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February Market Wrap

The month of February has provided some excellent opportunities to market some quality wools throughout all micron categories. As indicated below, the finer edge of the market has become the major talking point as growers are taking advantage of not only strong sale day wool prices but also keen competition on the electronic market, with wool trade becoming another vital tool for the trade to acquire the correct purchases. At the end of this week the 19 micron Indicator is now above the high point of the last market surge in 2011. Even with the focus on the fine wool market, the medium wools have also sold at some consistent levels over recent weeks, which is encouraging for that sector of the market. Taking into account the volumes of wool being traded weekly throughout the past month or so and the value in dollar terms, the market has held up very well, as finance for exporting companies must be extreme. The strong push on fine fleece wool has been reflected in the continued push for better skirting's as a substitute for fleece wool and it's also had an impact on the shorter fleece wools as the trade continue to create varying markets for their individual clients. We've focused on the Merino market over the past couple of months, but now finally the Crossbred market has shown some life, with a couple of weeks of steady improvement. Many combinations and questions maybe asked why, but whatever the reason any improvement are welcomed. To complete a good month, the Carding market just continues to consolidate every week for all merino types whereas, the stronger crossbreds have battled.

Southern Indicator 27/01/2017		Southern Indicator 24/02/2017		Movement C/kg cln	Percentage Movement
1364		1397		33	2.4%
AWEX Micron Price Guides			Movement C/kg cln	Percentage Movement	Percentile Rank
Micron	27/01/2017	24/02/2017			
16.5	2013	2090	77	3.8%	93%
17.0	1971	2057	86	4.4%	92%
17.5	1958	2032	74	3.8%	93%
18.0	1875	1978	103	5.5%	94%
18.5	1802	1891	89	4.9%	99%
19.0	1721	1784	63	3.7%	100%
19.5	1633	1669	36	2.2%	100%
20.0	1540	1548	8	0.5%	99%
21.0	1432	1437	5	0.3%	98%
22.0	1368	1376	8	0.6%	96%
23.0	NQ	NQ	0	0.0%	0%
24.0	NQ	NQ	0	0.0%	0%
25.0	1030	1055	25	0.0%	92%
26.0	917	943	26	2.8%	89%
28.0	661	714	53	8.0%	86%
30.0	533	543	10	1.9%	67%
32.0	404	415	11	2.7%	48%
MC	1158	1190	32	2.8%	100%
\$Aud:US	0.7528	0.7715	0.0187	2.5%	
\$Aud:EUR	0.7054	0.7288	0.0234	3.3%	

Percentiles calculated using weekly data since 1996 except the 16.5-17.5 percentiles which have been calculated using weekly data since May 2009 from AG Concepts

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We are still receiving many emails from exporters looking for "Non" or "Ceased Mulesed" wool. "PR" (pain relief) has also been a requirement for some orders of recent times. **If you can meet any of these standards please ensure your classers specification is correctly filled in and signed to enable us to maximise your returns.**