



Eastern Young Cattle Indicator	Unit	24 Mar 2016	17 Mar 2016	25 Mar 2015
EYCI	¢/kg cwt	nq	587.25	419.25

National saleyard indicators	Live weight	Muscle/Fat	Unit	TW	LW	LY
Trade steer	330-400kg	C3	¢/kg lwt	314	313	221
			¢/kg cwt	581	578	408
Medium steer	400-500kg	C3	¢/kg lwt	286	296	213
			¢/kg cwt	531	544	391
Heavy steer	500-600kg	C4	¢/kg lwt	288	285	222
			¢/kg cwt	526	525	407
Medium cow	400-520kg	D3	¢/kg lwt	220	215	164
			¢/kg cwt	452	447	338
Feeder steer	330-400kg	C2	¢/kg lwt	312	314	235

Eastern states OTH indicators	Carcase weight	Muscle	Unit	TW	LW	LY
Trade steer	240-260kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	508	511	404
Medium steer	260-280kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	512	509	398
Heavy steer	300-400kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	519	516	406
Medium cow	260-280kg	A-E	¢/kg cwt	428	424	348
MSA Trade steer	240-260kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	530	527	432

Feeder cattle indicators - paddock sales						
for week of		17/03/2016		TW	LW	LY
Domestic			Unit			
Steers 280-350kg			¢/kg lwt	321	323	241
Heifers 280-350kg			¢/kg lwt	306	308	222
Export			Unit			
Shortfed 100-120 DOF			¢/kg lwt	317	319	256
Mediumfed 120-220 DOF			¢/kg lwt	322	319	256
Longfed 220+ DOF			¢/kg lwt	333	333	268

State saleyard indicators				Queensland			NSW			Victoria			SA			Tasmania		
Category	Live weight	Muscle/Fat	Unit	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY
Trade steer	330-400kg	C3	¢/kg lwt	295	316	231	320	313	228	317	312	222	304	313	206	310	nq	186
			¢/kg cwt	536	575	420	589	582	422	585	576	408	552	569	375	554	nq	353
Medium steer	400-500kg	C3	¢/kg lwt	258	301	209	291	293	217	305	282	211	300	292	nq	nq	nq	185
			¢/kg cwt	470	548	380	545	552	403	569	525	399	546	530	nq	nq	nq	371
Heavy steer	500-600kg	C4	¢/kg lwt	286	283	216	288	287	227	291	293	225	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq
			¢/kg cwt	511	506	389	534	534	421	542	538	417	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq
Medium cow	400-520kg	D3	¢/kg lwt	223	218	163	214	210	165	231	218	165	209	223	160	230	214	nq
			¢/kg cwt	454	447	332	448	445	342	478	457	346	418	468	320	489	450	nq
Feeder steer	330-400kg	C2	¢/kg lwt	314	319	236	313	311	232	297	305	215	267	310	200	nq	nq	nq

State over-the-hooks indicators				Queensland			NSW			Victoria			SA			Tasmania		
Category	Carcase weight	Muscle	Unit	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY
Trade steer	240-260kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	493	497	395	504	509	406	528	528	411	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq
Medium steer	260-280kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	492	496	390	497	502	406	519	519	396	nq	nq	nq	540	520	400
Heavy steer	300-400kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	503	506	403	507	512	415	525	525	404	nq	nq	nq	540	520	400
Medium cow	260-280kg	A-E	¢/kg cwt	433	436	352	412	417	346	425	425	341	418	422	366	450	420	335
EU steer	300-340kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	529	533	473	570	570	465	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq
MSA Trade steer	240-260kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	506	510	439	520	525	437	nq	nq	nq	520	530	443	572	545	410

WA saleyard indicators	Unit	TW	LW	LY
Pastoral cow	¢/kg lwt	217	196	166
Heavy cow	¢/kg lwt	229	215	238
Heavy yearling	¢/kg lwt	295	300	264
Feeder yearling	¢/kg lwt	305	307	260
WYCI	¢/kg cwt	604	617	nq

WA over-the-hooks indicators	Unit	TW	LW	LY
Grassfed yearling	¢/kg cwt	540	540	490
Grainfed yearling	¢/kg cwt	570	570	485
MSA yearling	¢/kg cwt	598	598	485
Medium cow	¢/kg cwt	nq	nq	nq

Live Export Price Quotes	for week of	17/03/2016	Unit	TW	LW	LY
Light Steer	260 - 360 kg	Townsville	¢/kg lwt	345	345	220
	260 - 360 kg	Darwin	¢/kg lwt	nq	nq	nq
	260 - 360 kg	Broome	¢/kg lwt	nq	nq	nq
Light Heifer	260 - 360 kg	Townsville	¢/kg lwt	nq	nq	190
	260 - 360 kg	Darwin	¢/kg lwt	nq	nq	nq
	260 - 360 kg	Broome	¢/kg lwt	nq	nq	nq

TW = This week, LW = Last week, LY = Last year

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 carcass (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
Vealer heifers	C2 & C3	200.1-280
		280.1-330
Yearling steers	C2 & C3	200.1-330
		330.1-400
Yearling heifers	C2 & C3	200.1-330
		330.1-400

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

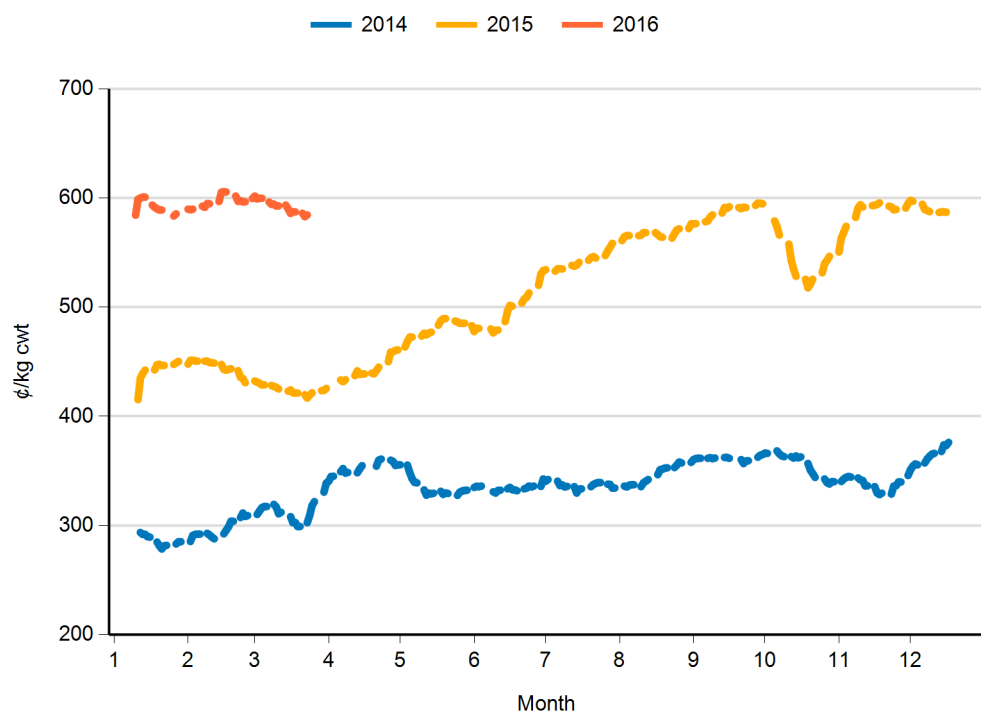
*Yearling steer, purchased by lotfeeders

Cattle OTH indicator weights

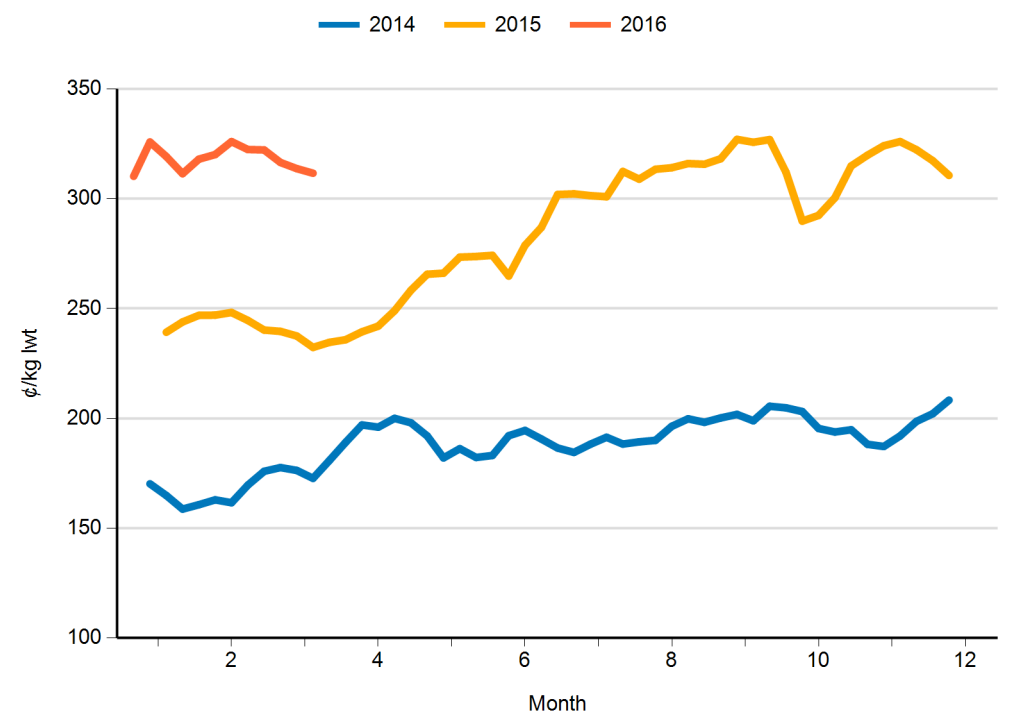
Stock type	Weight	Muscle/fat
EU steer	240-440kg	A-C 6-22mm
Trade steer	220-280kg	A-C 3-12mm
Medium steer	260-300kg	A-C 7-22mm
Heavy steer	300-420kg	A-C 7-22mm
Medium cow	240-290kg	A-E 3-22mm



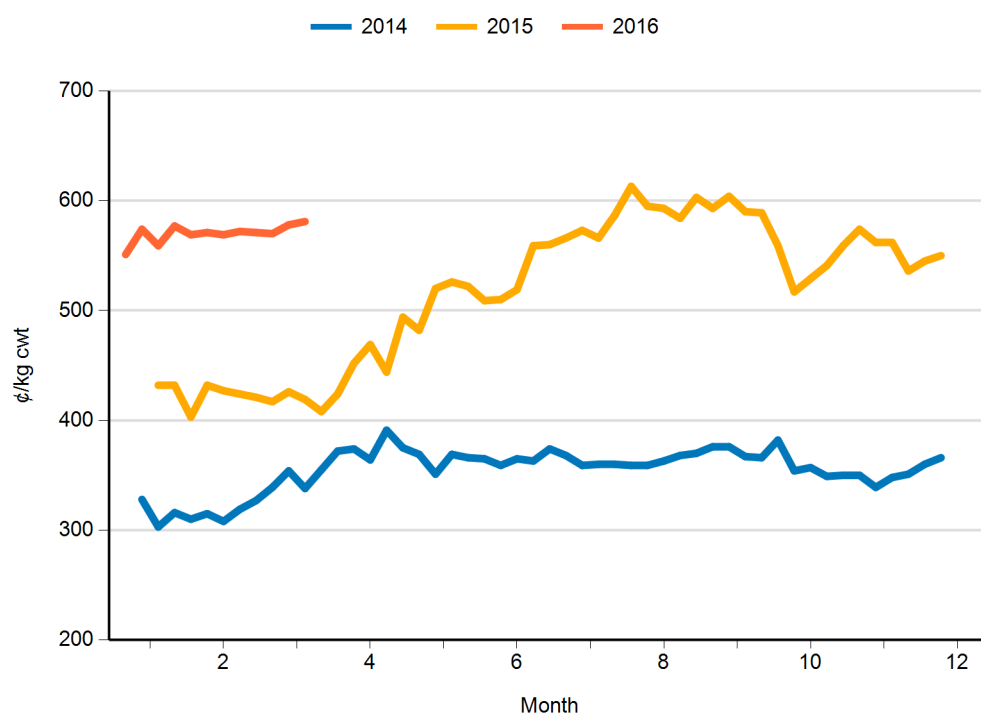
Eastern Young Cattle Indicator (EYCI)



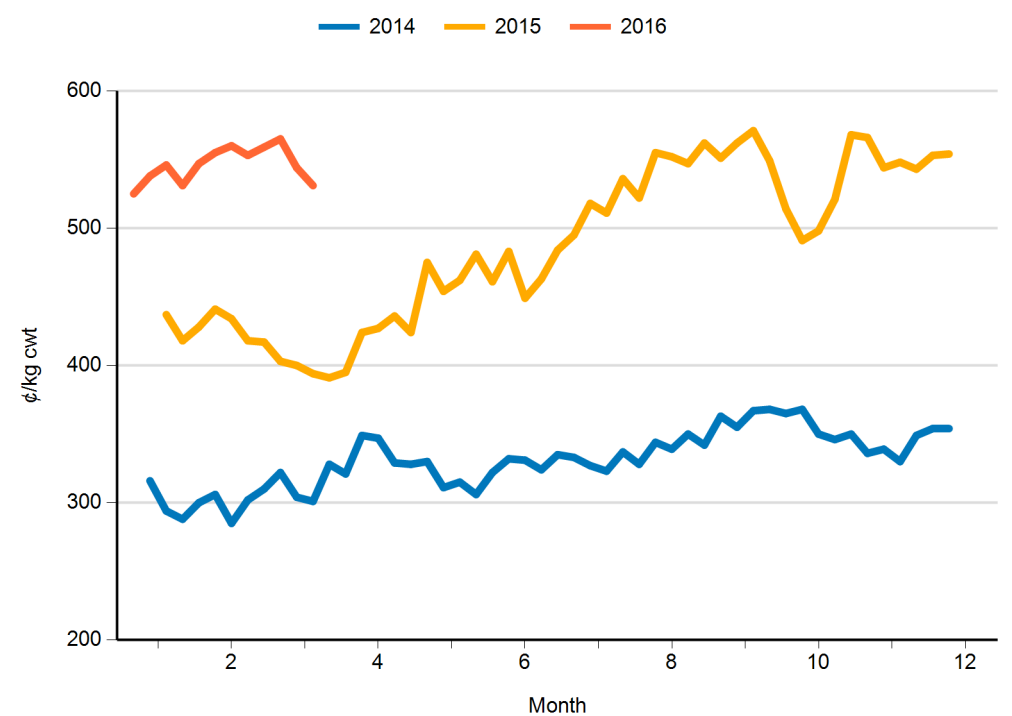
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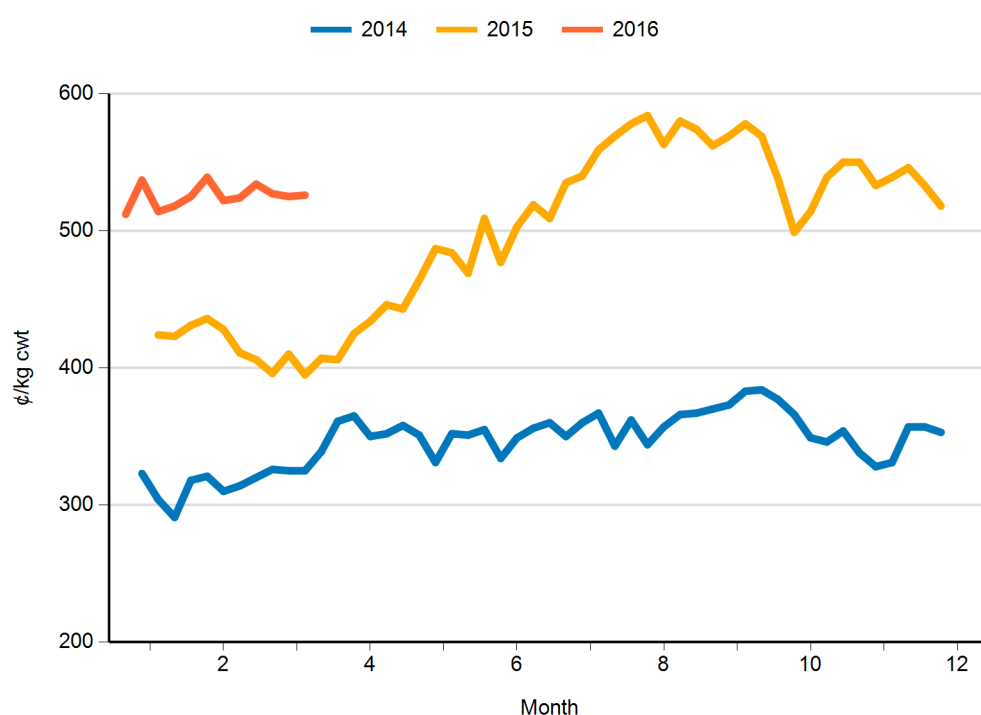
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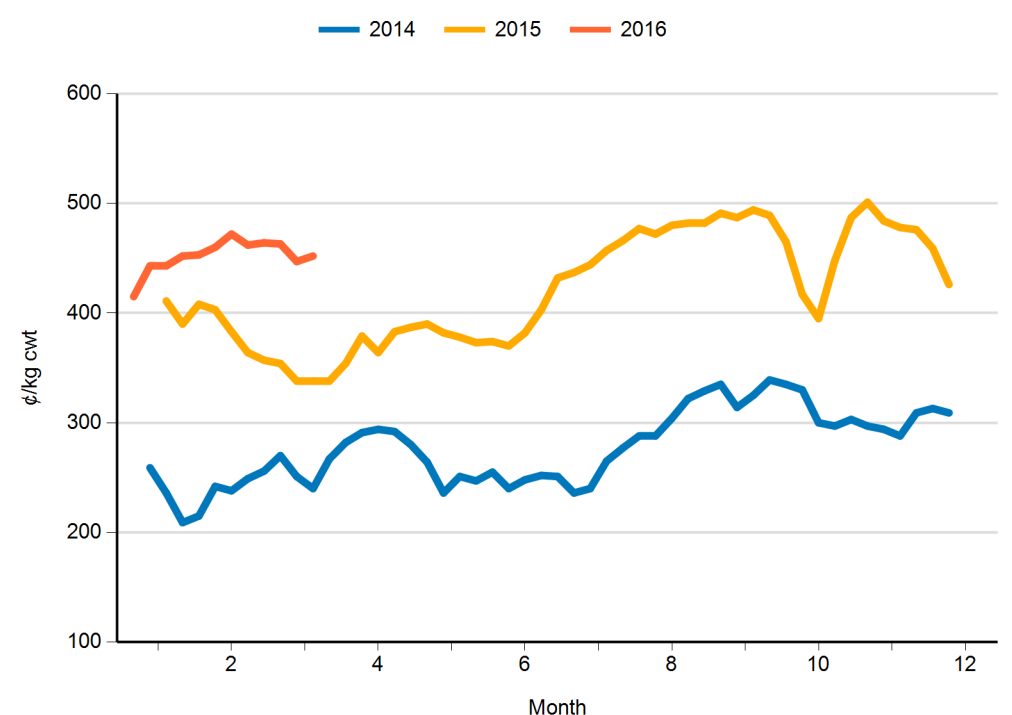
Medium steer



Heavy steer



Medium cow





Eastern States Trade Lamb Indicator (¢/kg cwt)	24 Mar 2016	17 Mar 2016	25 Mar 2015
ESTLI	nq	522	518

National saleyard sheep and lamb indicators (¢/kg cwt)		TW	LW	LY
Restocker/feeder lamb (\$/head)	0-18kg	78	73	72
Merino lamb	16-22kg	516	502	462
Light lamb	12-18kg	523	502	496
Trade lamb	18-22kg	530	519	528
Heavy lamb	22+kg	523	515	530
Mutton	18-24kg	289	276	336

National OTH sheep and lamb indicators (¢/kg cwt)		TW	LW	LY
Medium trade lamb	18-20kg	511	511	521
Heavy trade lamb	20-22kg	514	514	523
Heavy lamb	22-24kg	517	516	523
Mutton	18-24kg	271	267	300

Category specifications

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

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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

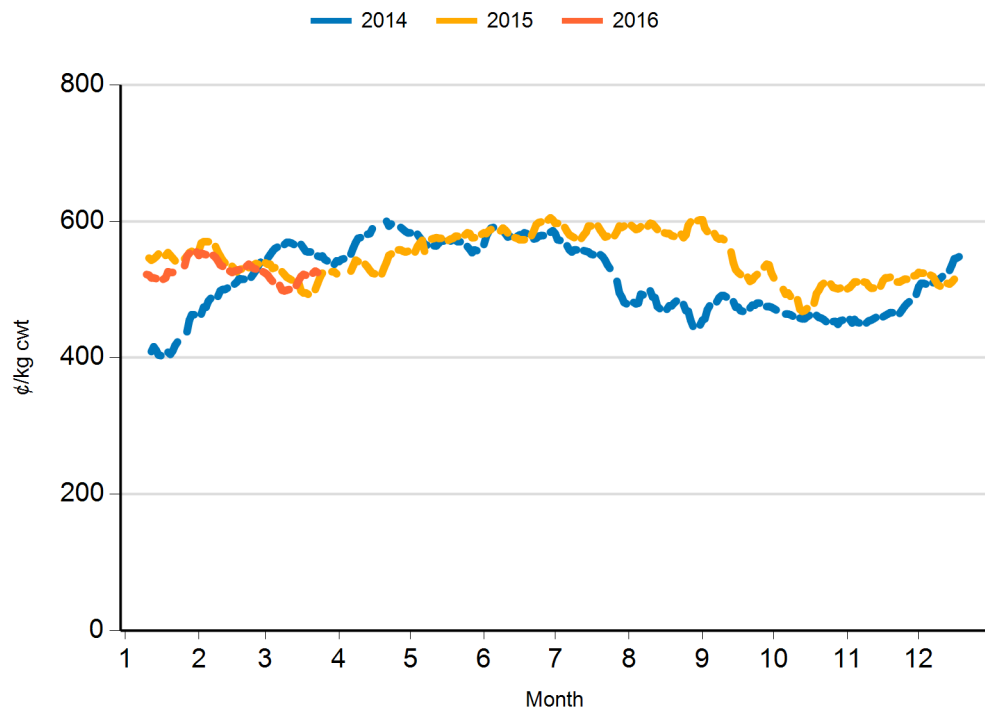
State saleyard sheep and lamb indicators (¢/kg cwt)		Victoria			NSW			SA			WA			Tasmania		
		TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY
Restocker lamb (\$/head)	0-18kg	84	80	74	80	79	72	59	72	84	58	57	61	66	75	66
Merino lamb	16-22kg	494	485	473	488	478	459	454	438	462	353	488	nq	nq	nq	nq
Light lamb	12-18kg	524	512	522	537	509	473	461	441	459	461	495	545	520	560	465
Trade lamb	18-22kg	538	538	532	528	516	526	509	486	517	506	481	537	515	554	494
Heavy lamb	22+kg	531	527	531	518	513	531	523	498	521	nq	466	532	520	529	489
Mutton	18-24kg	319	304	346	298	276	344	320	289	280	186	228	317	301	290	316

Over-the-hooks sheep and lamb indicators (¢/kg cwt)		Victoria			NSW			SA			WA			Tasmania		
		TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY
Medium trade lamb	18-20kg	525	528	535	485	483	510	523	510	517	507	507	525	515	525	520
Heavy trade lamb	20-22kg	525	528	535	502	500	520	523	510	517	507	507	525	515	525	520
Heavy lamb	22-24kg	523	523	540	502	500	510	523	510	517	520	520	520	515	525	530
Mutton	18-24kg	288	280	323	280	273	317	263	258	283	247	247	257	275	275	320

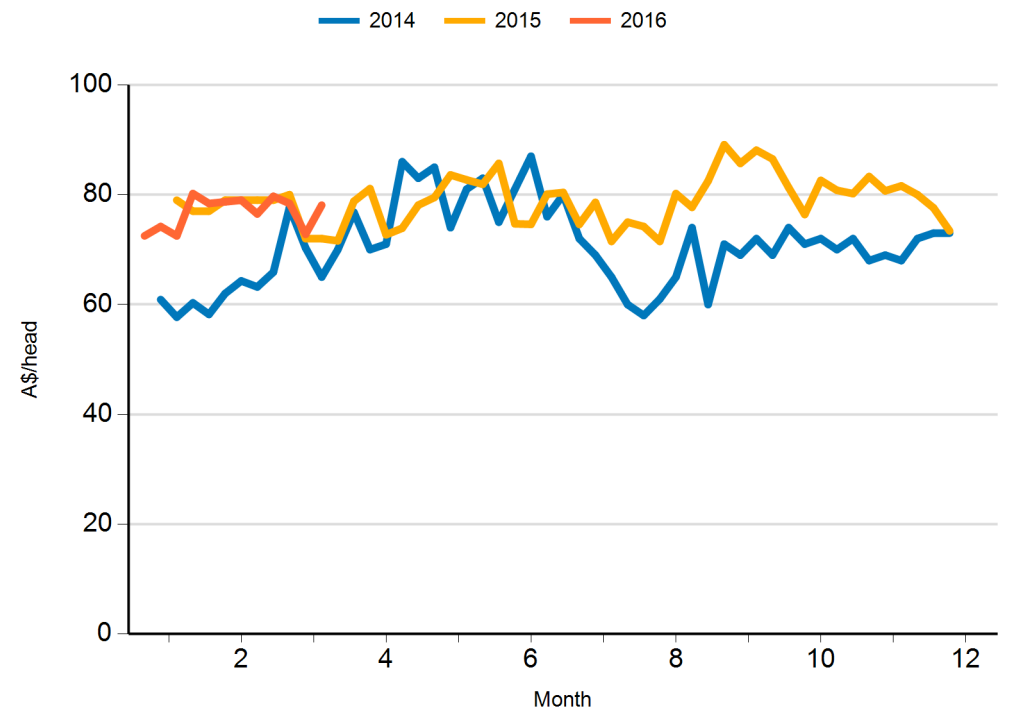
Live export price quotes (A\$/head)		TW	LW	LY
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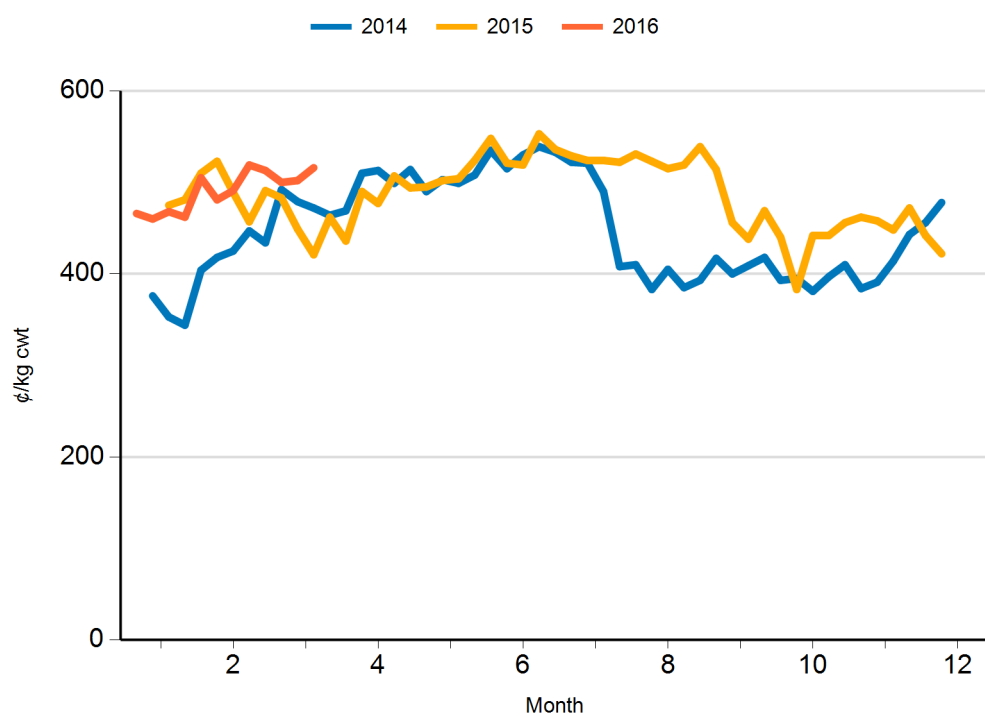
Eastern States Trade Lamb Indicator (ESTLI)



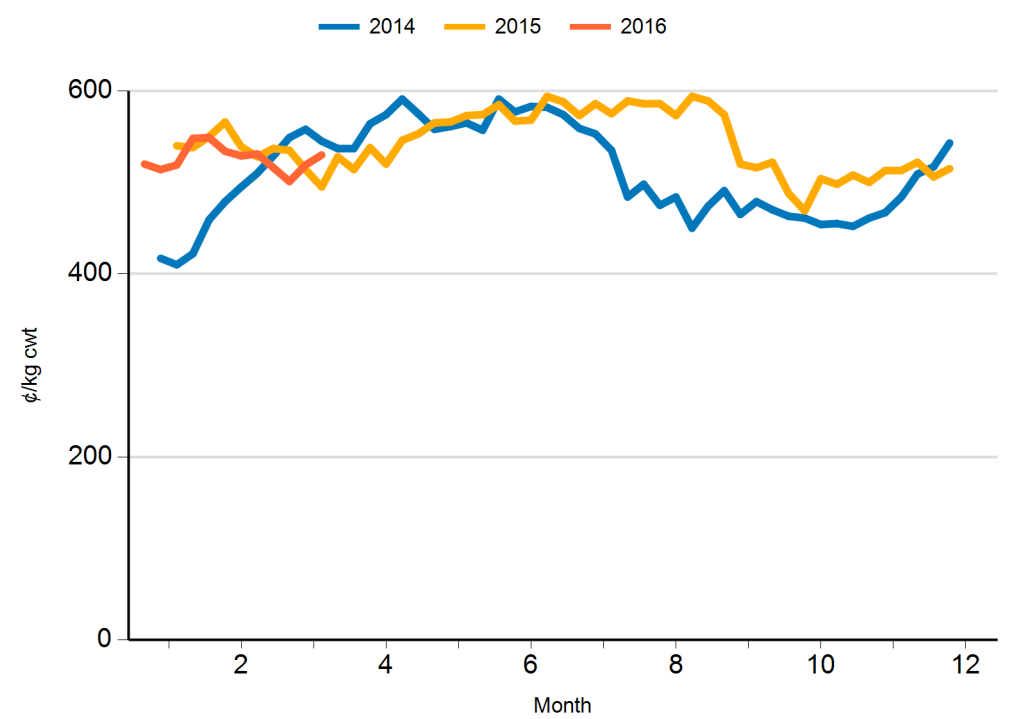
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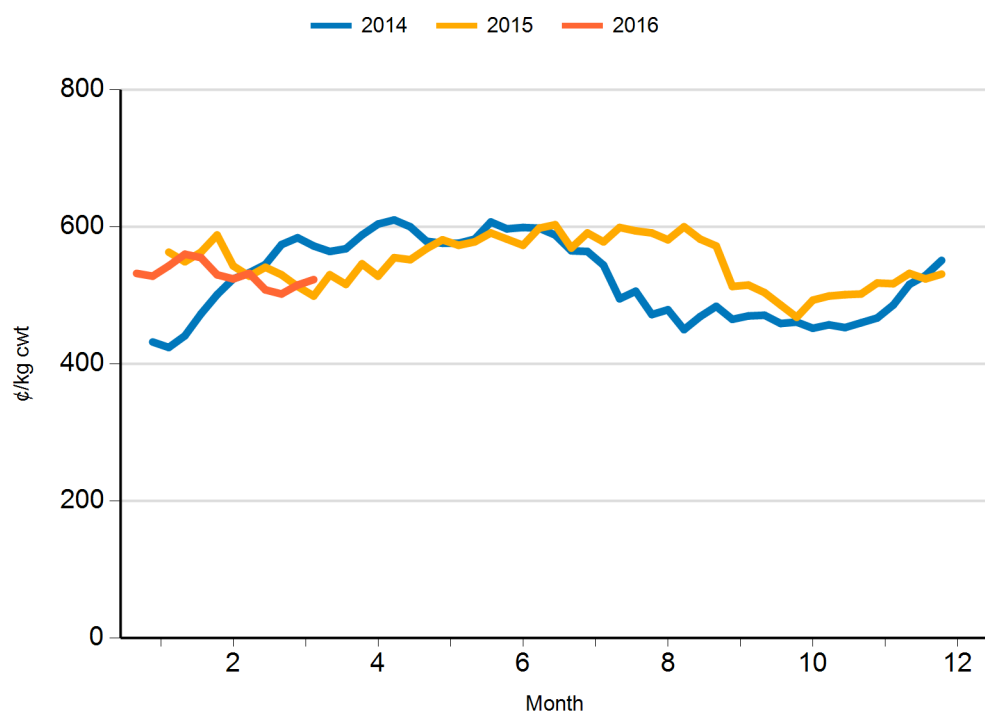
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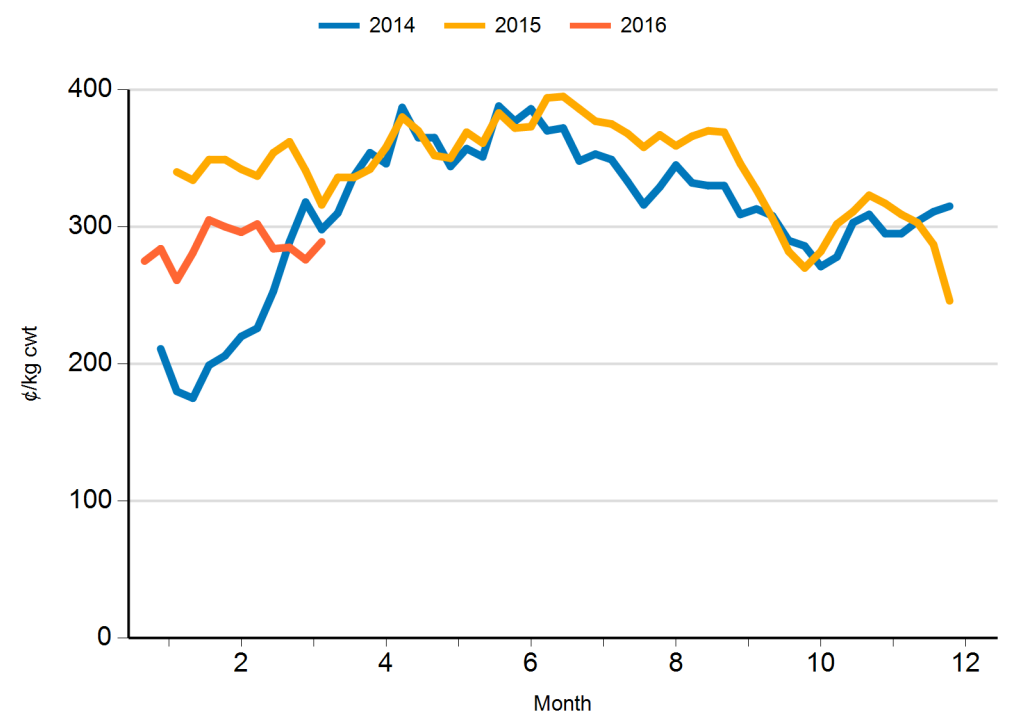
Trade lamb



Heavy lamb



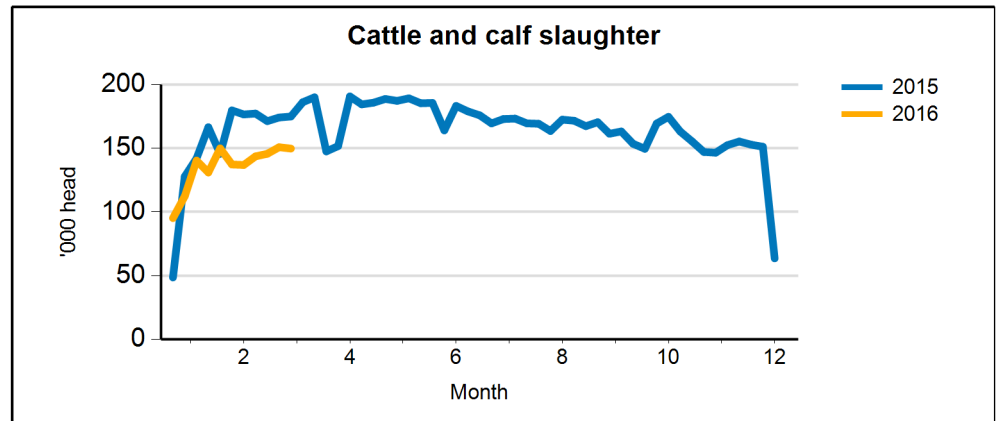
Mutton



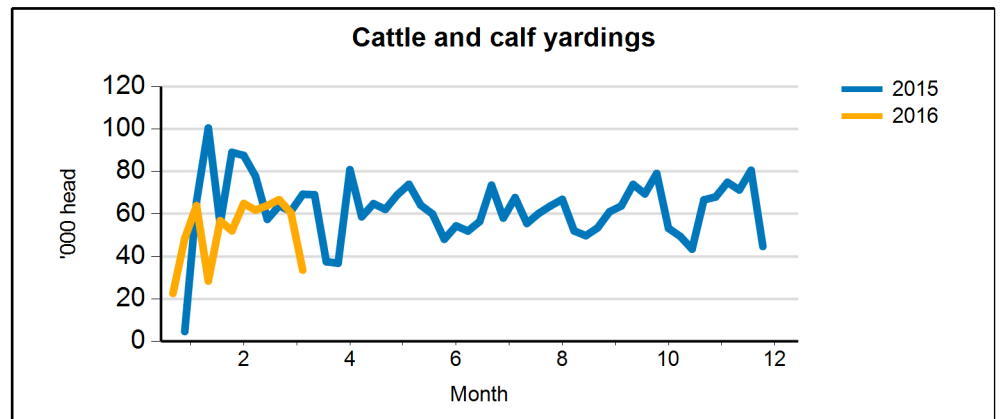


Cattle movements

Cattle slaughter	for w/e	18/03/2016	TW	LW	LY
Queensland	Cattle		72,954	68,051	85,983
	Calves		308	379	418
NSW	Cattle		35,148	34,259	43,683
	Calves		1,886	1,842	3,216
Victoria	Cattle		23,155	28,245	32,936
	Calves		4,548	4,135	4,954
SA	Cattle		6,644	8,185	9,254
	Calves		54	48	57
Tasmania	Cattle		3,926	4,806	5,006
	Calves		1,164	919	685

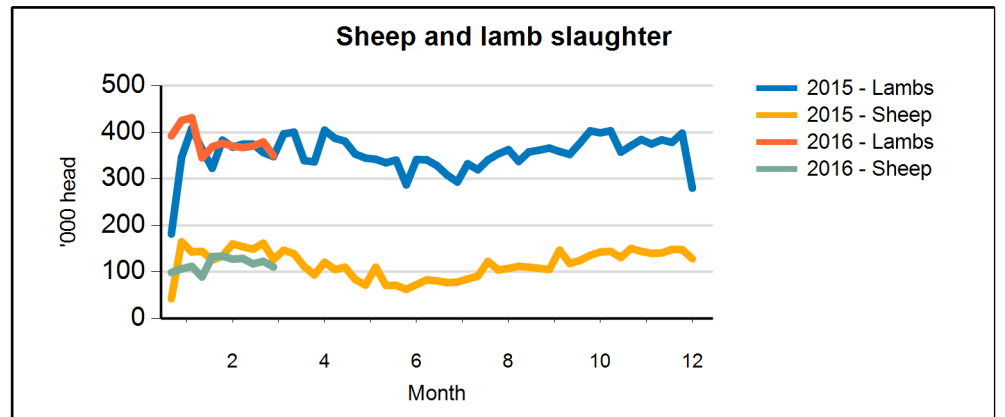


Cattle saleyard throughput	for w/e	24/03/2016	TW	LW	LY
Queensland	Cattle		9,872	21,588	20,355
NSW	Cattle		13,677	23,573	25,324
Victoria	Cattle		6,933	9,357	15,662
SA	Cattle		1,100	1,950	4,591
WA	Cattle		1,647	3,692	2,790
Tasmania	Cattle		303	355	345

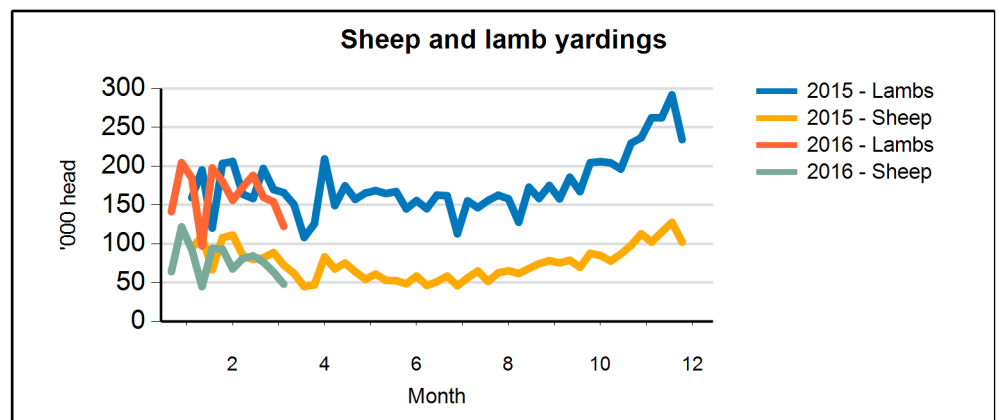


Sheep and lamb movements

Sheep and lamb slaughter	for w/e	18/03/2016	TW	LW	LY
Victoria	Lambs		154,855	180,689	193,162
	Sheep		34,113	44,757	57,071
NSW	Lambs		99,815	101,457	101,490
	Sheep		38,479	38,259	48,503
SA	Lambs		76,254	76,287	82,100
	Sheep		22,721	26,028	23,640
Queensland	Lambs		6,813	6,717	5,055
	Sheep		10,380	7,615	10,391
Tasmania	Lambs		11,723	13,852	14,566
	Sheep		4,809	6,049	6,938

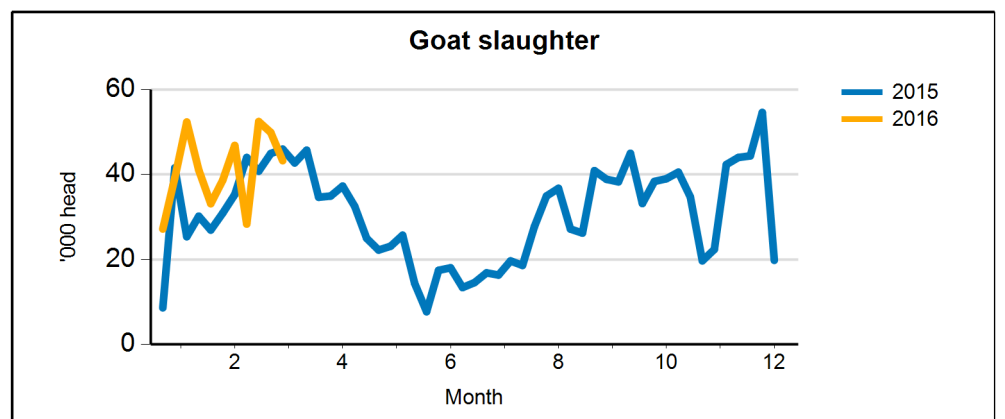


Sheep and lamb saleyard throughput	for w/e	24/03/2016	TW	LW	LY
Victoria	Lambs		39,865	36,983	41,340
	Sheep		9,503	12,509	18,497
NSW	Lambs		68,184	89,314	76,518
	Sheep		29,842	34,345	25,726
SA	Lambs		6,082	8,700	14,998
	Sheep		1,268	2,360	4,056
WA	Lambs		7,006	18,365	16,677
	Sheep		6,404	14,088	12,272
Tasmania	Lambs		1,350	770	1,200
	Sheep		950	540	1,450



Goat movements

Goat slaughter	for w/e	18/03/2016	TW	LW	LY
Queensland	Goats		15,042	17,550	19,332
NSW	Goats		9,081	6,016	2,202
Victoria	Goats		14,238	17,695	11,964
SA	Goats		4,901	8,663	9,242
Tasmania	Goats		nq	nq	nq





Over-the-hooks goat indicators (A¢/kg cwt)	TW	LF	LY
8.1-10kg	526	522	408
10.1-12kg	525	523	404
12.1-16kg	525	523	404
16.1-20kg	525	523	401
20.1kg+	525	523	404

Skin indicators - Lambs		TW	LW	LY
2" +	16.1 - 20kg	650	650	238
	20.1 - 24kg	938	925	500
	24.1kg +	1063	1088	600
1" - 2"	16.1 - 20kg	575	575	163
	20.1 - 24kg	925	925	425
	24.1kg +	1025	1025	525
0.5" - 1"	16.1 - 20kg	300	300	100
	20.1 - 24kg	500	500	175
	24.1kg +	625	650	250
New Season	16.1 - 20kg	500	500	300
	20.1 - 24kg	700	700	450
	24.1kg +	950	950	575
Skin indicators - Merino sheep (average 25 micron)				
1.5" - 2"	16.1 - 20kg	900	900	600
	20.1 - 24kg	1325	1400	600
	24.1kg +	1500	1550	900

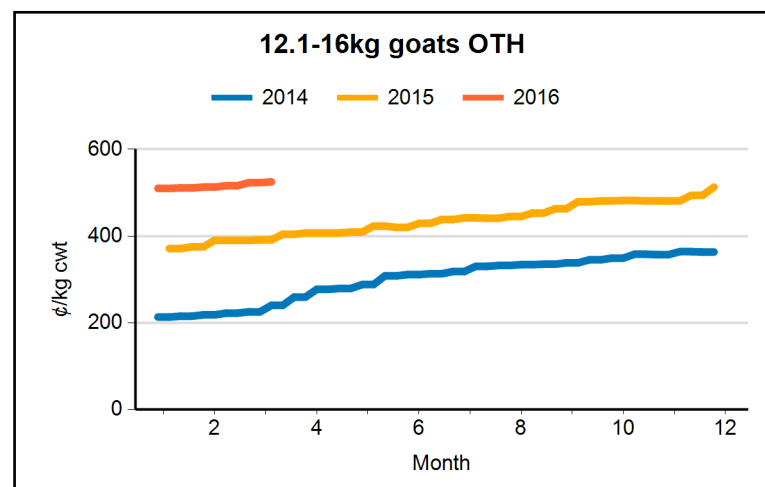
Eastern Market Wool Indicator (A¢/kg)	TW	LW	LY
AWEX E.M.I	1239	1225	1091
Source: Australian Wool Exchange Ltd			

Fodder prices	Cereal			Lucerne			Straw			Pasture		
(A\$/tonne)	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY
Darling Downs	320	320	nq	455	455	nq	160	160	nq	285	285	nq
Central West NSW	230	230	nq	330	330	nq	140	140	nq	nq	nq	nq
Goulburn Valley	215	215	nq	320	320	nq	115	115	nq	160	160	nq
South East SA	230	235	nq	295	310	nq	120	120	nq	200	200	nq
South West WA	260	260	nq	495	495	nq	100	100	nq	180	180	nq
Source: Dairy Australia												

Tallow (A\$/tonne, delivered in store)	TW	LW	LY
Prime - Melbourne	nq	nq	675
Prime - Brisbane	nq	nq	675
Bleachable fancy	nq	nq	635
Source: Trade			

Grain prices - Darling Downs (A\$/tonne)	TW	LW	LY
Barley	223	223	310
Sorghum	212	216	300
Wheat	255	255	318
Grain prices - Riverina (A\$/tonne)			
Wheat	258	257	281
Barley	220	220	267
Source: Profarmer Australia			

US imported beef prices (CIF)		TW	LW	LY
Bull 95CL	US¢/lb	204.5	213.3	257.3
	A¢/kg	594.9	621.5	726.1
Cow 90CL	US¢/lb	187.0	195.5	237.0
	A¢/kg	544.0	569.8	669.0
CC/CF 85CL	US¢/lb	173.0	177.5	214.5
	A¢/kg	503.2	517.3	605.4
Shank 90CL	US¢/lb	193.5	198.0	229.0
	A¢/kg	562.9	577.1	646.4
Trim 85CL	US¢/lb	172.0	177.0	212.5
	A¢/kg	500.3	515.9	599.8
Trim 80CL	US¢/lb	146.5	147.5	184.5
	A¢/kg	426.2	429.9	520.8
Trim 75CL	US¢/lb	133.0	nq	164.5
	A¢/kg	386.9	nq	464.3
Trim 65CL	US¢/lb	94.5	nq	145.5
	A¢/kg	274.9	nq	410.7
Outside flats	US¢/lb	217.5	227.5	269.0
	A¢/kg	632.7	663.1	759.3
Knuckles	US¢/lb	227.5	237.5	281.0
	A¢/kg	661.8	692.2	793.2
Inside cap off	US¢/lb	297.5	290.0	322.5
	A¢/kg	865.4	845.2	910.3
Source: Steiner Consulting Group				



PLEASE NOTE
US imported beef prices are now reported only in CIF terms.
They are no longer converted to FAS terms.
Prices from LW in A¢/kg are revised to account for exchange rates from Friday-Sunday

