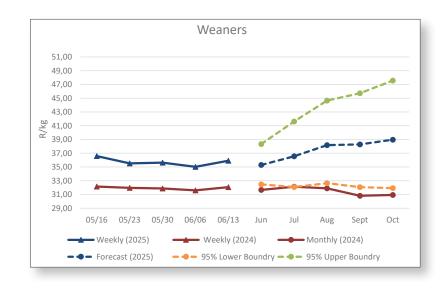
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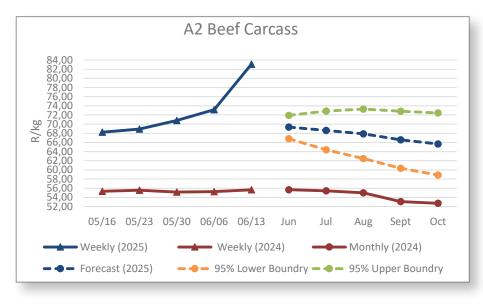


CLASS	PRICE	WEEK/WEEK	MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR
Weaner (R/kg)	R35.90	2.5%	-1.9%	11.9%
A2 (R/kg)	R83.11	13.6%	21.8%	49.3%
B2 (R/kg)	R62.16	4.2%	9.7%	35.8%
C2 (R/kg)	R60.64	5.9%	19.7%	43.8%

WEANERS

The price increased by 2.5% in Week 24 compared to the previous week and is currently 11.9% higher than the same period a year ago. The price is currently quite volatile due to FMD and the uncertainty it creates. According to a 95% certainty forecast, based on the past 16 years of historical data, the weaner calf price in July should be around R37/kg, while the price should not be lower than R32/kg and not higher than R42/kg.





A2 BEEF CARCASS

The average A2 carcass price increased sharply in Week 24 by 13.6% compared to the previous week and is currently 49.3% higher than the same period a year ago. The sharp increase can be attributed to a persistent low supply of slaughter animals which was exacerbated by the FMD situation. According to a 95% certainty forecast, based on the past 16 years of historical data, the A2 carcass price in July should be around R69/kg, while the price should not be lower than R64/kg and not higher than R73/kg. The current market panic is causing prices to exceed the forecast.



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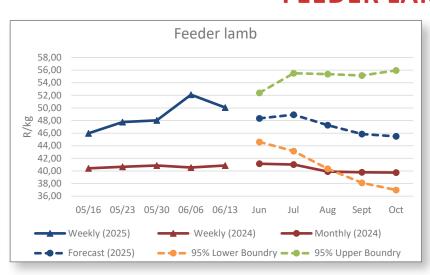


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CLASS	PRICE	WEEK/WEEK	MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR
Feeder lamb (R/kg)	R50.07	-3.9%	8.9%	22.5%
A2 (R/kg)	R107.59	-1.6%	5.7%	25.4%
B2 (R/kg)	R72.05	-3.0%	-5.1%	11.0%
C2 (R/kg)	R71.31	-1.0%	6.1%	21.0%

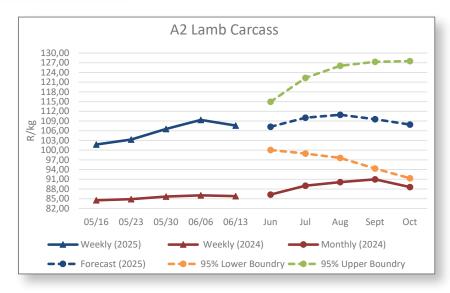
FEEDER LAMB



In Week 24, the store lamb price decreased by 3.9% compared to the previous week, and the price is approximately 22.5% higher than the same period a year ago. The decrease in price can be attributed to a higher supply of lambs. It can still be expected that the price will maintain an increasing trend until the end of July and then start to decline systematically in August. According to a 95% certainty forecast, based on the past 16 years of historical data, the store lamb price in July should be around R50/kg and not lower than R43/kg and not higher than R56/kg.

A2 LAMB CARCASS

The lamb carcass price for Week 24 decreased by 1.6% compared to the previous week and is approximately 25.4% higher than the same period a year ago. The decrease in the price can be attributed to a higher supply of carcasses. The sharp increase in beef carcass prices may also dampen the demand for lamb. It is expected that the price should follow an increasing trend until August and then start to decline systematically. According to a 95% certainty forecast, based on the past 16 years of historical data, the A2 carcass price in July should be approximately R110/kg, while the price should not be lower than R99/kg and not higher than R122/kg.





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