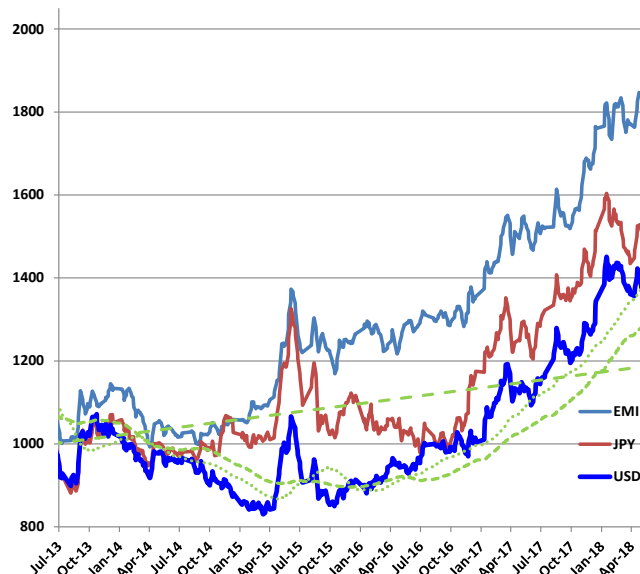


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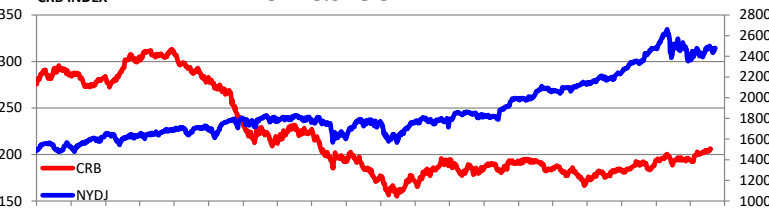
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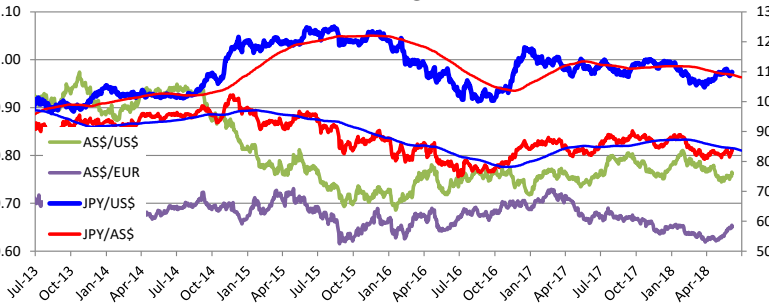


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COMMENTS

An epic week at Australian wool auctions as the 2000cent EMI barrier provided next to no resistance to the extremely bullish market forces in motion. Topping off a great week for wool producer returns, the EMI when expressed in USD (US Dollars) coincidentally also hit its highest ever level this sale series.

This USD EMI figure underscores the fact that exponentially increasing demand is the key price determination factor in play at present and is the undisputable market driver. Chinese purchasing continues unabated, with many exporters declaring the Chinese appetite for wool at present as being "insatiable".

There seems in the short term to be nothing stopping the market from continuing upward. The rate of the increase and the record levels that it continues to move upward from, is alarming. The market is being driven predominantly by indent order buyers securing some volume for prompt delivery and others simply trying to 'pick up' in very small volume sales. Quality is not a determining factor at the moment. We see best value in the best fine wool which haven't moved so much in recent weeks. Historically these better types are also the least likely to react downwards in the event of any market correction.

With no sale in Fremantle next week, this will only add to the upward pressure already on the market. Some 'buy at best' instructions to secure the necessary volume for production are dictating the market direction. We have just the 6 selling weeks before auctions close for the mid-year 3-week recess. Traditionally the opening sale in July has a larger volume selection but we understand from most brokers that is less likely this year. Even if it were a little larger, it's unlikely to impact on the current strong interest for greasy wool. Buyers will be aware of the pending July recess ensuring they have sufficient wool to carry them through. Reports from Fremantle that supply could be down in Western Australia by more than 10% due to drought. This is adding to the same concerns in the eastern states as sheep numbers are being reduced ahead of what is expected to be a difficult winter with little ground cover for sheep feed. Added to this is the increasing trend of 6 month shearing that will alter the traditional flow of best wools available through our spring. There is no doubt that it will be an interesting 6 months ahead, if it wasn't already 'interesting' enough.

今週の羊毛市場は更に続伸。留まるところを知らない中国勢の買い意欲によりAWEXのEMI（マーケットインディケーター）は歴史的な節目といわれていた2000ACを初日に呆気なく突破し、2日目には更に高値を更新した。USD建てのEMIに関しても、目下のところ豪ドルは対USDドルで過去5年において比較的安値レベルにあるにも拘わらず、USD建てEMIも今週は過去最高値を大きく更新した。

目下の買付スタンスは兎にも角にも数量確保が優先されており、原毛のスペックやスタイルといった品質要因はほぼほぼ斟酌されていない状況。また価格上昇をけん引しているのはコンテナ単位のoffer商売を扱う大手原料商ではなく、中国メーカーやブローカーによるインデントオーダー（委託買付）がその中心となっている。

シーズン終了までの残り4周の出市予定量は平均で週当たり3万俵を下回る公算で、その中身についてもこれまで同様に到底期待できるレベルにないのが実情。また年度替わりの7月のセールについても今のところ例年の様な出市増は望めないとの声が、牧場や原毛ブローカーといった供給サイドの関係者の間でも多く聞こえている。

目下の狂乱相場を鎮める要因として考えられるのは、6月中旬でタイムオーバーになるとみられる次期秋冬物の原料手当てが収束する事と、やはりいくら何でもな高値警戒感（現状メーカー相手の原料商売は事実上出会い難に陥っている）、それと投機筋による相場の上げ底の厚みに対する不透明感といったところか。

尤も休会中に向けた機械需要の存在と、早魃の深刻化による産毛量減予測、6か月シェアリングの拡大に伴う適品羊毛の減少懸念等々といった相場上昇の口実の方が現状遥かに説得力をもっているように見えるのもまた事実。

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- ~18.5mic 続伸。USDベース：△2~3%
- 19.5mic 続伸。USDベース：△2~3%
- 20.5mic 続伸。USDベース：△2~3%
- 22.0-23mic 続伸。USDベース：△2~3%
- 24.5mic 続伸。USDベース：△2~3%
- XBD's 続伸。USDベース：△2~3%

CARDINGS

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MAIN BUYERS/BALES

TECH-	4,037	FOX-	3,608	STEC-	2,460
AME-	2,375	KTEX-	2,135	LEMP-	1,650
EWE-	1,594	TYN-	1,359	PJM-	1,195
GSA-	163				

NEXT SALES

Week 49 (6-7/Jun)

SYDNEY	11,802	BALES
MELBOURNE	15,468	BALES
FREMANTLE		BALES
TOTAL	27,270	BALES TO BE OFFERED

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