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AWIS WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Week Ending 17 June 2016 (Week 51)

The AWEX EMI finished 9¢ higher (+0.7%) in Australian currency and 3¢ lower (-0.3%) in US currency at sales in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle this week.

31,672 bales were on offer nationally, compared with 27,231 bales last sale. 6.6% of the offering was passed in.

Day-to-Day and Sale-to-Sale Changes in AWEX Regional Indicators (Week 51)

Centre	Last Sale Week	Last Sale Indicator	Day-to-Day Changes (Week 51) Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Sale-to-Sale Change	Closing Indicator	Sale-to-Sale Changes US ¢	Euro ¢
Eastern	50	1270	No Sale	+6	+3	9 (0.7%)	1279	-3	+6
Northern	50	1292	No Sale	+6	+2	8 (0.6%)	1300	-3	+6
Southern	50	1255	No Sale	+7	+4	11 (0.9%)	1266	-1	+8
Western	49	1370	No Sale	-13	+5	-8 (-0.6%)	1362	-16	-4

It was a good sale with strong demand for the better types this week. The rise in the EMI in Australian currency led to the pass-in rate falling from 11.7% last week when the 3.1% increase in the US exchange Rate resulted in a 26¢ fall in the EMI is Australian currency.

The Northern and Southern Regional Indicators got away to a good start on Wednesday, particularly from 18.5 to 22 microns. The Western Region Indicator was down by 13¢ from its previous sale two weeks ago. This was similar to the shift of 17¢ in the EMI over the same period.

Overall, the 18.5 to 23 micron average AWEX MPGs were up by around 1.3% on average. Changes in the crossbred MPGs was again very mixed with only the 26 micron average MPG moving up. This was driven by demand in the South.

.Merino skirtings followed the strong start for the fleece types and continued in that manner for the two days. Demand for oddments was a bit easier; leading to a small fall of 3¢ in the average AWEX Merino Cardings Price Guide.

The US exchange rate was more settled after last week's 3.1% increase. It finished 0.74¢ (-1.0%) lower to close at 73.91¢ on Thursday. The finance market appeared to have factored in the expectation that the United States Federal Reserve would leave interest rates unchanged when it met this week.

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

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	112¢	133¢	158¢	155¢	168¢
South	94¢	107¢	127¢	134¢	145¢

Market Indicator	Changes From: Four Sales Ago Week 47	Start of the Season	Week 51 Last Year	Season Average to Week 51 Last Year
Eastern Market Indicator	-12 (-0.9%)	+53 (+4.3%)	-41 (-3.1%)	+155 (+14.1%)
Western Market Indicator	-13 (-0.9%)	+109 (+8.7%)	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 ¢		+6	+5	+7	+14	+15	+17	+18	+27	+17	+20	
Change %		+0.4%	+0.3%	+0.5%	+1.0%	+1.0%	+1.2%	+1.3%	+2.0%	+1.2%	+1.5%	
Since Start of the Season												
Change ¢	+21	+43	+60	+77	+111	+130	+125	+110	+96	+101	+101	
Change %	+1.4%	+2.9%	+4.1%	+5.4%	+8.1%	+9.7%	+9.4%	+8.4%	+7.4%	+7.9%	+8.0%	
Since Same Week Last Year												
Change ¢	-65	-60	-33	-33	-3	+10	+15	+6	-2	+15		
Change %	-4.0%	-3.8%	-2.1%	-2.1%	-0.2%	+0.7%	+1.0%	+0.4%	-0.1%	+1.1%		

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 ¢		+30	-4	-1	-5	-3
Change %		+2.8%	-0.5%	-0.1%	-0.9%	-0.3%
Since Start of the Season						
Change ¢	+67	+39	-109	-90	-94	+54
Change %	+6.0%	+3.7%	-12.2%	-11.4%	-14.2%	+5.2%
Since Same Week Last Year						
Change ¢		-71	-191	-154	-180	-14
Change %		-6.1%	-19.6%	-18.0%	-24.0%	-1.3%

\# 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 April ABS export data.

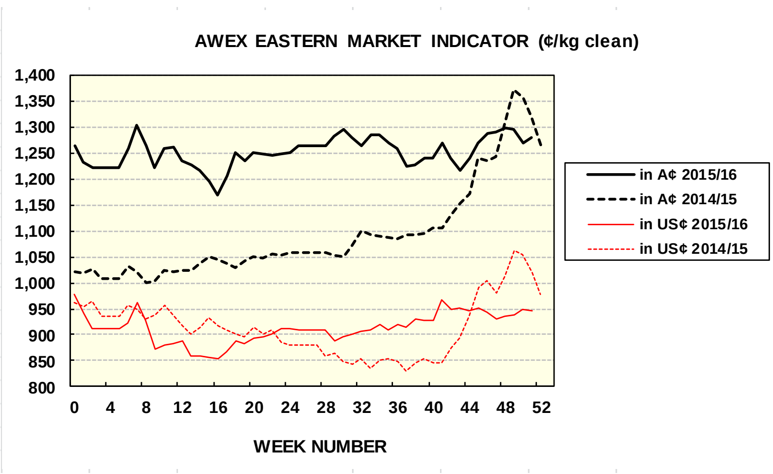
Details of this Week's Offering and the Comparison with the Previous Sale's Offering						
Centre	***Last Sale***	**This Sale**				
	Offering	**Offering**	**Passed-In**	**Withdrawn Before Sale**	**Re-Offered**	**Bales Sold**
North	*12,134*	9,021	5.6%	4.2%	3.2%	8,516
South	*15,097*	17,130	6.2%	2.6%	5.5%	16,076
West		5,521	9.9%	6.1%	8.8%	4,975
Australia	***27,231***	**31,672**	**6.6%**	**3.7%**	**5.5%**	**29,567**

Actual and % Changes in the Progressive Offerings from Last Year	
-50,098	-9.1%
-93,592	-9.5%
-15,590	-4.1%
-159,280	**-8.3%**

Next Sale Offerings and Year-on-Year Differences				
Centre	**Week 52**	**Week 53**	**Week 01**	**Differences**
North	10,681	11,190	12,690	**+6.1%**
South	13,479	17,000	19,486	**+31.2%**
West	No Sale	6,207	8,217	**-33.7%**
New Zealand				
Australia	**24,160**	**34,397**	**40,393**	**-30.1%**
Differences	**-46.4%**	No Sale in 2015	**-14.7%**	

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	74.65	-0.50	Public	-0.14	-0.27	+0.17	-0.74 (-1.0%)	73.91	69.05	78.12
Euro	65.50	+0.11	Holiday	-0.02	+0.21	-0.26	+0.04 (+0.1%)	65.54	62.20	69.14

Country	**% Share of Australia's Wool Exports by Weight of Wool Shipped**			**Year-on-Year % Change in Weight of Wool Exports July to April**
	April 2016	**July to April This Season**	**July to April Last Season**	
China	79.3%	75.0%	76.2%	-10.1%
India	6.7%	7.4%	6.0%	+7.6%
Italy	2.2%	4.8%	4.4%	-0.5%
Czech Republic	4.4%	5.2%	4.7%	-0.2%
Malaysia	1.0%	1.6%	1.9%	-26.0%
Korea	2.4%	1.8%	2.2%	-25.0%
Taiwan	0.9%	0.8%	0.8%	-15.2%
Egypt	1.3%	1.2%	0.9%	+24.5%
Change all Countries				**-8.6%**



AVERAGE EMI	
This Year	1253
Last Year	1102
2013/14	1070
2012/13	1035
2011/12	1198

THIS YEAR'S EMI	
This Week	1279
First Week	1231
Low (16/10)	1169
High (14/08)	1304

BALES OFFERED	
This Year	1,750,441
Last Year	1,909,721
Difference	-159,280
% Diff	-8.3%
FIRST OFFERED BALES	
Difference	-7.8%
% of Offering	94.4%

SEASON AVERAGES		
Region	This Year	Diff
North	1278	+154
South	1236	+149
West	1306	+177

COMPARED WITH WKS 1/2		
Region	This Week	Diff
North	1300	+54
South	1266	+53
West	1362	+109

REGION BALES		
This Sale:		
North	9,021	
South	17,130	
West	5,521	
Progressive Totals:		Diff
North	497,629	-9.1%
South	892,652	-9.5%
West	360,160	-4.1%

INDUSTRY MEETINGS

AWI Wool Exporter Day	To be advised
Wool Production Forecasting	17 August 2016
AWIS Wool Week	25-26 August 2016
World Merino Insight	Adelaide 4-6 September 2016

Nanjing Wool Market Conference

Wuxi	23-25 Sept 2016

IWTO Meetings

Biella Round Table	28-29 November 2016
Istanbul Congress	15-17 May 2017

KEY INDUSTRY INFORMATION

Production Forecast, *at 30 March*

2015/16

322 mkg	down by 6.9% (24 mkg)

2016/17

320 mkg	down by 0.6% (2 mkg)

Wool Tested by AWTA, *to May 2016*

	Change	%Share
All Wool	down by 5.9%	100.0%
<=15.5 Microns	up by 58.6%	0.8%
<=16.5 Microns	up by 18.6%	3.8%
<=17.5 Microns	up by 6.5%	12.2%
<=18.5 Microns	down by 1.1%	26.7%
<=19.5 Microns	down by 4.3%	44.6%
>19.5 Microns	down by 7.1%	55.4%
19.6-21.5 Microns	down by 3.9%	27.2%
21.6-24.5 Microns	down by 15.9%	10.7%
>24.5 Microns	down by 5.9%	17.5%
>26.5 Microns	down by 7.2%	12.9%
>28.5 Microns	down by 8.4%	6.4%
>30.5 Microns	down by 2.5%	2.7%

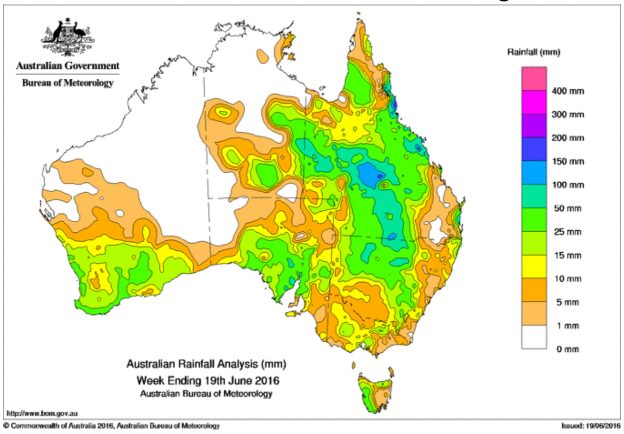
AWEX Auction Data, *to 16 June*

All Bales	down by 8.3%
New Bales	down by 7.8%

ABS Export Data, *to April 2016*

Weight of wool exported	down by 8.6%
Value of wool exported	up by 6.2%

RAINFALL *Week Ending 19 June*



There was more very good rain in much of Australia this week. It was particularly pleasing to see the heavy rain (blue and turquoise colours) that fell in central Queensland after their prolonged period of drought.

Liklihood of Rain in the Coming Week

Rainfall is expected across all states and territories this week with heavy rainfall expected across eastern and southern Australia.

Three Months Outlook / El Nino *7 June*

The Bureau of Meteorology states that:

* The El Nino conditions are now neutral; and
* There is a 50% of a La Nina event in Spring. La Nina events are usually associated above average Winter / Spring rainfall northern, central and eastern Australia.

WOOL WEEK REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Registration is open for the 2016 Wool Week, Luncheon, Dinner and Association Annual General Meetings.

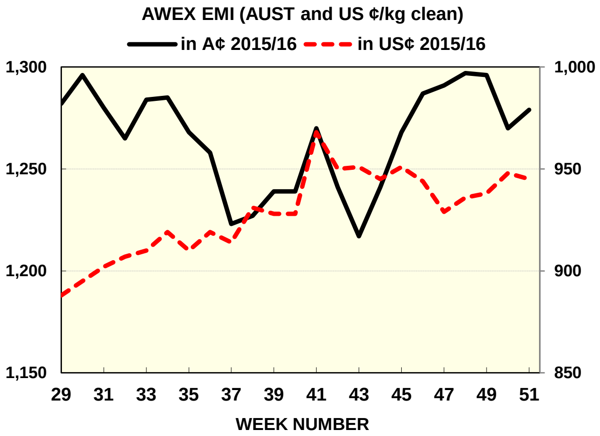
The Registration Pack and Form can be accessed on the AWIS Web Site by:

* Opening www.woolindustries.org; and
* Clicking on the Wool Week tab.

IMPACT OF CURRENCY ON RECENT WOOL PRICES – ONE MORE WEEK (51)

Last week's graph has been extended to Week 51.

As mentioned in the Market Review, the US Exchange Rate fell by 1.0% this week.



BIOSECURITY MANAGEMENT IN THE WOOL INDUSTRY

Background

Australia has very high reputation for its freedom from exotic animal and plant diseases, which if present, would restrict Australia's ability to trade with its customer countries until the disease was eradicated. This reputation comes:

* Partly from Australia's isolation as an island continent; but
* Particularly from the Australian Government's surveillance procedures in place at Australia's borders;

Australian Governments and agricultural industries also work together to ensure that appropriate procedures are in place to ensure a swift and coordinated response should a disease outbreak occur.

This article has been written to follow on from a meeting of the FAWO Emergency Animal Disease Working Group held on Friday.

Biosecurity and the Wool Industry

Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) is the potentially most dangerous exotic animal disease (EAD) (but not the only one) that could affect the sheep and wool industries.

An outbreak of FMD would lead to significant economic loss arising from the destruction of animals, loss of valuable genetic material and the suspension of trade in wool and other agricultural products.

Resumption in trade does not occur on the day a country is declared free of an EAD, as has been seen with outbreaks of FMD in the United Kingdom and Rift Valley Fever in South Africa.

The Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences (ABARES) has estimated that an outbreak of FMD could cost Australia up to $30 billion before it was eradicated.

The sheep and wool industries have worked closely with the Department of Agriculture in Canberra on the development of response procedures should there be an EAD outbreak in Australia.

The wool work is conducted through the Federation of Wool Organisations (FAWO), while the sheep aspects are led by the sheep and wool grower industry organisations WoolProducers Australia and the Sheep Meat Council of Australia. WoolProducers is also a Member of FAWO.

Work done by FAWO and its Members includes:

* Liaison with the Departments of Agriculture on biosecurity matters.
* The preparation on "*AUSVETPLAN Enterprise Manual for the Wool Industry*".

  AUSVETPLAN Enterprise Manuals have been prepared for most animal industries.

  They describe the potentially dangerous EADs, the mandated procedures for the control of infected animals and product (such as wool); and the normal operational procedures in moving the product from the farm to customers.
* The development of an R&D and extension program to investigate matters associated with biosecurity issues in the wool industry.

  For example, it is known that when wool is infected with the FMD virus, the virus is deactivated over time; and the hotter the surrounding temperature, the more rapidly the virus is deactivated.

  An important part of any control program will be to know how long it might take for the FMD virus on wool in bales to be deactivated under different temperature conditions.
* The development of a documented description of the flow of wool along the pipeline to a scour in Australia or overseas.

  This was an essential prerequisite to the development of procedures to trace the location of bales that contain infected (or suspect infected) wool along the wool industry pipeline.
* The development of procedures for tracing the location of bales along the pipeline is currently in progress.
* The development by WoolProducers Australia of a sheep industry response plan should an EAD outbreak occur.

FAWO was recognized for its contribution to biosecurity in the wool industry when it received a Biosecurity Award from the Australian Department of Agriculture in 2014.

OTHER FIBRES

Cotton Futures Prices

Cotton Futures prices increased again (except for July, but the size of increases were mixed.

Month	Closing Prices		Diff
	10 Jun	17 Jun	
July 2016	*64.75*	64.57	-0.3%
October 2016	*64.55*	66.25	+2.6%
December 2016	*65.07*	65.92	+1.3%
March 2017	*65.68*	66.09	+0.6%
July 2017	*66.32*	66.75	+0.6%

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 51).

The starting values for the:

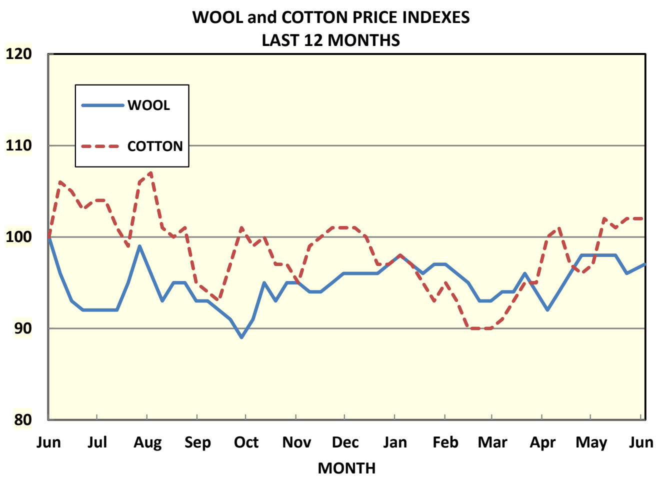
* EMI (1320¢) and the;
* Cotton Futures Price (63.32 US¢ / pound)

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 wool (blue) line is still below 100, as the first value for the EMI was in the four sale period from Week 48 to Week 51 last year when the EMI was over 1300¢ in each sale.

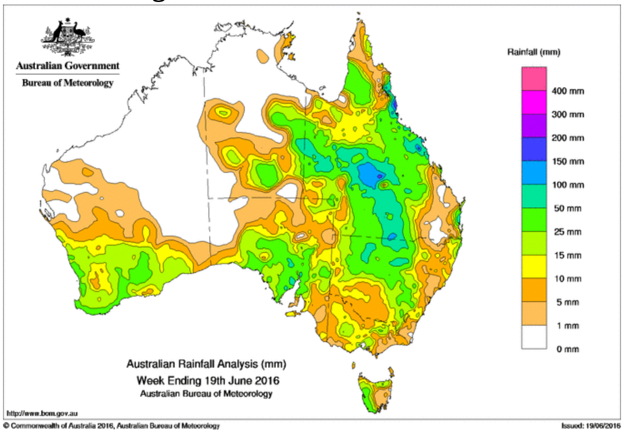
This will change next week when the starting EMI will be 1263¢.



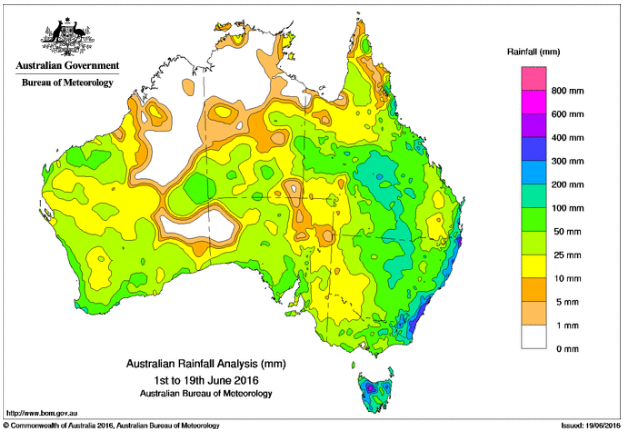
RAINFALL - Week Ending 19 June

Rainfall maps follow for the week ending 19 June, for the month of June to date, for the three months – March to May; and for the three months outlook – June to August.

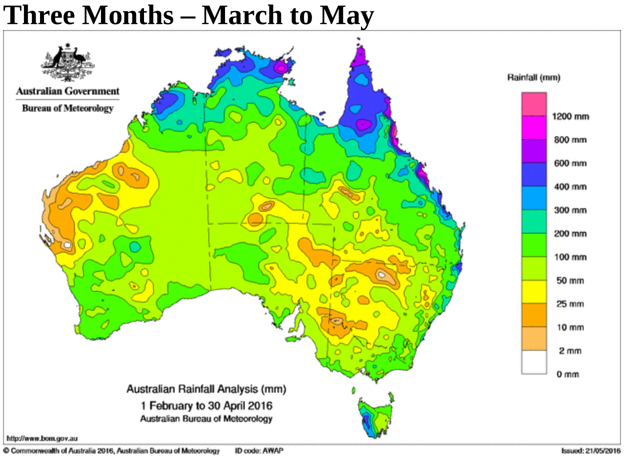
Week Ending 19 June



Month of June to Date



Three Months – March to May



Three Months Outlook – June to August

It is a another encouraging outlook from the Bureau, of Meteorology which states:

* *June to August rainfall is more likely to be above average across most of mainland Australia. However, southwest WA, southern Victoria, and most of Tasmania have roughly equal chances of a wetter or drier three months.*

* *Large parts of the country are more likely to have a wetter than average June. However, southwest Australia, southwest Victoria, and eastern NSW have roughly equal chances of a wetter or drier June.*

* *The current outlook reflects the combination of increasing odds for La Niña.*

* *Cooler than average winter days are likely for most of the southern half of Australia. Warmer than average days are very likely for southeast Victoria and all of Tasmania.*

El Nino

The Bureau states:

* *The tropical Pacific Ocean has returned to a neutral El Niño–Southern Oscillation (ENSO) state.*

* *Outlooks suggest little chance of returning to El Niño levels, in which case mid-May will mark the end of the 2015–16 El Niño.*

* *Most (but not all) international climate models suggest that there is a 50% chance of a La Niña event likely to form during the June–August.*

* *Typically during La Niña, winter-spring rainfall is above average over northern, central and eastern Australia.*

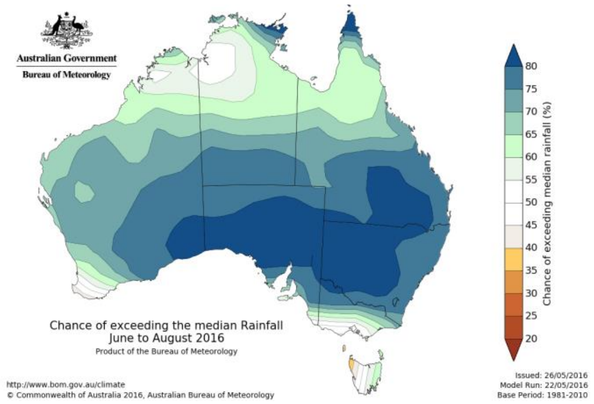
This is reflected in the more encouraging outlook in the May to July rainfall map, below.

June to August Map

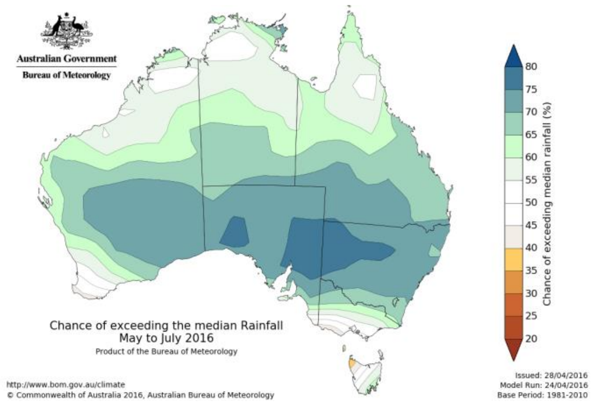
The colours indicate the various probabilities of exceeding the Median Rainfall:

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.



April to June Map



ABS EXPORT STATISTICS

April 2016

Australia exported 27 mkg of wool in April valued at $231 million, taking the progressive totals to 252 mkg, (-8.6%) and $2,254 million (+6.2%).

Exports to China were down by 8.6% in April and down by 10.1% in the July to April period. They accounted for 79.3% of Australia's exports in April and for 75% in the year to date.

India and Czech Republic retain their positions as Australia's second and third most important destinations by weight for Australia's wool exports, with 7.4% and 5.2%, respectively, of Australia's wool exports going to these countries in the year to date.

82.8% of Australia's exports of wool of 19 microns and finer went to China and 6.7% went to Italy.

Australia exported wool to 22 countries in April and to 35 countries in the July to April period.

EXPORTS JULY - JULY – APRIL 2016

COUNTRY	VALUE		WEIGHT	
	% of TOTAL	CWLY (%)	% of TOTAL	CWLY (%)
China	72.1	5.9	75	-10.1
India	7.7	26.4	7.4	7.6
Italy	6.1	11.2	4.8	-0.5
Czech	4.7	9.8	5.2	-0.2
Korea	2.6	-6.1	1.8	-25
Malaysia	1.5	-39.5	1.6	-26
Egypt	1.3	39.4	1.2	24.5
Taiwan	0.7	-4.5	0.8	-15.2
Japan	0.6	18.4	0.4	-13.2
USA	0.4	28	0.3	-22.4
Germany	0.4	26.4	0.3	3.8
Thailand	0.4	-46	0.3	-48.3
UK	0.4	16.4	0.3	3.2
Iran	0.3	-15.8	0.2	-30.1
Turkey	0.2	181.2	0.1	128.5
Totals	**100**	**6.2**	**100**	**-8.6**
Actual Data	($mill)		(mkg)	
This Year	**2,254**		**252**	
Last Year	**2,123**		**276**	

CWLY = Compared With Last Year

DIAMETER DATA – JULY - APRIL2016

COUNTRY	PERCENTAGE SPLIT				
	<=19	20 - 23	24 - 27	>=28	Total
China	56.4	26.7	9.1	7.9	100
India	23.2	66.9	5.9	4	100
Czech	37.3	36.4	7.2	19.1	100
Italy	71.6	26.9	0.2	1.2	100
Korea	1.9	97.6		0.4	100
Malaysia	14	63	12.9	10.1	100
Egypt	85.9	14.1			100
Taiwan	4.7	90.3		5.1	100
Japan	2.4	95.2		2.4	100
USA	2.5	64.2	0.2	33.2	100
Germany	67.1	29.1	2.5	1.3	100
UK	8.4	82.1	3	6.5	100
Thailand	9.1	90.9			100
Iran		100			100
Turkey	4.5	87.4		8.1	100
Totals	**51.1**	**33.4**	**7.9**	**7.6**	100

AWTA SAMPLING & TEST DATA

May 2016

Bales Sampled / Weight of Wool Tested

The year-on-year differences in the number of bales sampled and in the weight of wool tested in May are reported in the following table.

YEAR-on-YEAR % CHANGE IN BALES MAY		
State (Bales)	**May** (% Change)	**Progressive** (% Change)
Qld	-22.8	-19.1
NSW	-17.1	-6.5
Vic	-6.3	-6.6
Tas	-22.2	-16.2
SA	-6.9	-3.9
WA	-19.1	-3.3
Australia	**-13.5**	**-6.1**
No. of Bales	**129,482**	**1,797,527**
Weight Tested	**-13.3%**	**-5.9%**
Current Production Forecast		**-7.0%**

Average tested lot size is 6.0 bales.

Superfine / Ultrafine Testing

13.4% less wool of 19.5 microns and finer was tested in May than in the same month last season, taking the progressive difference to -4.3%.

The volume of wool of greater than 19.5 microns tested in the July to May period was 7.1% less than in the same period last season.

ULTRAFINE & SUPERFINE PRODUCTION		
MICRON RANGE	**2016/17 (tns / % of Clip)**	**Diff From 2014/15**
< 12.6	2.2 tns	+1.4 tns
12.6 – 13.5	38.0 tns	+16.0 tns
13.6 – 14.5	242.6 tns	+114.6 tns
14.6 – 15.5	2,154.1 tns	+768.5 tns
15.6 - 16.5	9,772.2 tns	1,017.6 tns
< 16.6	**4.7 %**	**+0.8 %**
16.6 – 17.5	8.6 %	0.0 %
17.6 – 18.5	14.3 %	-0.1 %
< 18.6	**27.6 %**	**+0.7 %**
18.6 – 19.5	18.8 %	+0.7 %
< 19.6	**46.4 %**	**+1.4 %**

Yield, Diameter etc Month and Progressive Data

PARAMETER	MAY		PROGRESSIVE	
	Av Values	Diff From 2014/15	Av Values	Diff From 2014/15
Schlum Dry	62.2	-1.0	65.9	-1.0
VM	2.8	+0.5	1.5	+0.1
Fibre Diameter	20.7	0.0	21.3	0.0
CVD	21.7	+0.2	21.9	+0.1
Staple Length	84.5	-1.1	88.3	-0.5
CVSL	15.9	+0.1	15.7	0.0
Staple Strength	35.2	-0.2	33.0	+0.1
CVSS	35.0	-0.8	37.4	+1.1
% Mid Breaks	48.2	+0.8	51.8	-1.6

WOOL PRODUCTION FORECAST

30 March 2016

(See also http://www.wool.com/forecasts)

2015/16

The forecast for 2015/16 remained unchanged 322 mkg, 7.0% less than in 2014/15.

The Forecasting Committee state that *"This reflects a combination of both fewer sheep shorn than in 2014/15 and a decline in average fleece weights due to unfavourable seasonal conditions."*

2016/17

The first forecast for 2015/16 is for production to be down by 0.7% to 320 mkg.

There are expected to be slightly less shorn sheep in 2016/17. "*But this is expected to partly offset by a slightly higher average fleece weight.*

This forecast is based on normal seasonal conditions from Autumn."

There are no State-by-State data for 2016/17, as in normal practice with the first forecast.

	2014/15	2015/16		2016/17	
	Value	Value	Diff	Value	Diff
Sheep (million)					
Opening Numbers	72.62	70.91	-2.4%		
Shorn Sheep	76.93	72.72	-5.5%	71.9	-1.1%
Av Cut (kg/head)	4.50	4.43	-1.6%	4.45	+0.3%
Shorn Wool (mkg)	**346**	**322**	**-7.0%**	**320**	**-0.7%**

State-by-State Wool Production Forecast and Year-on-Year Differences				
STATE	2015/16		2016/17	
	Weight (mkg)	% Diff	Weight (mkg)	% Diff
Qld	6.4	-30.2%		
NSW	120.8	-7.1%		
Vic	66.1	-9.0%		
Tas	9.0	-16.9%		
SA	54.8	-3.0%		
WA	65.1	-3.0%		
Australia	**322**	**-7.0%**	**320**	**-0.6%**

Micron Range% Split of the Clip (AWTA Data)			
Range	2014/15	Mar 2016	Difference
< 16.6	3.2	3.9	+0.7%
16.6 - 17.5	7.9	8.2	+0.3%
17.6 – 18.5	14.8	14.4	-0.4%
18.6 - 19.5	18.5	18.0	-0.5%
19.6 - 20.5	15.8	16.3	+0.5%
20.6 -21.5	10.5	10.6	+0.1%
21.6 - 22.5	6.5	5.7	-0.8%
22.6 - 23.5	3.5	2.8	-0.7%
23.6 - 24.5	1.9	1.9	0.0%
24.6 - 26.5	4.4	4.7	+0.3%
26.6 - 28.5	6.5	6.8	+0.3%
28.6 - 30.5	3.9	3.8	-0.1%
=> 30.5	2.6	2.7	+0.1%
Average	**21.0µ**	**21.4 µ**	**+0.4 µ**

AWEX MULESING STATUS DATA

April 2016

2.1% more bales in May, and 7.7% more in the July to May period, were offered at auction with an NM, CM or PR Mulesing Status declaration than in the same periods last year.

29.9% of all bales offered at auction for the first time in the July to May period had a Mulesing Status Declaration compared with 25.4% in the same period last year.

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

NUMBER OF BALES DECLARED				
	NM	CM	PR	Total
July	5,219	1,703	14,303	**21,225**
August	9,358	3,848	24,900	**38,106**
September	11,217	3,906	31,312	**46,435**
October	11,990	4,195	28,564	**44,749**
November	13,629	3,755	31,574	**48,958**
December	12,379	2,507	18,603	**33,489**
January	12,965	4,396	26,592	**43,953**
February	15,664	3,669	30,563	**49,896**
March	11,713	3,258	30,924	**45,895**
April	11,475	3,912	35,105	**50,492**
May	9,827	2,958	32,803	**45,588**
June				
Progressive	**125,436**	**38,107**	**305,243**	**468,786**
Prog Change	**11.6%**	**-9.3%**	**8.7%**	**7.7%**
Progressive As % of Total	**26.8%**	**8.1%**	**65.1%**	**100.0%**

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

DIAMETER RANGE	NM	NM + CM+ PR
<=18µ	29%	36%
19 µ	10%	17%
20µ	8%	15%
21 to 24µ	13%	18%
=>25µ	40%	14%

YEAR TO DATE NUMBER OF BALES DECLARED (Within Fibre Diameter Groups)				
DIAMETER GROUP	NM	CM	PR	TOTAL
<=18µ	36,600	11,657	120,610	**168,867**
19 µ	12,756	5,935	63,009	**81,700**
20 µ	9,623	6,144	52,314	**68,081**
21 µ	4,818	4,414	35,292	**44,524**
22 µ	3,707	2,441	15,801	**21,949**
23 µ	3,937	855	4,551	**9,343**
24 µ	4,214	434	1,740	**6,388**
<=24 µ	**75,655**	**31,880**	**293,317**	**400,852**
=>25 µ	49,781	6,227	11,926	**67,934**
Progressive	**125,436**	**38,107**	**305,243**	**468,786**

<= less than or equal to

=> equal to or greater than

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2015/16(black graph line) and 2014/15 (red graph line)

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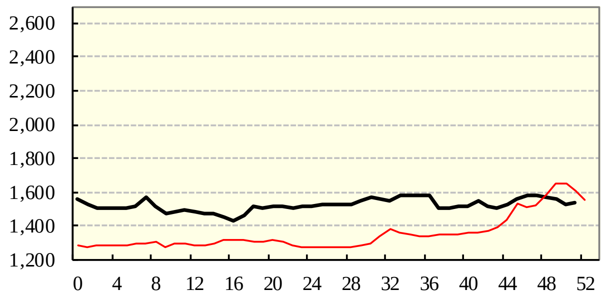

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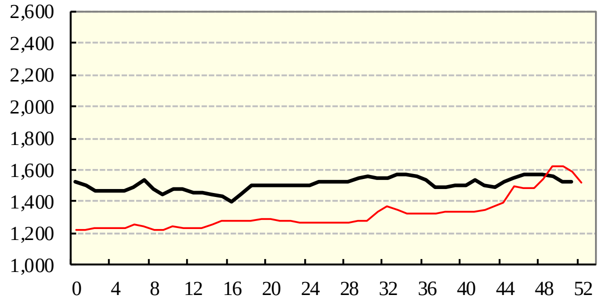

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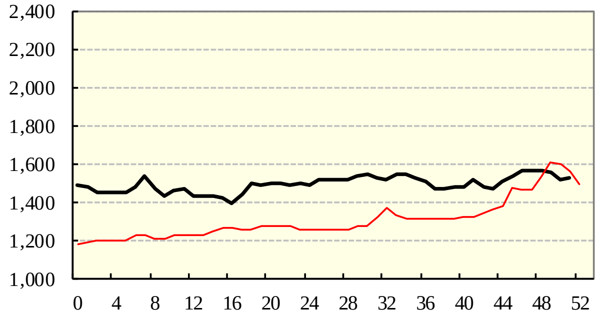

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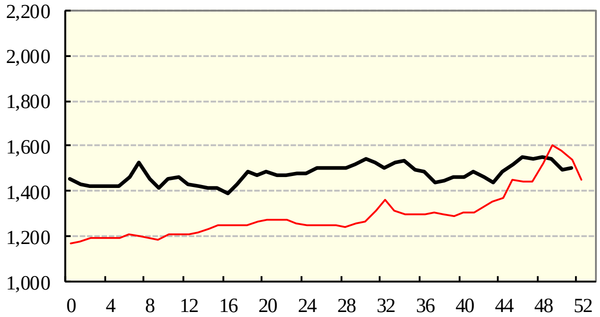

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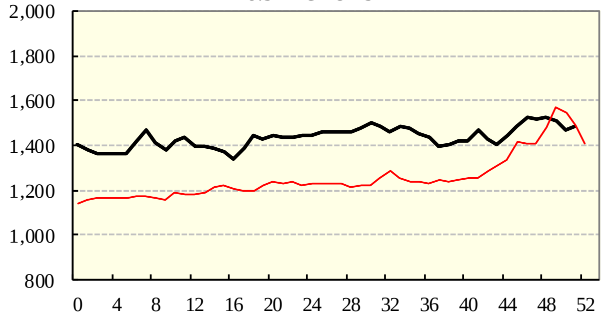

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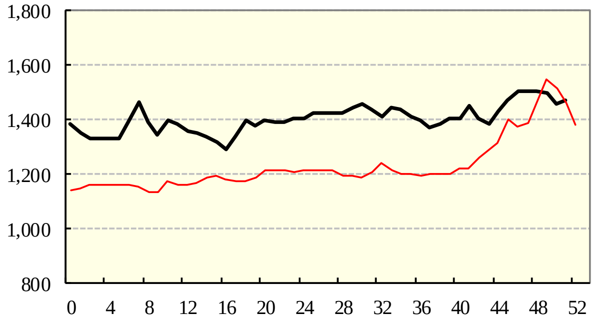

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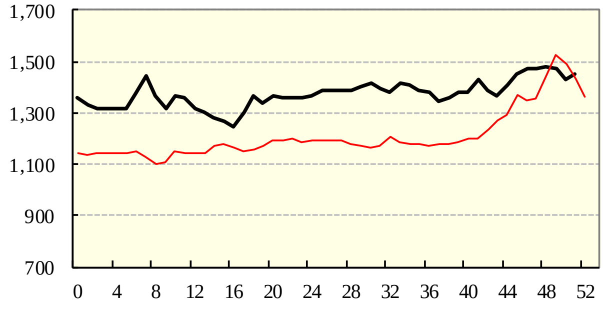

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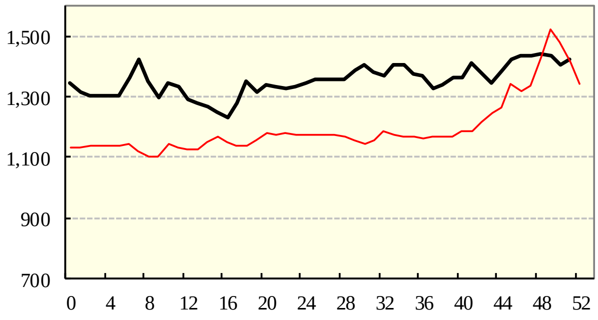

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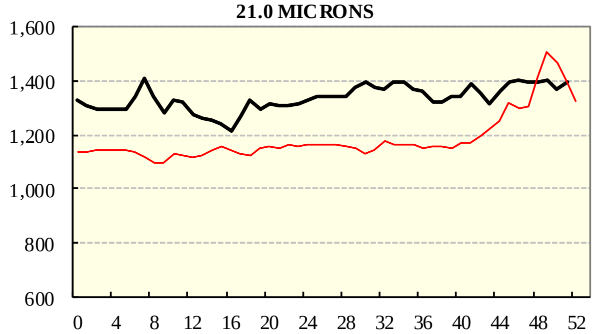

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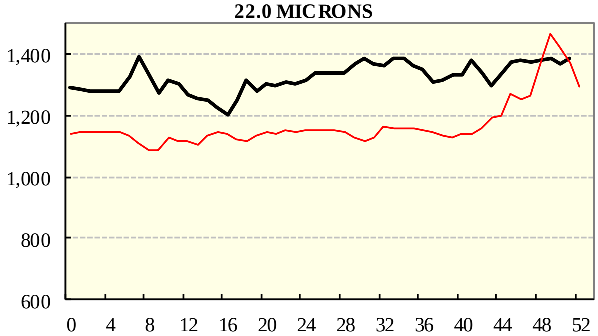

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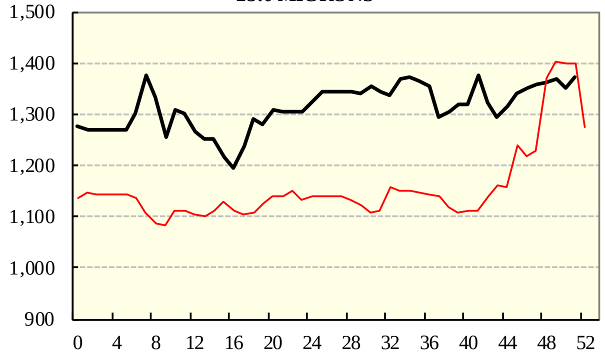

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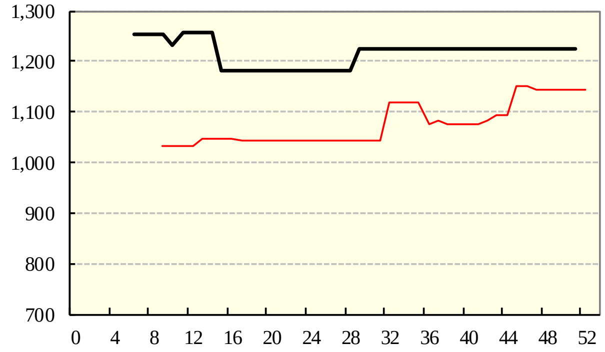

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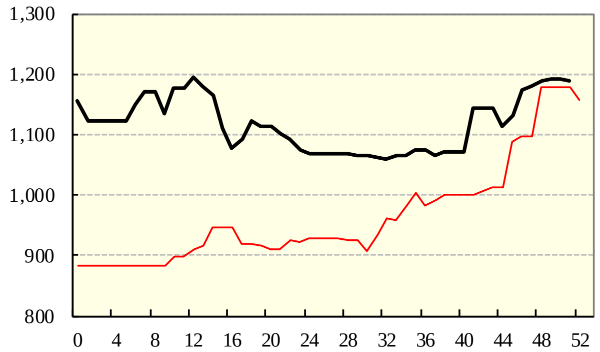

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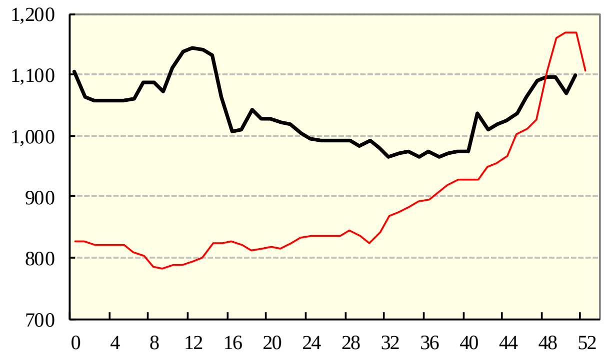

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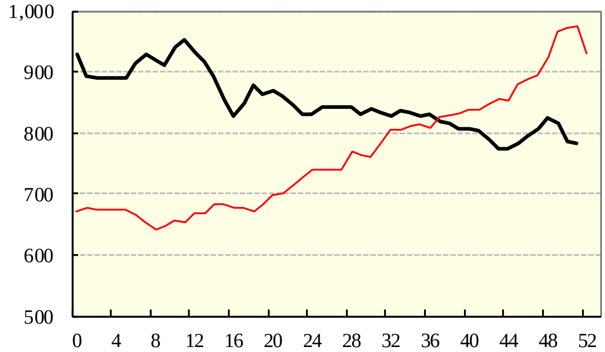

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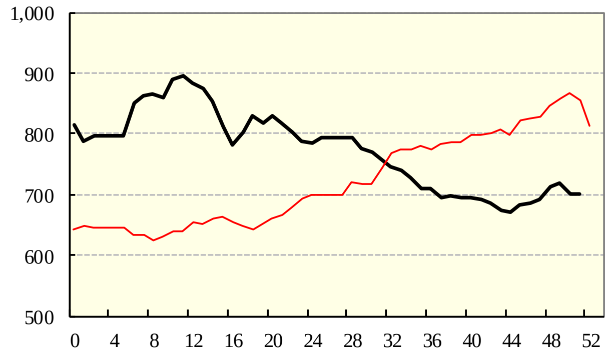

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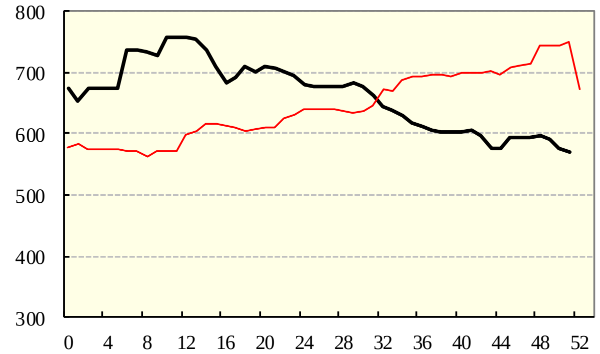

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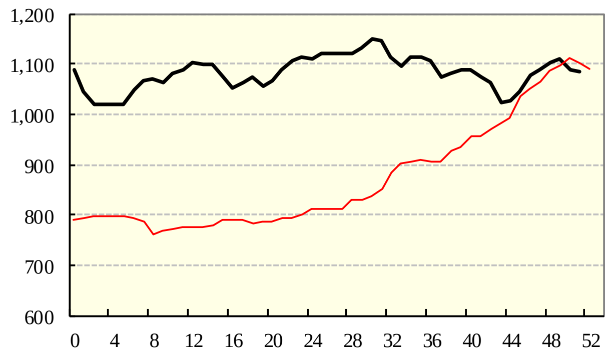

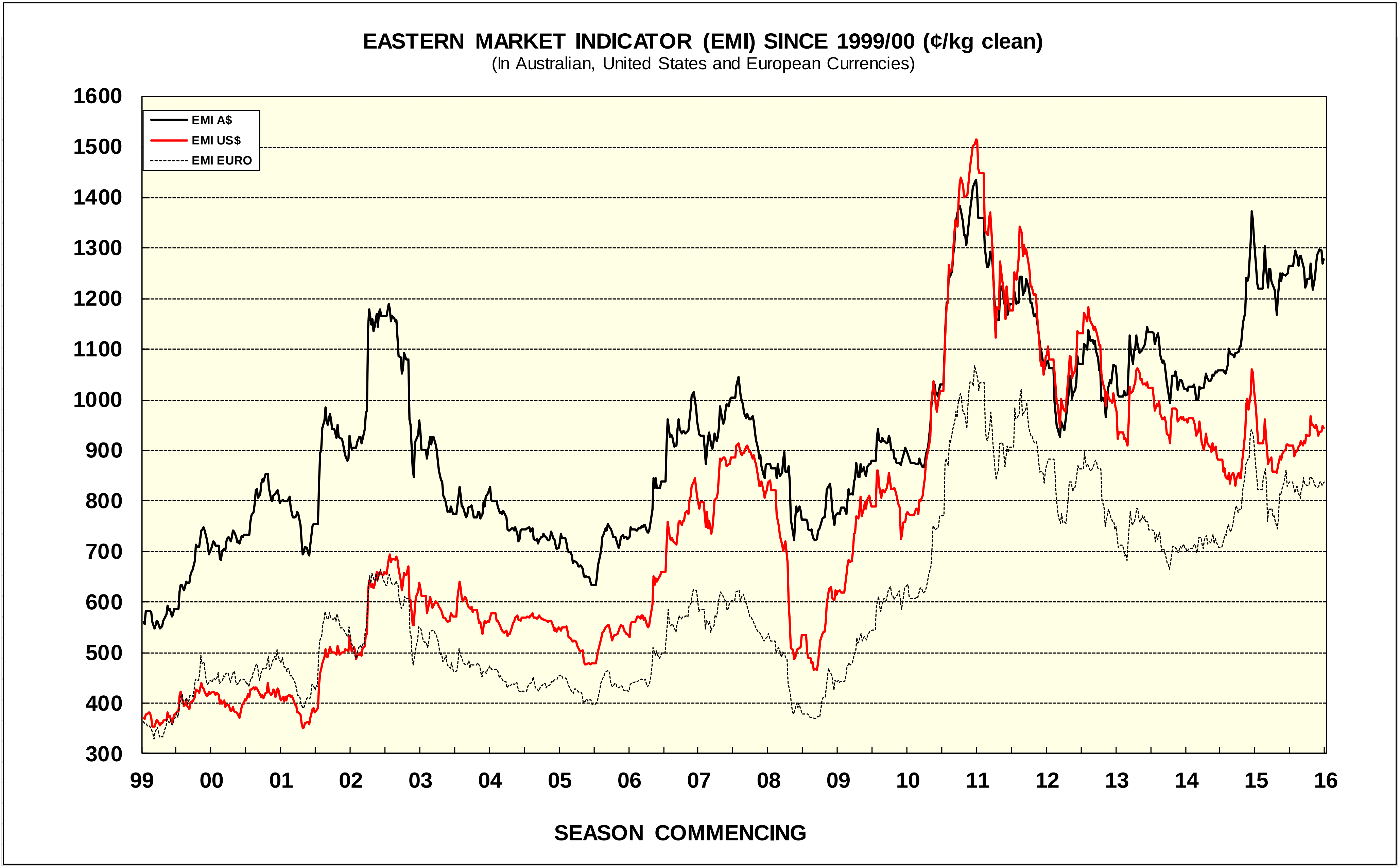

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