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From the desk of Chris Wilcox, Executive Director

- Australian wool prices up - Crossbred prices continue their surge
- Sharp drop in wool tests for New South Wales in April
- Over half auction offered wool is Non-Mulesed, Pain Relief or Ceased Mulesed
- South-east Australia sees continued dry conditions in April
- Upcoming industry events



Over half wool at auction Non-Mulesed, Pain Relief or Ceased Mulesed

The latest statistics on mulesing status shows that for the first time ever, over half the wool offered at auction this season to April was Non-Mulesed, mulesed with Pain Relief or Ceased Mulesed. Almost 70% of wool offered at auction came with a National Wool Declaration. However, the drought in eastern Australia has caused declines in the volume of wool in all mulesing status categories, although the decline in the volume of Non-Mulesed and Pain Relief wool is only small in contrast to the 26% drop in wool offered at auction without a National Wool Declaration (NWD). As a result, the proportion of wool offered as Non-Mulesed has increased to 12.9% and the proportion of wool offered as Pain Relief was at 35%. These are great results.

Further details including a table showing detail of volumes offered at auction by the different categories of mulesing status for the ten months to April is provided in the full edition of the NCWSBA *Weekly Newsletter* for the week ending 3rd May 2019.

OTHER INDUSTRY EVENTS

The **Nanjing Wool Market Conference** will be held in Qufu, Shandong on 20th to 23rd September 2019.

The **2019 IWTO Round Table** will be held in Queenstown, New Zealand on 2nd to 3rd December 2019.

The **2020 IWTO Annual Congress** will be held in Tongxiang, China on 18th to 20th May 2020.

WOOL SALES WEEK BEGINNING 6th MAY 2019 – week 45 (roster as at 2/5/2019)

Sydney

Wed, 8th May, Thurs 9th May 8,159 bales

Melbourne

Wed, 8th May, Thurs 9th May 19,248 bales

Fremantle

Wed, 8th May, Thurs 9th May 6,057 bales

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