

Title: NI Beef Industry Key Performance Indicators August 2022 Snapshot (week 18-22)

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Finished Cattle Prices (p/kg)	August 2021	August 2022	% Change
Average Prime Cattle Price	391.0	423.5	+8.3%
Average Cow Price	287.7	337.0	+17.1%
Average R3 Steer Price (NI)	401.4	435.8	+8.6%
Average R3 Steer Price (ROI)	360.2	408.6	+13.4%
Average R3 Steer Price (GB)	416.1	442.5	+6.3%
NI Throughput			
Total Clean Slaughterings (Head)	33,920	32,667	-3.7%
Total Cow Slaughterings (Head)	10,974	10,797	-1.6%
Average Clean Carcase Weight (kg)	347.4	341.2	-1.8%
Average Cow Carcase Weight (kg)	308.2	300.4	-2.5%
Trade (Head)			
Live Imports for Direct Slaughter	2,693	2,318	-13.9%
Live Exports for Direct Slaughter	352	219	-37.8%
Availability (Head)			
No. Cattle on the Ground*	466,144	461,224	-1.1%
Beef Sired	433,078	428,432	-1.1%
Dairy Sired (Male Only)	33,066	32,792	-0.8%
Calf Births Registrations (Head)			
Calf Births	27,604	27,382	-0.8%
Beef Sired	24,465	24,880	+1.7%
Dairy Sired (Male Only)	3,139	2,502	-20.3%
Euro / Stg Exchange Rate (€ / £)			
	85.3	84.5	-0.9%
* Aged between 12-30 mths (Beef + Dairy Male Only)			
All NI Figures Unless Otherwise Stated			

Key trends



The average **NI prime cattle price** was up 32.5p/kg to 423.5p/kg in August 2022. This was a 8.3 per cent increase from August 2021.



The average **NI cow price** increased by 49.3p/kg in August this year.



Across the regions the **R3 steer price** increased by 34.4p/kg in NI, the equivalent of 48.4p/kg in ROI and 26.4p/kg in GB when compared to the same period last year.



NI prime cattle throughput decreased by 1,253 head in August 2022 with 32,667 prime cattle processed locally. Cow throughput decreased by 177 head, back 1.6 per cent from August 2021. Average carcase weights were back by 6.2kg for prime cattle and were back 7.8kg for cows.



Imports for direct slaughter were back almost 14 per cent in August 2022 compared to the same period in 2021. Exports for direct slaughter totalled 219 head in August 2022, back 133 head from August 2021.



Number of beef sired cattle on the ground aged 12-30 months in August 2022 was back just over one per cent from August 2021 to total 428,432 head. Dairy male cattle numbers decreased 0.8 per cent to total 32,792 head.



Calf registrations in August 2022 were slightly back 222 head or 0.8 per cent when compared to the same period in 2021. Beef sired calf registrations increased by 1.7 per cent from August 2021 levels while dairy male calf registrations were back 20.3 per cent or by 637 head.

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