

Meat & Livestock Weekly Statistics

26 March 2015

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Cattle

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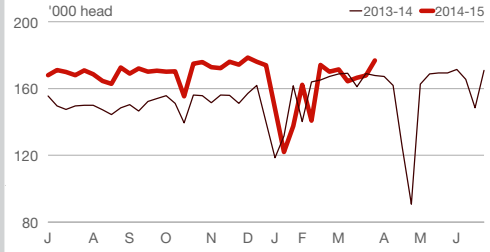
Cattle movements

Slaughter



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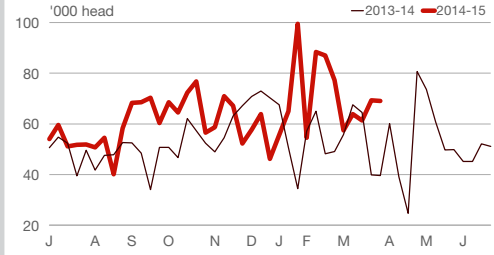

Slaughter week ending 20/03/2015

		TW	LW	LY
Qld	Cattle	85,983	86,349	85,120
	Calves	418	376	802
NSW	Cattle	43,683	42,894	38,451
	Calves	3,216	3,127	4,365
Vic	Cattle	32,936	28,887	31,012
	Calves	4,954	3,173	5,783
SA	Cattle	9,254	5,545	9,390
	Calves	57	58	78
Tas	Cattle	5,006	4,079	4,937
	Calves	685	499	767

Saleyard throughput

At NLRS reported centres - week ending 26/03/2015

	TW	LW	LY
Qld	20,355	18,835	8,186
NSW	25,324	26,853	12,437
Vic	15,662	16,352	13,781
SA	4,591	4,985	3,053
WA	2,790	2,000	2,203
Tas	345	247	225

Eastern Young Cattle Indicator (EYCI)

EYCI	TW	LW	LY
	421.5	421.25	321.75

Feeder cattle indicators (¢/kg lwt)

week ending 20/03/2015

	Paddock sales	TW	LW	LY
Domestic	Steers 280-350kg	241	244	179
	Heifers 280-350kg	222	224	159
Export	Shortfed 100-120 DOF	256	257	176
	Mediumfed 120-220 DOF	256	258	187.5
	Longfed 220+ DOF	268	269	192

Live export price quotes (c/kg lwt)

			TW	LW	LY
Light steers	(260 - 360 kg)	Darwin	nq	nq	nq
	(260 - 360 kg)	Broome	nq	nq	nq
Light heifers	(260 - 360 kg)	Darwin	nq	nq	nq
	(260 - 360 kg)	Broome	nq	nq	nq
Export wethers	(A$/head)	WA	nq	nq	nq

Source: MLA's NLRS, Landmark

Saleyard cattle indicators

	Qld			NSW			Vic			SA			National		
	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY
Trade steer (¢/kg lwt)	231	226	175	228	234	201	222	226	192	206	217	175	221	228	192
(¢/kg cwt)	420	412	318	422	432	375	408	414	354	375	396	319	408	419	355
Medium steer (¢/kg lwt)	209	212	160	217	211	173	211	217	184	nq	214	140	213	212	177
(¢/kg cwt)	380	385	291	403	396	325	399	405	341	nq	389	255	391	394	328
Heavy steer (¢/kg lwt)	216	210	187	227	217	188	225	232	184	nq	nq	180	222	216	186
(¢/kg cwt)	389	384	334	421	399	347	417	426	340	nq	nq	333	407	395	339
Medium cow (¢/kg lwt)	163	160	126	165	165	124	165	171	126	160	160	131	164	163	128
(¢/kg cwt)	332	326	256	342	347	261	346	357	266	320	320	263	338	338	267
Feeder steer (¢/kg lwt)	236	233	169	232	232	183	215	222	168	200	202	159	235	232	181

WA saleyard indicators (¢/kg lwt)

	TW	LW	LY
Pastoral cow	166	187	143
Heavy cow	238	237	162
Heavy yearling	264	256	207
Feeder yearling	260	264	195

Over the hooks cattle indicators (¢/kg cwt)

	Qld*			NSW			Vic			SA			National		
	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY
Trade steer	395	400	330	406	406	329	411	411	310	nq	nq	310	404	406	320
Medium steer	390	394	303	406	406	322	396	397	322	nq	nq	nq	398	399	316
Heavy steer	403	407	310	415	415	330	404	405	323	nq	nq	nq	406	407	321
Medium cow	352	361	278	346	348	256	341	350	263	366	366	255	348	352	263
EU steer	473	473	nq	465	465	362	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq

NOTE: for Saleyard and OTH category details (Weight, Muscle and Fat) refer to page 4.

WA over the hooks cattle indicators (¢/kg lwt)

	TW	LW	LY
Grassfed yearling	490	490	nq
Grainfed yearling	485	485	378
MSA yearling	485	485	355
Medium cow	nq	218	218

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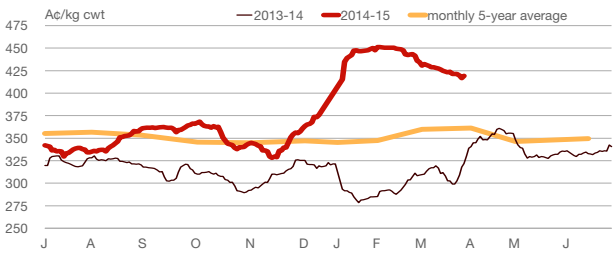
National cattle indicators

EYCI



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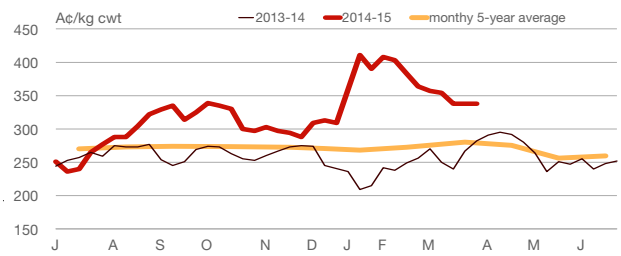

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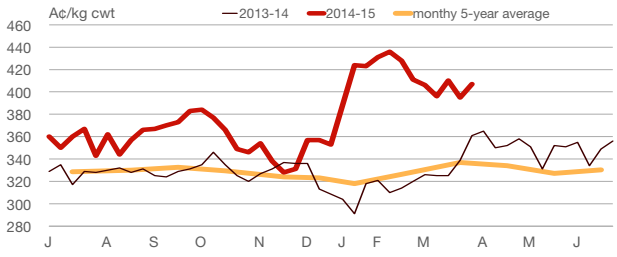
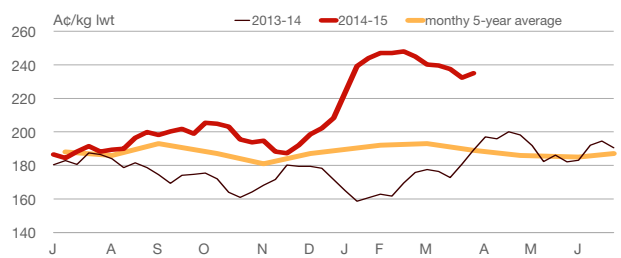


Feeder steer



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Sheep and lamb

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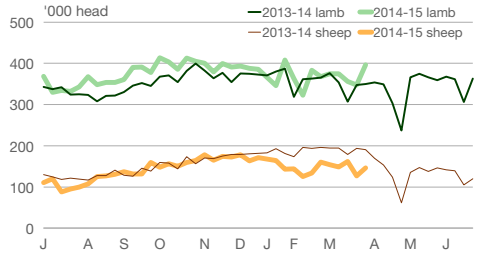
Sheep and lamb movements

Slaughter



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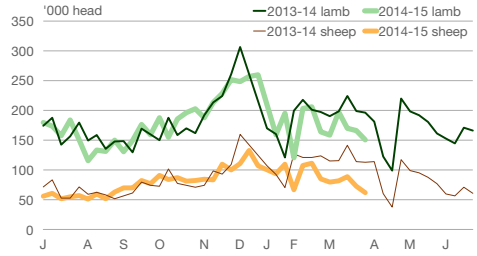

Slaughter

week ending 20/03/2015

		TW	LW	LY
Vic	Lambs	193,162	162,064	168,856
	Sheep	57,071	37,924	80,266
NSW	Lambs	101,490	104,789	84,992
	Sheep	48,503	45,905	50,776
SA	Lambs	82,100	69,287	74,303
	Sheep	23,640	27,029	41,031
Qld	Lambs	5,055	56	6,249
	Sheep	10,391	10,455	12,690
Tas	Lambs	14,566	11,440	13,305
	Sheep	6,938	5,488	8,618

Saleyard throughput

At NLRS reported centres - week ending 26/03/2015

		TW	LW	LY
Vic	Lambs	41,340	56,026	76,714
	Sheep	18,497	21,767	43,358
NSW	Lambs	76,518	84,451	81,395
	Sheep	25,726	36,202	34,726
SA	Lambs	14,998	15,299	22,126
	Sheep	4,056	4,771	5,335
WA	Lambs	16,677	9,123	15,720
	Sheep	12,272	8,367	29,258
Tas	Lambs	1,200	1,100	3,000
	Sheep	1,450	1,550	1,420

Eastern States Trade Lamb Indicator (ESTLI)

ESTLI	TW	LW	LY
	524	495	545

Skin indicator (¢/skin)

week ending 20/03/2015

Lambs		TW	LW	LY
2"+	16.1 - 20kg	238	238	625
	20.1 - 24kg	500	500	781
	24.1kg +	600	600	881
1"-2"	16.1 - 20kg	163	163	650
	20.1 - 24kg	425	425	863
	24.1kg +	525	525	888
0.5"-1"	16.1 - 20kg	100	100	325
	20.1 - 24kg	175	175	563
	24.1kg +	250	250	600
New season	16.1 - 20kg	300	300	550
	20.1 - 24kg	450	450	750
	24.1kg +	575	575	1025
Merino sheep (average 25 micron)				
1.5"-2"	16.1 - 20kg	600	600	700
	20.1 - 24kg	600	600	825
	24.1kg +	900	900	925

*skin prices refer to the averages for all ranges

Saleyard sheep and lamb indicators

		Vic			NSW			SA			WA			National		
		TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY
Restocker/feeder lamb	($/head)	74	73	75	72	73	69	84	69	84	61	71	59	72	72	70
Merino lamb	(¢/kg cwt)	473	434	471	459	414	477	462	442	440	nq	nq	451	462	421	464
Light lamb	(¢/kg cwt)	522	490	493	473	435	492	459	468	459	545	512	457	496	466	488
Trade lamb	(¢/kg cwt)	532	497	535	526	489	555	517	501	487	537	504	483	528	495	537
Heavy lamb	(¢/kg cwt)	531	499	564	531	499	576	521	488	546	532	527	484	530	499	564
Mutton	(¢/kg cwt)	346	320	331	344	317	315	280	291	287	317	306	248	336	316	310

Over the hooks sheep and lamb indicators (¢/kg cwt)

	Vic			NSW			SA			WA			National		
	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY
Medium trade lamb	535	548	585	510	516	573	517	520	570	525	525	510	521	526	558
Heavy trade lamb	535	548	585	520	526	573	517	520	570	525	525	510	523	528	558
Heavy lamb	540	550	579	510	517	571	517	520	570	520	520	507	523	527	555
Mutton	323	333	286	317	329	273	283	305	283	257	257	217	300	309	266

NOTE: for Saleyard and OTH category details (Weight, Muscle and Fat) refer to page 4

Eastern Market Wool Indicator (¢/kg)

	TW	LW	LY
AWEX E.M.I	1091	1094	1019

Source: Australian Wool Exchange Ltd.
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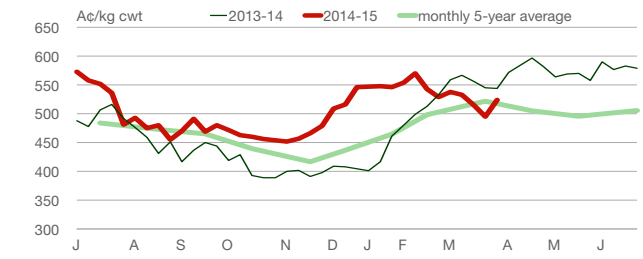
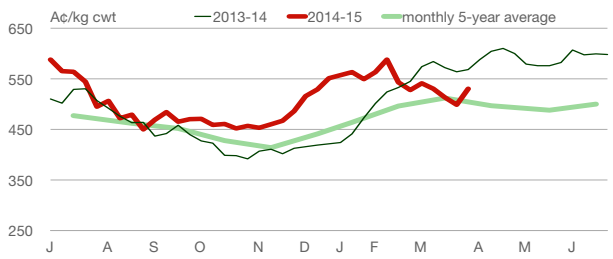
National sheep and lamb indicators

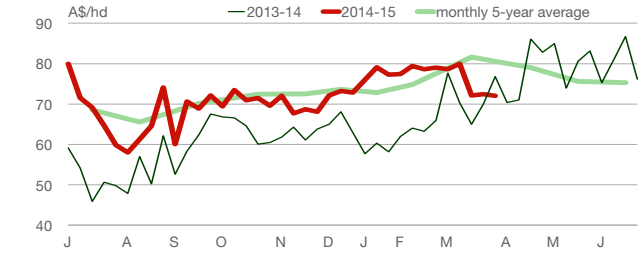
ESTLI



Heavy lamb



Restocker feeder lamb



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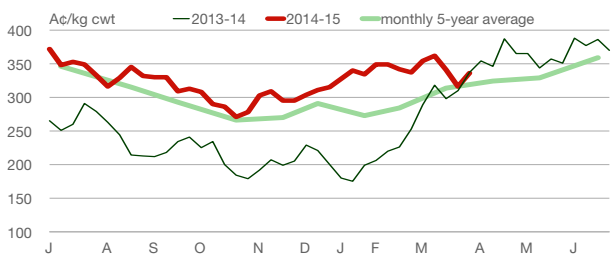

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General Livestock

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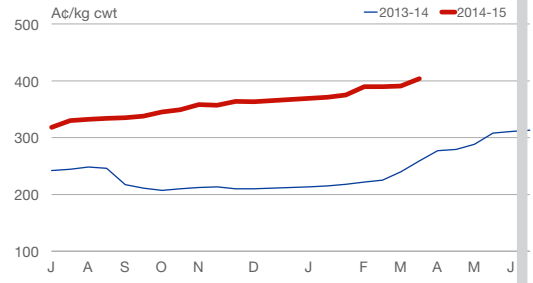
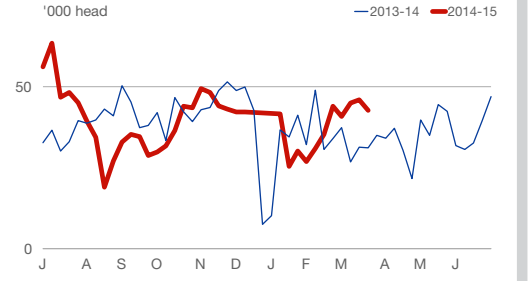
Goat prices & slaughter

OTH goat prices (12.1-16kg)



Eastern states goat slaughter



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Goats OTH prices (¢/kg cwt)

Category	TW	LF*	LY
0-8kg	nq	nq	nq
8.1-10kg	408	396	238
10.1-12kg	404	391	240
12.1-16kg	404	391	240
16.1-20kg	401	391	240
20.1kg+	404	391	240

* LF = Last fortnight

Grain feed prices ($/tonne)

Darling Downs	TW	LW	LY
Wheat	nq	312	370
Barley	nq	303	356
Sorghum	nq	302	325
Riverina			
Wheat	nq	274	297
Barley	nq	265	265
Sorghum*	nq	nq	nq

*includes freight

Source: Profarmer

Tallow ($/t, delivered in store)

	TW	LW	LY
Prime - Melbourne	675	nq	nq
Prime - Brisbane	675	nq	nq
Bleachable fancy	635	nq	nq

Source: Australian beef trade

Fodder prices ($/tonne)

	Cereal			Lucerne			Straw			Pasture		
	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY
Darling Downs	nq	370	425	nq	475	525	nq	190	225	nq	320	nq
Central West NSW	nq	235	325	nq	345	425	nq	nq	145	nq	nq	nq
Goulburn Valley	nq	220	200	nq	300	325	nq	100	100	nq	160	175
South East SA	nq	250	175	nq	325	290	nq	110	115	nq	200	150
South West WA	nq	170	175	nq	500	425	nq	100	105	nq	165	150

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Eastern Young Cattle Indicator (EYCI)

The Eastern Young Cattle Indicator, or EYCI, is a seven-day rolling average of 24 young cattle categories from 24 saleyards across Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria. It is expressed in cents per kilogram carcase (or dressed) weight (¢/kg cwt) and is rounded to the nearest ¼ cent.

The EYCI is designed to be applicable to a wide range of cattle and beef industry participants, and has sufficient diversity (both geographic and cattle type) to prevent manipulation by activity in the physical cattle market.

The young cattle market was chosen as the base for the EYCI as it is the largest, most transparent of the physical cattle markets and attracts the widest range of industry participants.

What is a seven-day rolling average?

At any point in time, a seven-day rolling average includes data from the past seven days. In the case of the EYCI, this refers to seven calendar days, or one week.

The EYCI includes vealer and yearling heifers and steers, grade score C2 or C3, with liveweight from 200kg (See table below). The EYCI currently includes cattle purchased for restocking, lot feeding and slaughter from the relevant prime sales.

Individual states were integrated into the EYCI at the commencement of NLRS reporting in that state:

NSW – August 1996

Victoria – May 1997

Queensland – October 1999

Cattle categories in the EYCI

Classification	Muscle/fat	liveweight (kg)
Vealer steers	C2 & C3	200.1-280 280.1-330 ≥330.1
Vealer heifers	C2 & C3	200.1-280 280.1-330 ≥330.1
Yearling steers	C2 & C3	200.1-330 330.1-400 ≥400.1
Yearling heifers	C2 & C3	200.1-330 330.1-400 ≥400.1

General information

Category specifications

The following tables show the grades that are used for the Meat & Livestock Weekly Statistics.

Cattle indicator weights

Stock type	Weight	Muscle/fat
Trade steer	330-400kg	C3
Medium steer	400-500kg	C3
Heavy steer	500-600kg	C4
Medium cow	400-520kg	D3
Feeder steer*	330-400kg	C2

*Yearling steer, purchased by lotfeeders

Cattle OTH indicator weights

Stock type	Weight	Muscle/fat
EU steer	240-440kg	A-C 6-22mm
Trade steer	220-260kg	A-C 3-12mm
Medium steer	260-300kg	A-C 7-22mm
Heavy steer	300-420kg	A-C 7-22mm
Medium cow	240-280kg	A-E 3-22mm

Sheep and lamb indicator weights

Stock type	Weight	Fat score
Restocker/feeder lamb	0-18kg	1-2
Merino lamb	16-22kg	2-3
Light lamb*	12-18kg	2-3
Trade lamb#	18-22kg	2-4
Heavy lamb#	22kg +	2-4
Mutton	18-24kg	2-3

*1st & 2nd cross & Merino, #1st & 2nd cross

Sheep and lamb OTH indicator weights

Stock type	Weight	Fat score
Medium trade lamb	18-20kg	2-4
Heavy trade lamb	20-22kg	2-4
Heavy lamb	22kg+	2-4
Mutton	18-24kg	2-4

US Market

Beef export prices to the US†

US¢/lb CIF, A¢/kg FAS##

Frozen		TW	LW	LY
Bull 95CL	US¢/lb	257.3	242.0	224.8
	A¢/kg	692.2	655.5	507.3
Cow 90CL	US¢/lb	237.0	228.0	213.5
	A¢/kg	635.2	615.7	480.5
CC/CF 85CL	US¢/lb	214.5	209.5	195.0
	A¢/kg	571.8	563.1	436.5
Shank 90CL	US¢/lb	229.0	222.0	214.0
	A¢/kg	612.7	598.6	481.7
Trim 85CL	US¢/lb	212.5	208.5	194.0
	A¢/kg	566.2	560.3	434.1
Trim 80CL	US¢/lb	184.5	192.0	182.5
	A¢/kg	487.3	513.3	406.8
Trim 75CL	US¢/lb	164.5	171.5	168.0
	A¢/kg	431.0	455.1	372.3
Trim 65CL	US¢/lb	145.5	153.0	137.0
	A¢/kg	377.5	402.4	298.5
Chucks 85CL	US¢/lb	nq	nq	nq
	A¢/kg	nq	nq	nq
Outside flats - steer	US¢/lb	269.0	267.5	232.5
	A¢/kg	725.3	728.0	525.8
Knuckles - steer	US¢/lb	281.0	277.5	257.5
	A¢/kg	759.1	756.5	585.2
Inside cap off	US¢/lb	322.5	322.5	286.5
	A¢/kg	876.0	884.4	654.2

Source: Steiner Consulting Group

† Indicative price average of Australian and New Zealand products. CL = Chemical Lean – lean meat as a % of total meat.

Australian export prices to the US are converted from CIF to FAS terms by calculating an average shipping rate to the Port of Philadelphia (freight plus surcharges for a 20ft reefer), insurance, the A$/US$ exchange rate and the conversion from lbs to kgs.

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