

# Over the hooks indicator - cattle

Market information provided by MLA's National Livestock Reporting Service

## Victoria

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MLA's Victorian over-the-hook (OTH) indicators are weighted averages, derived from grids supplied by approximately 80% of the processing capacity in Victoria on a weekly basis.

### What is an indicator?

An indicator is used to assess market trends. Consistent contributors and methodology mean they can accurately be used for this purpose. For cattle, given there is variation across regions and classes, MLA has a range of indicators to best match individual needs. Other non-agricultural examples of indicators include the All Ords or the Brent Crude Oil Index.

### How are they calculated?

MLA's Victorian OTH indicators are weighted averages, based on each contributing processing plants annual cattle slaughter. The greater the plant's slaughter, the greater the weighting that plant's prices have upon the indicator - e.g. the prices offered from a plant processing 1,000 head/week will be twice that of a plant processing 500 head/week.

### How to apply it?

The indicators should be used as a means of following rises and falls in the market and should not be assumed as the actual price received.

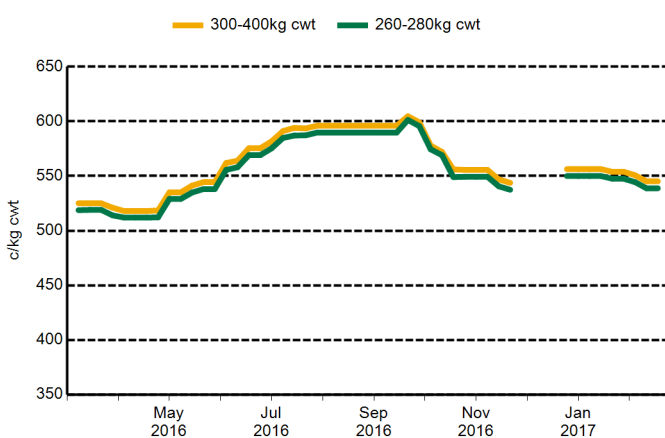
In addition, premiums and discounts to the OTH indicators may include, but are not limited to:

- HGP status
- Breed
- Certified programs (e.g. MSA, PCAS or EU)
- Bruises
- Dentition
- Fat and meat colour
- Weight
- Fat depth
- Butt shape

Some of these discounts and premiums are reflected in the MLA OTH indicators, but many are excluded. Further penalties can apply for incorrect or incomplete documentation, no NLIS tag, and any residue found in the meat deeming the carcass unfit for human consumption. Please consult your local processor for specific grids.

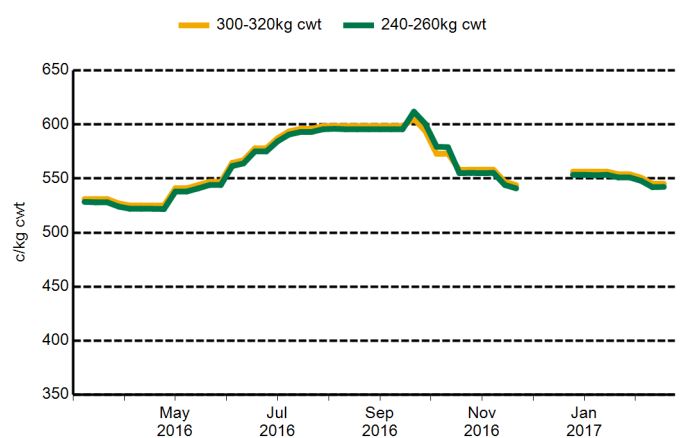
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### Grown steers\*



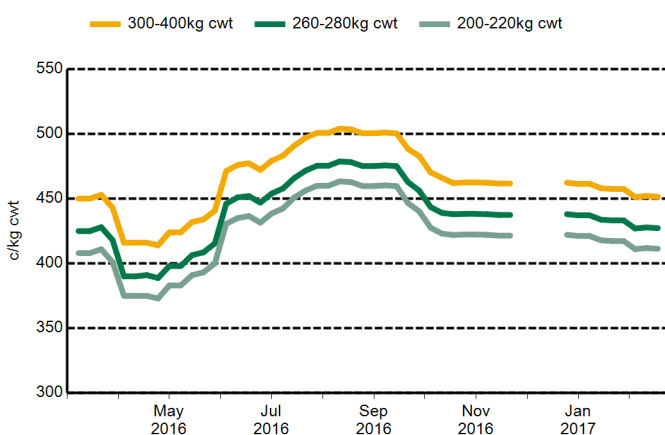
\* all quoted indicators have 5-22mm fat, A-C butt shape and 0-4 tooth (YP)

### Yearling steers\*\*



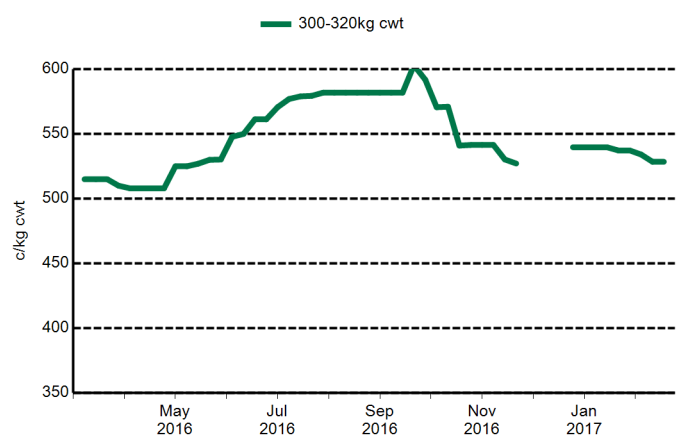
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### Cows\*\*\*



\*\*\* all quoted indicators have 3-12mm fat, A-D butt shape and 0-8 tooth (C)

### Yearling heifers\*\*\*\*



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Grade	Weight Range (cwt kg)	Dentition	Muscle Score	Fat (mm)	Average (c/kg cwt)	Trend
<b>Yearlings</b>						
Steers	220-240	0-2 (YG)	A-C	5-22	538	NC
	240-260	0-2 (YG)	A-C	5-22	542	NC
	260-280	0-2 (YG)	A-C	5-22	545	NC
	280-300	0-2 (YG)	A-C	5-22	546	NC
	300-320	0-2 (YG)	A-C	5-22	545	NC
Heifers	220-240	0-2 (YG)	A-C	5-22	517	NC
	240-260	0-2 (YG)	A-C	5-22	521	NC
	260-280	0-2 (YG)	A-C	5-22	523	NC
	280-300	0-2 (YG)	A-C	5-22	526	NC
	300-320	0-2 (YG)	A-C	5-22	529	NC
<b>Grown Steers</b>						
240-260	0-4 (YP)	A-C	5-22	529	NC	
	0-6 (PR)	A-C	5-22	523	NC	
	0-8 (S)	A-C	5-22	504	NC	
260-280	0-4 (YP)	A-C	5-22	539	NC	
	0-6 (PR)	A-C	5-22	534	NC	
	0-8 (S)	A-C	5-22	516	NC	
280-300	0-4 (YP)	A-C	5-22	543	NC	
	0-6 (PR)	A-C	5-22	538	NC	
	0-8 (S)	A-C	5-22	519	NC	
300-400	0-4 (YP)	A-C	5-22	545	NC	
	0-6 (PR)	A-C	5-22	540	NC	
	0-8 (S)	A-C	5-22	521	NC	
<b>Cows</b>						
180-200	0-8 (C)	A-D	13-22	393	-1	
	0-8 (C)	A-D	3-12	398	-1	
	0-8 (C)	A-E	0-32	387	-1	
200-220	0-8 (C)	A-D	13-22	412	-1	
	0-8 (C)	A-D	3-12	417	-1	
	0-8 (C)	A-E	0-32	405	-1	
220-240	0-8 (C)	A-D	13-22	418	-1	
	0-8 (C)	A-D	3-12	424	-1	
	0-8 (C)	A-E	0-32	411	-1	
240-260	0-8 (C)	A-D	13-22	426	-1	
	0-8 (C)	A-D	3-12	435	-1	

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		0-8 (C)	A-E	0-32	418	-1
	260-280	0-8 (C)	A-D	13-22	438	-1
		0-8 (C)	A-D	3-12	444	-1
		0-8 (C)	A-E	0-32	427	-1
	280-300	0-8 (C)	A-D	13-22	441	-1
		0-8 (C)	A-D	3-12	446	-1
		0-8 (C)	A-E	0-32	430	-1
	300-400	0-8 (C)	A-D	13-22	448	-1
		0-8 (C)	A-D	3-12	452	-1
		0-8 (C)	A-E	0-32	437	-1

### **Bulls**

260-280	0-8 (B)	A-E	0-32	402	NC
280-300	0-8 (B)	A-E	0-32	405	NC
300-320	0-8 (B)	A-E	0-32	409	NC
320-440	0-8 (B)	A-E	0-32	409	NC

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