

Lamb Grid Interpretation

THE GRADES & PRICES BETWEEN THE ABATTOIR AND THE PRODUCER ARE TOTALLY TRANSPARENT!

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GOLD = EXCELLENT

RED = TOO FAT

GREEN = GOOD

BLACK = ACCEPTABLE

BLUE = TOO LEAN

- Devised to give Producers as much feed back as possible about their grades.
- Helps the producers in future lamb drawing and production.
- When the lambs are killed, the abattoir kill sheet is faxed or e-mailed to the Office then forwarded to the Producer the same day.
- There is always a colour grid summary with the kill sheet for lambs and hogs over 15.5kg.
- When the payment sheet is received from the abattoir, it is forwarded to the Producer with their payment.

Farm Stock's Colour Grid Summary 1997-2009

Year Ending	% Gold	% Green	% Black	% Red	% Blue
31/03/97	n/a	62.24%	31.50%	4.30%	1.96%
31/03/98	n/a	67.35%	22.07%	6.83%	3.75%
31/03/99	n/a	66.55%	21.84%	5.64%	5.97%
31/03/00	n/a	65.29%	22.72%	5.97%	6.02%
31/03/01	n/a	65.03%	22.29%	7.44%	5.24%
31/03/02	n/a	65.28%	21.98%	7.79%	4.95%
31/03/03	n/a	70.02%	17.64%	6.2%	6.14%
31/03/04	n/a	69.1%	19.0%	6.9%	5.0%
31/03/05	n/a	68.6%	20.4%	6.2%	4.8%
31/03/06	13.9%	45.4%	28.7%	8.6%	3.4%
31/03/07	13.6%	53.4%	25.2%	5.6%	2.2%
31/03/08	13.3%	49.7%	28.5%	6.0%	2.5%
31/03/09	11.3%	57.1%	25.7%	2.9%	3.0%

The National average for lambs sold to the ideal specification (green, black and now including gold) is approx 50% - Farm Stock has always achieved over 85%

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