## Wool Weekly



## Friday Wool Market Movements It was an excellent week in the Australian wool market as prices for Merino wool lifted strongly, continuing the momentum seen in Fremantle last Thursday. All sale centres recorded strong gains on Wednesday and then further increases on Thursday. Crossbred wool prices were firm, with some ups and downs in each centre. The EMI closed at a new record of 1891 c/kg, up by 55 cents for the week. The increase in demand and wool prices was helped by a lower AUD. The EMI was 33 UScents higher at 1414 USc/kg. 37,842 bales were offered nationally and the pass-in rate dropped to 3.0%. Sydney hosted a two-day sale with just 9,157 bales offered. Buyers were keen to buy Merino wool, particularly 19 microns and finer. The more plentiful lower spec types were in demand after having been discounted in recent weeks, and those

discounts all but disappeared. Prices rose sharply on Wednesday and rose again on Thursday, bringing the weekly gain to as much as 90 cents. Demand for Crossbred wool of 28 microns and finer were firm over the week while prices for broad Crossbred wool eased a little. The restricted offering of Oddments saw prices lift by 15-30 cents, with good gains on

The two-day sale in Melbourne saw 21,532 bales offered. Wednesday's sale opened strongly for Merino wools with all microns and specifications lifting by 40-60 cents. Buyers focused on the well-prepared Crossbred lots which recorded 10 cents increases, while the less well-prepared lots lifted by 5 cents. Strong demand for Oddments saw prices lift by 15 cents and more. There was a greater proportion of lower style Merino wools on Thursday, but buyers continued to compete strongly, pushing prices up by a further 25-30 cents. Buyers' preference for well-prepared Crossbred lots continued on Thursday, pushing prices for 29 micron and finer up. Low VM Oddments

both days.

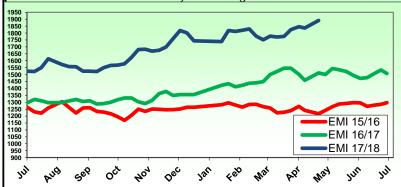
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• The impetus established in Fremantle last Thursday continued at the two-day sale this week. Buyers bid strongly for the 6,449 bales on offer, lifting prices into record territory for many of the micron categories. There were gains of 70-90 cents and the WMI smashed through the 2000 cent barrier to close at 2018 c/kg. Both sale days saw strong increases across the micron range as buyers scrambled to secure supplies. There was less heat in the Oddment market but prices still rose over the week by 20-40 cents.

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THIS WEEK'S SALES STATISTICS								
Centre	Bales Originally	Bales Offered	Bales Sold	Pass in Rate				
Northern	9,700	9,157	8,975	2.0%				
Southern	20,735	22,032	21,532	2.3%				
Western	7,950	6,653	6,449	3.1%				
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<u>/, 11 May 20</u>						
	AWEX	WEEK	LY WOO	L PRIC	ES	
Regional		Wkly		Wkly		Wkly
Indicator	North	Chg	South	Chg	West	Chg
c/kg clean	1940	+48	1859	+59	2018	+66
	MIC	CRONI	PRICE G	UIDES		
16.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	2771n	+19	2726n	+14	-	<u> </u>   -
17.5	2591	+60	2583n	+60	2508n	-
18	2389	+44	2383	+37	2346n	+90
18.5	2238	+61	2241	+58	2238n	+85
19	2154	+68	2163	+77	2171	+78
19.5	2101	+82	2105	+88	2113	+70
20	2074	+94	2072	+83	2076	+72
21	2044	+80	2048	+78	2036	+67
22	-	-	2018	+63	2029n	+82
23	-	-	1986n	+55	-	i - !
24	-	-	1849n	+45	-	-
25	1542n	-	1573n	+42	-	<u>-</u>
26	1344	+3	1330n	+4	-	-
28	999	+1	999	+10	-	-
30	703	-5	706	0	-	-
32	466n	-7	466n	+1	-	-
MC	1397n	+20	1426n	+36	1409n	+23
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## AWEX EMI 2015/16 & 2016/17 Season vs Current Currently: 1891 c/kg clean



s	Northern	<b>S</b> 46	S47	S48
k	Sydney	11,281	10,120	9,465
	Southern	M46	M47	M48
	Melbourne	19,251	18,402	18,650
	Western	F46	F47	F48
	Fremantle	6,964	6,449	6,500
	Total	37,496	34,971	34,615

**Upcoming Auction Volumes** 

21-05-18

28-05-18

14-05-18

## Landmark Wool Report 1891 NMI 1940 SMI 1859 WMI 2018



Average Nth-Sth MPG's as reported on 10 May 2018

