



Eastern Young Cattle Indicator	Unit	28 May 2015	21 May 2015	29 May 2014
EYCI	¢/kg cwt	485.25	489.50	332

National saleyard indicators	Live weight	Muscle/Fat	Unit	TW	LW	LY
Trade steer	330-400kg	C3	¢/kg lwt	282	285	198
			¢/kg cwt	522	526	366
Medium steer	400-500kg	C3	¢/kg lwt	261	250	165
			¢/kg cwt	481	462	306
Heavy steer	500-600kg	C4	¢/kg lwt	259	265	192
			¢/kg cwt	469	484	351
Medium cow	400-520kg	D3	¢/kg lwt	180	184	119
			¢/kg cwt	373	378	247
Feeder steer	330-400kg	C2	¢/kg lwt	274	273	182

Eastern states OTH indicators	Carcase weight	Muscle	Unit	TW	LW	LY
Trade steer	240-260kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	451	447	326
Medium steer	260-280kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	443	431	336
Heavy steer	300-400kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	450	439	341
Medium cow	260-280kg	A-E	¢/kg cwt	384	378	275
MSA Trade steer	240-260kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	485	468	376

Feeder cattle indicators - paddock sales						
for week of		21/05/2015		TW	LW	LY
Domestic			Unit			
Steers 280-350kg			¢/kg lwt	259	254	193
Heifers 280-350kg			¢/kg lwt	237	235	176
Export			Unit			
Shortfed 100-120 DOF			¢/kg lwt	276	272	187
Mediumfed 120-220 DOF			¢/kg lwt	291	290	206
Longfed 220+ DOF			¢/kg lwt	295	295	215

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	250	nq	170	281	290	200	279	282	203	277	276	191	218	209	nq
			¢/kg cwt	455	nq	309	522	538	370	522	519	372	504	502	353	404	387	nq
Medium steer	400-500kg	C3	¢/kg lwt	240	226	158	281	271	165	275	265	188	286	271	205	225	206	nq
			¢/kg cwt	437	410	288	527	508	310	520	500	354	520	494	380	405	389	nq
Heavy steer	500-600kg	C4	¢/kg lwt	240	233	156	279	286	199	299	286	193	nq	nq	200	nq	nq	nq
			¢/kg cwt	431	419	281	512	528	365	546	524	357	nq	nq	370	nq	nq	nq
Medium cow	400-520kg	D3	¢/kg lwt	175	176	109	182	189	118	190	193	132	190	193	125	168	159	nq
			¢/kg cwt	354	359	223	383	395	250	400	400	275	380	385	251	359	339	nq
Feeder steer	330-400kg	C2	¢/kg lwt	255	260	nq	280	278	185	269	265	180	264	250	193	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	430	430	333	450	439	342	471	471	320	nq	nq	310	nq	nq	nq
Medium steer	260-280kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	421	421	303	453	439	329	456	456	340	nq	nq	nq	440	410	370
Heavy steer	300-400kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	434	434	310	462	448	337	464	464	345	nq	nq	nq	440	410	370
Medium cow	260-280kg	A-E	¢/kg cwt	384	384	280	387	385	264	384	381	282	406	406	270	360	335	280
EU steer	300-340kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	518	518	nq	480	480	385	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq	nq
MSA Trade steer	240-260kg	A-C	¢/kg cwt	474	474	382	488	473	361	nq	nq	nq	508	497	nq	470	430	385

WA saleyard indicators	Unit	TW	LW	LY
Pastoral cow	¢/kg lwt	184	190	146
Heavy cow	¢/kg lwt	211	216	169
Heavy yearling	¢/kg lwt	284	277	231
Feeder yearling	¢/kg lwt	287	267	219

WA over-the-hooks indicators	Unit	TW	LW	LY
Grassfed yearling	¢/kg cwt	520	520	nq
Grainfed yearling	¢/kg cwt	518	518	385
MSA yearling	¢/kg cwt	518	518	355
Medium cow	¢/kg cwt	nq	nq	218

Live Export Price Quotes	for week of	21/05/2015	Unit	TW	LW	LY
Light Steer	260 - 360 kg	Townsville	¢/kg lwt	210	220	nq
	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	170	190	nq
	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 ≥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

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

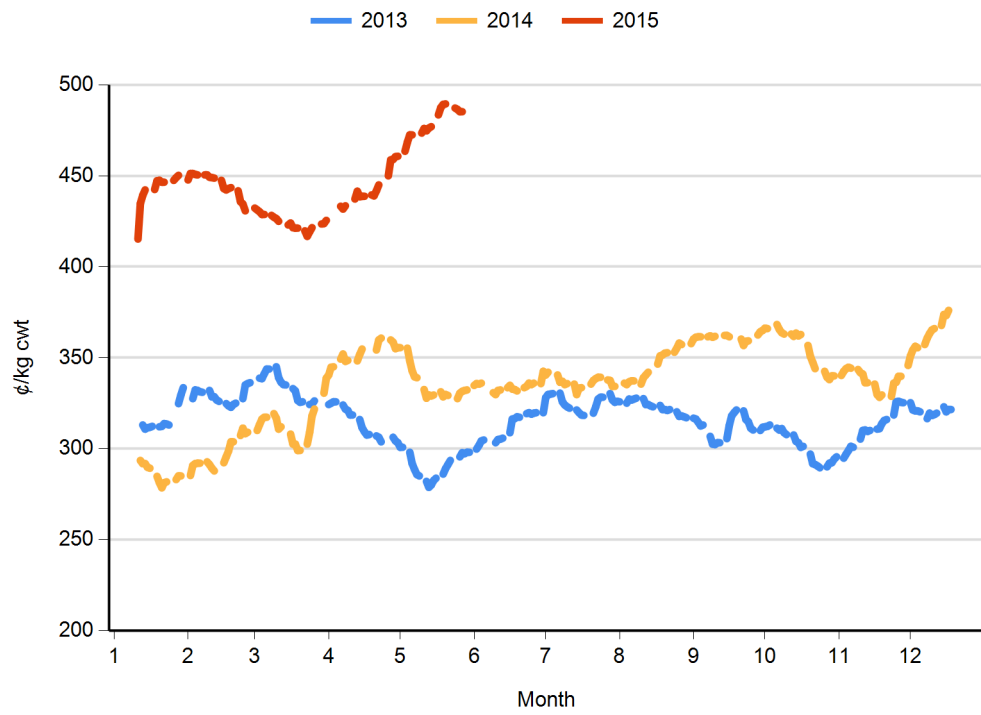
*Yearling steer, purchased by lotfeeders

Cattle OTH indicator weights

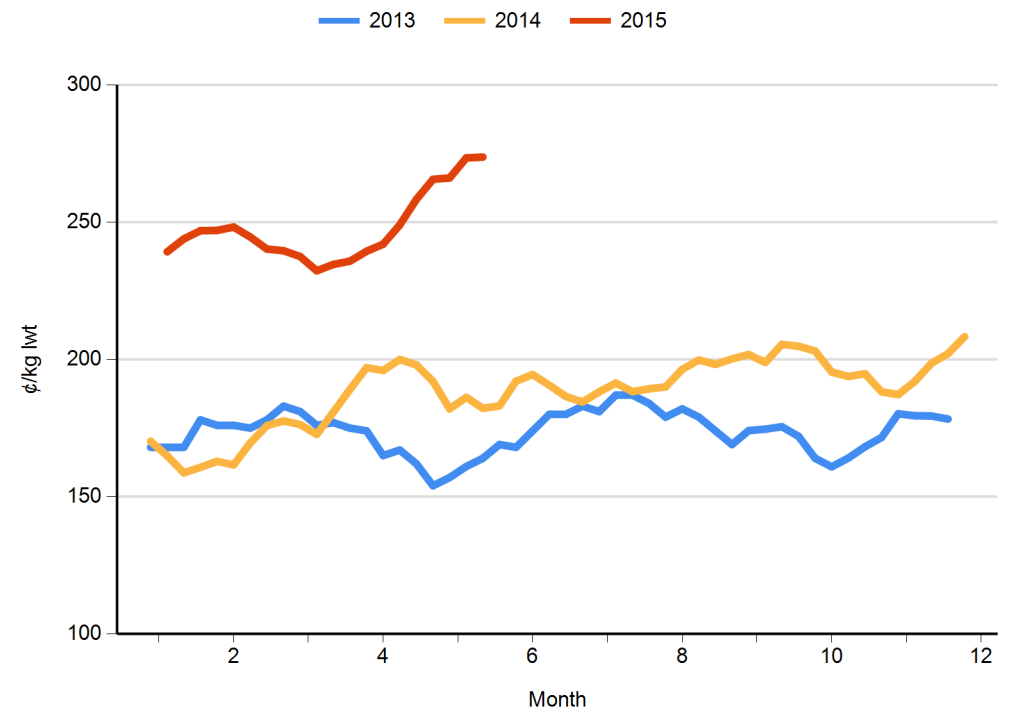
Stock type	Weight	Muscle/fat
EU steer	240-440kg	A-C 6-22mm
Trade steer	220-280kg	A-C 3-12mm
Medium steer	260-300kg	A-C 7-22mm
Heavy steer	300-420kg	A-C 7-22mm
Medium cow	240-290kg	A-E 3-22mm



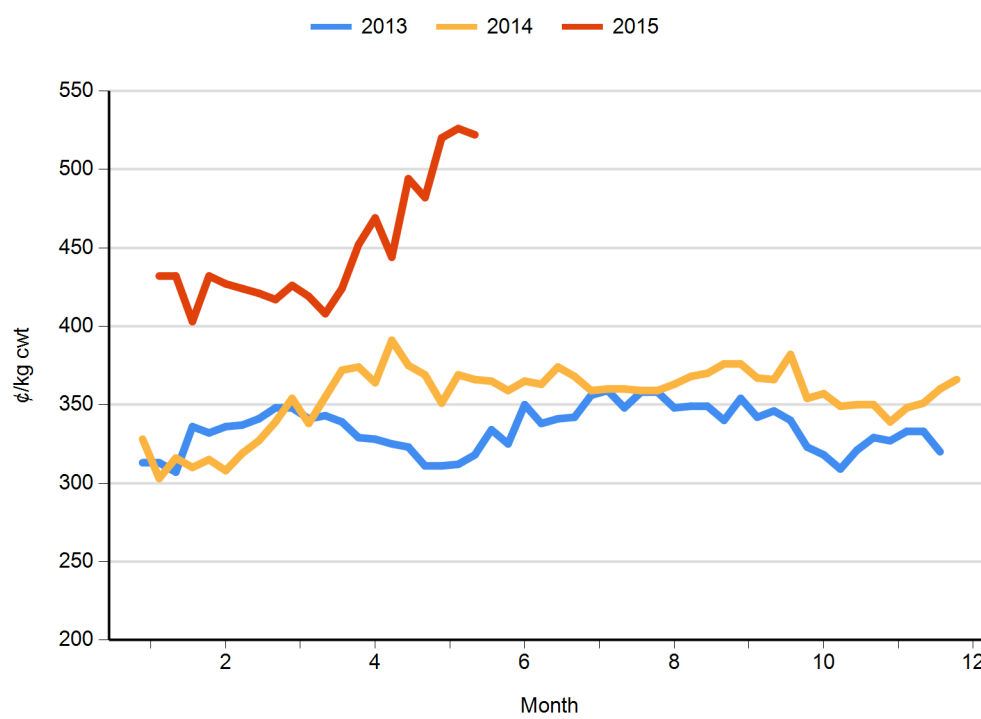
Eastern Young Cattle Indicator (EYCI)



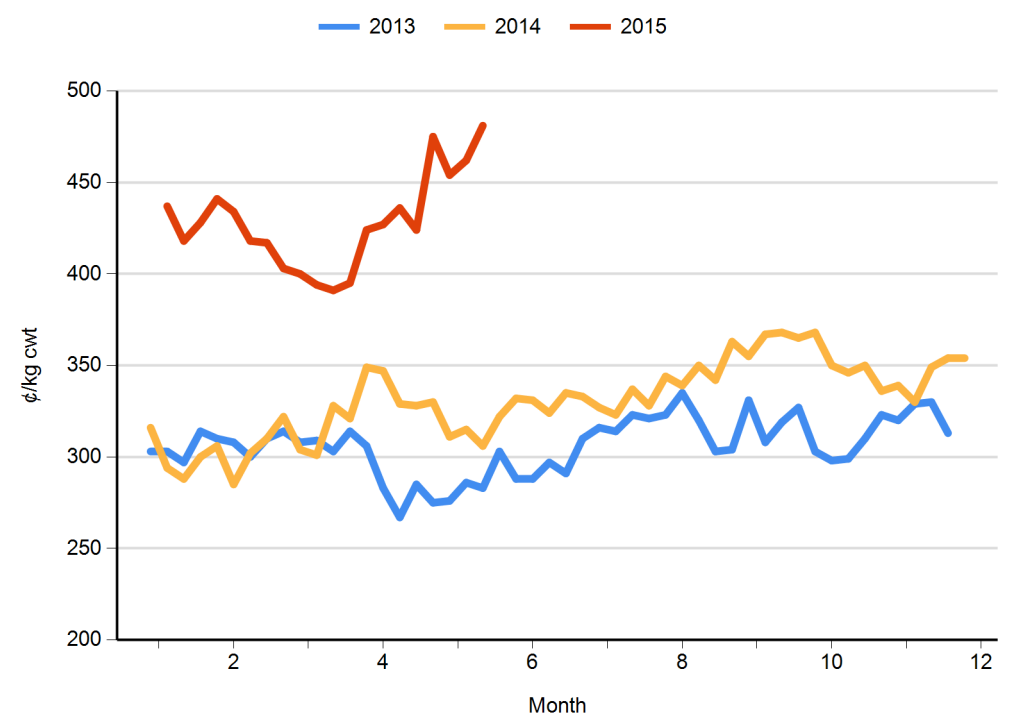
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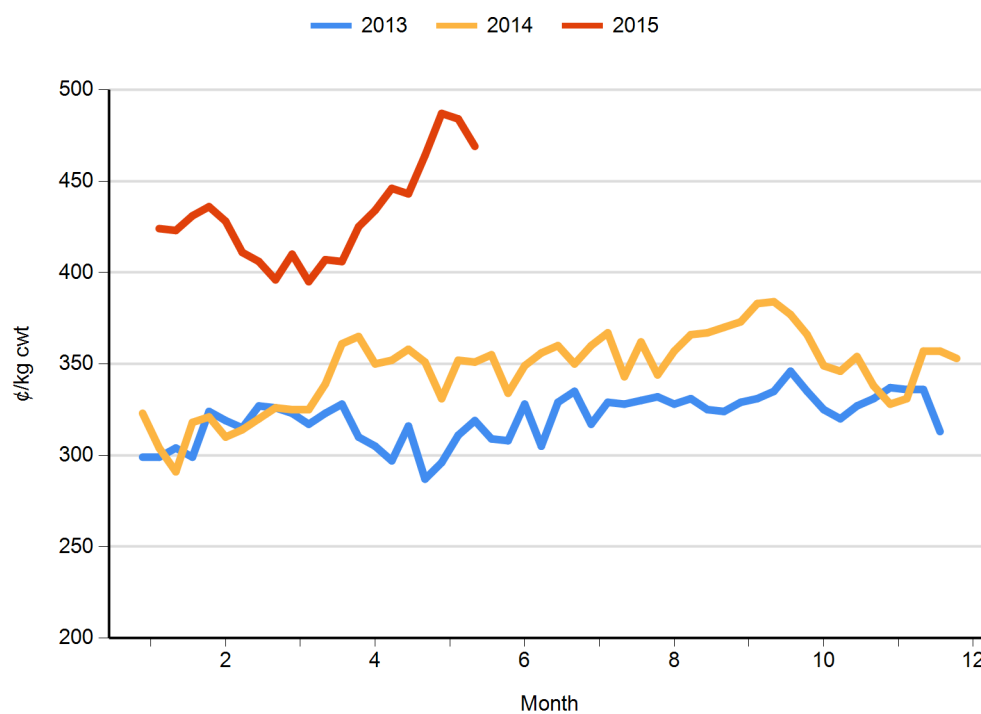
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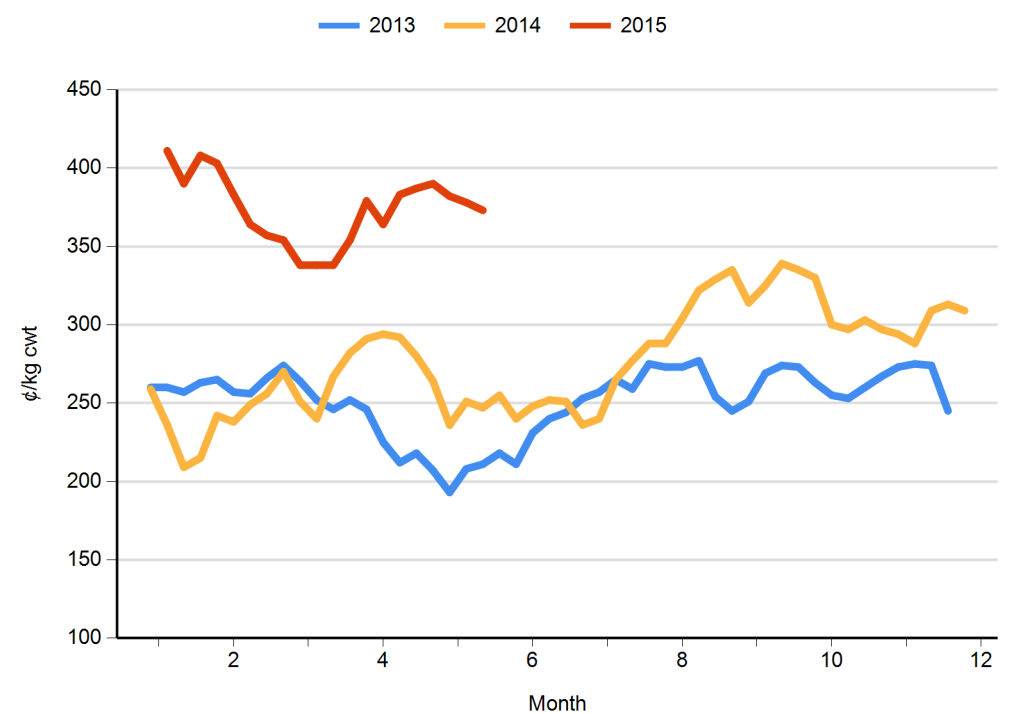
Medium steer



Heavy steer



Medium cow





Eastern States Trade Lamb Indicator (¢/kg cwt)		28 May 2015	21 May 2015	29 May 2014
ESTLI		576	578	558

National saleyard sheep and lamb indicators (¢/kg cwt)		TW	LW	LY
Restocker/feeder lamb (\$/head)	0-18kg	82	83	83
Merino lamb	16-22kg	524	504	508
Light lamb	12-18kg	532	537	484
Trade lamb	18-22kg	574	573	557
Heavy lamb	22+kg	578	573	582
Mutton	18-24kg	361	369	351

National OTH sheep and lamb indicators (¢/kg cwt)		TW	LW	LY
Medium trade lamb	18-20kg	553	548	578
Heavy trade lamb	20-22kg	555	552	578
Heavy lamb	22-24kg	555	552	574
Mutton	18-24kg	335	331	323

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

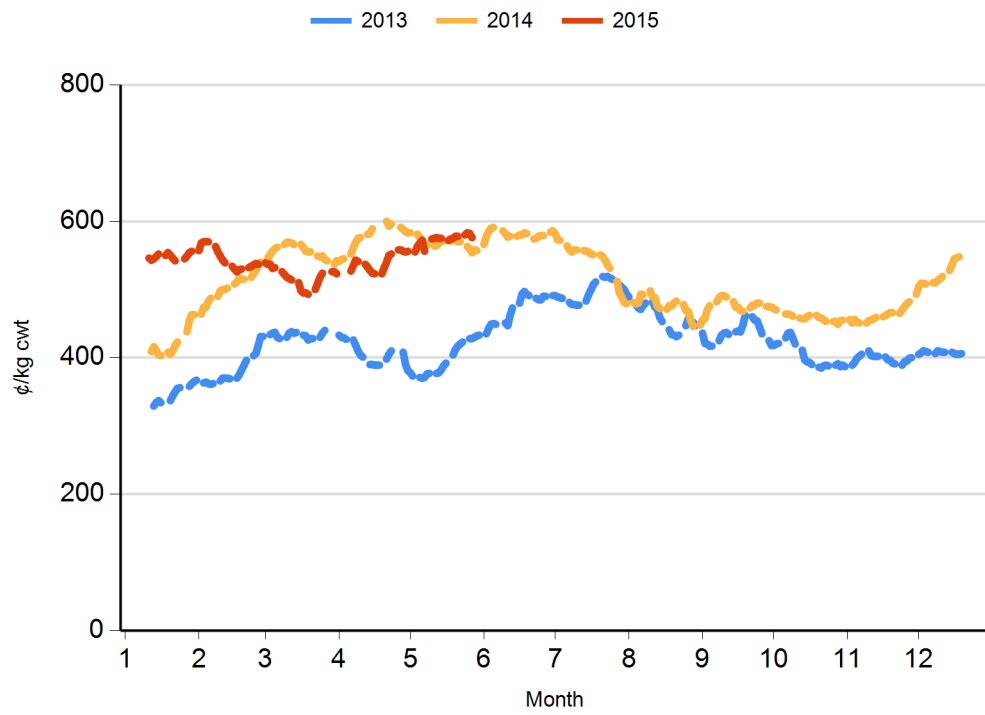
State saleyard sheep and lamb indicators (¢/kg cwt)		Victoria			NSW			SA			WA			Tasmania		
		TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY
Restocker lamb (\$/head)	0-18kg	77	77	89	83	90	75	91	88	85	82	70	91	92	89	82
Merino lamb	16-22kg	527	510	510	533	509	503	490	485	474	512	461	566	nq	nq	nq
Light lamb	12-18kg	578	568	493	514	526	481	502	510	429	455	479	583	533	557	509
Trade lamb	18-22kg	588	587	564	572	579	556	555	532	518	548	529	560	564	558	557
Heavy lamb	22+kg	579	579	597	585	580	577	552	534	568	524	525	586	517	534	564
Mutton	18-24kg	385	386	357	366	382	337	350	372	329	273	260	396	360	353	362

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	580	580	610	549	539	587	565	553	600	550	547	528	520	520	565
Heavy trade lamb	20-22kg	580	580	610	561	558	587	565	553	600	550	547	528	520	520	565
Heavy lamb	22-24kg	580	580	602	560	556	584	565	553	600	540	540	520	530	530	565
Mutton	18-24kg	363	360	348	352	334	325	353	360	340	270	270	247	340	330	355

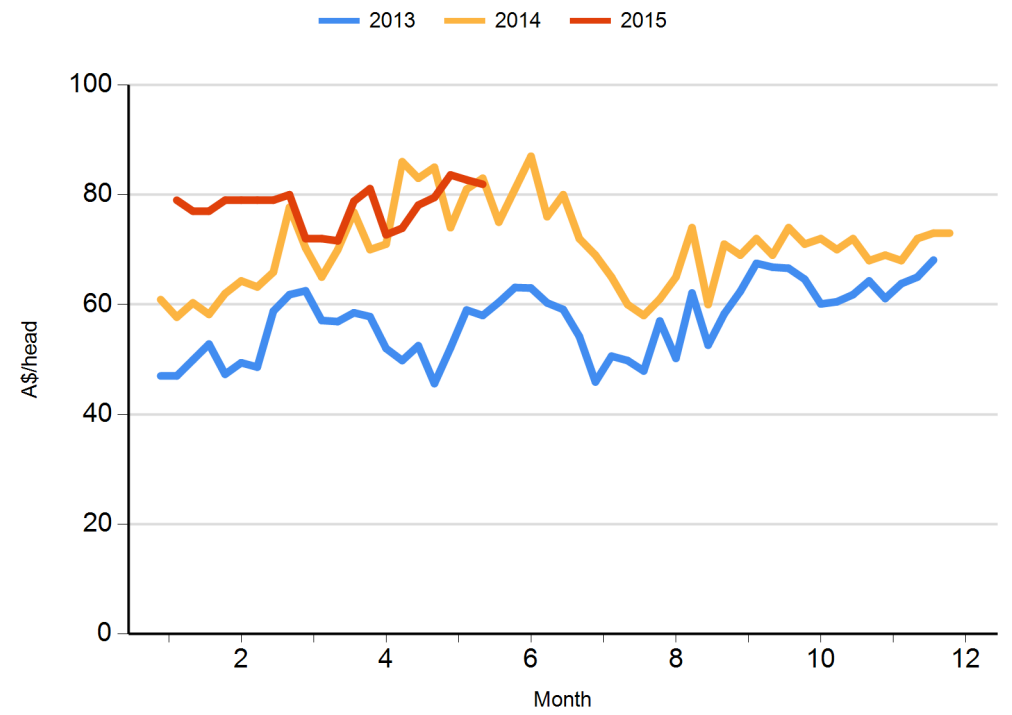
Live export price quotes (A\$/head)		TW	LW	LY
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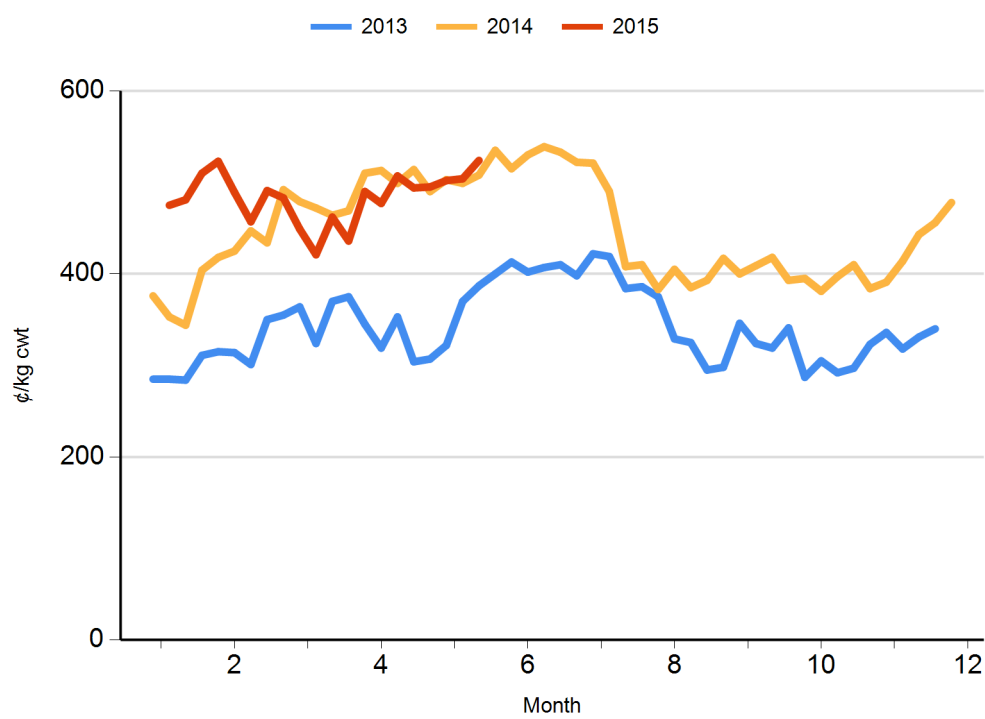
Eastern States Trade Lamb Indicator (ESTLI)



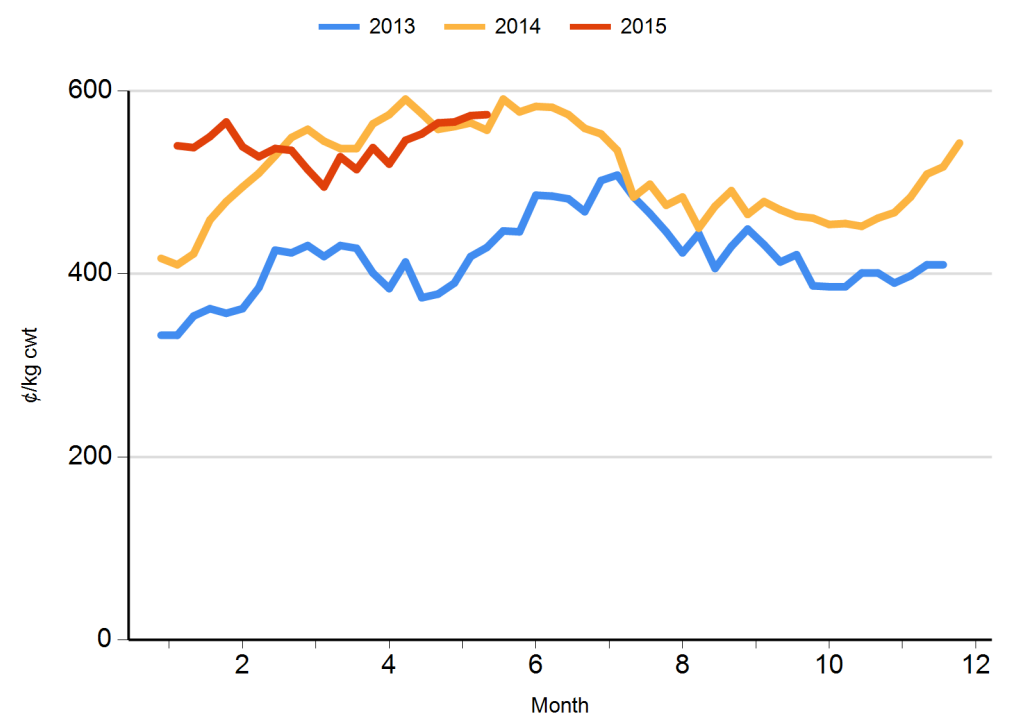
Restocker/feeder lamb



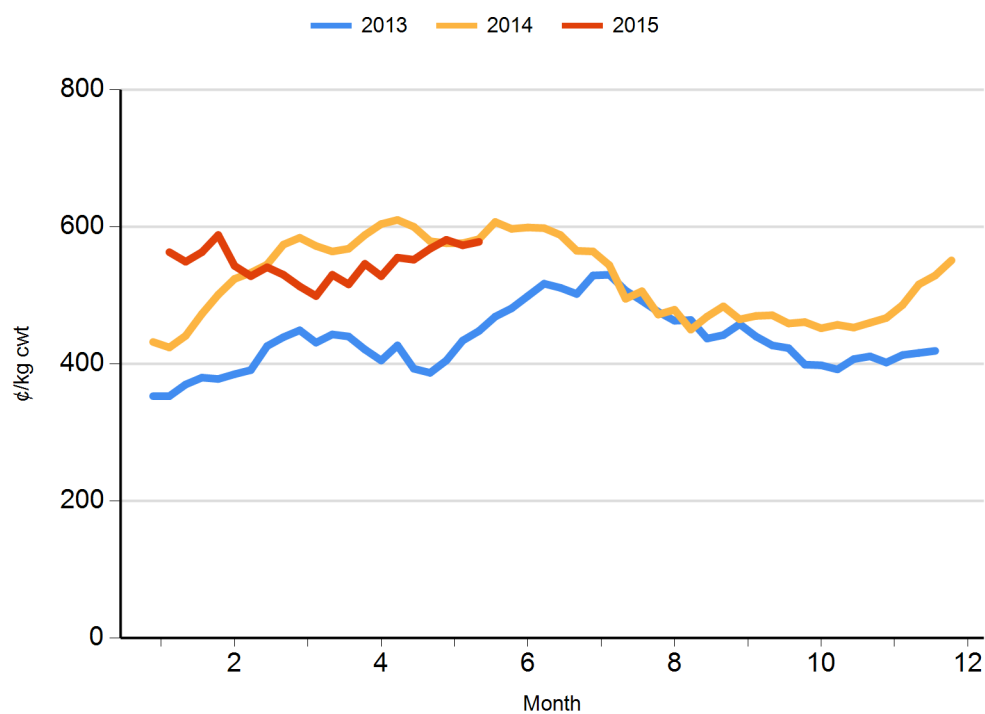
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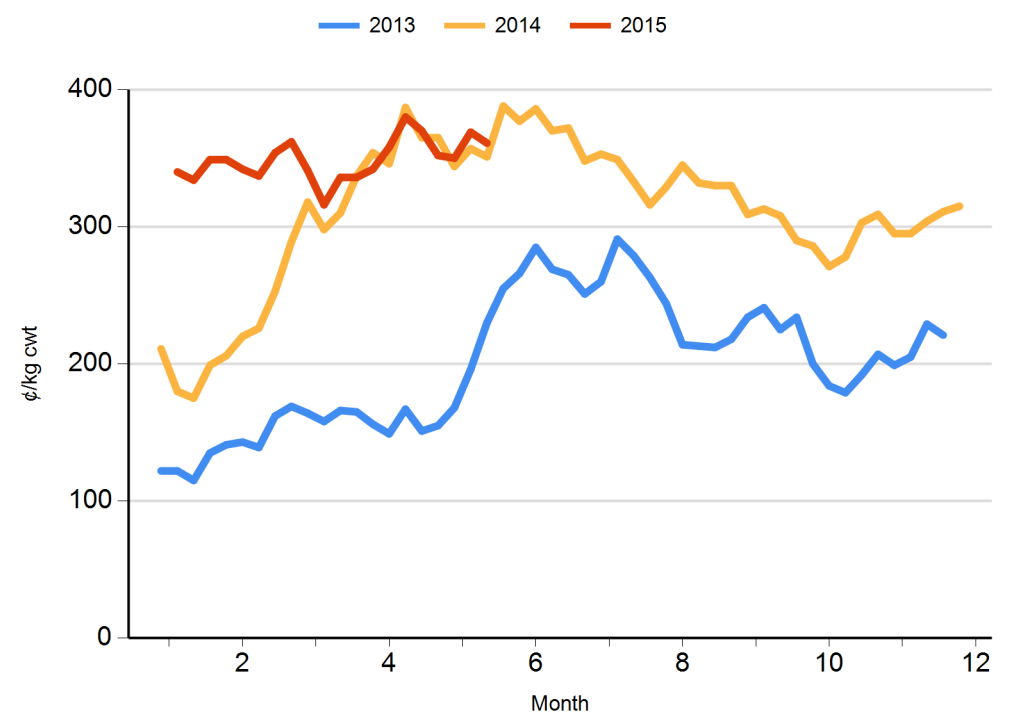
Trade lamb



Heavy lamb



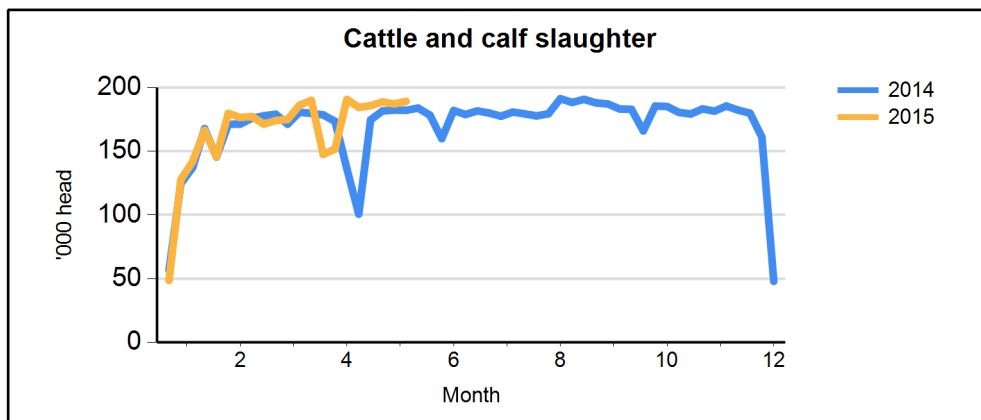
Mutton



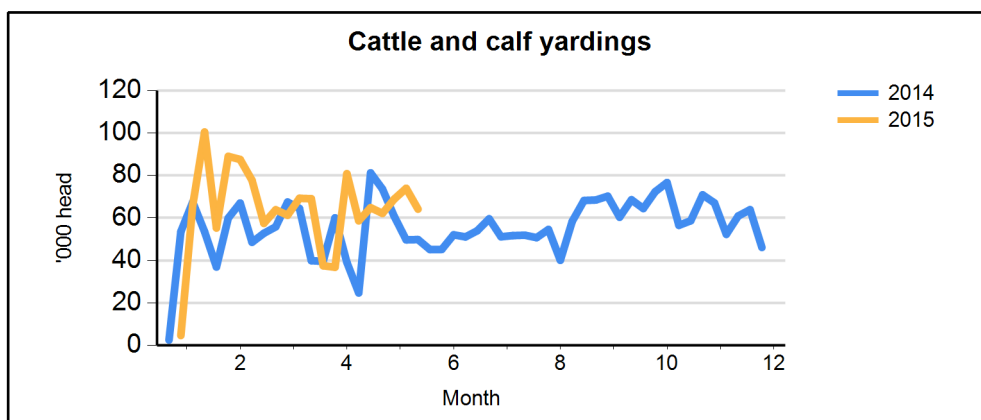


Cattle movements

Cattle slaughter	for w/e	22/05/2015	TW	LW	LY
Queensland	Cattle		90,266	88,255	86,402
	Calves		502	364	525
NSW	Cattle		41,357	40,673	38,997
	Calves		3,272	3,381	4,724
Victoria	Cattle		30,893	31,487	29,557
	Calves		7,733	7,351	7,251
SA	Cattle		9,837	10,331	9,409
	Calves		73	65	94
Tasmania	Cattle		4,997	5,080	4,982
	Calves		314	282	281

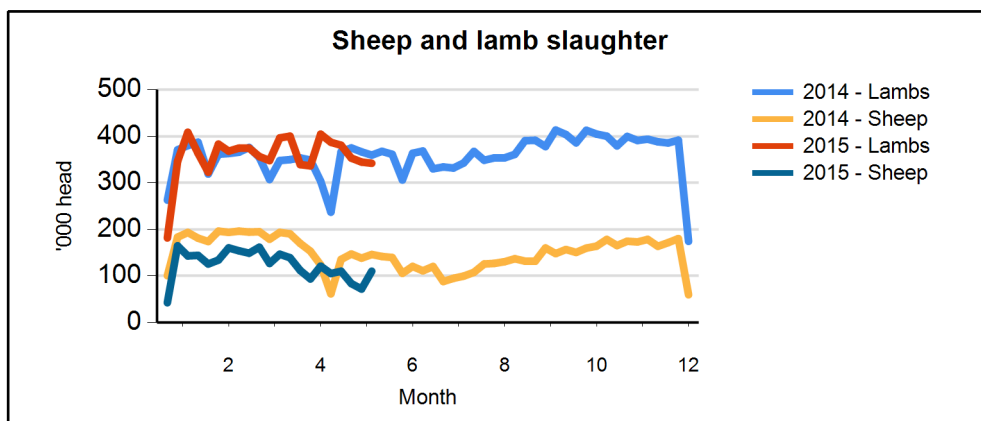


Cattle saleyard throughput	for w/e	28/05/2015	TW	LW	LY
Queensland	Cattle		19,409	22,546	13,631
NSW	Cattle		23,812	28,668	19,281
Victoria	Cattle		15,158	16,915	12,965
SA	Cattle		3,268	3,747	1,941
WA	Cattle		2,193	1,868	1,948
Tasmania	Cattle		321	240	65

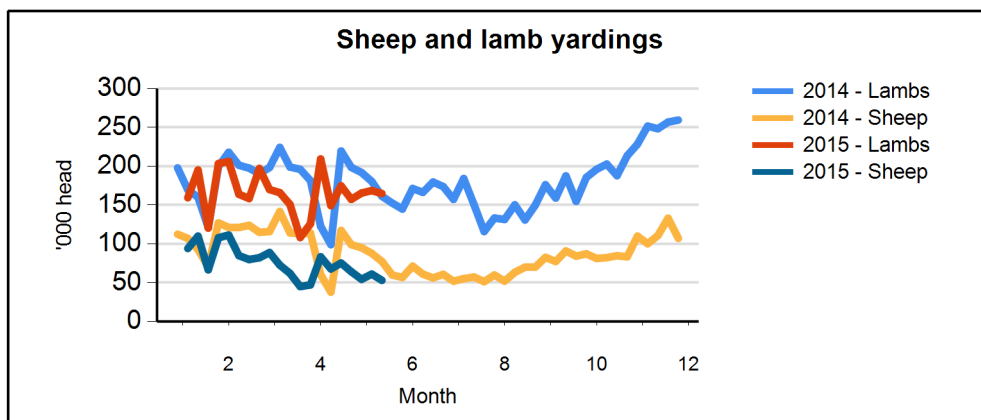


Sheep and lamb movements

Sheep and lamb slaughter	for w/e	22/05/2015	TW	LW	LY
Victoria	Lambs		163,210	164,549	170,444
	Sheep		38,477	35,394	54,444
NSW	Lambs		89,443	84,804	93,671
	Sheep		44,038	7,425	48,072
SA	Lambs		73,666	79,584	76,015
	Sheep		13,280	16,756	27,165
Queensland	Lambs		61	66	5,150
	Sheep		11,116	8,820	10,579
Tasmania	Lambs		15,514	15,478	14,096
	Sheep		3,142	3,417	5,737

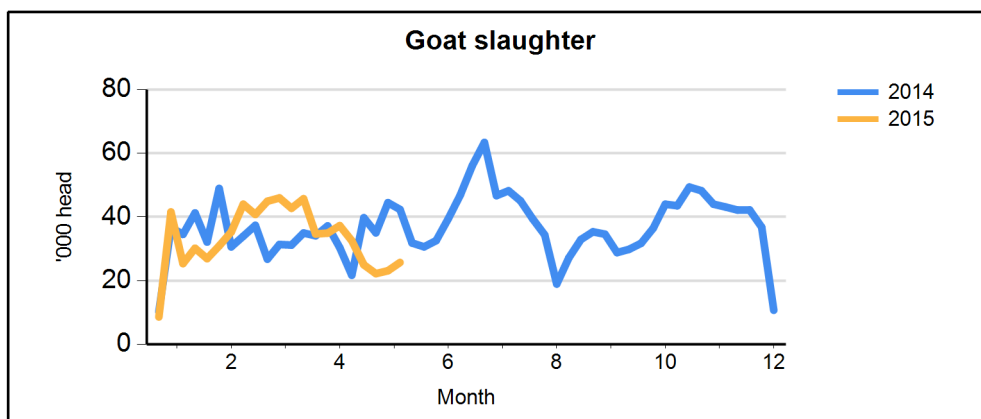


Sheep and lamb saleyard throughput	for w/e	28/05/2015	TW	LW	LY
Victoria	Lambs		44,027	46,758	40,424
	Sheep		13,606	14,470	13,449
NSW	Lambs		90,168	91,553	96,194
	Sheep		24,109	32,160	40,920
SA	Lambs		9,812	13,875	12,016
	Sheep		2,750	2,791	2,980
WA	Lambs		19,450	15,075	12,084
	Sheep		11,897	11,000	19,014
Tasmania	Lambs		1,350	1,400	575
	Sheep		580	650	955



Goat movements

Goat slaughter	for w/e	22/05/2015	TW	LW	LY
Queensland	Goats		11,392	8,809	19,290
NSW	Goats		2,494	2,742	3,210
Victoria	Goats		4,044	5,794	9,924
SA	Goats		7,779	5,769	9,937
Tasmania	Goats		nq	2	nq





Over-the-hooks goat indicators (A¢/kg cwt)	TW	LF	LY
8.1-10kg	432	415	307
10.1-12kg	423	409	308
12.1-16kg	423	409	308
16.1-20kg	416	404	308
20.1kg+	423	409	308

Skin indicators - Lambs		TW	LW	LY
2" +	16.1 - 20kg	350	325	313
	20.1 - 24kg	588	563	475
	24.1kg +	744	681	650
1" - 2"	16.1 - 20kg	338	288	388
	20.1 - 24kg	475	450	450
	24.1kg +	613	575	550
0.5" - 1"	16.1 - 20kg	100	100	250
	20.1 - 24kg	338	325	275
	24.1kg +	388	363	400
New Season	16.1 - 20kg	250	250	400
	20.1 - 24kg	500	450	600
	24.1kg +	625	575	700
Skin indicators - Merino sheep (average 25 micron)				
1.5" - 2"	16.1 - 20kg	600	600	400
	20.1 - 24kg	650	625	625
	24.1kg +	1075	1025	725

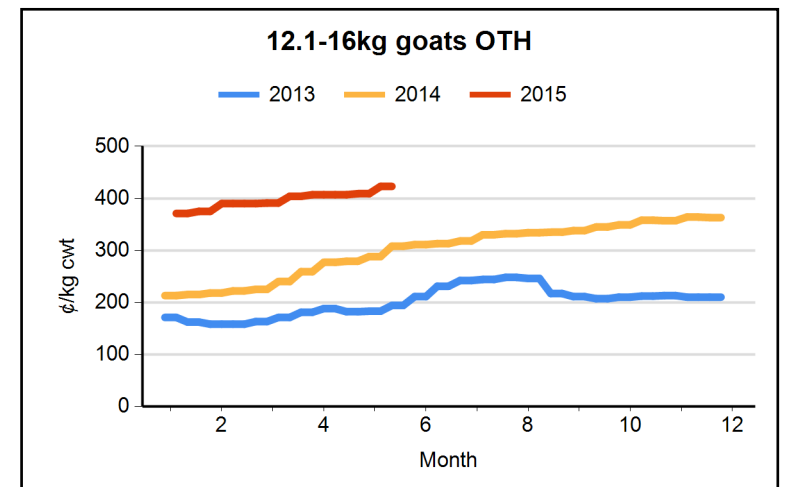
Eastern Market Wool Indicator (A¢/kg)	TW	LW	LY
AWEX E.M.I	1276	1240	1043
Source: Australian Wool Exchange Ltd			

Fodder prices	Cereal			Lucerne			Straw			Pasture		
(A\$/tonne)	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY	TW	LW	LY
Darling Downs	365	365	425	475	475	525	180	190	225	290	300	nq
Central West NSW	245	230	325	365	345	400	nq	nq	150	nq	nq	250
Goulburn Valley	210	210	210	295	295	310	100	100	110	160	160	175
South East SA	240	240	185	320	310	280	120	110	115	200	200	150
South West WA	200	190	200	510	500	525	100	100	105	180	165	nq
Source: Dairy Australia												

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

Grain prices - Darling Downs (A\$/tonne)	TW	LW	LY
Wheat	325	323	366
Barley	318	313	350
Sorghum	305	295	318
Grain prices - Riverina (A\$/tonne)			
Wheat	273	270	288
Barley	270	269	258
Source: Profarmer Australia			

US imported beef prices (CIF)		TW	LW	LY
Bull 95CL	US¢/lb	236.1	239.8	217.8
	A¢/kg	669.2	668.4	517.7
Cow 90CL	US¢/lb	217.2	220.0	201.0
	A¢/kg	615.5	613.3	477.9
CC/CF 85CL	US¢/lb	188.7	199.0	194.5
	A¢/kg	534.8	554.8	462.4
Shank 90CL	US¢/lb	213.2	221.5	202.0
	A¢/kg	604.1	617.5	480.3
Trim 85CL	US¢/lb	186.7	198.5	192.5
	A¢/kg	529.2	553.4	457.7
Trim 80CL	US¢/lb	158.3	169.5	179.5
	A¢/kg	448.5	472.6	426.8
Trim 75CL	US¢/lb	nq	157.5	168.0
	A¢/kg	nq	439.1	399.4
Trim 65CL	US¢/lb	132.3	134.5	139.5
	A¢/kg	374.9	375.0	331.7
Outside flats	US¢/lb	279.6	280.0	227.5
	A¢/kg	792.3	780.6	540.9
Knuckles	US¢/lb	292.1	292.5	262.5
	A¢/kg	827.7	815.5	624.1
Inside cap off	US¢/lb	nq	309.0	292.5
	A¢/kg	nq	861.5	695.4
Source: Steiner Consulting Group				



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US imported beef prices are now reported only in CIF terms.
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