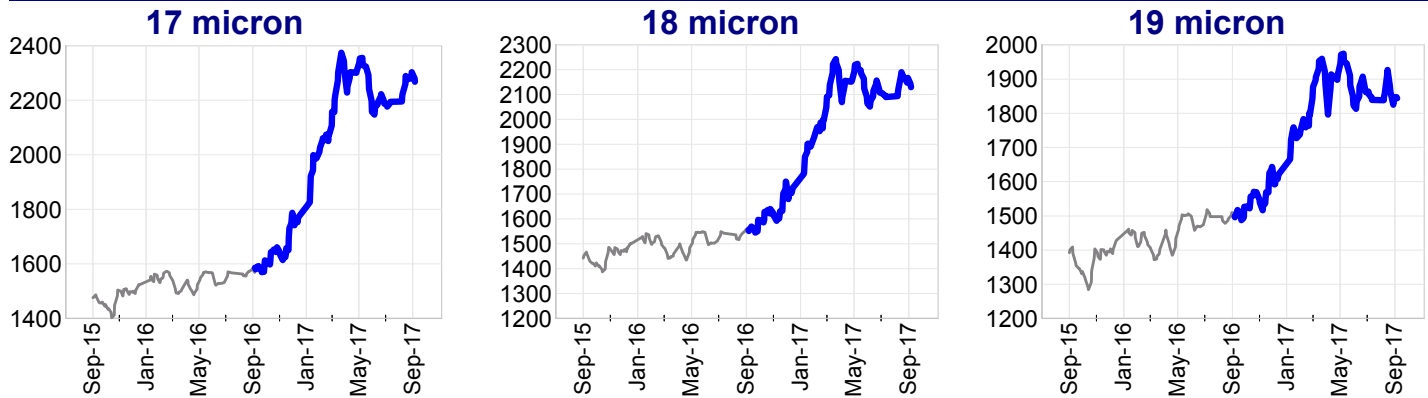




AWEX Superfine Indicators



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

Regional Indicators (¢/kg clean)

Region Indicator	North		South		West	
	Value	Change	Value	Change	Value	Change
	1,628	(-8)	1,510	(+1)	1,600	(-9)
16.5 MPG	2,328	(-44)	2,298n	(-13)		
17 MPG	2,273	(-42)	2,263	(-27)		
17.5 MPG	2,209	(-51)	2,196	(-22)		
18 MPG	2,139	(-47)	2,122	(-27)		
18.5 MPG	2,023	(-21)	2,016	(+1)	1,923n	(-43)
19 MPG	1,839	(+1)	1,848	(-8)	1,799	(-32)

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	S10	6,488	6,228	4.0	85.0	70.7	47.2	3,274	
Southern	M10	8,467	8,151	3.7	82.6	63.8	46.7	1,906	
Western	F10	3,601	3,374	6.3	86.9	48.4	11.4	1,856	
Total		18,556	17,753	4.3	84.3	63.2	40.0	2,068	1,828
Less than 17.6 micron		4,808	4,705	2.1	84.0	60.1	54.1	1,906	2,128
17.6 - 18.5 micron		6,222	5,887	5.4	83.6	61.5	42.8	1,181	1,430
18.6 - 19.5 micron		7,526	7,161	4.8	85.1	66.7	28.8	1,860	1,543

AWEX Commentary

After the tumultuous rises and falls of recent sales the Australian Wool Market has had a more subdued week. The market opened on Wednesday with prices quickly finding a level, a level that was bringing prices very similar to those achieved at the previous sale. Generally, prices were trading within 5 to 10 cents of last Thursday's quotes, with some types slightly dearer and others slightly easier. The only types to make any significant movements were 18.5 micron and finer lesser style wools, which were up to 20 cents easier. The Benchmark Eastern Market Indicator (EMI) lost a single cent to finish the day at 1557 cents, although it did record a 13 cent lift when viewed in US dollar terms. The second day was an almost carbon copy of the first. The market again sold at levels very close to those achieved on the previous day, apart from 18.5 micron and finer, with these types generally falling a further 20 cents. The EMI again lost a solitary cent, closing the week at 1556 cents, an overall reduction of just 2 cents. It must be noted, that the Fremantle market experienced larger falls than the East, generally 20 to 4 cents, with 18.5 and finer also most affected. The skirting market followed a similar path to the fleece. The finer lesser style wools and those carrying excessive vegetable matter recorded general losses of 10 to 20 cents. The broader, better style FNF wools increased in price by around 15 to 20 cents. The crossbred market also realised prices very close to those achieved the previous week, the exception was 26.0 micron which was 15 cents dearer. The carding market received excellent support this week and reversed its recent trend of downward movement. Most types and descriptions appreciated by 5 to 10 cents. Quantities continue to rise, next week there is currently 44,281 bales rostered for sale in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle.

Certified 1PP Lots Offered for Current Season 17-18

	<u>Price</u> (Greasy)	<u>Price</u> (Clean)	<u>Sale</u>	<u>Brand</u>	<u>Micron</u>	<u>VMB</u>	<u>Nkt</u>	<u>Lqth</u>	<u>AWEX ID</u>	<u>Broker</u>	<u>Sale</u> <u>Result</u>	<u>Buyer</u>
1	4,207	5,449	S07	RYWUNG/NEW ENGLAND	15.2	0.2	47	84	ASF1E.	AWNS	SP	NENM
2	4,398	6,050	M02	GLENARA/M	14.8	0.2	46	82	ASF1E.	FLRME	S	NENM

Major Auction Buyers by Micron Range for Current Sale Week

	<u>Buyer</u>	<u>Bales</u>
<u>15.0 microns and finer</u>	Lempriere (Aust)	23
	Schneider (Nz)	14
	Techwool Trading	14
<u>15.1 - 16.5 micron</u>	Fox & Lillie	361
	Techwool Trading	257
	Kathaytex Aust	235
<u>16.6 - 18.5 micron</u>	Fox & Lillie	1415
	Australian Merino Exports	940
	Tianyu Wool	770

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

	<u>Price</u> (Greasy)	<u>Price</u> (Clean)	<u>Sale</u>	<u>Brand</u>	<u>Micron</u>	<u>VMB</u>	<u>Nkt</u>	<u>Lqth</u>	<u>AWEX ID</u>	<u>Broker</u>	<u>Buyer</u>
1	2,240	2,832	M10	GLEN STUART	15.3	0.3	54	78	ASF3S.	ROBL	NENM
2	2,170	2,822	M10	GLEN STUART	14.9	0.3	44	75	ASF3E.	ROBL	AMEM
3	2,140	2,783	M10	GLEN STUART	15.0	0.4	44	74	ASF3E.	ROBL	AMEM
4	2,100	2,781	M10	GLEN STUART	15.2	0.5	52	78	ASF4E.	ROBL	AMEM
5	2,100	2,734	M10	LILYBURN	15.1	0.9	44	71	ASF3E.	ROBL	NENM

Top 5 Auction Prices for Season 17-18

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1	4,398	6,050	M02	GLENARA/M	14.8	0.2	46	82	ASF1E.	FLRME	NENM
2	2,465	3,160	S06	RYWUNG/NEW ENGLAND	15.3	0.1	40	84	ASF1E.	AWNS	NENM
3	2,240	2,832	M10	GLEN STUART	15.3	0.3	54	78	ASF3S.	ROBL	NENM
4	2,231	2,714	S09	GLEN EDEN/NEW ENG	15.8	0.3	47	86	MF3E.	EPWN	GSAS
5	2,200	2,868	M08	GLEN STUART	15.2	0.5	44	78	ASF3S.	ROBL	NENM

Finest Micron Sold for Season 17-18

	<u>Price</u> (Greasy)	<u>Price</u> (Clean)	<u>Sale</u>	<u>Brand</u>	<u>Micron</u>	<u>VMB</u>	<u>Nkt</u>	<u>Lqth</u>	<u>AWEX ID</u>	<u>Broker</u>	<u>Buyer</u>
1	1,690	2,334	M09	KARALTA/M ASWGA AB/467	12.9	0.3	14	72	MWF4E.M	LMKG	ZLIM
2	1,890	2,618	M09	KARALTA/M ASWGA AB/467	13.0	0.3	28	74	ASWF4E.M	LMKG	ZLIM
3	1,740	2,361	M07	PR/BROADLANDS	13.0	0.5	0	0	ASLF4E.50	AWNS	FOXNM
4	1,270	1,827	M07	PR/BROADLANDS	13.3	1.1	0	0	ASLP4S.50	AWNS	MODM
5	2,000	2,736	M09	KARALTA/M ASWGA AB/467	13.4	0.2	26	75	ASWF4E.M	LMKG	LEMM

Superfine Point of Micron (ASF4/MF4)

Micron	Strength (Nkt)			
	40	35	28	21
14.3		2507		
15.2				2367
15.3	2670			
15.4		2444	2437	
15.5	2636		2330	
15.6	2677			
15.7	2547	2410		
16.0		2256		2288
16.1	2354	2215	2309	
16.2		2359		
16.3		2318	2300	
16.4	2347	2339		
16.5	2434			
16.6	2399		2262	2190
16.8	2430	2192	2174	
16.9	2387	2219		
17.0	2343	2151		
17.1	2215	2195		
17.2	2421	2216		
17.3	2361	2165		
17.4		2073	2087	
17.5	2320	2112		
17.6	2259	2370	2065	
17.7		2352		
17.8	2310	2169		
17.9		2093	1995	
18.0		2008	1984	
18.1	2299			
18.2		2072	1893	1965
18.3	2166	2044	1926	
18.4	2208	2017	1938	
18.5	2022	1946		

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