



JEMALONG WOOL BULLETIN

(week ending 6/10/2005)

Table 1: Northern Market Prices

Micron Price Guides	Current Price	Weekly Change	10-yr Average	Price as % of Ave	This time last year	Year high	Year low
North Ind	678	-4	765	89%	753	746	678
18	961	3	1372	70%	1079	1007	959
18.5	882	-5	1087	81%	1034	977	882
19	825	-6	1034	80%	973	921	825
19.5	764	-7	1018	75%	913	850	764
20	718	-7	833	86%	838	806	718
21	688	-8	749	92%	769	776	688
22	674	-6	708	95%	721	761	674
23	665	-8	671	99%	686	750	665
24	660	-1	650	102%	638	698	660
25	639	1	615	104%	619	643	627
26	578	1	583	99%	595	579	562
28	473	-1	520	91%	516	480	465
30	430	-1	469	92%	458	444	430
32	391	-1	445	88%	430	406	391
MC	403	-3	417	97%	427	441	397

NORTHERN MARKET REPORT -

Australian Dollar 75.8 US as of 06/10/2005

Sales were held in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle this week. The national offering this week was approximately 60,000 bales. There were 14,441 bales offered in Sydney of which approximately was 11% re-offered wool.

Sales opened nationally in Melbourne on Tuesday. The market was generally softer for an offering of mainly 20-23 micron fleece. Prices for 20-24 microns were around 5-7c/kg clean lower, while 19.5 micron and finer end lost around 2-3c/kg clean. Crossbreds were also slightly cheaper losing around 4c/kg clean. The lower vm merino skirtings received good demand and were firmer while other skirtings remained unchanged. Oddments were around 10c/kg clean cheaper for the day. The passed-in rate for Tuesday was 12%.

Prices were softer when sales opened in Sydney on Wednesday with the finer end most affected. Prices for 18-19 micron fleeces fell by around 10-20c/kg clean. 20 micron and broader were around 5c/kg clean lower. Crossbreds remained unchanged. 5%vm and lower merino skirtings were unchanged while the high vm skirtings were around 10c/kg clean cheaper. Oddments were generally unchanged. The passed-in rate for Wednesday was around 6%.

On Thursday the market eased slightly again despite the dollar being slightly weaker against the USD. 18.5 microns fell by 7c/kg clean while all other microns were up to 3c/kg clean lower. Crossbreds remained unchanged. Merino skirtings and oddments were also generally unchanged. The passed-in rate for Thursday was around 9%.

The major buyers for the week in Sydney were BWK Elders (1,713 bales), Techwool (1,603 bales) and Morepen (1,331 bales).

In the Melbourne sale this week prices were softer again on Wednesday with the finer end the most affected falling around 10c/kg clean. On Thursday prices firmed a little with 22-23 microns receiving good demand and prices finishing 5c/kg clean higher. Prices fell in line at Fremantle sales this week after a one week recess with prices generally 10-15c/kg clean lower on Wednesday. The finer end eased a further 5c/kg clean on Thursday while the broader end was firm.

Positive news is hard to find at the moment and growers will be wondering when the market will turn around. While it is impossible to know for sure, the generally feeling by brokers and exporters alike is that prices may ease further in the next 6 months. Exporters report that their margins are continually getting tighter and tighter, and seeing the number of exporters that have closed their businesses in the past 18 months is proof of that. So it is not just growers who are finding conditions tough. Everyone would like to see firmer prices. In the meantime it is important to remember that the present cycle will turn at some point, just when that will be is the \$64 question.

Sales continue next week in Sydney, Melbourne and Fremantle. The national offering will be slightly smaller next week with approximately 56,000 bales rostered for sale.

(Comments: Phil Roberts - Wooltrade)



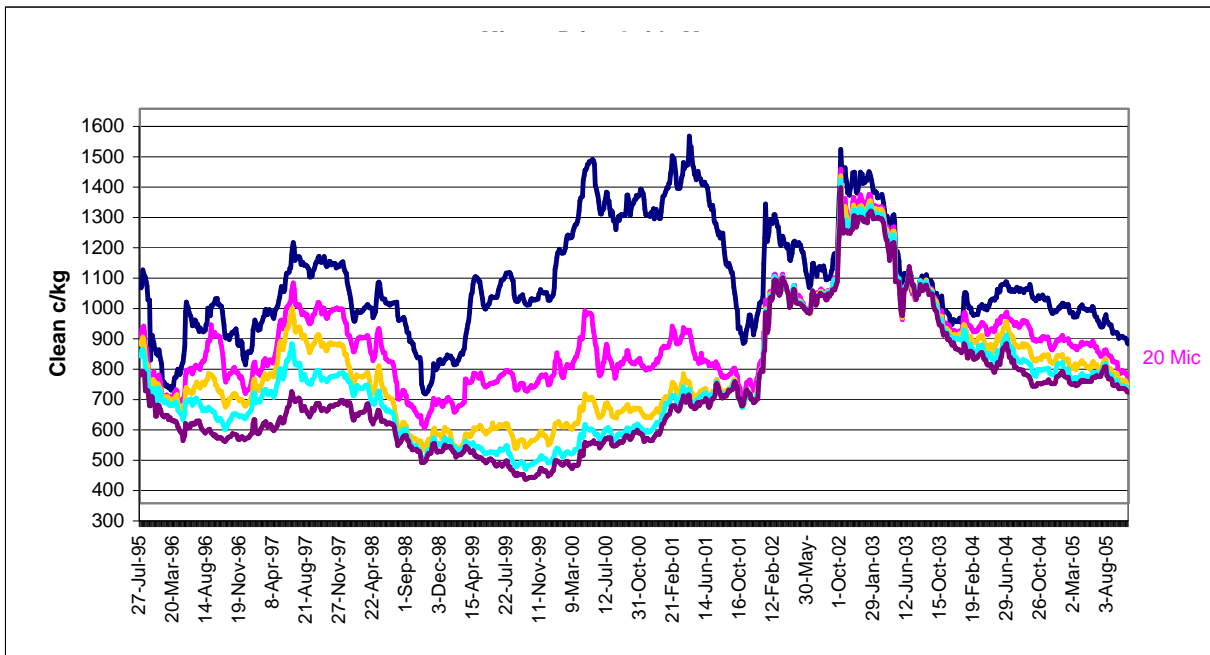
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Table 2: Northern Market Deciles

Micron Price Guide (1995-2005)										
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	28	MC
Current	825	718	688	674	665	660	639	578	473	403
90%	826	670	533	476	444	437	430	398	343	278
80%	899	715	586	527	498	479	459	438	383	310
70%	936	741	642	590	529	509	481	462	400	362
60%	963	767	669	636	574	552	531	474	421	400
50%	993	811	706	673	621	598	568	503	441	428
40%	1041	846	757	715	662	648	594	522	458	438
30%	1095	887	821	745	715	679	644	544	481	455
20%	1224	938	875	841	809	783	697	590	502	481
10%	1322	1009	1005	1003	1000	983	950	709	562	561

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Source: AWEX, National Australia Bank

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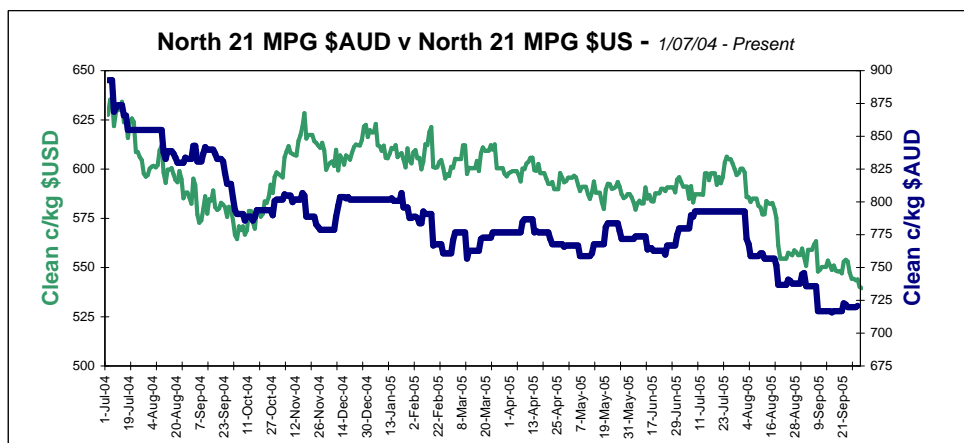
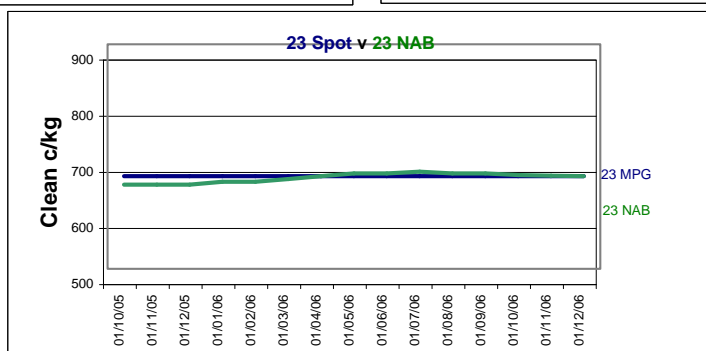
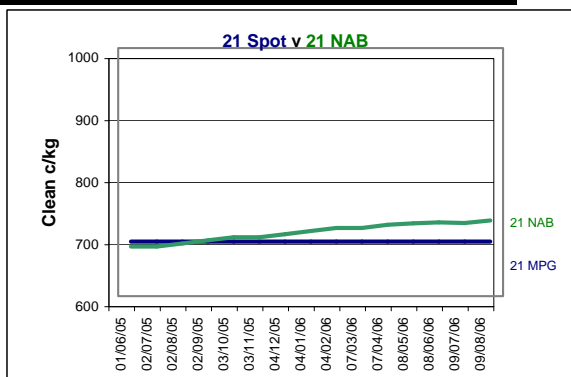
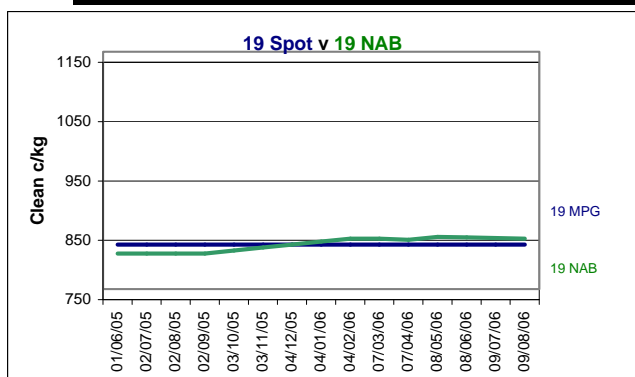


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Table 3: National Australia Bank - Wool Swaps

NAB Producer Bids																
06-Oct-2005																
Delivery Month	18 MIC	Diff. To Spot	19 MIC	Diff. To Spot	20 MIC	Diff. To Spot	21 MIC	Diff. To Spot	22 MIC	Diff. To Spot	23 MIC	Diff. To Spot	24 MIC	Diff. To Spot	28 MIC	Diff. To Spot
Oct-05	920	-41	810	-15	700	-18	680	-8	660	-14	650	-15	635	-25	445	-28
Nov-05	920	-41	810	-15	700	-18	680	-8	665	-9	650	-15	635	-25	445	-28
Dec-05	920	-41	810	-15	700	-18	685	-3	665	-9	650	-15	640	-20	440	-33
Jan-06	925	-36	810	-15	700	-18	690	+2	670	-4	655	-10	645	-15	450	-23
Feb-06	935	-26	815	-10	700	-18	695	+7	675	+1	655	-10	645	-15	445	-28
Mar-06	935	-26	820	-5	705	-13	695	+7	675	+1	660	-5	645	-15	440	-33
Apr-06	945	-16	825	0	708	-10	700	+12	680	+6	665	0	645	-15	440	-33
May-06	950	-11	830	+5	708	-10	705	+17	680	+6	670	+5	645	-15	445	-28
Jun-06	950	-11	835	+10	715	-3	710	+22	680	+6	670	+5	648	-13	445	-28
Jul-06	965	+4	835	+10	715	-3	710	+22	682.5	+8.5	673	+8	650	-10	445	-28
Aug-06	965	+4	833	+8	715	-3	715	+27	685	+11	670	+5	650	-10	450	-23
Sep-06	965	+4	838	+13	715	-3	718	+29.5	685	+11	670	+5	650	-10	450	-23
Oct-06	964	+3	837	+12	717	-1	719	+31	681.5	+7.5	667	+2	649	-11	454	-19
Nov-06	961	0	836	+11	716	-2	718	+30	680.5	+6.5	666	+1	648	-12	458	-15
Dec-06	960	-1	835	+10	715	-3	722	+34	677	+3	665	0	647	-13	457	-16



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