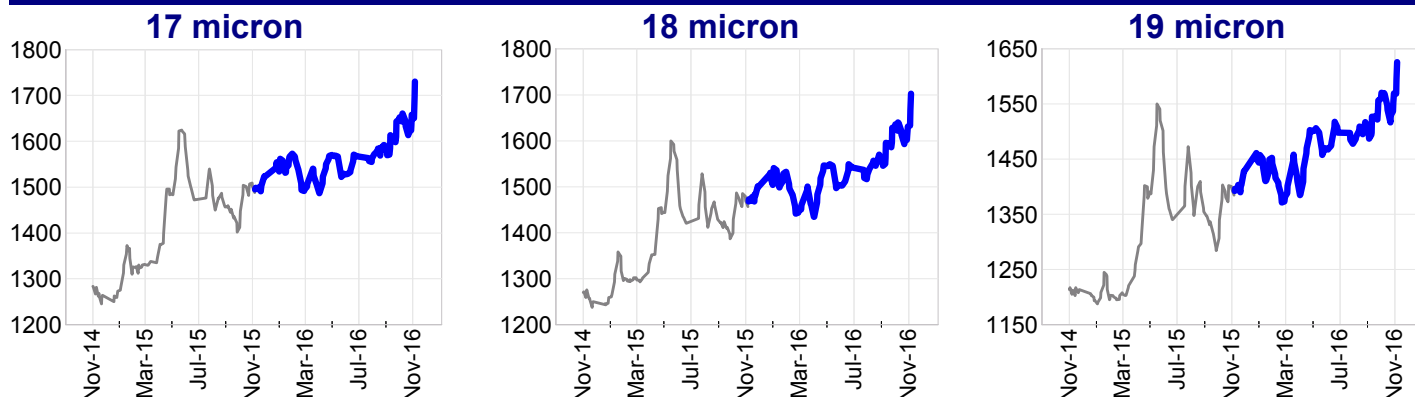




AWEX Superfine Indicators



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

Regional Indicators (¢/kg clean)

Region	North		South		West	
Indicator	1,418	(+59)	1,327	(+42)	1,438	(+56)
16.5 MPG	1,758	(+80)	1,725n			
17 MPG	1,742	(+75)	1,719n	(+71)		
17.5 MPG	1,733	(+75)	1,708	(+71)		
18 MPG	1,713	(+77)	1,692	(+66)	1,671n	(+45)
18.5 MPG	1,686	(+75)	1,663	(+59)	1,661n	(+57)
19 MPG	1,636	(+66)	1,616	(+47)	1,613	(+62)

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	S21	6,828	6,798	0.4	80.7	45.4	56.7	1,951	
Southern	M21	9,342	9,159	2.0	77.0	35.0	57.3	1,978	
Western	F21	4,549	4,513	0.8	70.7	25.9	35.4	2,218	
Total		20,719	20,470	1.2	76.9	36.4	52.3	1,758	1,531
Less than 17.6 micron		6,494	6,379	1.8	80.8	31.3	69.4	2,218	1,710
17.6 - 18.5 micron		5,957	5,889	1.1	74.1	33.8	51.5	1,978	1,620
18.6 - 19.5 micron		8,268	8,202	0.8	75.7	42.3	39.4	2,202	1,639

AWEX Commentary

Strong buyer interest has pushed the AWEX-EMI to a 49 cent rise, its biggest increase in seventeen months. The EMI close at 1363 cents, also a seventeen-month high. As noted last week volumes have been relatively stable and this sale followed similar pattern with 47,000 bales on offer. The market started off slowly when Melbourne sold in isolation on Tuesday; the small Australian based catalogues were only slightly dearer before a late NZ-catalogue found better support and set the tone for the rest of the week. Wednesday initially jumped 20 cents higher but quickly gathered momentum to close 40 cents higher for most of the Merino microns. The finer microns attracted the most support and some types were as much as 50 cents dearer. Thursday repeated the pattern with the finer microns (<20) again the centre of buyer attention and making further increases of 30 cents. By the end of the week the finer microns were around 70 cents higher than the previous sale and many of the Micron Price Guides were at 5-year highs. Merino Skirtings tracked a similar line, closing 50 cents higher for the sale. Crossbreds were mixed, initially gaining ground before a lacklustre finish. 26-microns finished lower but other microns firmed 10 to 20 cents. Merino Carding types maintained their renewed interest, rising 20 to 50 cents. Market strength increased the seasonal gross turnover to more than \$1 billion dollars, reaching this figure 3 weeks sooner than last season. Next week is currently estimated at 48,603 bales.

Certified 1PP Lots Offered for Current Season 16-17

	Price (Greasy)	Price (Clean)	Sale	Brand	Micron	VMB	Nkt	Lqth	AWEX ID	Broker	Sale Result	Buyer
1			M21	KINGSTON/TASMANIA/ASWGA	14.7	0.1	48	74	ASF1E.	AWNS	WD	
2			M21	KINGSTON/TASMANIA/ASWGA	15.7	0.1	47	80	ASF1E.	AWNS	WD	
3	2,797	3,800	S19	OAK HILLS/PYRAMUL/ASWGA/I	16.3	0.2	47	80	ASF1E.	AWNS	SP	NENM
4			S13	CSS/MULGOWAN/TRAPROCK	14.9	0.2	46	85	ASF1E.	AWNS	WD	
5			S13	CSS/MULGOWAN/TRAPROCK	15.9	0.1	56	79	ASF1E.	AWNS	WD	
6			S06	RYWUNG/NEW ENGLAND	15.4	0.3	44	80	ASF1E.	AWNS	WD	

Major Auction Buyers by Micron Range for Current Sale Week

	Buyer	Bales
15.0 microns and finer	Techwool Trading	151
	Tianyu Wool	98
	Fox & Lillie	62
15.1 - 16.5 micron	Tianyu Wool	398
	Techwool Trading	316
	Australian Merino Exports	240
16.6 - 18.5 micron	Techwool Trading	1230
	Tianyu Wool	1190
	Australian Merino Exports	1158

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

	Price (Greasy)	Price (Clean)	Sale	Brand	Micron	VMB	Nkt	Lqth	AWEX ID	Broker	Buyer
1	1,500	1,992	S21	OAK HILLS/PYRAMUL/ASWGA	15.0	0.2	37	86	ASF2E.	AWNS	GSAS
2	1,458	1,855	S21	CHANDLERS PEAK/PAST CO/I	17.8	0.4	48	84	ASF3E.	SBBN	NENM
3	1,431	1,823	S21	TA/F IN DIA/CONGI/NE	13.8	0.2	30	87	MWF4E.	LMKN	TECM
4	1,430	1,829	S21	TA/F IN DIA/CONGI/NE	14.3	0.3	38	87	MWF4E.	LMKN	TIAM
5	1,426	1,767	S21	NEW ENGLAND/JHD/THE FLA	16.3	0.4	46	75	MF3E.	WGMS	TIAM

Top 5 Auction Prices for Season 16-17

	Price (Greasy)	Price (Clean)	Sale	Brand	Micron	VMB	Nkt	Lqth	AWEX ID	Broker	Buyer
1	1,800	2,242	S13	CSS/MULGOWAN/TRAPROCK	15.5	0.2	44	82	ASF2E.	AWNS	NENM
2	1,750	2,229	S13	CSS/MULGOWAN/TRAPROCK	15.0	0.2	51	70	ASF2E.	AWNS	NENM
3	1,741	2,285	M06	DM/MIENA/ASWGA/T/545	17.6	0.2	36	88	MF4E.	EPWL	NENM
4	1,670	2,155	M11	PS/BUCHAN	17.4	0.9	46	82	ASF4S.	AWNS	NENM
5	1,660	2,219	S13	WEST LYNNE/NE	15.4	0.4	48	76	ASF3E.	AWNS	NENM

Finest Micron Sold for Season 16-17

	Price (Greasy)	Price (Clean)	Sale	Brand	Micron	VMB	Nkt	Lqth	AWEX ID	Broker	Buyer
1	1,110	1,667	S09	B&G/F	12.1	0.5	32	71	MWF5E.H1F1U	EPWB	GSAS
2	1,166	1,722	S09	B&G/F	12.2	0.1	31	97	MF4E.R1	EPWB	GSAS
3	1,199	1,819	M18	WAKEFIELD	12.6	0.9	26	66	MWF4E.M	NZMZC	GSNZC
4	870	1,596	M10	SOMERTON PARK	13.2	6.1	0	0	MP4S.60W1	NZMZC	LEMM
5	1,410	1,843	S21	TA/F IN DIA/CONGI/NE	13.4	0.3	32	84	MWF4S.	LMKN	TECM

Superfine Point of Micron (ASF4/MF4)

Micron	Strength (Nkt)				
	40	35	28	21	14
14.6		1775			
14.7	1756				
14.8		1765			
15.3		1755	1759		
15.4	1771				
15.5	1758	1749	1733		
15.6	1781				
15.7	1747	1729			
15.8	1767	1757			
15.9		1744			
16.0		1758			
16.1		1751	1759		
16.2	1772	1762	1760		
16.3			1769	1702	
16.4	1816	1741	1721		
16.5	1748				
16.6	1774		1714		
16.7	1748	1711	1714		
16.8	1769				
16.9	1767	1748	1685	1703	
17.0	1733	1744	1747		
17.1	1768	1762	1726		
17.2	1763	1703			
17.3	1757	1758	1663	1690	
17.4	1736	1734			
17.5	1746	1824			
17.6	1747	1713			
17.7	1753	1729	1691		
17.8	1703	1717	1706		
17.9	1747	1615	1731		
18.0	1609	1705		1616	
18.1	1734	1681		1665	1654
18.2	1719		1684		
18.3	1643	1765			
18.4	1689	1680	1677		
18.5		1671			

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