

### National Commentary

The Australian wool market has continued to track downward in Week 37, recording losses for the third consecutive series. The national offering reduced, this week 40,785 bales were available to the trade. When compared year on year, the total amount of bales offered, has fallen by 176,192 bales, a reduction of 12.7%. The quantity is expected to raise in Week 38, before falling to around 37,000 bales nationally in Weeks 39 and 40. This week saw the market follow a very similar pattern to the previous series. A diminishing supply of better style wools, in

particular those possessing favourable additional measurement results, attracted excellent support and closed out the week achieving prices only 15 to 20 cents below the levels achieved in the previous week. However, there was again an ever-increasing supply of lower style/lower yielding types, the national average yield on merino fleece was only 63.6% dry, the lowest level in over 10 years. Buyers continually reduced their basis on these lower yielding wools, as they again struggled to average them into their purchases. By the end of the series these types were generally 30 to 50 cents cheaper. It was the large reductions in

these wools which was the major factor in the individual Micron Price Guides (MPGs) falling as far as they did. On the back of these falls the AWEX Eastern Market Indicator (EMI) lost 29 cents, falling back below the 2,000-cent threshold, closing the week at 1,979 cents. The lower price levels were met with firm seller resistance, this resulted in a passed in rate of 12.6%, the highest figure since November. The crossbreds also lost ground, 26.0 to 30.0 micron were generally 25 to 40 cents easier. The national offering increases for the following sale. Currently, there are 44,137 bales on offer in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle.

	This Week		Last 12 Months		
			High	Low	Avg
<b>EMI</b>	<b>1979</b>	<b>-29</b>	2116	1751	1944
<b>Wst Ind</b>	<b>2127</b>	<b>-30</b>	2279	1834	2083
<b>18</b>	<b>2347</b>	<b>-28</b>	2638	2179	2371
<b>18.5</b>	<b>2326</b>	<b>-37</b>	2536	2066	2301
<b>19</b>	<b>2300</b>	<b>-45</b>	2472	1981	2253
<b>19.5</b>	<b>2295</b>	<b>-34</b>	2423	1939	2211
<b>20</b>	<b>2282</b>	<b>-22</b>	2388	1901	2182
<b>21</b>	<b>2267</b>	<b>-27</b>	2357	1859	2158
<b>22</b>	<b>2285</b>		2295	1837	2095
<b>MC</b>	<b>1184</b>	<b>-45</b>	1602	1012	1315

USD	70.60¢
▲	0.12¢
EUR	62.39¢
▲	0.05¢

### Main Buyers (This Week)

1	SEATECH	1,359	15.4%
2	TECHWOOL TRADING	1,260	14.3%
3	TIANYU	1,181	13.4%
4	LEMPRIERE AUST	1,041	11.8%
5	PJ MORRIS	1,015	11.5%
6	WEST COAST WOOL	740	8.4%
7	KATHAYTEX	506	5.7%
8	FREMANTLE WOOL	387	4.4%

### Indicative Prices

Mic. Grsy ¢ MM Nkt Vmb Yield AWEX-ID

#### Merino Fleece

17.8	1,562	82	33	1.7	64.4	MF5S.
18.7	1,662	98	25	0.5	72.1	MF5E.
18.8	1,688	89	27	0.6	73.6	MF4E.
19.4	1,602	95	26	0.6	70.2	MF5E.
20.2	1,698	92	32	0.9	74.3	MF4E.
20.4	1,566	100	30	1.4	69.1	MF5S.
20.9	1,582	69	39	0.7	69.6	MF5S.
21.7	1,511	96	30	0.9	67.1	MF5S.

#### Merino Skirtings

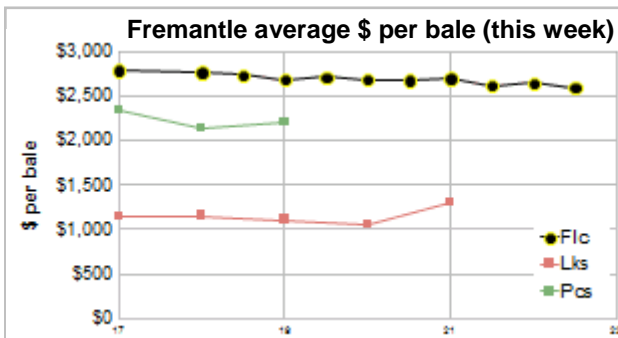
18.5	1,170	71	28	4.1	55.6	MP5S.
18.6	1,206	83	28	1.1	56.4	MP5S.
17.8	1,060			4.5	51.8	MB5S.70

#### Merino Lambs

17.3	1,157			1.3	71.5	MLF5S.40
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#### Merino Locks

19.5	681			2.8	57.2	MZ5S.
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	Fic	Pcs	Lks
<b>17</b>	\$2,794	\$2,340	\$1,142
<b>18</b>	\$2,768	\$2,133	\$1,151
<b>19</b>	\$2,688	\$2,201	\$1,106
<b>20</b>	\$2,687		\$1,060
<b>21</b>	\$2,702		\$1,300
<b>22</b>	\$2,651		

