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#### AWIS WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Week Ending 6 October 2017 (Week 14)

The AWEX EMI finished  $28\phi$  higher (+1.8%) in Australian currency and  $25\phi$  higher (+2.1%) in US currency at sales in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle this week.

38,217 bales were on offer nationally, compared with 39,184 bales last sale. 3.6% of the offering was passed in.

AWEX reports that the value of the wool sold was \$67.9 million (\$1.842 per bale), taking the season total to \$776.0 million.

	Day-to-Day and Sale-to-Sale Changes in AWEX Regional Indicators (Week 14)								
Centre	La	st Sale	Day-to	Day-to-Day Changes (Week 14)			Closing	Sale-to-Sa	le Changes
	Week	Indicator	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Change	Indicator	US ¢	Euro ¢
Eastern	13	1522	No Sale	+13	+15	+28 (+1.8%)	1550	+25	+18
Northern	13	1599	No Sale	+14	+16	+30 (+1.9%)	1629	+27	+20
Southern	13	1473	No Sale	+12	+14	+26 (+1.8%)	1499	+23	+17
Western	13	1570	No Sale	+27	+11	+38 (+2.4%)	1608	+32	+25

The market followed on from the previous week's strong finish in Fremantle with a good start on Wednesday that carried through Thursday. Trade report indicate that there was strong competition, with initial keen demand for the "better spec" wools that was followed by strong support for lesser types.

There were rises across all Merino micron ranges, with the greatest rises in the average AWEX Micron Price Guides occurring from 19 to 23 microns. Merino skirtings were also in keen demand and oddments had another good week. The average AWEX Merino Cardings Price Guide rose by a further 16¢ to continue its progressive rise over the last five weeks. The only disappointment occurred among the crossbreds, whose prices fell again this sale.

The US Exchange Rate had a mixed week before finishing 0.19¢ (0.2%) higher to close at 78.32¢ on Thursday.

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

Looking ahead, the offerings are currently expected to maintain their strong upward trend when compared with last season over the next two sales, but to ease by 3.9% in Week 17.

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	481¢	605¢	688¢	746¢	815¢
South	463¢	603¢	708¢	730¢	760¢

Market Indicator		Chang	es From	
	Four Sales Ago Week 10	Start of the Season	Week 14 Last Year	Season Average to Week 14 Last Year
Eastern Market Indicator	-6 (-0.4%)	+27 (+1.8%)	+250 (+19.2%)	+243 (+18.6%)
Western Market Indicator	+8 (+0.5%)	+42 (+2.7%)	+260 (+19.3%)	+208 (+15.0%)

		Sale	e-to-Sale C	hanges in A	Average A'	WEX Meri	no Micron	Price Gui	des (MPGs	s)		
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 ¢	+17	+23	+35	+33	+29	+45	+51	+56	+35	+28	+27	+8
Change %	+0.7%	+1.0%	+1.6%	+1.6%	+1.5%	+2.5%	+3.0%	+3.5%	+2.3%	+1.9%	+1.9%	+0.6%
Since Start o	of the Seaso	n		•					•	•		
Change ¢	+95	+57	+50	+12	-11	+7	+41	+49	+36	+38	+43	
Change %	+4.3%	+2.6%	+2.3%	+0.6%	-0.6%	+0.4%	+2.4%	+3.0%	+2.4%	+2.6%	+3.0%	
Since Same \	Week Last	Year				-						
Change ¢	+680	+635	+599	+514	+399	+316	+283	+250	+190	+154		
Change %	+42.2%	+39.5%	+37.4%	+32.2%	+25.5%	+20.8%	+19.4%	+17.8%	+13.8%	+11.4%		

Sale-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 S	ale							
Change ¢	-14	-15	-9	-18	+7	+16		
Change %	-1.2%	-1.4%	-1.1%	-3.2%	+1.8%	+1.4%		
Since Start o	f the Seaso	n	•		•			
Change ¢	-7	-23	+30	-16	+8	-2		
Change %	-0.6%	-2.1%	+3.9%	-2.9%	+2.1%	-0.2%		
Since Same	Week Last	Year						
Change ¢	-26	-41	+25	-60	-117	+100		
Change %	-2.2%	-3.6%	+3.2%	-10.0%	-23.0%	+9.4%		

<sup>#</sup> 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 July ABS export data.

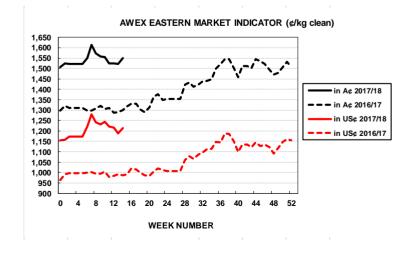
Details o	Details of this Week's Offering and the Comparison with the Previous Sale's Offering						
Centre	Last Sale		This Sale				
	Offering	Offering	Passed-In	Withdrawn Before Sale	Re- Offered	Bales Sold	
North	11,774	10,754	3.3%	1.5%	4.6%	10,403	
South	20,653	21,076	4.2%	2.3%	5.3%	20,187	
West	6,757	6,387	1.9%	9.5%	7.3%	6,268	
Australia	39,184	38,217	3.6%	3.4%	5.4%	36,858	

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+22,463	+17.1%
+26,848	+12.6%
-4,792	-5.6%
+44.519	+10.4%

Next Sale Offerings and Year-on-Year Differences						
Centre Week 15 Week 16 Week 17 Diff						
North	10,671	10,800	11,550	+13.3%		
South	21,540	23,582	21,167	+32.1%		
West	7,505	7,850	7,950	-13.0%		
New Zealand	1,000		600			
Australia	39,716	42,232	40,667	+15.5%		
Differences	+35.2%	+22.2%	-3.6%			

Exchange Rates	Last		Day-to-Day Changes				Sale-to-Sale	Closing	Season M	in & Max
(Reserve Bank)	Sale	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Change	Value	Min	Max
United States	78.13	+0.26	Public	-0.38	+0.58	-0.27	+0.19 (+0.2%)	78.32	75.97	80.00
Euro	66.63	-0.05	Holiday	+0.06	+0.15	-0.19	-0.03 (0.0%)	66.60	66.52	67.39

Country	% Share of Austi	alia's Wool Exports by Wei	ght of Wool Shipped	Year-on-Yea	ır % Change
	August	July to August	July to August	July to	August
	2017	2017/18	2016/17	By Weight	By Value
China	81.3%	74.8%	75.0%	+10.0%	+17.2%
India	4.0%	7.2%	7.5%	+6.4%	+24.7%
Italy	3.1%	5.2%	5.6%	+2.2%	+39.1%
Czech Republic	5.2%	5.9%	5.0%	+19.9%	+20.2%
Malaysia	2.1%	1.6%	1.0%	+72.4%	+116.9%
Korea	1.3%	1.4%	1.7%	-4.9%	-8.0%
Taiwan	0.2%	0.6%	0.7%	-2.6%	-13.7%
Egypt	0.7%	1.0%	1.0%	+5.3%	+38.7%
Change all Countries				+10.6%	+20.9%



AVERA	AVERAGE EMI					
This Year	This Year 1547					
Last Year	1408					
2015/16	1254					
2014/15	1102					
2013/14	1070					

THIS YEAR'S EMI				
1550				
1524				
1522				
1614				

BALES OFFERED		
This Year	473,985	
Last Year	429,466	
Difference	+44,519	
% Diff	+10.4%	
FIRST OFFERED BALES		
Difference	+9.3%	
% of Offering	94.8%	

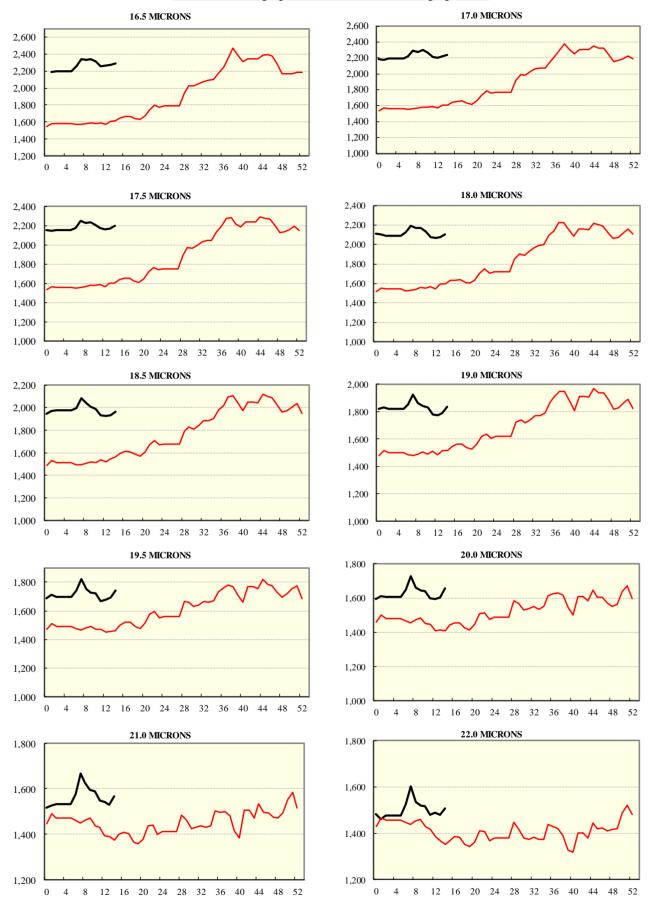
SEASON AVERAGES		
Region	This Year	Diff
North	1618	+149
South	1502	+131
West	1595	+140

COMPARED WITH WKS 1/2		
Region	This Week	Diff
North	1629	+38
South	1499	+19
West	1608	+42

REGION BALES		
This Sale:		
North	10,754	
South	21,076	
West	6,387	
Progressive Totals:		Diff
North	153,889	+17.1%
South	239,405	+12.6%
West	80,691	-5.6%

### **AVERAGE AWEX MICRON PRICE GUIDES**

2017/18( black graph line) and 2016/17 (red graph line)



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