

Wool



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Key Watchpoints – April

- The AWEX EMI has lifted throughout March, but can this positive momentum be maintained throughout April?
- Escalations in the ongoing trade conflicts are expected to apply some downwards pressure on prices in the medium term.
- The price spread between the fine and medium micron wools continues to tighten due to shifts in Australia's fleece make up.

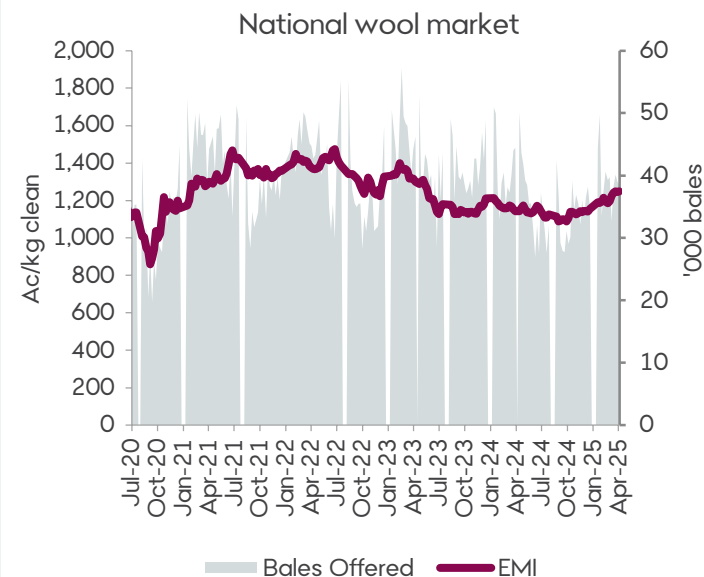
Wool prices firm throughout March, but April may see a shift

The Australian wool market has gained ground over the past month, with the AWEX EMI finishing higher in five out of the last six weeks and now sits at 1,249c/kg. This has resulted in the EMI gaining 54 cents since the last selling week in February and is now up +9.4 per cent from this time last year.

Supply has been relatively steady over the past four weeks, with the national offering averaging almost 39 thousand bales over this period, although, this is down six per cent compared to the same period last season. March did see an increase in wool testing volumes, increasing to the highest level since November 2024, but the total was still slightly lower than March last year.

The Australian Dollar has eased slightly over the past five weeks, resulting the EMI in USc terms gaining 31 cents to now sit at 787 USc/kg, although it did reach as high as 794 USc/kg in week 38.

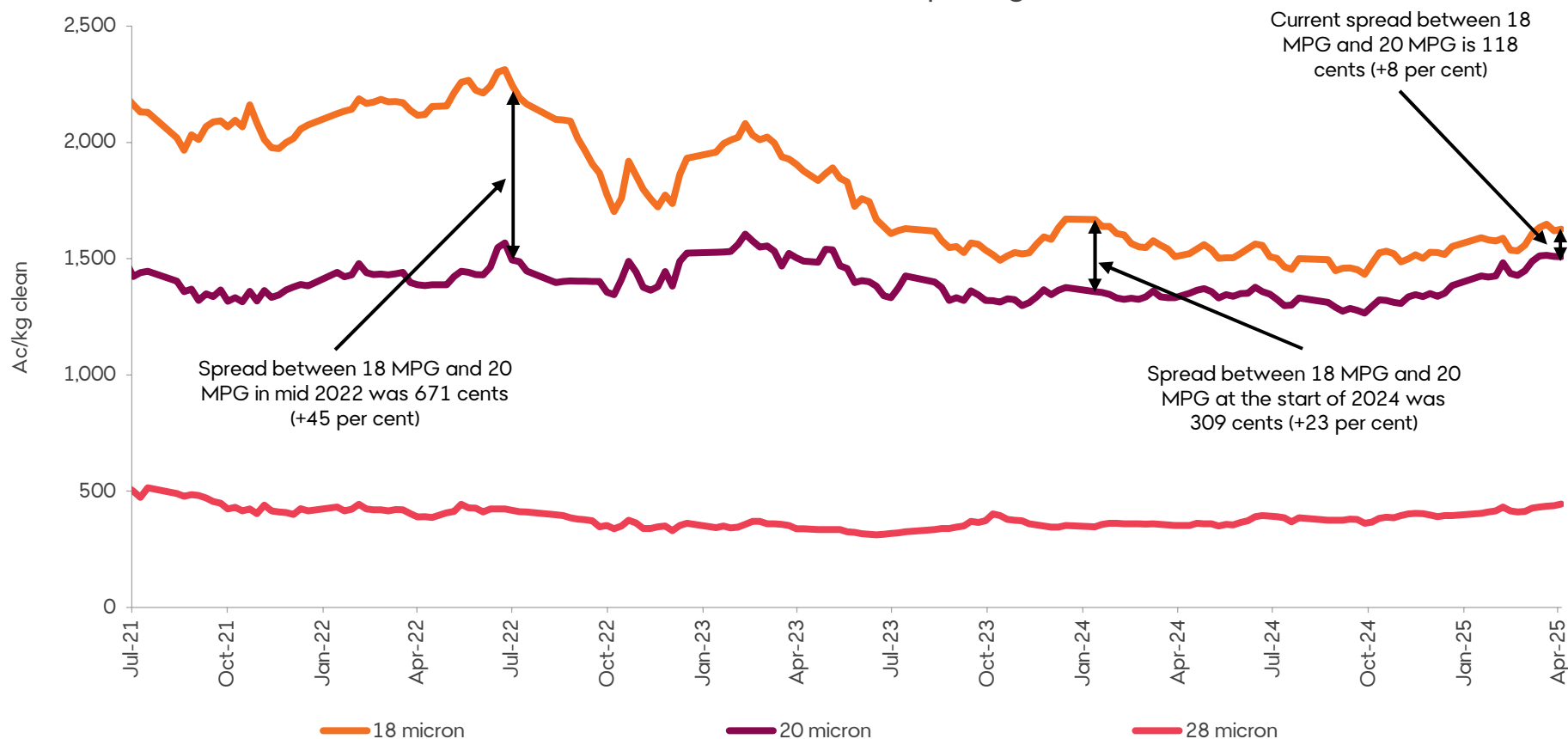
Wool prices are expected to face pressure throughout April as the market adjusts to escalating trade tensions. The implementation of US tariffs on China and Europe is expected to reduce demand downstream and limit enthusiasm in auction rooms. However, reduced production this season as well as the weaker Australian Dollar is expected to be supportive.



Source: AWEX



Southern wool micron price guides



Source: AWEX

The spread between the fine and medium micron wools continues to tighten, while crossbred wool prices have been comparatively more stable.

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