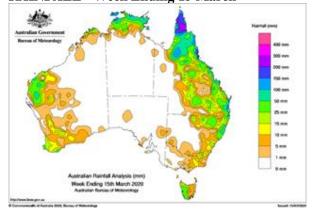
WOOL LESTED BY	Y AWIA to February 2	
	% Change	%Share
All Wool	down by 5.7%	100.0%
Fleece	down by 5.1%	68.3%
Skirtings	down by 7.8%	17.8%
Cardings	down by 5.9%	13.9%
<=13.5 Microns	up by 9.7%	< 0.1%
<=14.5 Microns	down by 24.5%	0.2%
<=15.5 Microns	down by 21.3%	1.2%
<=16.5 Microns	down by 17.9%	5.3%
<=17.5 Microns	down by 13.4%	15.7%
<=18.5 Microns	down by 7.7%	34.5%
<=19.5 Microns	down by 4.6%	54.9%
>19.5 Microns	down by 7.1%	45.1%
19.6-21.5 Microns	down by 1.8%	21.1%
21.6-24.5 Microns	down by 19.8%	7.1%
>24.5 Microns	down by 7.1%	16.8%
>26.5 Microns	down by 5.6%	11.8%
>28.5 Microns	down by 6.4%	5.8%
>30.5 Microns	down by 2.6%	2.9%
AWTA Analytics	1 July 2019 to 1	5 March 2020

AWTA Analytics 1 July 2019 to 15 March 2020 All Wool down by 5.3%

AUCTION SUMMARY	to 13 March
Bales Offered	down by 11.5%
First Hand Bales Offered	down by 15.3%
Bales Sold	down by 18.5%
ARC EVRORT DATA	to January 2020

ABS EXPORT DATA to January 2020
Weight of wool exported down by 13.9%
Value of wool exported down by 32.6%

RAINFALL - Week Ending 15 March



There was less overall rain than in the previous.

However, there were some good rainfall to reasonable areas of Australia, particularly in Oueensland.

Looking Ahead

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VALE JOHN TAINSH

Gary Turner has advised me that John Tainsh, formerly of Prouvost Lefebvre in the East and in Fremantle, passed away on 12 March.

He was 84.

John left the trade to establish a hire firm in Deniliquin some years ago. I think this was in the second half of the 1970's.

He also established a local buying business in Deniliquin.

John's Funeral Service will be held at St Paul's Anglican Church, 340 Harrison Street, Deniliquin on Thursday 19 March, commencing at 11.30 am.

IWTO CONGRESS 2020

We advised last week that Wool Industries Australia (WIA) had received advice from IWTO during the week confirming that the 2020 Congress will now be held:

In:BrusselsFrom:21 - 23 MayRegistration Opens:9 March

Accommodation will be held at the Hotel Steigenberger Wiltcher's until 5 April.

A lot has happened in the COVID-19 space since receipt of that advice.

Bianca has since received further advice from IWTO over the weekend that they are still planning on the Congress proceeding in Brussels.

WOMEN IN WOOL

Bianca has supplied the following report of a very successful gathering of wool industry ladies to celebrate International Women's Day on Friday.

"On Friday afternoon around 40 women in wool celebrated International Women's Day. This inaugural event was held at the AWH dining room in Tottenham, Victoria.

The idea came to me three weeks ago when I thought it would be a good idea to get a few women together to celebrate International Women's Day. I was overwhelmed with the response from women and also the support from businesses.

We all came together to share our stories on how we are involved in the wool industry.

Five of the ladies, as follows, spoke of their differing roles in the industry.

Jess Barber spoke to us about the origins of her flock of sheep which came from Eliza Forlong who brought the first Saxon sheep into Australia.

Jess and Duncan were recently awarded the Weekly Times / Coles Sheep Farmer of the year 2019.

Trisha Esson from Cashmere Connections told us about the scouring to combing mill they have set up for a niche market who only have small quantities of wool, alpaca or cashmere to process.

Wilna Vosloo from AAHL / CSIRO spoke to us about the work she is doing to prepare Australia for an emergency animal disease outbreak.

Emma Beard young fashion designer who has just started her journey and has enjoyed working with wool as a natural and beautiful fibre. Her wish is to design costumes for theatre.

Sally Jackson United by Wool shared her story on how the online business started. Along with Michelle and Katja their passion is to make these beautiful wool garments readily available in Australia.

The overall feedback was that this was a great initiative for women in wool. Women came from all sectors of the wool industry to share their stories.

Many thanks to all our sponsors, AWH, Elders, Tianyu Wool, United by Wool, United Wool, EP Robinson, Modiano Australia, Sentdale, Segard Masurel, AWI and Nutrien.

We are planning to expand this event Australia wide next year.

OTHER FIBRES

Cotton Futures Prices

Cotton Futures Prices fell by around 4% following the gain of around 2% in the previous week; and a fall of around 10.5% two weeks ago.

	Closing	Diff	
	6 Mar	13 Mar	
May 2020	62.79	60.49	-3.7%
July 2020	63.51	60.76	-4.3%
October 2020	64.01	61.10	-4.5%
December 2020	63.81	61.22	-4.1%
March 2021	64.61	62.15	-3.8%

Comparative Movements in the EMI and Cotton Futures Prices over the Last 12 Months

The following graph plots changes in indexed values of the EMI and the spot month price for cotton on the New York Futures Exchange since the same week last year (Week 37).

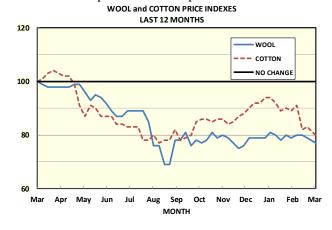
The starting values for the:

- * EMI (1979¢) and the;
- * Cotton Futures Price (75.5 US¢ / pound)

have been set at an Index value of 100.

All subsequent weekly values for the EMI and the spot month Futures Price have been indexed to the starting values of twelve months ago.

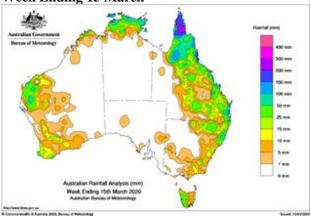
The relative price movements for each fibre have followed each closely over the last 12 months, apart the recent sharp falls in cotton prices.



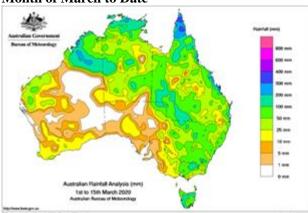
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Rainfall maps follow for the week ending 15 March, for the month of March to date, for the three months – December to February; and for the three months outlook – March to May.

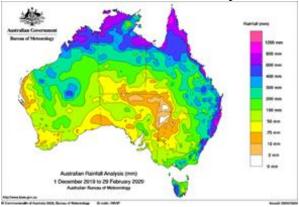
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Three Months - December to February



Three Months Outlook – March to May The Bureau states:

* Autumn (March to May) is likely to be wetter than average for parts of southern Australia (60–75% chance), while scattered parts of northern Australia are more likely to be drier than average (60–65% chance).

- * Rainfall for March shows a similar pattern, with a drier than average month likely across much of northern Australia (60–75% chance), and a wetter month likely across most of the southern mainland (60–70% chance).
- * Both days and nights are likely to be warmer than average across most of the country during

autumn, although in the south days have roughly equal chances of being above or below average.

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March to May Map

December to February Map exceeding the Median Rainfall:

 Dark Brown
 20 to 30%

 Mid Brown
 30 to 35%

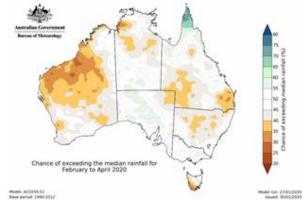
 Light Brown
 35 to 40%

 Light Grey
 40 to 45%

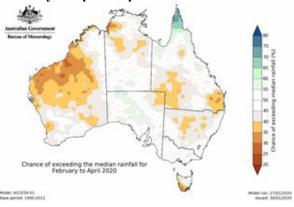
 Clear/White
 45 – 55%

 Light Green
 55 – 65%

Note, a 50% probability indicates the "normal" Median rainfall.



February to April Map



ABS EXPORT STATISTICS

January 2020

Australia exported 19 mkg of wool valued at \$193 million in January, taking the progressive totals to 132 mkg, (-13.9%) and \$1,421 million (-32.6%).

Exports to China were up by 2.2% in January and down by 11.4% in the July to January period. They accounted for 79.3% of Australia's exports in January and for 77.1% in the year to date.

India and Italy retain their positions as Australia's second and third most important destinations by weight for Australia's wool exports, with 6.1% and 5.5%, respectively, of Australia's wool exports going to these countries in the year to date.

85.1% of Australia's exports of wool of 19 microns and finer went to China and 4.8% went to Italy.

Australia exported wool to 21 countries in January and to 27 countries in the July to January period.

EXPORTS JULY TO JANUARY 2020

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COUNTRY	VAI	LUE	WEI	GHT		
	% of CWLY		% of	CWLY		
	TOTAL	(%)	TOTAL	(%)		
China	73.7	-30.5	77.1	-11.4		
Italy	7.7	-39.1	5.5	-22.3		
India	6.3	-33.8	6.1	-17.7		
Czech	2.7	-49.2	3.2	-30.1		
Korea	2.7	-44.4	2.1	-32.4		
Egypt	1.5	-11.4	1.2	13.2		
Thailand	1	-48.6	0.9	-26.1		
UAE	0.7	99.9	0.3	87.7		
Taiwan	0.6	-42.7	0.6	-16.5		
Bulgaria	0.6	35.2	0.7	30.4		
Germany	0.4	-13.7	0.4	-0.5		
Japan	0.4	-65.3	0.3	-55.9		
Malaysia	0.4	-61.4	0.5	-52.7		
UK	0.4	-46.6	0.3	-37.3		
USA	0.2	-50.1	0.2	-39.6		
Totals	100	-32.6	100	-13.9		
Actual Data	(\$mill)		(mkg)			
This Year	1,4	21	132			
Last Year	2,1	09	15	53		

CWLY = Compared with Last Year

DIAMETER DATA – JULY – JANUARY 2020

COUNTRY		PERCENTAGE SPLIT				
	<=19	20 - 23	24 - 27	>=28	Total	
China	54.9	34.9	6.6	3.7	100	
India	26.0	60.2	9.9	3.9	100	
Italy	43.4	55.8		0.9	100	
Czech	35.2	31.5	15.2	18	100	
Korea	26.1	73.9			100	
Egypt	57.9	42.1			100	
Thailand	23.8	73.3	1.8	1.1	100	
Bulgaria	39.4	49.0		11.6	100	
Taiwan		88.7	11.3		100	
Malaysia	41.1	58.9			100	
Germany	20.0	73.9		6.1	100	
UAE		100.0			100	
Japan	38.9	61.1			100	
UK	12.0	88.0			100	
USA	9.4	46.2		44.4	100	
Totals	49.7	40.1	6.2	3.9	100	

AWTA SAMPLING & TEST DATA

February 2020

Bales Sampled / Weight of Wool Tested

The number of bales and the weight of wool tested were down by 11.0% and by 10.3%,respectfully in February. This took the respective progressive changes since 2018/19 to -6.1% (bales) and -5.7% (weight).

The year-on-year month and progressive data for February are reported in the following table.

YEAR-on-YEAR % CHANGE IN BALES FEBRUARY					
State (Bales)	February (% Change)	Progressive (% Change)			
OLI	.12.7	0.0			
Qld NSW	+13.7 -16.5	-9.0 -5.7			
Vic	-12.1	-7.6			
Tas	-37.5	-14.4			
SA WA	-3.7 -6.1	-6.3 -2.6			
Australia -11.0 -6.1					
No. of Bales	152,324	1,154,564			
Weight Tested	Weight Tested -10.3%				
Current Produc	Current Production Forecast -9.2%				

Average tested lot size is 5.6 bales.

Superfine / Ultrafine Testing

10.5% less wool of 19.5 microns and finer was tested in February than in the same month last season, taking the progressive difference to -4.6%.

7.0% less wool of greater than 19.5 microns was tested in the July to February period.

PARAMETER	FEBRUARY		PROGRESSIVE	
	Av	Diff	Av	Diff
	Values	From	Values	From
		2018/19		2018/19
Schlum Dry	61.1	-2.0	63.0	-1.0
VM	1.7	-0.2	1.6	-0.4
Fibre Diameter	21.0	-0.1	20.6	0.0
CVD	21.9	-0.1	21.7	-0.1
Staple Length	84.8	+1.7	86.5	+1.8
CVSL	15.7	-0.3	15.6	-0.4
Staple Strength	30.5	-0.8	32.3	-0.5
CVSS	39.4	+0.5	37.9	+0.5
% Mid Breaks	46.1	-3.9	48.4	+1.3

WOOL PRODUCTION FORECAST

20 November 2019

(See also https://www.wool.com/about-awi/media-releases/)

2017/18

The final estimate for 2017/18 is for production to rise by 1 mkg (0.3%) from the 2016/17 figure to 341 mkg.

2018/19

The final estimate is 300 mkg, 41 mkg (12.1%) less than in 2017/18.

2019/20

The third forecast is for a further fall of 28 mkg (-9.2%) to 272 mkg.

Committee Chairman, Russell Pattinson noted that:

"High adult sheep slaughter rates in 2018/19, which were up 16.0% on 2017/18, reduced the number of sheep available to be shorn during 2019/20. Persistent dry to drought conditions, limited pasture and stock water availability in key wool growing regions combined with strong returns for mutton and lamb continue to reduce the number of sheep on Australian farms".

The number of sheep shorn in Australia during 2019/20 is forecast to fall by 7.5% to 67.1 million, while average wool cut per head is forecast to fall by 1.7%.

	2017/18	2018/19				20	19/20
			Diff		Diff		
Shorn Sheep (million)	76.8	72.5	-5.6%	67.1	-7.5%		
Av Cut (kg/head)	4.45	4.13	-7.22%	4.06	-1.7%		
Shorn Wool (mkg)	341	300	-12.1%	272	-9.2%		

State-by-State Wool Production Forecast and Year-on-Year Differences						
STATE	2018/19 Weight (mkg)					
Qld	8.1	2.4%	6.7	-17.3%		
NSW	99.1	-21.2%	85.5	-13.7%		
Vic	66.9	-9.0%	63.7	4.8%		
Tas	9.0	-3.2%	8.4	-6.7%		
SA	54.3	-8.7%	48.6	-10.5%		
WA	62.2	-4.5%	59.3	-4.7%		
Australia	300	-12.1%	272	-9.2%		

AWEX MULESING STATUS DATA

February 2020

34.1% less bales in February and 6.9% less in the July to February period, were offered at auction with an NM, CM or PR Mulesing Status Declaration than in the same periods last year.

The above numbers are not a true reflection of the situation this month as there was no sale in the last week of February. Extrapolation of the February data to include the missed sale suggests that the year-to-year differences are more like -12.2% for the month and -3.4% for the Progressive difference.

As in previous months, the downward changes are a consequence of the fall in wool production, rather than a fall in the Declaration Rate, which went up.

47.6% of all First-Time Offered bales in the July to February period had a NM, CM or PR Declaration compared with 42.1% in the same period last year.

This was made up of:

12.6% NM 2.9% CM 32.1% PR

The year-to-date changes in the number of bales declared within each classification are reported in the following table.

NUMBER OF BALES DECLARED				
	NM	CM	PR	Total
July	6,681	1,260	18,879	26,820
August	12,599	1,672	39,467	53,738
September	11,075	2,188	28,980	42,243
October	16,145	3,127	49,492	68,764
November	17,802	3,994	42,167	63,963
December	14,873	3,982	29,292	48,147
January	16,994	4,963	38,076	60,033
February	12,614	3,429	30,712	46,755
March				
April				
May				
June				
Progressive	108,783	24,615	277,065	410,463
Prog. Change	-5.3%	+25.8%	-9.6%	-6.9%
Prog Totals As % of First Time Offered Bales				
This Year	12.6%	2.9%	32.1%	47.6%
Last Year	11.0%	1.9%	29.3%	42.1%

On a Diameter basis, the fine wool bales make up the greatest percentage of all bales declared.

DIAMETER	NM	NM + CM+ PR
RANGE		
<=18μ	35%	43%
19μ	11%	20%
20μ	7%	13%
21 to 24μ	12%	10%
<25μ	65%	86%
>=25µ	36%	13%

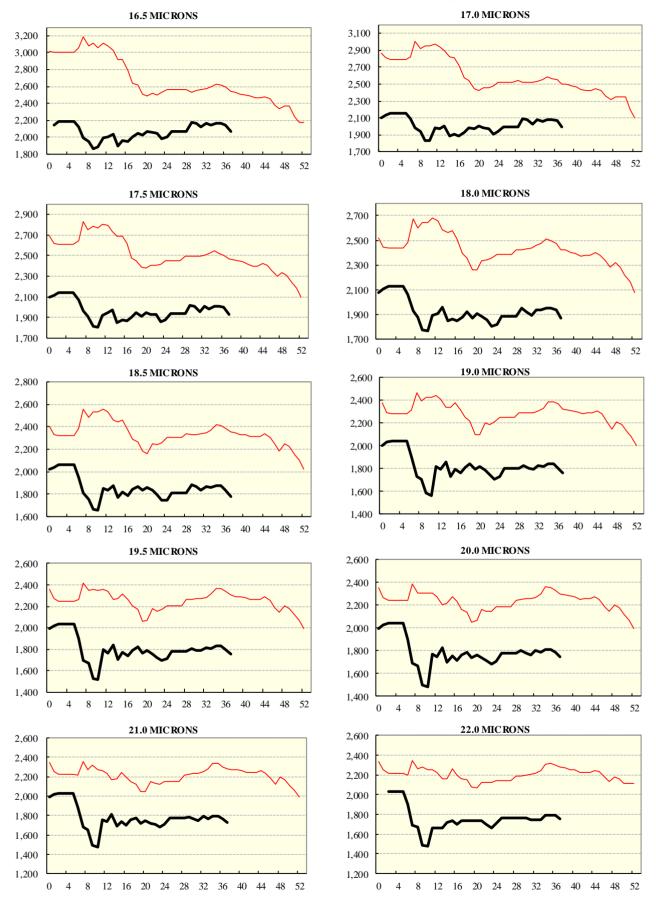
YEAR TO DATE NUMBER OF BALES DECLARED (Within Fibre Diameter Groups)						
DIAMETER GROUP	NM	CM	PR	TOTAL		
<=18μ	37,880	12,036	127,508	177,424		
19 μ	11,628	4,137	65,678	81,443		
20 μ	7,129	2,400	45,266	54,795		
21 μ	3,522	1,326	19,006	23,854		
22 μ	2,345	609	5,947	8,901		
23 μ	2,997	245	1,665	4,907		
24 μ	3,785	229	1,308	5,322		
<=24 μ	69,286	20,982	266,378	356,646		
<=25 μ %	63.7%	85.2%	96.1%	86.9%		
=>25 μ	39,497	3,633	10,687	53,817		
Prog. Totals	108,783	24,615	277,065	410,463		

<= less than or equal to => equal to or greater than

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