Supply and demand outlook for the red meat sector

Outlook to 2025–26

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Saleyard prices to fall over the medium term

- Cattle prices: The graph shows a general trend of decreasing prices from 2005–06 to 2020–21, with a slight increase in 2020–21. ABARES forecast.


Note: f ABARES forecast. z ABARES Projection.
Herd and flock rebuilding over the medium term

- Beef cattle herd
- Sheep flock

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African Swine Fever (ASF) market impacts to fade

Sources: ABS; National Bureau of Statistics of China
Additional supply in export markets

Sources: ABARES; USDA
f ABARES forecast for Australian exports.