

WEEKLY MARKET REPORT

Week Ending 22nd October, 2021
AWEX Northern Micron Indices Comparison

AWEX INDEX	This Week S16/21	This Week M16/21	Last Sale S15/21	Sydney Change	Last Year Sydney	Sydney Yearly Change
17	2484	2508	2451	+33	1777	+707
18	2099	2161	2011	+88	1543	+556
19	1699	1716	1619	+80	1309	+390
20	1374	1360	1302	+72	1177	+197
21	1307	1295	1227n	+80	1140n	+167
26	702	705n	-	-	753n	-51
28	415	423	415	-	520n	-105
MC	869	883	861n	+8	763n	+106

THE RISE WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR!!

The positive talk on the showfloor presale did convert into a serious rise in the wool market this week. The sawtooth movement that the market has been experiencing since August did continue this sale but in an upward direction after 2 weeks of flat and falling markets. The 46 cent jump for the AWEX EMI to 1369 was the result of new business soaking up any available stock that was on exporter's books. This led buyers to go into the sale room and compete for wool to fulfil outstanding requirements. In US\$ terms the rise was just as impressive - a 54 cent lift to 1025 due to the A\$ rising. The opening day's 50 cent gain was the largest daily rise this season and the biggest since January. Fine to broader types (17.5 to 22 micron) led the charge with 60 to 85 cent lifts as superfine lots added 30 cents to their values. Skirtings added 40 to 60 cents depending on their VM%. Cardings recorded subtle rises as LKS were either side of firm with STN and CRT 10 to 20 cents dearer. The MCI in Fremantle added 54 cents (6%) to its value and now sits at 892. Crossbreds also made minute gains - up to 10 cents for 26s and 30 microns. The pass-in rate fell below 10% for the first time in 4 weeks to 5.7%. The FRX continued to strengthen throughout the sale to break through the 75 cent barrier on Wednesday night (a rise of 2.15%). It's a rarity to see both the market and the FRX substantially rise at the same time.

For the first time on a long time, the Chinese enquiry that started late last week led to the market jumping by 3.5%. Their top-makers and traders outbid European buyers on a wide range of types bar the very best fleece types. Very late in the opening session and into the final day the market did soften but some types recovered their losses later in the session giving some hope the up and down pattern may well be over. A 6 year old record was broken on Tuesday with 15,000 cents paid for an ultrafine bale of 12.1 micron fleece wool (WNR) from Walcha. 2 other bales made 11,100 and 10,100 and 14 bales of PCS made between 5,180 and 4,950 cents, great money!!

Ram sales are in full swing in southern NSW. The final sale at Grogansworth (Bowning) was held with a top price of \$15,000 to average \$3,245 selling 89 rams. Tallawong at Yass averaged \$4,510 for a 96% clearance with a top of \$10,000. At Cooma, Adina topped at \$13,000 to average \$2,755 with 87% sold. Greenland sold all 80 rams offered with a top of \$8,000 and an average of \$2,770 (up by \$615 from last year). Still at Cooma, Cottage Park sold all but 1 of the 111 rams offered with a \$20,000 top price and \$3,905 average. Main Range cleared 96% of their draft to average \$4,500 and achieve a top of \$8,500. At nearby Conrayn, the top price was \$5,200 with an average of \$1,620 and Manawa stud held their final sale to average \$1,270 with a top of \$2,700. Showfloor talk is for a solid market providing the A\$ is stable.

Southern Aurora Fwd Prices

Micron	Date	Low
21	Jan. 22	1290

Main Buyers (this week)

1	Techwool Trading	5270	2	Tianyu Wool	3808	3	Endeavour Wool	3325
4	Modiano Australia	2553	5	Fox & Lillie	2477	6	PJ Morris Wools	1617

Eastern Market Indicators (AUD cents/kg clean)
1369 cents ↑ 46 cents compared with 15/10/2021

Northern Market Indicators (AUD cents/kg clean)
1456 cents ↑ 48 cents compared with 15/10/2021

AUD/USD Currency Exchange
0.7486 ↑ 0.0149 compared with 15/10/2021