



# WEEKLY MARKET REPORT

Week Ending 2nd June 2023

AWEX Northern Micron Indices Comparison



AWEX INDEX	This Week S48/22	This Week M48/22	Last Sale S47/22	Sydney Change	Last Year Sydney	Sydney Yearly Change
17	2067n	2078	2058n	+9	2712	-645
18	1787	1758	1787	0	2190	-403
19	1525	1528	1515	+10	1729	-204
20	1385n	1406	1395n	-10	1420	-35
21	-	1353	-	-	1341	-
26	-	522n	-	-	-	-
28	298n	317	310n	-12	-	-
MC	732n	738	739n	-7	951	-219

## VALE PAUL KELLY

The wool market this week opened on a slightly weaker note then gradually turned to corner in an upward direction. Nothing like the original roster of 47,000 bales made it to market, and when passed in wools were added in only 35,400 bales were eventually sold.

The abnormally high passed in rates the previous week (up to 33% of fleece wools in Sydney) no doubt has some effect as exporters scrambled to find a bottom and instil some confidence for the pipeline. A culmination of factors can be cited as reasons for the past few weeks of lack lustre competition, ranging from weaker Chinese consumer demand than expected, excess stocks in the yarn sector, a higher percentage of high VM wools and even the US debt crisis can all lead to an erosion of confidence. Fortunately, the latter has resolved itself for the time being and the very solid improvements in indicators in WA at the end of the selling week gives us confidence to predict a better tone for next week.

High vegetable matter in a reasonable proportion of the clip is still a hangover from the wet years of 21 & 22. Many clips, particularly their weaner lines are containing upwards of 7% in fleece lines. Whilst underneath the burr the wools are great the cost of double combing is considerable. The big disadvantage is for the traders who commission comb and sell tops. It just isn't viable for them to pay the extra tariff to run the wool through twice to remove all the VM, hence the buyers who own their own machinery buy these wools with limited competition.

On a very sad note, our condolences go out to the family of well-known and highly regarded sheep classer, Paul Kelly. Paul was tragically killed in a road accident last Friday week near his home in the Quambone district. Paul has been the stud classer for Egelabra for many years as well as classer with Haddon Rig. But it was his work with many of our clients, Don included that is much closer to home. In an industry steeped in tradition with many sheep breeders wanting to modernise their flocks, Paul had a fantastic skill of bridging the gap of both traditional classing values and gaining the best from modern data and directions. He was a fantastic bloke, and his talents and company will be missed by many in our industry. His service will be held at Warren tomorrow at 11am.

When it is only Sydney & Melbourne in operation the national quantity drops. Currently, there is 36,000 bales expected for next week.

### Southern Aurora Forward Prices

Micron	Date	Low
21	June 23	1325

### Main Buyers (this week)

1	Techwool Trading	5845	2	Tianyu Wool	5294	3	Endeavour Wool	4723
4	Fox & Lillie	2636	5	Sequoia Materials	2145	6	United Wool	1905

Eastern Market Indicators (AUD cents/kg clean)  
1209 cents ↓ 5 cents compared with 26/05/2023

Northern Market Indicators (AUD cents/kg clean)  
1270 cents ↓ 3 cents compared with 26/05/2023

AUD/USD Currency Exchange  
0.6495 ↓ 0.0104 compared with 26/05/2023