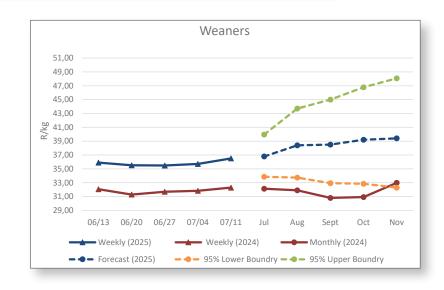
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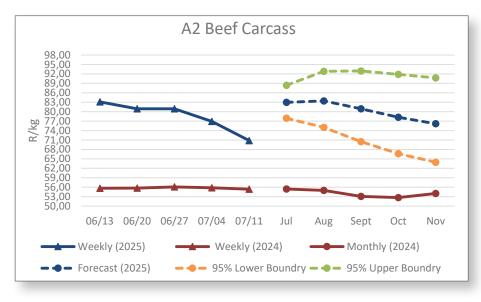


CLASS	PRICE	WEEK/WEEK	MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR
Weaner (R/kg)	R35.84	-1.8%	0.9%	11.8%
A2 (R/kg)	R70.08	-1.1%	-13.4%	26.5%
B2 (R/kg)	R56.68	-1.9%	-6.9%	27.9%
C2 (R/kg)	R56.02	-0.1%	-7.4%	30.6%

### **WEANERS**

The price decreased by 1.8% in Week 29 compared to the previous week and is currently 11.8% higher than the same period a year ago. The decrease in price can be attributed to a higher supply of weaners in the market on the back of the past few weeks of higher prices. It is still expected that the price may continue a possible upward trend from July to August and reach a peak in November. According to a 95% certainty forecast, based on the past 16 years of historical data, the weaner price in August should be around R38/kg, while the price should not be lower than R34/kg and not higher than R44/kg.





## **A2 BEEF CARCASS**

The average A2 carcass price decreased by 1.1% in Week 29 compared to the previous week and is currently 26.5% higher than the same period a year ago. It can be seen that the market is reaching equilibrium, with the week-on-week decrease being less than the previous weeks. According to a 95% confidence forecast, based on the past 16 years of historical data, the A2 carcass price in September should be around R81/kg, while the price should not be lower than R70/kg and not higher than R93/kg. It should be noted, however, that the higher price of the past month has influenced the predicted price upwards and that the price may now tend more towards the lower limit as the market finds equilibrium after the Foot and Mouth panic.



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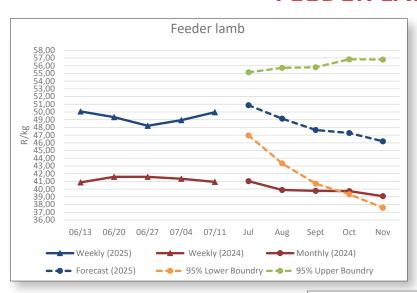


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CLASS	PRICE	WEEK/WEEK	MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR
Feeder lamb (R/kg)	R47.37	-5.2%	-4.0%	15.4%
A2 (R/kg)	R105.94	-0.1%	0.3%	19.6%
B2 (R/kg)	R77.38	7.9%	8.7%	14.2%
C2 (R/kg)	R74.72	3.8%	5.8%	17.4%

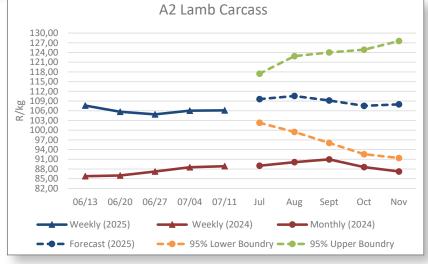
#### FEEDER LAMB



In Week 29, the store lamb price fell sharply by 5.2% compared to the previous week, and the price is about 15.4% higher than the same period a year ago. The sharp drop in price can be attributed to a higher supply of lambs currently in the market. It can be expected that the price may start to decline systematically until November. According to a 95% certainty forecast, based on the past 16 years of historical data, the store lamb price in August should be around R49/kg and not lower than R43/kg and not higher than R56/kg.

## **A2 LAMB CARCASS**

The lamb carcass price remained unchanged for Week 29 compared to the previous week. The carcass price is approximately 19.6% higher than the same period a year ago. The expectation is that the price may maintain an increasing trend until the end of August and then start to decline systematically from September. According to a 95% certainty forecast, based on the past 16 years of historical data, the A2 carcass price in August should be approximately R111/kg, while the price should not be lower than R99/kg and not higher than R123/kg.





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