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## AWIS WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Week Ending 6 May 2022 (Week 44)

The AWEX EMI finished  $24\phi$  higher (+1.7%) in Australian currency and  $19\phi$  higher (+1.9%) in US currency at sales in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle in Week 44.

40,153 bales were on offer nationally, compared with 48,760 bales last sale. 5.9% of the offering was passed in after 4.3% of the potential offering was withdrawn prior to sale. 37,797 bales were sold.

AWEX reports that the value of the wool sold was \$58.6 million (\$1,550 per bale), taking the season total to \$2.142 billion (\$1,600 per bale). The number of bales sold at auction this season is now 9.6% greater than in 2020/21.

	Day-to-Day and Sale-to-Sale Changes in AWEX Regional Indicators (Week 44)										
Centre	Last Sale		Day-to-Day Changes (Week 44)			Sale-to-Sale	Closing	Sale-to-Sa	le Changes		
	Week	Indicator	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Change	Indicator	US ¢	Euro ¢		
Eastern	43	1377	+12	+12	No Sale	+24 (+1.7%)	1401	+19	+18		
Northern	43	1466	+8	+15	No Sale	+23 (+1.6%)	1489	+19	+17		
Southern	43	1317	+15	+10	No Sale	+25 (+1.9%)	1342	+19	+18		
Western	43	1439	+14	+20	No Sale	+34 (+2.4%)	1473	+26	+25		

It was a good market, with gains in prices occurring across all micron ranges and types; which took the closing EMI to over 1400¢ in Australian currency for the first time since Week 37. The greatest gains in the individual AWEX Micron Price Guides were recorded from 18.5 to 22 microns.

The gains were achieved on a steady US Exchange Rate that finished  $0.14\phi$  (0.2%) higher to close at 71.10¢ on Wednesday. However, it moved up to 72.41¢ on Thursday after the Reserve Bank of Australia lifted the Cash Rate from 0.1% to 0.35%. Buyers for China were dominant, with support from buyers for India.

The Australia Bureau of Statistics most recent data showed that 81% of Australia's exports to the end of March went to China this year compared with 86% in the same nine months in the previous year.

Looking ahead, offerings for the coming three sales are expected to range from 39,046 bales to 42,779 bales and to be 12.8% less than in the same period last year. The forecast progressive difference from Week 47 last year is now +8.8%. In other countries, the South African Cape Wools Indicator was up by 0.9% since last sale against a 0.6% depreciation of the Pand against the US Dollar and a 0.8% appreciation against the Euro

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	Marke	t Indicators					С	hanges l	From			
			Week 44	Fo	Four Sales Ago Week 39				Week 44 Last Year		Season Aver Week 44 Las	
Eastern M	Market Indi	cator	1401	+	26 (+1.9%)	)	-23 (-1.6%)	)	+59 (+4.4%	6)	+216 (+18.7%)	
Western	Market Ind	icator	1473	+	55 (+3.9%)	)	+21 (+1.4%)		+98 (+7.1%)		+210 (+17.4%)	
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 ¢	+38	+22	+22	+35	+36	+31	+32	+33	+42	+25		
Change %	+1.3%	+0.8%	+0.9%	+1.6%	+1.9%	+1.8%	+2.1%	+2.4%	6 +3.2%	+1.9%	, )	
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Change ¢	+166	+124	+97	+36	-9	-51	-49	-21	+5	+70		
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Since Week	Since Week 44 Last Year					-						
Change ¢	+422	+339	+291	+211	+146	+65	+48	+48	+38	+93		
Change %	+16.9%	+14.7%	+13.6%	+10.8%	+8.2%	+3.9%	+3.2%	+3.5%	6 +2.9%	+7.5%	Ď	
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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 Sa	lle										
Change ¢		+6	+5	+7	0	+20					
Change %		+0.9%	+1.3%	+2.2%	0.0%	+2.1%					
Since Start of the Season											
Change ¢		-124	-90	-84	-25	-9					
Change %		-15.3%	-18.2%	-20.6%	-9.4%	-0.9%					
Since Week 44 Last Year											
Change ¢		-109	-109	-92	-38	+39					
Change %		-13.7%	-21.2%	-22.2%	-13.7%	+4.2%					
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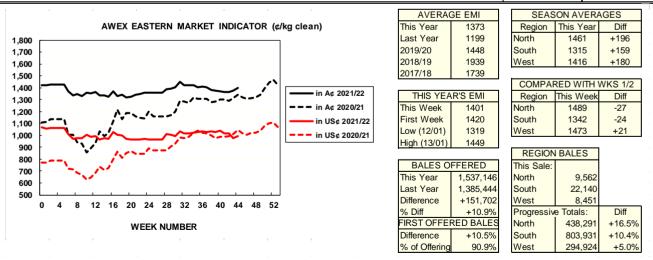
The following tables show the details of this week's sale offering; the expected offerings over the next three sales; the changes in Exchange Rates since the previous sale; and highlights from the February ABS export data.

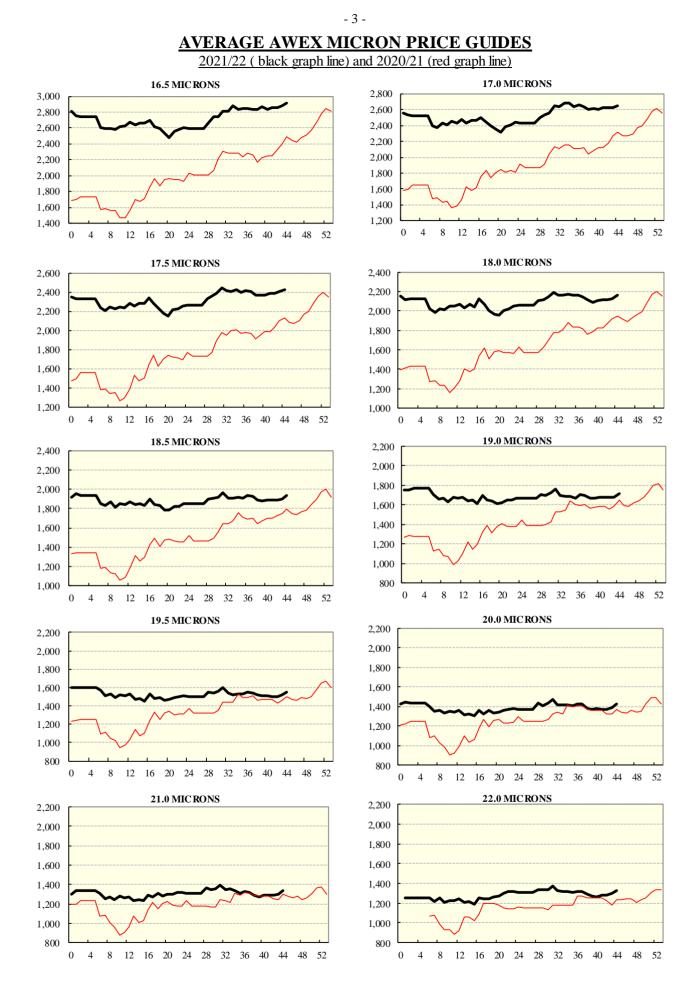
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Centre	Last Sale		This Sale						All Bales									
	Offering	Offering	Passed-In	Withdrawn Before Sale	Re- Offered	Bales Sold		Bales	%	%								
North	13,558	9,562	4.8%	5.5%	6.8%	9,099		+62,105	+16.5%	+15.3%								
South	25,142	22,140	6.1%	3.4%	6.8%	20,797		+75,951	+10.4%	+10.1%								
West	10,060	8,451	6.5%	5.2%	10.7%	7,901		+14,054	+5.0%	+4.9%								
Australia	48,760	40,153	5.9%	4.3%	7.6%	37,797		+151,702	+10.9%	+10.5%								

Next Sale Offerings and Year-on-Year Differences											
Centre	Week 45	Week 46	Week 47	Differences							
North	9,155	9,770	10,200	-26.4%							
South	25,104	20,976	21,235	-8.3%							
West	8,520	8,300	8,050	-5.1%							
New Zealand											
Australia	42,779	39,046	39,485	121,310							
Differences	-10.0%	-21.5%	-5.7%	-12.8%							

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	70.96	+0.52	-1.05	+0.64	+0.03	No	+0.14 (+0.2%)	71.10	70.82	75.72
Euro	67.50	+0.32	-0.82	+0.63	-0.01	Sale	+0.12 (+0.2%)	67.62	61.70	69.58

Country	% Share of Austral	Year-on-Year % Change			
	March	July to March	July to March	July to	March
	2022	2021/22	2020/21	By Weight	By Value
China	82.5%	81.2%	86.8%	+13.9%	+39.0%
Italy	4.4%	4.8%	2.0%	+186.9%	+290.4%
India	4.8%	4.8%	3.3%	+79.4%	+112.4%
Czech Republic	3.3%	3.9%	4.0%	+18.1%	+31.0%
Korea	1.3%	1.5%	2.0%	+15.1%	+27.0%
Egypt	0.4%	0.7%	0.3%	+211.3%	+324.7%
Thailand	0.9%	0.6%	0.4%	+90.1%	+146.2%
Germany	0.6%	0.5%	0.3%	+85.8%	+37.2%
Change all Countries				+21.8%	+51.3%





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

