

JEMALONG WOOL BULLETIN (week ending 12/06/2003)

Table 1: Northern Market Prices

Micron Price Current		Weekly	10-yr	Current Price to	This time last			
Guides	MPG Price	Change	Average	Average	year	Year high	Year low	
18.5	1087	-26	1306	83%	na	1542	1086	
19	1048	-4	1058	99%	1021	1466	989	
19.5	1023	-1	1018	100%	na	1442	921	
20	1026	13	823	125%	933	1401	905	
21	1028	17	727	141%	931	1379	911	
22	1028	13	681	151%	940	1365	931	
23	1027	21	640	160%	940	1340	918	
24	1004	32	622	161%	934	1299	887	
25	925	50	594	156%	906	1198	827	
26	842	37	565	149%	865	1088	775	
28	590	-30	520	113%	722	889	565	
30	481	-11	472	102%	606	729	465	
32	481	59	453	106%	528	669	422	
MC	491	-4	409	120%	464	684	428	
Aug	ralian Dollar		0 6645			•		

Australian Dollar 0.6645

Better news again for woolgrowers this week with the market generally dearer, particularly in the broader micron fleece wools. The only exceptions were finer micron fleece wools which fell against the general trend. In auctions on Wednesday 18.5 micron and finer merino fleece wools fell around 5 c/kg clean. 19-24 micron merino fleece wools were slightly dearer, up to 10 c/kg clean on last week's closing prices. 25 micron fleece wools were 30 c/kg dearer, while 28-30 micron fleece wools fell up 20 c/kg clean. On Wednesday merino skirtings were slightly dearer, crossbred 26-27 microns were around 1% dearer and locks and crutchings were unchanged. The passed-in rate for the Northern Market on Wednesday was 14%. Thursday was very similar to Wednesday with the broader microns rising and the finer micron fleece wools dropping slightly in price. 18 micron merino fleece wools fell 20 c/kg clean, while19 micron fleece wools fell 10 c/kg clean. Broader fleece wools 24-26 micron rose between 20-30 c/kg clean. Merino skirtings were slightly dearer, 25-26 micron crossbreds were up to 3% dearer and locks and crutchings were generally unchanged. The passed-in rate for Thursday was 14%.

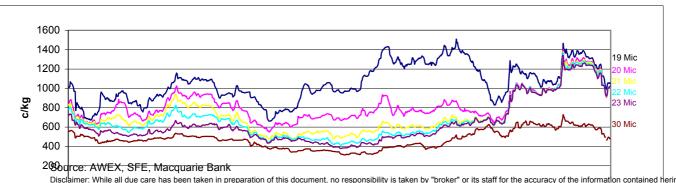
Interesting enough, 23 micron fleece wools were quoted at a higher price than 19.5 micron. Buying interest was again dominated by European topmakers. Anecdotal reports comment that there is some stirring in China however orders in the market were not evident.

Macquarie Wool Futures were unchanged early in the week before rising 20-30 c/kg clean on Wednesday and a further 20-30 c/kg clean on Thursday.

Sales continue next week in Sydney and Melbourne.

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Figure 1: Northern MPG Movement



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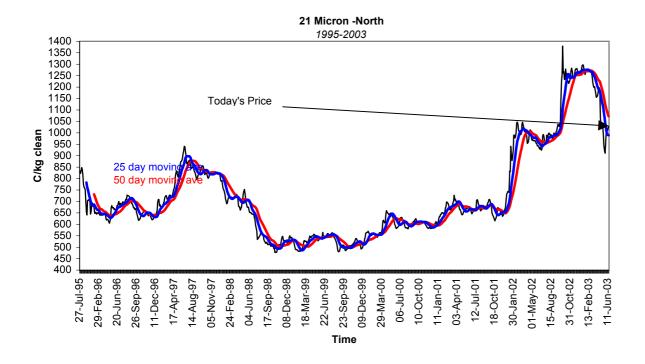


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Table 3: Northern Market Deciles

Micron Price Guide (1995-2002)

		19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	28	MC	
10%	Current	1048	1026	1028	1028	1027	1004	925	590	481	491	
20%	90%	793	650	523	469	434	427	416	394	339	261	
30%	80%	888	697	555	498	477	467	448	420	367	292	
40%	70%	945	723	610	544	510	487	467	448	399	333	
50%	60%	976	746	644	595	532	511	483	468	435	359	
60%	50%	1044	768	666	634	570	547	524	497	456	393	
70%	40%	1090	813	693	660	608	584	559	518	475	434	
80%	30%	1173	870	736	693	633	611	585	547	493	463	
90%	20%	1261	942	874	767	692	688	661	600	528	495	
	10%	1339	1021	1011	1014	1004	995	967	730	570	583	





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Macquarie Wool Futures

					Diff.								Diff.		Diff.		
Delivery			Diff. to		to		Diff. to		Diff. to		Diff. to		to		to		Diff to
Month	18	19	Spot	20	Spot	21	Spot	22	Spot	23	Spot	24	Spot	25	Spot	XB	Spot
Jun-03	1120	1070	22	1050	24	1045	17	1045	17	1045	18	1020	16	935	10	615	25
Aug-03	1120	1075	27	1040	14	1035	7	1035	7	1030	3	1005	1	915	-10	610	20
Oct-03	1120	1075	27	1020	-6	1015	-13	1010	-18	1005	-22	980	-24	895	-30	605	15
Dec-03	1120	1075	27	995	-31	985	-43	980	-48	975	-52	950	-54	870	-55	595	5
Feb-04	1130	1070	22	995	-31	985	-43	980	-48	975	-52	950	-54	865	-60	585	-5
Apr-04	1150	1070	22	995	-31	980	-48	975	-53	965	-62	940	-64	855	-70	580	-10
Jun-04	1175	1065	17	990	-36	970	-58	960	-68	950	-77	930	-74	845	-80	575	-15
Aug-04	1185	1060	12	980	-46	960	-68	945	-83	930	-97	910	-94	825	-100	575	-15
Oct-04	1200	1050	2	970	-56	940	-88	915	-113	905	-122	880	-124	815	-110	575	-15

