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### AWIS WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Week Ending 24 March 2023 (Week 38)

The AWEX EMI finished 1¢ higher (+0.1%) in Australian currency and 14¢ higher (+1.6%) in US currency at sales in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle in Week 38.

40,224 bales were on offer nationally, compared with 44,049 bales last sale. 8.1% of the offering was passed in after 9.4% of the potential offering was withdrawn prior to sale. 36,949 bales were sold.

AWEX reports that the value of the wool sold was \$51.5 million (\$1,394 per bale), taking the season total to \$1.811 billion (\$1,569 per bale). The number of bales sold at auction this season is now 0.4% greater than in 2021/22.

	Day-to-Day and Sale-to-Sale Changes in AWEX Regional Indicators (Week 38)								
Centre	La	st Sale	Day-to	Day-to-Day Changes (Week 38)			Closing	Sale-to-Sale Changes	
	Week	Indicator	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Change	Indicator	US ¢	Euro ¢
Eastern	37	1317	-4	0	+5	+1 (+0.1%)	1318	+14	-9
Northern	37	1399	-7	-3	No Sale	-10 (-0.7%)	1389	+7	-17
Southern	37	1262	-2	+3	+8	+9 (+0.7%)	1271	+19	-4
Western	37	1445	+10	+7	No Sale	+17 (+1.2%)	1462	+27	-1

It was a steadier (although mixed) market, than that seen in the East in recent weeks. It still opened on a further downward movement in before moving slightly up on Thursday, whereas the Western Indicator moved up on both days.

The week-to-week losses were at the fine end, with the gains among the broader Merinos.

The US Exchange Rate finished  $1.04\phi$  (1.6%) higher to close at  $67.41\phi$  on Thursday.

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

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Looking ahead, offerings for the coming two sales are expected to range from 45,802 bales to 49,501 bales and to be 28.7% less than in the same period last year. The forecast progressive difference to Week 41 is -2.3%. There will be no sale in Week 41, as it is the week after Easter

In other countries, the South African Cape Wools Indicator was down by 1.2% since last week against a 1.8% depreciation of the Rand against the US Dollar and a 1.1% depreciation against the Euro.

Differences in AWEX MPGs	18.5 and 22.0		18.0 and 22	nd 22.0 17.5 and 22.0		17.0 and 22.0	16.5 and 22.0
North	No 22.0μ MPG		No 22.0μ MPG		No 22.0μ MPG	No 22.0μ MPG	No 22.0μ MPG
South	396¢	55			692¢	839¢	982¢
Market Indicators	Market Indicators		Changes From				
	Week 38	Four Sales Ago Week 34			Start of the Season	Week 38 Last Year	Season Average to Week 38 Last Year
Eastern Market Indicator	1318	-4	-46 (-3.4%)		-80 (-5.7%)	-66 (-4.8%)	-56 (-4.1%)

-18 (-1.2%)

+38 (+2.7%)

-50 (-3.3%)

	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 Sa	ale											
Change ¢	-73	-103	-49	-9	-13	+15	+47	+55	+27	0		
Change %	-3.0%	-4.5%	-2.3%	-0.5%	-0.7%	+0.9%	+3.0%	+3.7%	+1.9%	0.0%		
Since Start of	f the Seasor	1							•			
Change ¢	-604	-502	-367	-182	-108	-35	+38	+75	+26	+12		
Change %	-20.6%	-18.7%	-15.1%	-8.6%	-5.8%	-2.1%	+2.4%	+5.1%	+1.9%	+0.9%		
Since Week	38 Last Yea	ır										
Change ¢		-421	-309	-167	-130	-14	+79	+158	+138	+85		
Change %		-16.1%	-13.0%	-7.9%	-6.9%	-0.8%	+5.2%	+11.5%	+10.7%	+6.6%		

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 ¢		+4	-5	-2	+3	-22		
Change %		+0.8%	-1.4%	-0.6%	+1.3%	-2.5%		
Since Start of	Since Start of the Season							
Change ¢		-175	-59	-5	+14	-57		
Change %		-24.8%	-14.6%	-1.5%	+6.2%	-6.2%		
Since Week 3	Since Week 38 Last Year							
Change ¢		-126	-50	-18		-108		
Change %		-19.2%	-12.7%	-5.3%		-11.2%		

MC Average Merino Cardings Price Guide

+38 (+2.7%)

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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 January ABS export data.

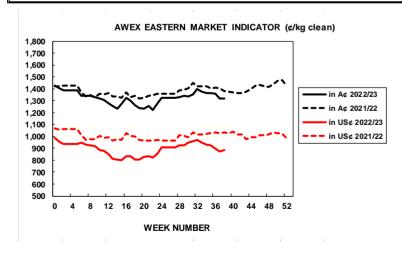
Details	Details of this Week's Offering and the Comparison with the Previous Sale's Offering							
Centre	Last Sale		This Sale					
	Offering	Offering	Passed-In	Withdrawn Before Sale	Re- Offered	Bales Sold		
North	12,535	9,257	6.2%	5.9%	5.2%	8,687		
South	23,051	23,505	8.4%	8.9%	7.0%	21,521		
West	8,463	7,462	9.7%	14.6%	7.3%	6,741		
Australia	44,049	40,224	8.1%	9.4%	6.6%	36,949		

Progressive Changes from Last Year						
All B	1st Time					
Bales	%	%				
+5,761	+1.5%	+2.4%				
-1,622	-0.2%	-0.8%				
+618	+0.2%	+0.4%				
+4,757	+0.4%	+0.3%				

Next Sale Offerings and Year-on-Year Differences							
Centre	Week 39	Week 40	Week 41	Differences			
North	12,499	10,973	No Sale	-35.9%			
South	26,296	25,379	No Sale	-26.6%			
West	10,706	9,450	No Sale	-24.5%			
New Zealand							
Australia	49,501	45,802		95,303			
Differences	+10.6%	+1.0%		-28.7%			

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	66.37	+0.77	-0.31	+0.08	+0.04	+0.46	+1.04 (+1.6%)	67.41	62.71	71.02
Euro	62.60	+0.45	-0.42	-0.17	-0.30	-0.57	-0.78 (-1.2%)	61.82	61.82	69.45

Country	% Share of Austra	lia's Wool Exports by Weig	ht of Wool Shipped	Year-on-Year % Change		
	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%	



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This Year	1316	Region	This Year	
Last Year	1385	North	1396	
2020/21	1199	South	1263	
2019/20	1448	West	1451	
2019/10	1020			

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

COMPARED WITH WKS 1/2							
Region	Region This Week Diff						
North	1389	-85					
South	1271	-76					
West	1462	-18					
REGION	BALES						

Diff

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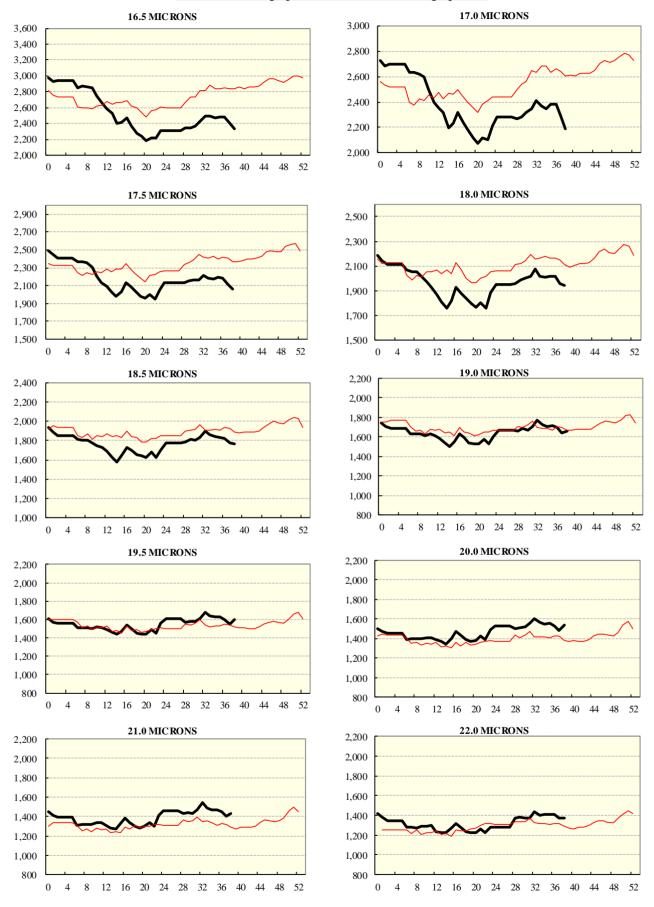
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BALES OFFERED		
This Year	1,319,308	
Last Year	1,314,551	
Difference	+4,757	
% Diff	+0.4%	
FIRST OFFERED BALES		
Difference	+0.3%	
% of Offering	91.1%	

REGION BALES		
This Sale:		
North	9,257	
South	23,505	
West	7,462	
Progressive Totals:		
Progressiv	e Totals:	Diff
Progressiv North	e Totals: 384,325	
		+1.5%
North	384,325	+1.5%

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

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



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