

## Title: NI Beef Industry Key Performance Indicators November 2022 Snapshot (week 31-35)

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Finished Cattle Prices (p/kg)	November 2021	November 2022	% Change
Average Prime Cattle Price	392.5	427.4	+8.9%
Average Cow Price	270.5	305.1	+12.8%
Average R3 Steer Price (NI)	402.8	439.5	+9.1%
Average R3 Steer Price (ROI)	356.1	402.0	+12.9%
Average R3 Steer Price (GB)	420.4	451.8	+7.5%
<b>NI Throughput</b>			
Total Clean Slaughterings (Head)	36,999	40,441	+9.3%
Total Cow Slaughterings (Head)	13,579	15,137	+11.5%
Average Clean Carcase Weight (kg)	347.8	341.2	-1.9%
Average Cow Carcase Weight (kg)	305.0	296.3	-2.8%
<b>Trade (Head)</b>			
Live Imports for Direct Slaughter	1,824	2,817	+54.4%
Live Exports for Direct Slaughter	322	277	-14.0%
<b>Availability (Head)</b>			
No. Cattle on the Ground*	429,271	418,248	-2.6%
Beef Sired	392,831	384,608	-2.1%
Dairy Sired (Male Only)	36,440	33,640	-7.7%
<b>Calf Births Registrations (Head)</b>			
Calf Births	27,524	28,273	+2.7%
Beef Sired	21,864	23,966	+9.6%
Dairy Sired (Male Only)	5,660	4,307	-23.9%
<b>Euro / Stg Exchange Rate (€ / £)</b>			
	84.8	86.9	+2.5%
* Aged between 12-30 mths (Beef + Dairy Male Only)			
<b>All NI Figures Unless Otherwise Stated</b>			

### Key trends



The average **NI prime cattle price** was up almost 35p/kg to 427.4p/kg in November 2022. This was an 8.9 per cent increase from November 2021.



The average **NI cow price** increased by 34.6p/kg in November this year.



Across the regions the **R3 steer price** increased by 36.7p/kg in NI, the equivalent of 45.9p/kg in ROI and 31.4p/kg in GB when compared to the same period last year.



**NI prime cattle throughput** increased by 3,442 head in November 2022 with 40,441 prime cattle processed locally. Cow throughput increased by 1,558 head, up 11.5 per cent from November 2021. Average carcase weights were back by 6.6kg for prime cattle and were back 8.7kg for cows.



**Imports for direct slaughter** were up 54.4 per cent in November 2022 compared to the same period in 2021. Exports for direct slaughter totalled 277 head in November 2022, back 45 head from November 2021.



**Number of beef sired cattle** on the ground aged 12-30 months in November 2022 was back 2.6 per cent from November 2021 to total 418,248 head. Beef sired cattle numbers decreased by 2.1 per cent while dairy male cattle numbers decreased by 7.7 per cent.



**Calf registrations** in November 2022 were up 749 head or 2.7 per cent when compared to the same period in 2021. Beef sired calf registrations increased by 9.6 per cent from November 2021 levels while dairy male calf registrations were back almost 24 per cent or by 1,353 head.

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