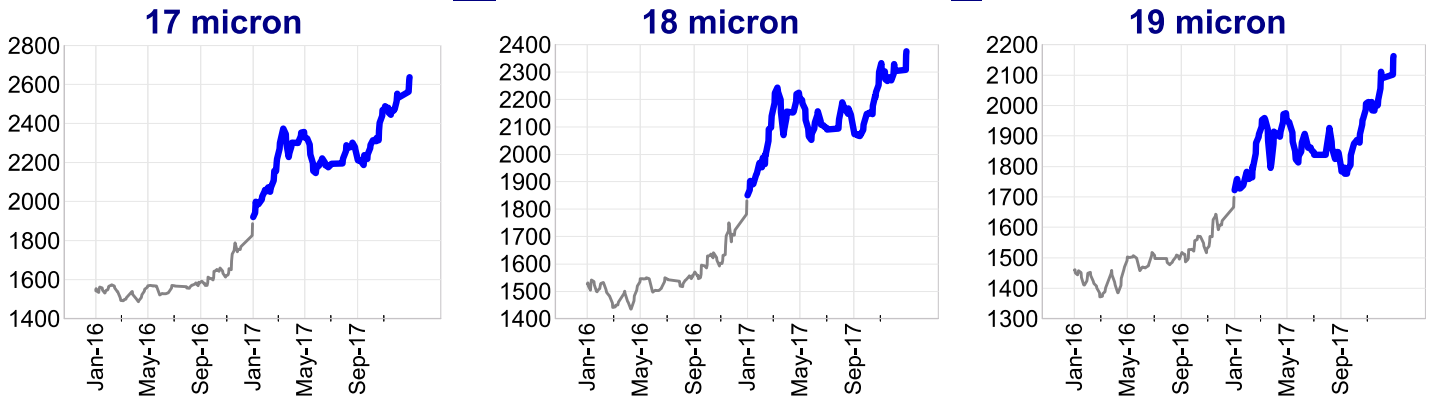


AWEX Superfine Indicators



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

Region Indicator	Regional Indicators (¢/kg clean)					
	North		South		West	
	1,908	(+67)	1,761	(+51)	1,888	(+72)
16.5 MPG	2,773	(+116)	2,736n	(+105)		
17 MPG	2,635	(+97)	2,641n	(+121)		
17.5 MPG	2,509	(+70)	2,493	(+71)	2,496n	
18 MPG	2,389	(+89)	2,363	(+55)	2,359n	(+82)
18.5 MPG	2,259	(+66)	2,252	(+31)	2,255	(+74)
19 MPG	2,164	(+78)	2,161	(+69)	2,157	(+98)

Offering Analysis (19.5 micron & finer)

Region	Sale ID	Bales	Bales	Passed	AM	VMB%	Best Style & Better%	Average Price (YTD)	
		Offered	Sold	In %	%	> 1%		\$/bale	c/kg clean
Northern	S28	5,681	5,613	1.2	72.3	67.2	33.8	3,068	
Southern	M28	8,959	8,790	1.9	74.2	45.4	54.6	3,120	
Western	F28	7,600	7,327	3.6	75.7	55.6	8.5	2,388	
Total		22,240	21,730	2.3	74.2	54.5	33.5	2,367	2,128
Less than 17.6 micron		5,592	5,441	2.7	65.8	48.4	43.6	2,200	2,082
17.6 - 18.5 micron		8,003	7,795	2.6	74.7	55.6	32.1	2,151	2,145
18.6 - 19.5 micron		8,645	8,494	1.7	79.3	57.3	28.4	3,120	2,078

AWEX Commentary

Week 28 on the Australian Wool selling calendar was the first sale of 2018 and the first sale for three weeks due to the annual Christmas recess. The break resulted in 53,517 bales being offered to the trade. 2017 was a year full of records, the benchmark Eastern Market Indicator (EMI) finished on its highest recorded level, as did the majority of the individual Micron Price Guides (MPGs). The market began the New Year with more record breaking activity. Prices generally rose by 50 to 100 cents with all types and descriptions, across the entire merino spectrum enjoying similar rises, irrespective of style and spec, as buyers fought hard to secure market share in the rapidly rising market. The EMI added a further 58 cents to the current high, pushing it to a new record level of 1,818 cents. Growers were quick to get their wool to market and keen to accept the current prices, this has been reflected in another very high clearance rate, over 98% of fleece wool was sold to the trade. Many growers have taken the opportunity to come and see their wool sold, resulting in packed spectator galleries across the country. The skirting market also experienced further solid rises. Prices generally rose by 25 to 50 cents, with wools less 18.0 micron recording the largest gains. Crossbreds comprised over 32% of the national offering, in percentage terms the largest amount since December 2015. Despite the large offering, these wools generally managed gains of 10 to 30 cents, excluding 32 micron which lost buyer support and tracked downward. The oddment sector has continued its rapid upward rise. Locks, stains and crutchings generally added a further 50 to 70 cents. These increases resulted in the three carding indicators adding an average of over 70 cents to their already record highs. Next week 54,250 bales are on offer 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>Lgth</u>	<u>AWEX ID</u>	<u>Broker</u>	<u>Sale</u> <u>Result</u>	<u>Buyer</u>
1	5,239	6,500	S22	CSS/MULGOWAN/TRAPROCK	14.4	0.3	51	81	ASF1E.	AWNS	SP	NENM
2	4,910	6,199	S22	CSS/MULGOWAN/TRAPROCK	14.7	0.1	46	85	ASF1E.	AWNS	SP	NENM
3	4,514	5,750	M20	GLEN STUART	15.0	0.1	51	73	ASF2S.	ROBL	S	NENM
4	3,785	5,150	S14	OAK HILLS/PYRAMUL/ASWGA/I	15.4	0.3	41	76	ASF1E.	AWNS	SP	NENM
5	3,162	4,250	S14	OAK HILLS/PYRAMUL/ASWGA/I	16.0	0.1	45	77	ASF1E.	AWNS	SP	NENM
6	3,859	4,700	S13	CSS/MULGOWAN/TRAPROCK	15.7	0.3	43	85	ASF1E.	AWNS	SP	NENM
7	3,573	4,400	S13	CSS/MULGOWAN/TRAPROCK	15.9	0.2	50	80	ASF1E.	AWNS	SP	NENM
8	3,200	3,951	S13	CSS/MULGOWAN/TRAPROCK	16.2	0.1	49	81	ASF1E.	AWNS	SP	NENM
9	4,207	5,449	S07	RYWUNG/NEW ENGLAND	15.2	0.2	47	84	ASF1E.	AWNS	SP	NENM
10	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>	Fox & Lillie	14
	Lempriere (Aust)	14
	Pj Morris Wool	5
<u>15.1 - 16.5 micron</u>	Pj Morris Wool	188
	Fox & Lillie	148
	Seatech Industrial	119
<u>16.6 - 18.5 micron</u>	Techwool Trading	1938
	Fox & Lillie	1163
	Pj Morris Wool	1093

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>Lgth</u>	<u>AWEX ID</u>	<u>Broker</u>	<u>Buyer</u>
1	2,400	3,329	M28	APSLAWN	14.6	0.5	27	78	MF4S.H1A1	AWNS	FOXM
2	2,370	3,305	M28	APSLAWN	14.5	0.6	24	79	MWF5S.E	AWNS	FOXM
3	2,360	2,914	S28	AA/DUNDEE/NE	15.5	0.1	42	83	ASWF4E.	SBBN	EWES
4	2,350	3,228	M28	APSLAWN	14.6	0.5	35	79	ASF4S.	AWNS	FOXM
5	2,290	2,959	M28	BROOKTON	15.2	0.4	36	87	MF4S.	FLRME	TECM

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1	5,500	7,534	S22	ROCKVALE NORTH/ARMIDALE	12.6	1.0	28	70	MWF4S.	AWNS	DYNM
2	4,514	5,750	M20	GLEN STUART	15.0	0.1	51	73	ASF2S.	ROBL	NENM
3	4,398	6,050	M02	GLENARA/M	14.8	0.2	46	82	ASF1E.	FLRME	NENM
4	2,541	3,335	S12	KUBBA JIMBA/N E	13.9	0.4	43	79	MWF3E.	EPWN	GSAS
5	2,500	3,320	S19	ACAIRE/ARMIDALE	14.0	0.6	45	82	ASWF4E.	AWNS	ASFS

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>Lgth</u>	<u>AWEX ID</u>	<u>Broker</u>	<u>Buyer</u>
1	5,500	7,534	S22	ROCKVALE NORTH/ARMIDALE	12.6	1.0	28	70	MWF4S.	AWNS	DYNM
2	2,290	3,185	S22	ROCKVALE NORTH/ARMIDALE	12.9	2.1	40	77	MWF5S.F1	AWNS	PMWF
3	2,260	3,050	S22	ROCKVALE NORTH/ARMIDALE	12.9	1.0	40	60	MWF4S.H1	AWNS	TECM
4	1,690	2,334	M09	KARALTA/M ASWGA AB/467	12.9	0.3	14	72	MWF4E.M	LMKG	ZLIM
5	1,890	2,618	M09	KARALTA/M ASWGA AB/467	13.0	0.3	28	74	ASWF4E.M	LMKG	ZLIM

Superfine Point of Micron (ASF4/MF4)

Micron	Strength (Nkt)				
	40	35	28	21	14
15.6		2920			
15.8		2783			
15.9	2863				
16.1	2923	2843	2849		
16.2			2861		
16.4	2819	2429			
16.5			2780		2722
16.6		2783			
16.7	2801	2745		2711	
16.8			2701		
16.9	2680	2553	2684		
17.0				2544	
17.1			2603	2519	
17.2	2668			2537	
17.3	2589	2529	2515	2490	
17.4		2462	2464		
17.5	2695	2486	2514		
17.6	2459		2438		
17.7	2534	2483			
17.8	2447	2453			
17.9				2302	
18.0	2430		2345		
18.1	2386	2376			
18.2	2342	2327		2294	
18.3	2317	2322			
18.4	2302	2281			
18.5		2242	2224		

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