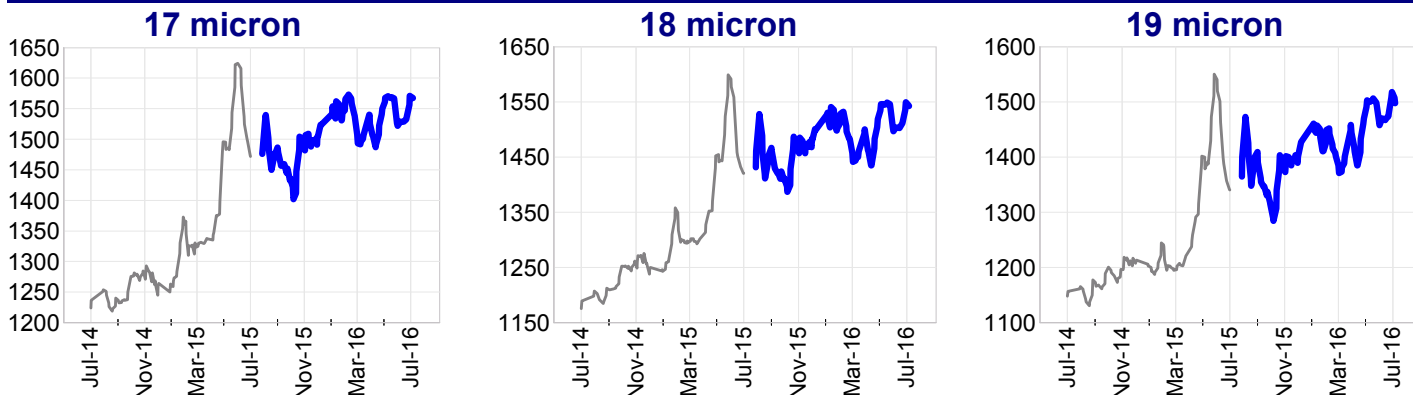




AWEX Superfine Indicators



2 year charts (North/South average). Blue line = last 12 months.

Regional Indicators (¢/kg clean)

Region Indicator	North	South	West
	1,333 (-8)	1,296 (-10)	1,414 (-9)
16.5 MPG	1,590 (+10)	1,574n (-4)	
17 MPG	1,577 (-2)	1,558 (-5)	
17.5 MPG	1,567 (-4)	1,555 (-4)	
18 MPG	1,543 (-11)	1,542 (-3)	1,518n (-20)
18.5 MPG	1,520 (-15)	1,514 (-18)	1,508n (-20)
19 MPG	1,501 (-15)	1,495 (-25)	1,501 (-19)

Offering Analysis (19.5 micron & finer)

Region	Sale ID	Bales	Bales	Passed	AM	VMB%	Best	Average Price (YTD)	
		Offered	Sold	In %	%	> 1%	Style & Better%	\$/bale	c/kg clean
Northern	S02	8,706	8,107	6.9	84.7	72.5	31.9	1,349	
Southern	M02	9,138	8,722	4.6	82.0	49.3	40.8	1,938	
Western	F02	4,210	3,453	18.0	77.3	39.7	6.8	1,918	
Total		22,054	20,282	8.0	82.2	56.6	30.8	1,554	1,388
Less than 17.6 micron		6,826	6,081	10.9	81.2	57.1	38.8	1,885	1,532
17.6 - 18.5 micron		7,419	6,878	7.3	81.8	56.2	32.8	744	1,036
18.6 - 19.5 micron		7,809	7,323	6.2	83.4	56.6	21.8	1,349	1,439

AWEX Commentary

After four weeks (and eight trading days) of price gains the AWEX eastern Market Indicator (EMI) faltered this week when it eased back 9 cents, moving into the annual three week recess at a closing level of 1311 cents. Weighing down on local woc prices was continuing strength in the Australian dollar which pushed through 76 US cents, almost 1 cent higher than the previous week. In US terms the EMI continued to climb and made a 12-month high, closing the week 5 cents higher at 998 US cents. Its most recent low on this basis was made only 9 months ago and is now trading 33% higher after making steady increases. The spike in wool prices over recent weeks appeared to encourage wool into the marketplace and just under 41,000 bales were eventually offered this week, almost 2,000 more than last sale. The Merino Fleece portion of the catalogue was the main drag on the Indicator with prices as much as 25 cents lower. The finer types were least affected, particularly the more stylish types which even managed to firm in selected pockets. Despite the negative result there were some encouraging signs on the final day when a firming tendency was noted towards the close. Merino Skirtings bucked the trend of the fleece sector and generally held firm on the previous week's levels. Crossbreds recorded mixed results, the limited finer types of 25/26 microns surged 30 cents or more on the back of strong support, whilst the broader 30/32 categories continued to trend lower. The Merino Carding Indicators closed slightly lower at all three auctions. The Australian Wool Market now goes into its annual mid-year recess. Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle will take a three week break from sales and resume week beginning Monday the 8th of August.

Certified 1PP Lots Offered for Current Season

Price (Greasy)	Price (Clean)	Sale	Brand	Micron	VMB	Nkt	Lgth	AWEX ID	Broker	Sale Result	Buyer
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Major Auction Buyers by Micron Range for Current Sale Week

	Buyer	Bales
<u>15.0 microns and finer</u>	Lempriere (Aust)	18
	Techwool Trading	18
	G Schneider (Aust)	5
<u>15.1 - 16.5 micron</u>	Lempriere (Aust)	541
	Techwool Trading	266
	Australian Merino Exports	228
<u>16.6 - 18.5 micron</u>	Techwool Trading	1473
	Australian Merino Exports	1343
	Lempriere (Aust)	1264

Top 5 Australian Auction Prices for Sale Week (Sold Only)

	Price (Greasy)	Price (Clean)	Sale	Brand	Micron	VMB	Nkt	Lgth	AWEX ID	Broker	Buyer
1	1,650	2,344	M02	DELATITE	15.3	0.4	48	77	MWF5S.	RWLM	AMEM
2	1,440	2,000	M02	GLENARA/M	14.9	0.2	42	86	ASF4E.	FLRME	TMCM
3	1,400	1,709	S02	FISHINGTON/NE	17.5	1.2	43	79	MF3E.	LMKN	NENM
4	1,360	1,704	S02	FISHINGTON/NE	17.7	1.5	46	85	MF3S.	LMKN	NENM
5	1,347	1,680	S02	SHALIMAR/NEW ENGLAND	17.9	0.7	50	88	MF3E.	LMKN	NENM

Top 5 Auction Prices for Season 16-17

	Price (Greasy)	Price (Clean)	Sale	Brand	Micron	VMB	Nkt	Lgth	AWEX ID	Broker	Buyer
1	1,650	2,344	M02	DELATITE	15.3	0.4	48	77	MWF5S.	RWLM	AMEM
2	1,490	2,126	M01	DAS/MF	17.5	1.0	52	83	ASF4S.	ESMG	NENM
3	1,440	2,000	M02	GLENARA/M	14.9	0.2	42	86	ASF4E.	FLRME	TMCM
4	1,400	1,709	S02	FISHINGTON/NE	17.5	1.2	43	79	MF3E.	LMKN	NENM
5	1,380	1,835	S01	GREENWOOD/NE	14.3	0.4	40	79	ASF4E.M	AWNS	TECM

Finest Micron Sold for Season 16-17

	Price (Greasy)	Price (Clean)	Sale	Brand	Micron	VMB	Nkt	Lgth	AWEX ID	Broker	Buyer
1	1,250	1,662	S02	PETALI	13.9	0.5	33	70	MWF4E.	EPWN	GSAS
2	1,020	1,584	M01	GREYSTONES	14.1	1.2	43	63	MWF5S.	LMKG	GSAS
3	830	1,438	M01	K&SH/STA	14.1	3.1	34	56	MWP5S.	LMKG	FOXN
4	980	1,522	M01	K&SH/STA	14.2	1.2	38	58	MWF5S.	LMKG	FOXN
5	1,380	1,835	S01	GREENWOOD/NE	14.3	0.4	40	79	ASF4E.M	AWNS	TECM

Superfine Point of Micron (ASF4/MF4)

Micron	Strength (Nkt)				
	40	35	28	21	14
14.9	2000				
15.4					
15.7		1446			
16.0		1570			
16.1	1702	1498			
16.2	1618	1619			
16.3	1644	1586	1472		
16.4	1671	1580			
16.5	1646				
16.6	1612	1532			
16.7	1610	1522			
16.8	1626		1511		
16.9	1624		1515		
17.0	1591	1518			
17.1	1631	1554			
17.2	1671	1560			
17.3	1598	1556			
17.4		1542	1466		
17.5	1612	1535	1522		
17.6	1597	1529			
17.7	1613	1569	1500		
17.8	1687	1548			
17.9	1595	1510			
18.0	1594		1515		1450
18.1	1581	1520			
18.2	1540		1499		1417
18.3		1520			
18.4	1565		1498		
18.5	1463	1508			

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