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AWIS WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Week Ending 25 February 2022 (Week 34)

The AWEX EMI finished 1¢ higher (+0.1%) in Australian currency and 5¢ higher (+0.5%) in US currency at sales in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle in Week 34.

45,350 bales were on offer nationally, compared with 48,990 bales last sale. 11.8% of the offering was passed in after 3.7% of the potential offering was withdrawn prior to sale. 40,004 bales were sold.

AWEX reports that the value of the wool sold was \$62.0 million (\$1,549 per bale), taking the season total to \$1.572 billion (\$1,618 per bale). The number of bales sold at auction this season is now 13.0% greater than in 2020/21.

The New Zealand Merino Company also offered 1,360 bales in Melbourne on Thursday, of which 15.1% were passed in.

	Day-to-Day and Sale-to-Sale Changes in AWEX Regional Indicators (Week 34)										
Centre	Last Sale		Day-to	Day-to-Day Changes (Week 34)		Sale-to-Sale	Closing	Sale-to-Sa	le Changes		
	Week	Indicator	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Change	Indicator	US ¢	Euro ¢		
Eastern	33	1420	-1	+2	0	+1 (+0.1%)	1421	+5	+11		
Northern	33	1511	-2	+4	No Sale	+2 (+0.1%)	1513	+5	+13		
Southern	33	1359	0	0	+1	+1 (+0.1%)	1360	+4	+11		
Western	33	1451	-8	+16	No Sale	+8 (+0.6%)	1459	+9	+16		

The sale got away to a soft start on Tuesday when many of the individual Micron Price Guides (MPGs) moved down. This was reversed on Wednesday and Thursday with an upward movement in most individual MPGs and positive reports from the trade. The greater gains were again at the fine end.

The US Exchange Rate moved up for the fourth week in a row when it finished $0.26 \notin (0.4\%)$ higher to close at 71.98¢ 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 up by 0.5% since last sale against a 2.0% appreciation of the Rand against the US Dollar and a 2.8% appreciation against the Euro.

Looking ahead, offerings for the coming three sales are expected to range from 43,250 bales to 51,295 bales and to be 3.6% less than in the same period last year. The forecast progressive difference to Week 37 is +12.5%.

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Differenc	Differences in AWEX MPGs		18.5 an	18.5 and 22.0		18.0 and 22.0		17.5 and 22.0		22.0	22.0 16.5 and 22.0	
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South			62	0¢	872	l¢	1144	¢	1388	t	No 16.5µ N	MPG
	Marke	t Indicators					C	hanges	From			
			Week 34	4 Fo	Four Sales Ago Week 30				Week 34 Last Year		Season Average to Week 34 Last Year	
Eastern N	/larket Indi	cator	1421	+	14 (+1.0%)		-3 (-0.2%)		+103 (+7.89	%)	+258 (+23.2%)	
Western 1	Market Ind	icator	1459	+	4 (+0.3%)		+7 (+0.5%)		+87 (+6.3%)		+250 (+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 Sa	le											
Change ¢	+17	+1	+21	+12	+14	-3	+7	+2	-16	-4		
Change %	0.7%	+0.0%	+0.9%	+0.6%	+0.7%	-0.2%	+0.5%	+0.19	% -1.2%	-0.3%)	
Since Start of	the Seasor	1										
Change ¢		+160	+101	+51	-27	-79	-70	-28	+3	+57		
Change %		+6.3%	+4.3%	+2.4%	-1.4%	-4.5%	-4.4%	-1.9%	6 +0.2%	+4.5%	Ď	
Since Week 3	4 Last Yea	ır										
Change ¢		+533	+422	+298	+165	+43	-4	+1	+27			
Change %		+24.8%	+21.0%	+15.9%	+9.4%	+2.6%	-0.3%	+0.19	% +2.1%			

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 ¢		-6	0	-2		-2				
Change %		-0.8%	0.0%	-0.6%		-0.2%				
Since Start of the Season										
Change ¢		-63	-77	-55		+18				
Change %		-7.8%	-15.6%	-13.5%		+1.9%				
Since Week 34 Last Year										
Change ¢		-25	-121	-74		+113				
Change %		-3.2%	-22.4%	-17.4%		+13.0%				
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MC 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 December ABS export data.

Details of	Details of this Week's Offering and the Comparison with the Previous Sale's Offering								Changes from	n Last Year
Centre	Last Sale		This Sale						ales	1 st Time Bales
	Offering	Offering	Passed-In	Withdrawn Before Sale	Re- Offered	Bales Sold		Bales	%	%
North	11,123	12,675	11.6%	1.6%	6.1%	11,200		+57,753	+21.5%	+19.9%
South	28,692	23,320	8.9%	3.5%	7.8%	21,233		+71,957	+14.0%	+13.4%
West	9,175	9,355	19.1%	6.8%	24.3%	7,571		+15,368	+7.9%	+7.5%
Australia	48,990	45,350	11.8%	3.7%	10.7%	40,004		+144,674	+14.8%	+14.0%

Next Sale Offerings and Year-on-Year Differences											
Centre	Week 35	Week 36	Week 37	Differences							
North	14,923	12,850	11,090	-0.6%							
South	26,295	21,100	23,177	-4.4%							
West	10,077	9,300	9,150	-5.7%							
New Zealand											
Australia	51,295	43,250	43,417	137,962							
Differences	+2.3%	-7.1%	-6.6%	-3.6%							

Exchange Rates	Last		Day-to-Day Changes				Sale-to-Sale	Closing	Season Mi	n & Max
(Reserve Bank)	Sale	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Change	Value	Min	Max
United States	71.72	+0.34	+0.09	-0.13	+0.33	No	+0.26 (+0.4%)	71.98	70.82	75.26
Euro	63.23	+0.18	+0.09	+0.24	+0.15	Sale	+0.75 (+1.2%)	63.98	61.70	64.86

Country	% Share of Austra	Year-on-Year % Change					
	December	July to December	July to December	July to December			
	2021	2021/22	2020/21	By Weight	By Value		
China	79.9%	81.0%	87.5%	+23.5%	+58.5%		
Italy	5.3%	5.1%	1.8%	+267.7%	+409.0%		
India	5.2%	4.5%	3.2%	+89.6%	+134.3%		
Czech Republic	4.0%	4.2%	3.7%	+54.4%	+88.6%		
Korea	1.7%	1.5%	1.7%	+20.2%	+30.4%		
Egypt	0.6%	0.7%	0.0%	+199.3%	+329.5%		
Thailand		0.5%	0.0%	+41.2%	+96.6%		
Germany	0.9%	0.4%	0.3%	+121.6%	+58.2%		
Change all Countries				+33.4%	+73.5%		

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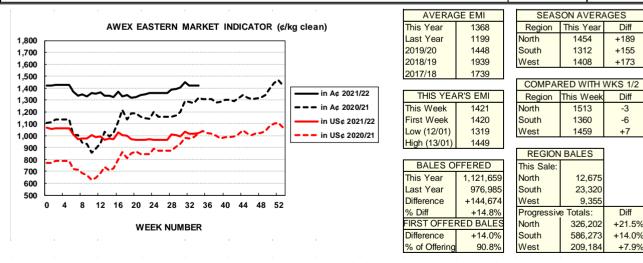
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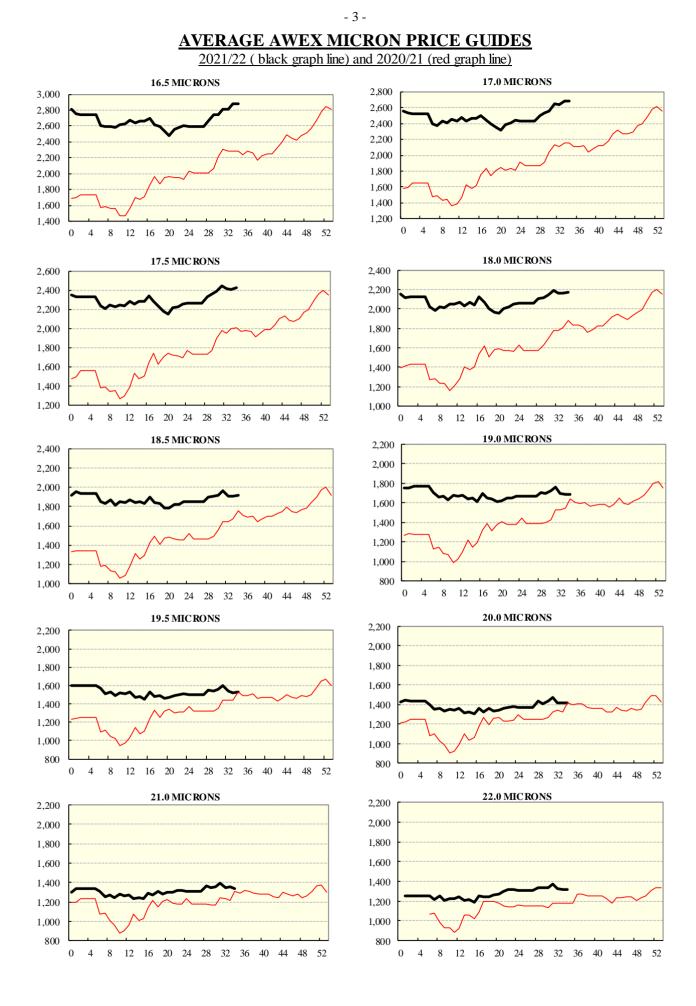
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AVERAGE AWEX MICRON PRICE GUIDES 2021/22 (black graph line) and 2020/21 (red graph line)

