

Wool Market Report
M38
Thursday, 19 March, 2020
National Commentary

The Australian wool market has again followed the trend of other global markets, suffering prolonged losses in Week 38. Melbourne opened in isolation on the first selling day and from the opening lot it was immediately apparent that buyers had significantly reduced their limits. By the end of the first day the individual Micron Price Guides (MPGs) had fallen by 29 to 58 cents. The AWEX Eastern Market Indicator (EMI) fell by 19 cents. The losses continued into the second day, as buyers continually reduced their buying limits.

The MPGs across the country fell by another 26 to 99 cents, the largest losses experienced in Sydney and Fremantle, as these centres came into line with the Melbourne market. On the back of these large losses, the EMI dropped by 52 cents, this was the largest daily fall in the EMI since January. The market continued to track downward on the final day, but not at the same rate of the previous two days, as buyers became more confident of the new price levels. The Eastern MPGs lost a further 3 to 40 cents, with the EMI falling by 12 cents. The EMI lost 83 cents for the series, closing the week at 1,438 cents.

This was the largest weekly fall in the EMI since October last year. The EMI has now fallen for six consecutive selling days, falling by a total of 146 cents over this period. As the Australian dollar fell to its lowest point in 17 years, the fall in the EMI when viewed in USD terms was more significant, it dropped by 181 USC, a reduction of over 18%. The market did finish on a positive note, the Fremantle region selling last recorded increases in its MPGs on the final day, of between 5 and 35 cents. Despite the losses, the national offering increases next week to 49,874 bales, with all three centres in operation.

	This Week		Last 12 Months		
			High	Low	Avg
EMI	1438	-83	1963	1365	1655
Sth Ind	1418	-80	1939	1338	1634
17	1848	-146	2458	1819	2075
17.5	1790	-158	2421	1790	2055
18	1757	-131	2383	1747	2016
18.5	1663	-137	2329	1663	1963
19	1662	-118	2317	1582	1928
19.5	1661	-110	2293	1518	1905
20	1647	-106	2282	1481	1892
21	1645	-91	2282	1477	1882
22	1643	-111	2274	1478	1911
28	870	-10	1323	804	986
30	688	+9	1005	648	788
32	421	+10	659	408	524
MC	1001	-80	1157	795	1042

USD	55.71¢
	-8.87¢
EUR	51.13¢
	-6.05¢

Main Buyers (This Week)

1	TECHWOOL TRADING	2,500	13.4%
2	FOX & LILLIE	2,061	11.1%
3	ENDEAVOUR WOOL EXP.	2,036	10.9%
4	AUST. MERINO EXP.	1,891	10.2%
5	TIANYU	1,392	7.5%
6	PELICAN AUSTRALIA	1,170	6.3%
7	UNITED WOOL CO.	1,111	6.0%
8	MICHELL P/L	825	4.4%

Quote of Note

Mic	Grsy	Clean	Yld	MM	NKT	VM	District	AWEXID
14.8	1509	2246	67.2	85	22	0.6	SORELL	MF5S.
15.4	1501	2147	69.9	78	30	0.5	SORELL	MF4E.
16.1	1494	2035	73.4	89	33	1.9	KINGSTON SE	MF4S.
16.6	1330	1922	69.2	97	31	1.8	KINGSTON SE	MF5S.
17.1	1232	1809	68.1	98	35	1.3	TAYLORS HILL	MF4S.
17.6	1310	1830	71.6	89	40	1	KINGSTON	MF4S.
18.2	1192	1688	70.6	83	32	0.5	KINGSTON	MF4E.
18.5	1044	1692	61.7	89	40	0.2	WANGARATTA	MF5E.
18.7	1090	1700	64.1	93	32	1	TAYLORS HILL	MF5E.
19.3	1070	1680	63.7	67	42	1.9	WOORNDOO	MF5B.
19.6	1150	1691	68	77	45	0.6	SNOWTOWN	MF5S.
20.0	1157	1722	67.2	85	35	0.6	NORONG	MF5S.
20.3	1245	1647	75.6	89	27	0.3	MAJORCA	MF4E.
20.8	1108	1664	66.6	82	33	0.7	GREAT WESTERN	MF5E.
15.6	1101	1835	60	84	21	3.2	KINGSTON	MP5B.
16.8	830	1718	48.3	75	26	4.2	GREAT WESTERN	MP5S.
17.6	869	1652	52.6	72	30	4.7	TAYLORS HILL	MP5S.
19.2	800	1441	55.5	72	29	2.4	NATTE YALLOCK	MP5S.
25.1	859	1180	72.8	0	0	0.1	TRARALGON EAST	XF4E.
26.1	751	1071	70.1	0	0	1.9	COBRAM	XF4S.
27.0	669	978	68.4	0	0	2.1	TELANGATUK EAST	XF5S.

AWN Forward Offers				
MPG	Nov-19	Jan-20	Mar-20	May-20
19	1655	1620	1590	1580
21	1645	1635	1605	1525
28	865	845	805	765

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