



Top 5

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IT'S NOVEMBER ALREADY!
OH NO! OH NO!



FEED CALCULATOR

We've had few enquiries regarding feed calculator tools, as feeding starts. Reminder that AgPro have their own Feed Calculator program on Excel that can be used to create a feed budget, feed plan and ME requirements. In the calculator you will find:

- Ewe Condition Manager
- Feed Budget
- ME Requirements and Intake
- Condition Score
- Feeding Plan – handy for printing off and sending out with the employees that are feeding out to livestock.

Find it [HERE](#)- make sure you **SAVE TO YOUR OWN DEVICE** before using.

WEANERS

Weaners should be getting a trickle feed now. It takes time for them to start eating properly, impacts their lifetime performance, and in this market you can't afford to have poor lambs.



Based on the average pasture quality and quantity around, they'd be needing at least 50g/h/day (about 20% of their requirements).

And....

Vit E lasts 6 weeks since last green pick

Se lasts 8weeks

1.5% diet calcium (NaCl, Ca mineral supplements)

MIKE'S FEED APP

Feed tracking-When it comes to budgets, it's a hassle to go back to find the feed data you need. Mike Young's app aims to simplify this by tracking all feed info, including what's on hand. Simple, easy. Check it out: [HERE](#)

To set up:

1. Enter your available storage space in the settings window.
2. Enter current amount of grain on hand using the 'top up' command in the feed entry window.
3. Keep it up to sate by entering each time grain is purchased or fed.

MARKETS

OVERDELIVER, PREP. There's oversupply, and underdemand. You need them off the farm, Its that simple.

It's the first winter without live export & Eastern States rebuild demand. NSW and USA in drought= high red meat slaughter rates. Feedlot market likely swamped. AU kill rates at best been for 2-3 years, with reliable kill space promises.

SO:

Have conversations with your agent:
Understand specs rather than just continue to

'just get them in', and make animals appealing to as many processors & feedlotters as possible- they have choice, you don't.

"Do a bit more, make a bit less" -Present right: shear when can, crutched, bungloed-. scabby guard if have in the past (ie its present on your property already)

Going to market- don't throw last 'shit' ones on the truck- might cost you whole consignment as they pick another line

NATIONAL CONCERNS

Interesting to see what farmers are worried about across the nation- a large portion marking LE as a concern, about the same as competition for land, but more farmers are looking at enviro laws. From the National Farmer Priority Survey.

