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**Beef Market Overview  
2014**



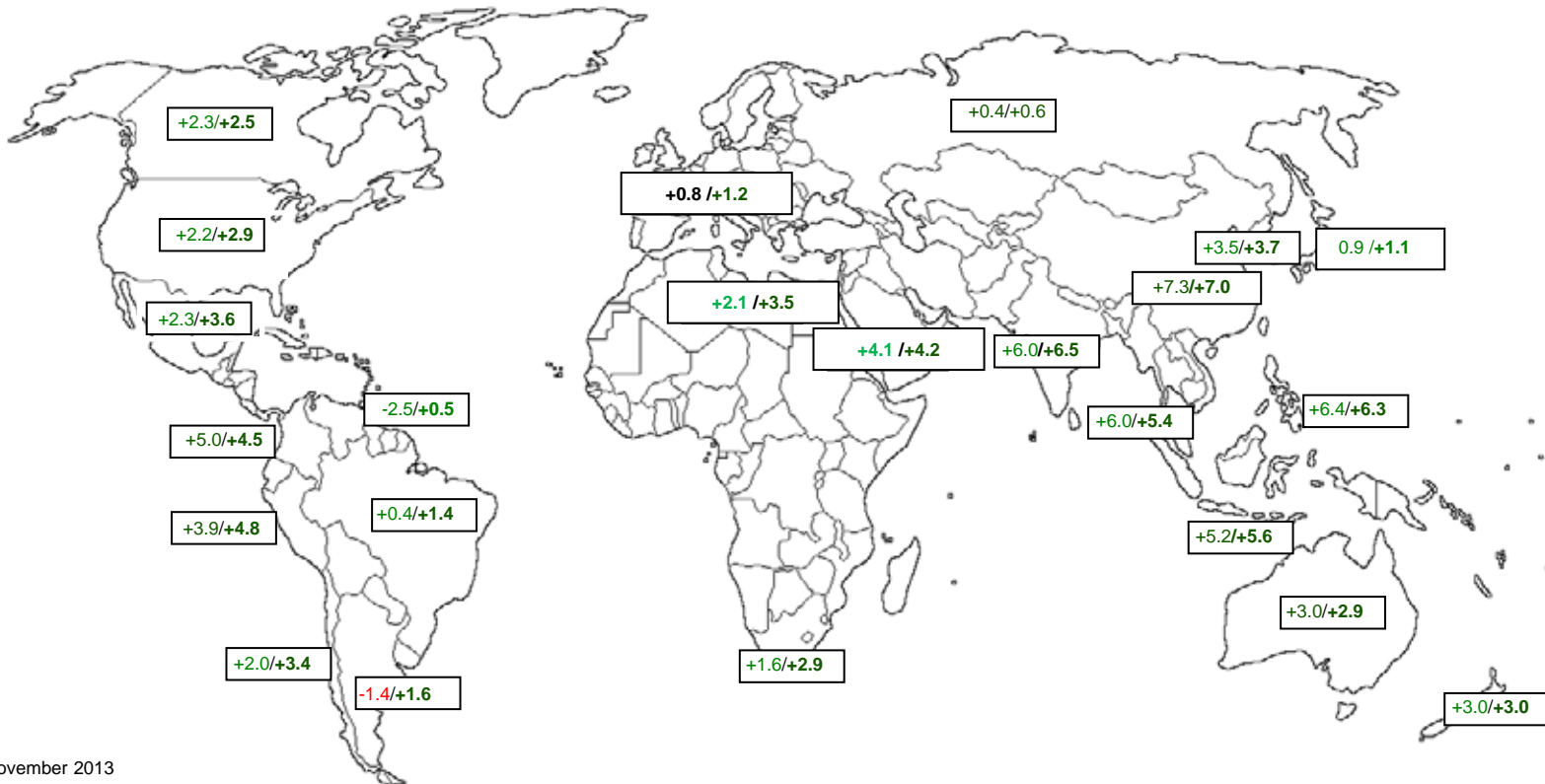
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# GLOBAL LANDSCAPE



# Economic Growth

## A Tale of East v West



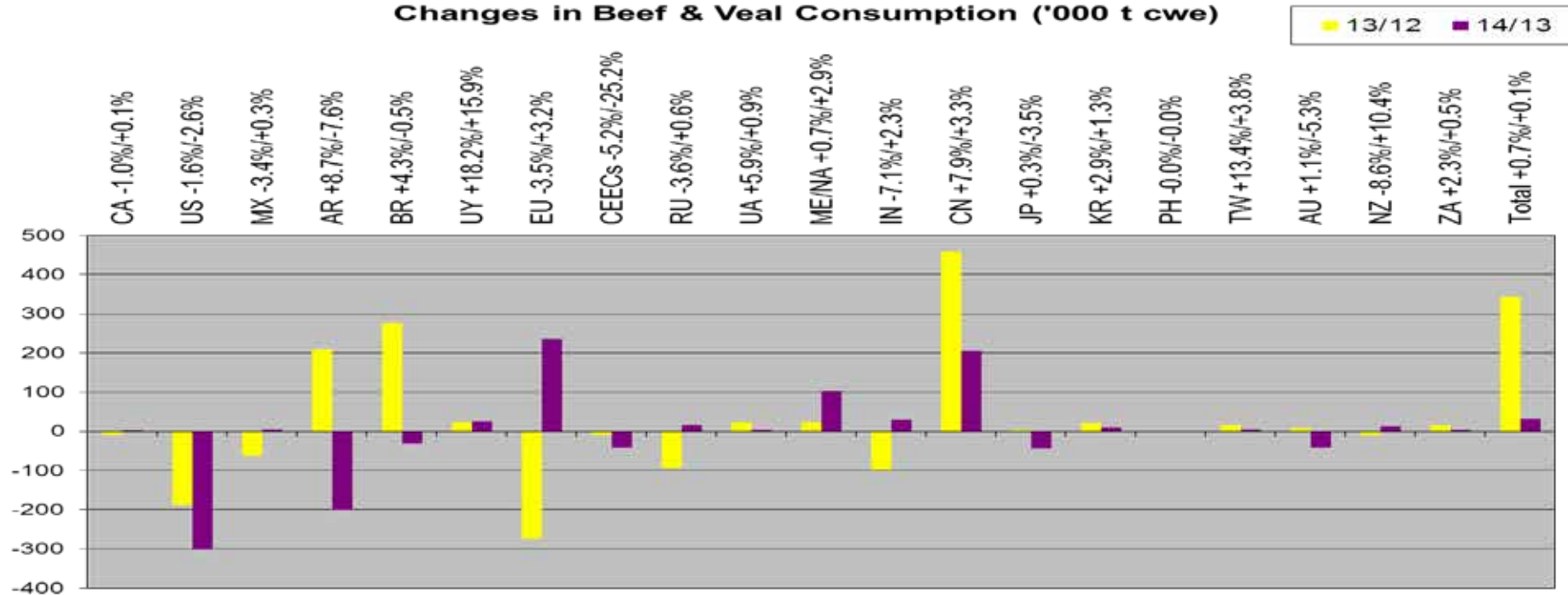
Source: EIU November 2013

Real GDP p.a. % change, 2013 / 14 – 2014/15



# Consumption Constrained by Supply

Changes in Beef & Veal Consumption ('000 t cwe)



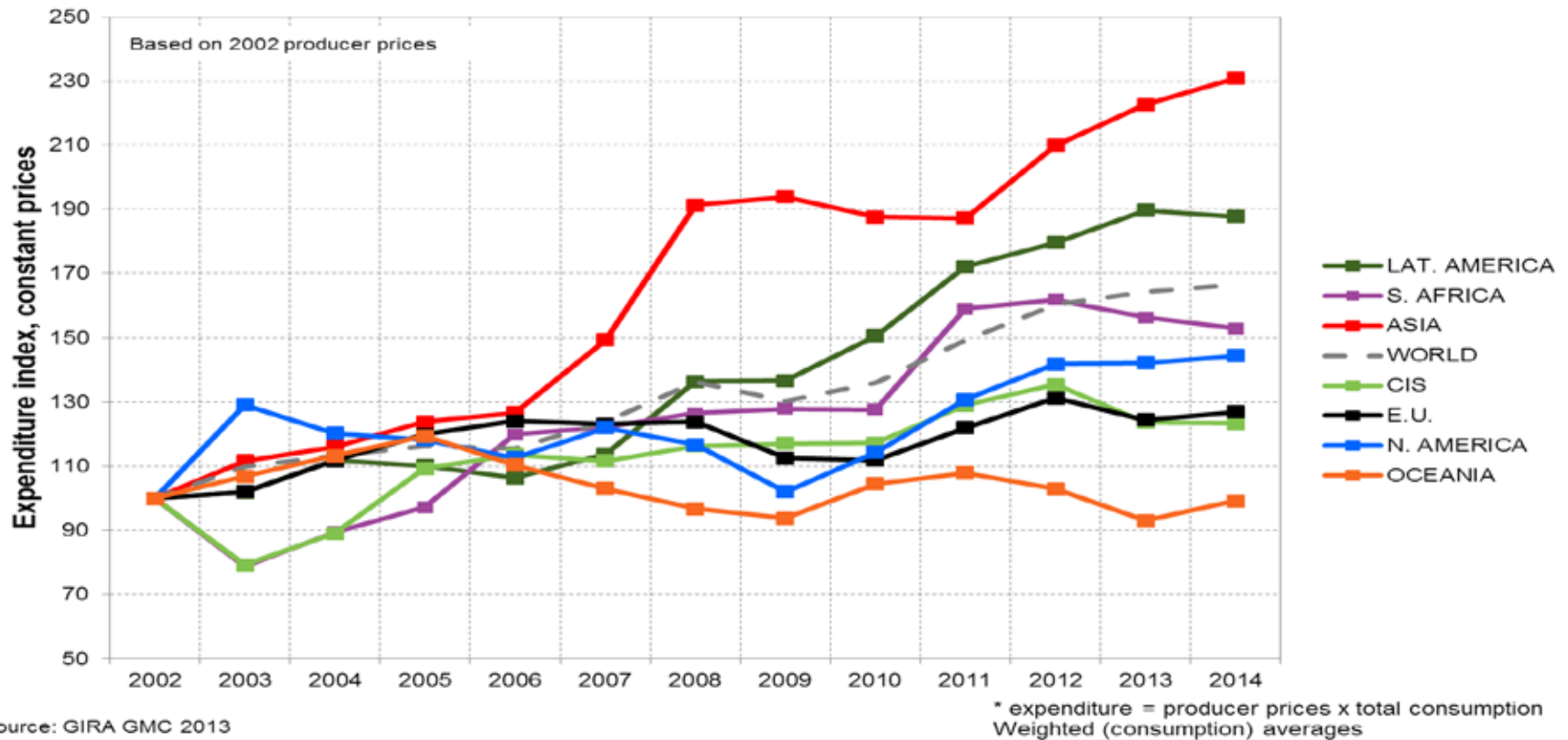
2014 Forecasts  
Source: Gira





# Consumption / Expenditure

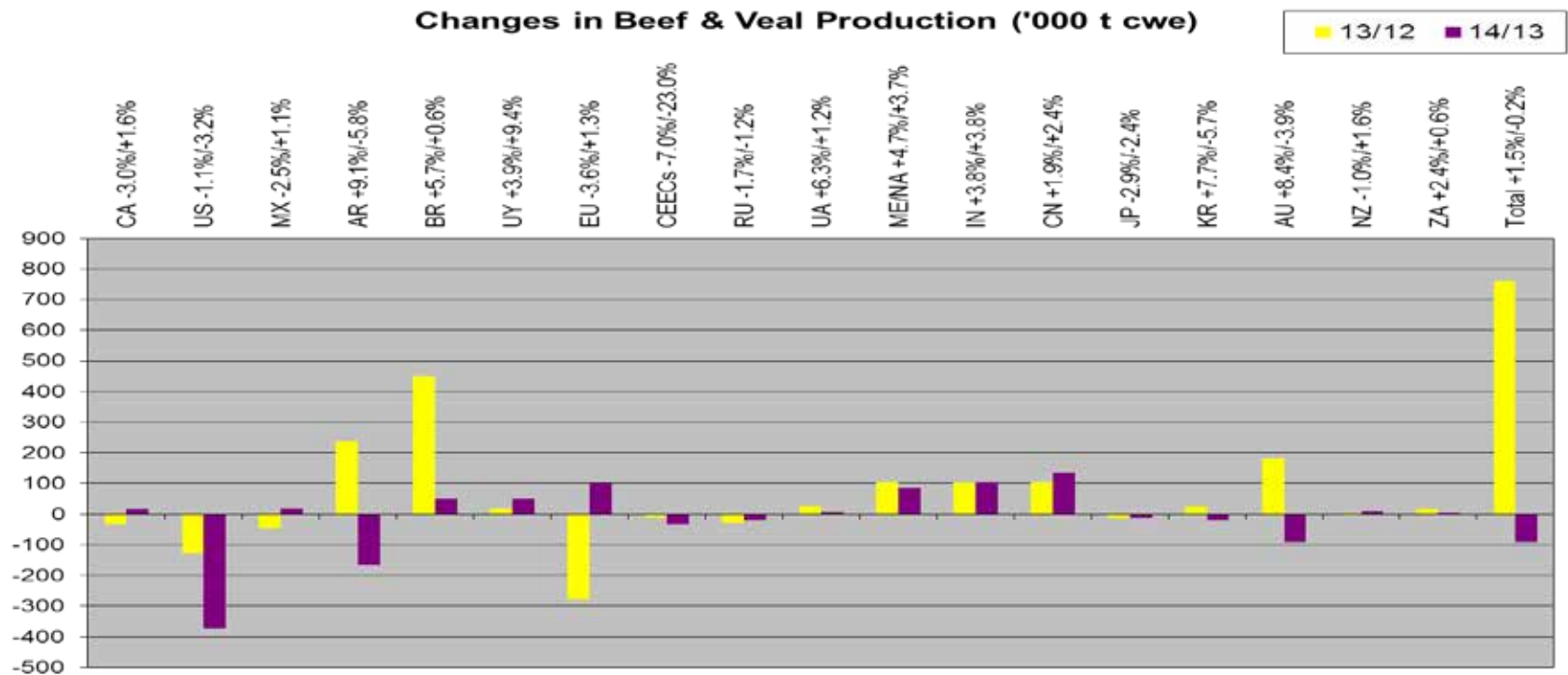
Beef & Veal expenditure\* index, 2002-2014(f) (2002 L.C.)



Source: GIRA GMC 2013



# Reduced Global Production in 2014

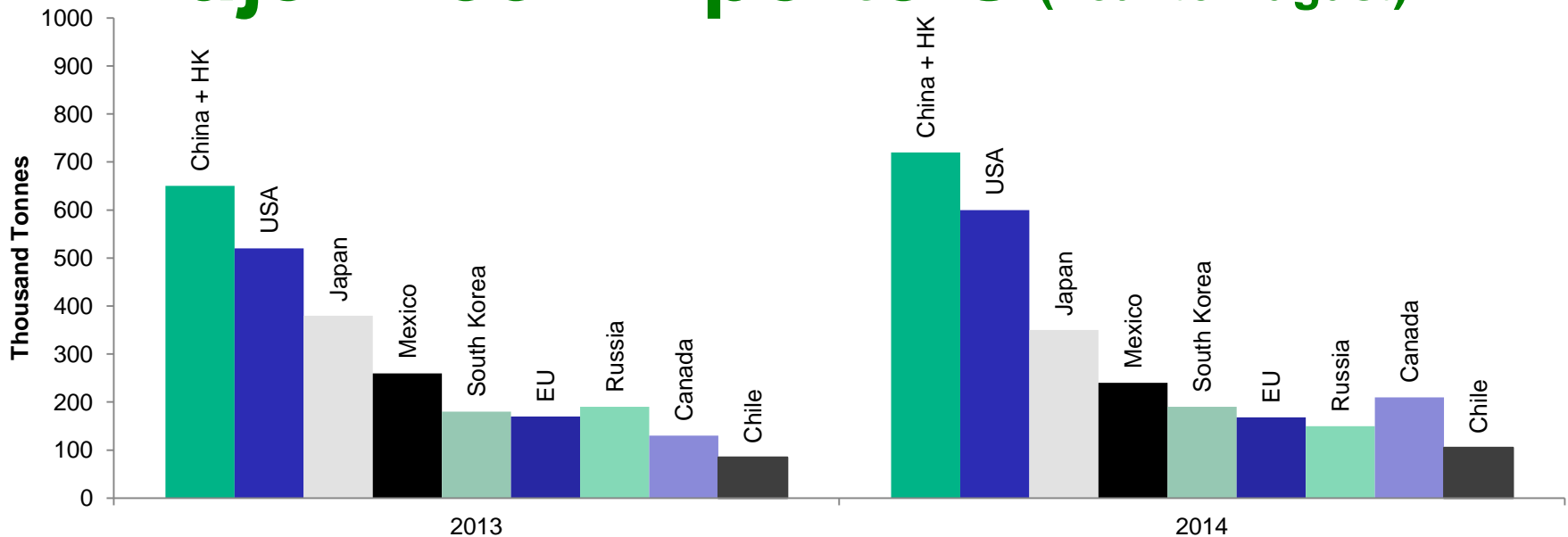


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# World Beef Trade

## Major Beef Importers (Year to August)



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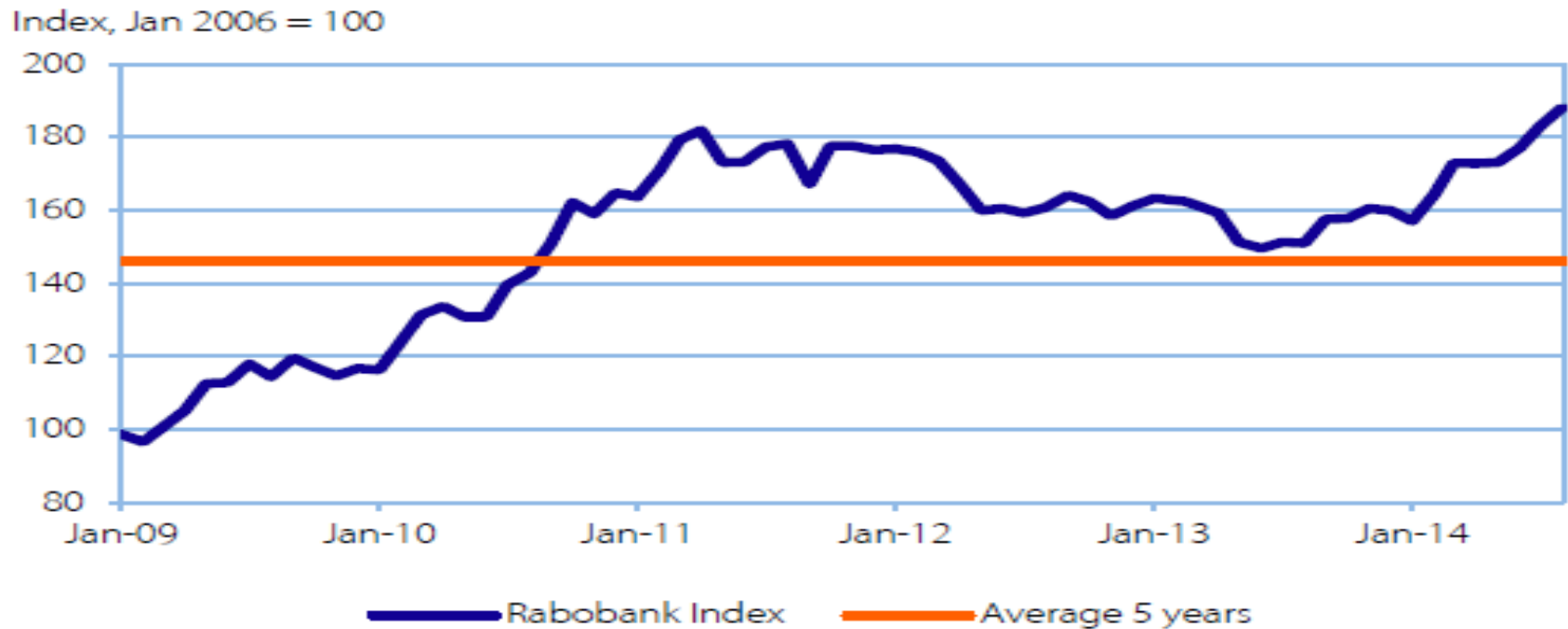
Figures for are for year ending August, with the following exceptions:

Figures for Russia are up to April

Figures for Mexico and Chile are up to July



# Global Prices on the Rise



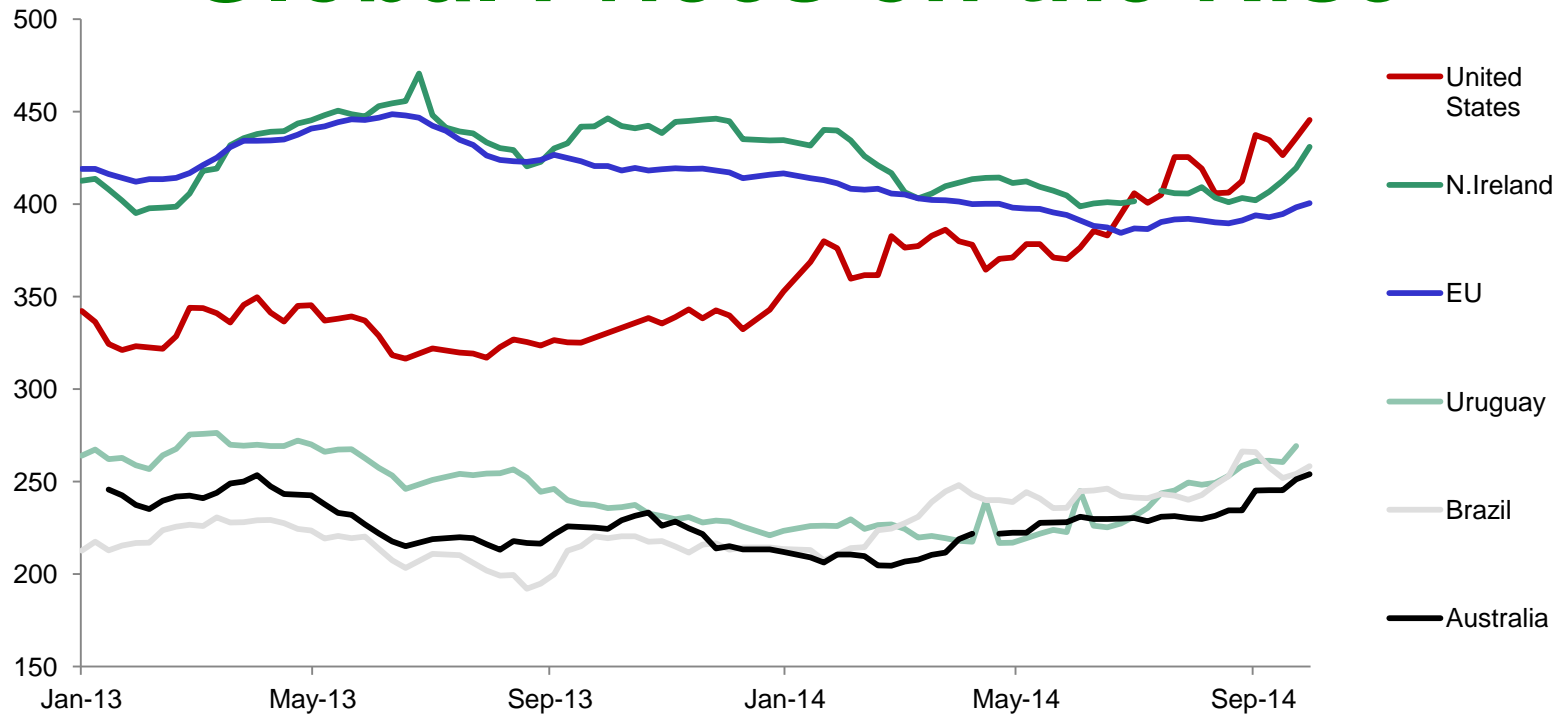
Source: Rabobank 2014

Average finished cattle prices weighted by share of global exports (Brazil, Australia, Argentina, Uruguay, US, Canada, New Zealand)





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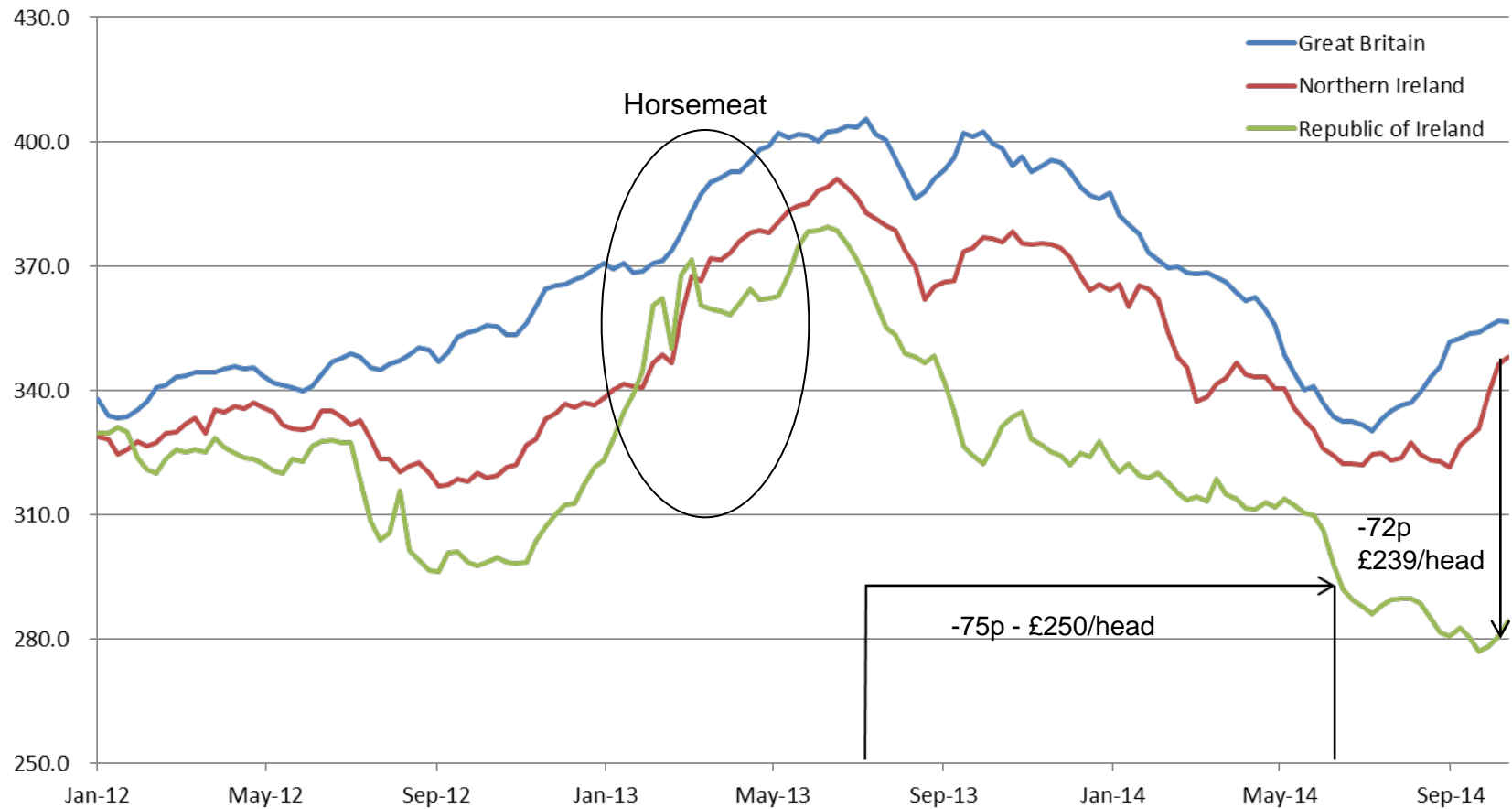
R3 Steer Price Equivalent in Euros



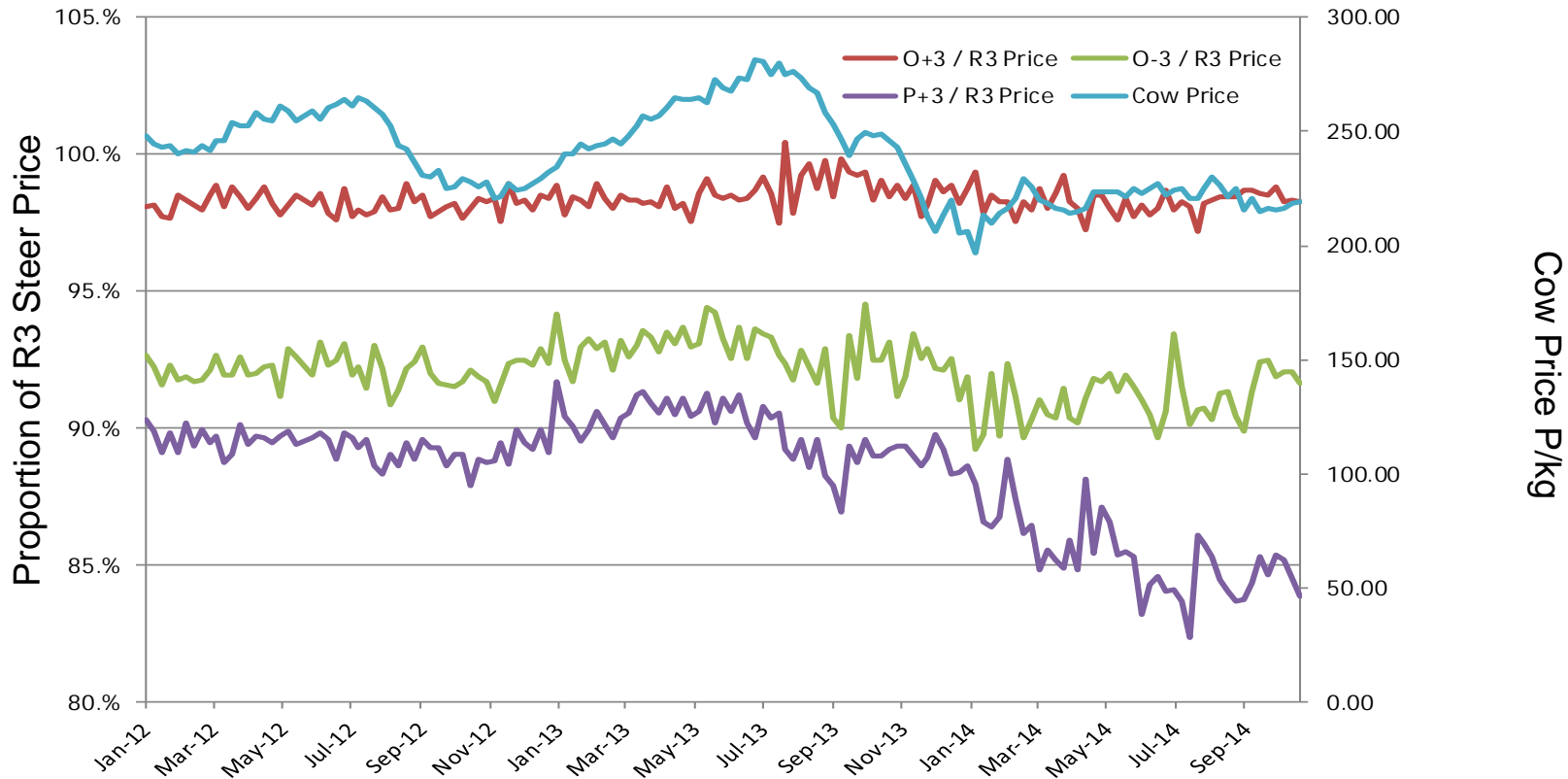
# LOCAL LANDSCAPE



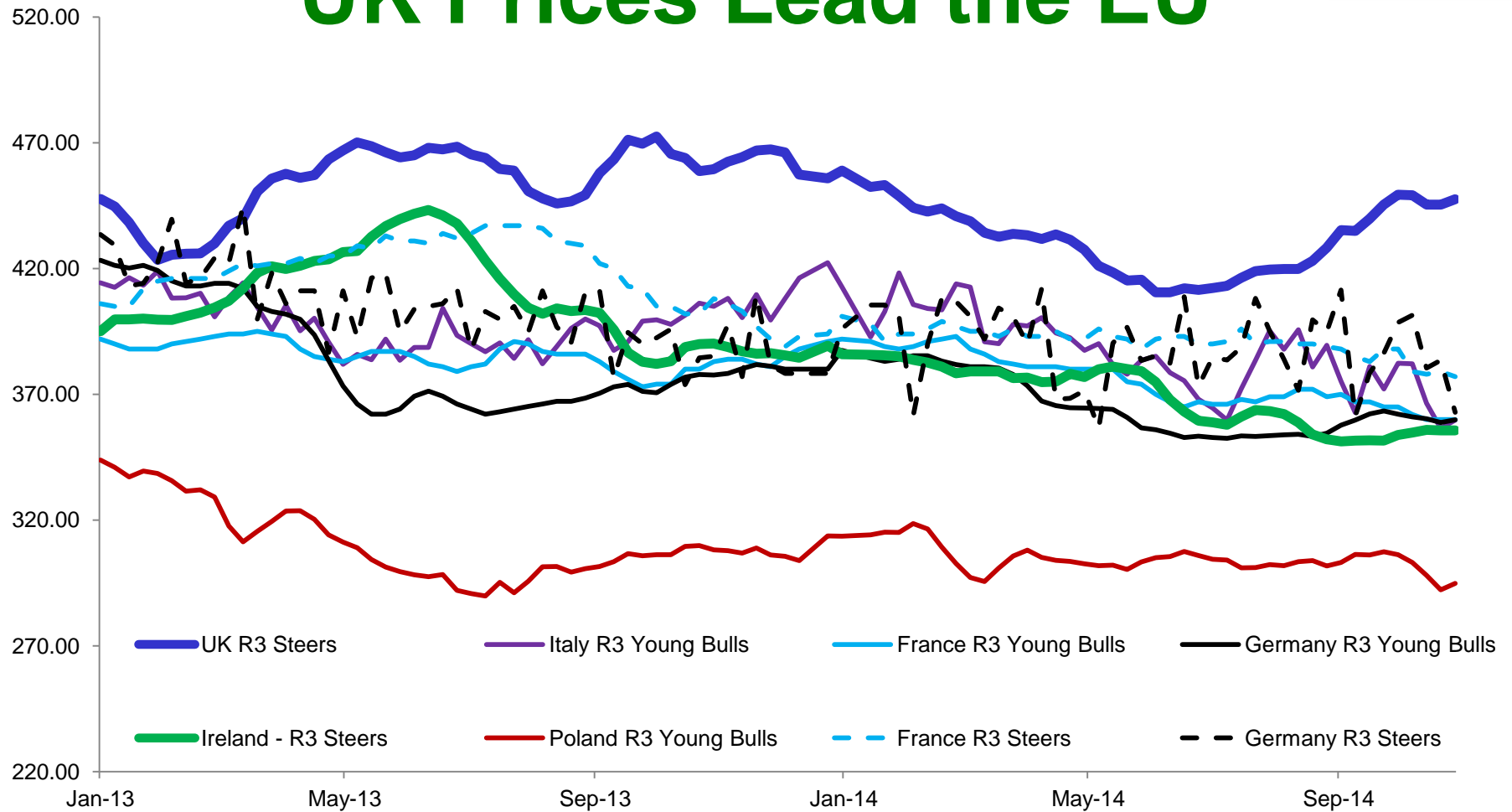
# The New Norm - Price Volatility



# Lower Prices for Plain Cattle & Cows



# UK Prices Lead the EU

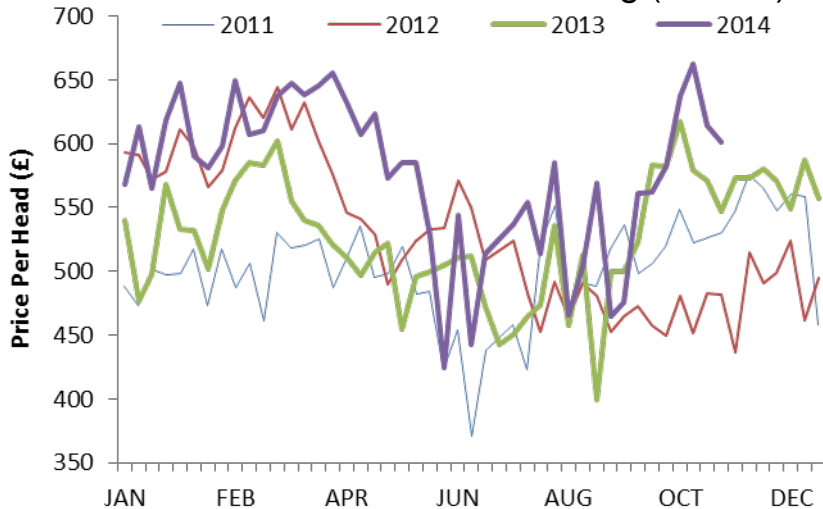




# NI Store Prices Firm

NI Store Cattle Prices

Av. Price of Steers 150-300kg (£/head)

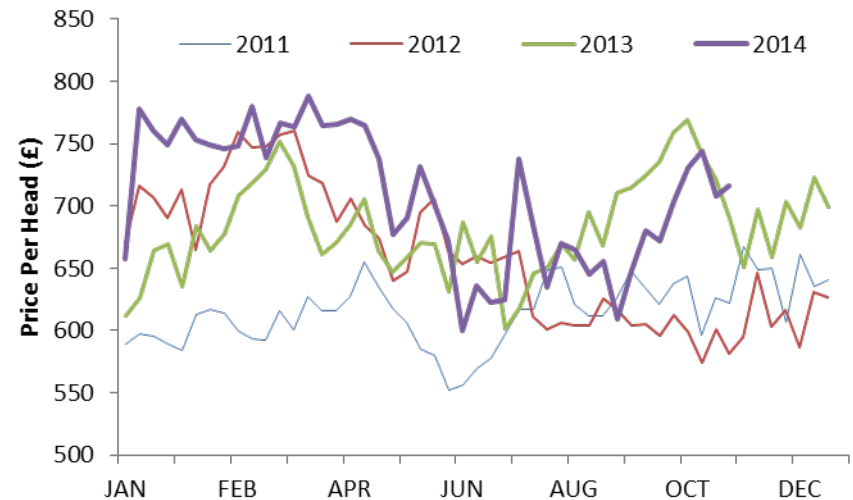


In Sept / Oct Prices were:

- 3% ahead of last year
- 23% ahead of 2012
- 10% ahead of 2011

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Av. Price of Steers 300-400kg (£/head)



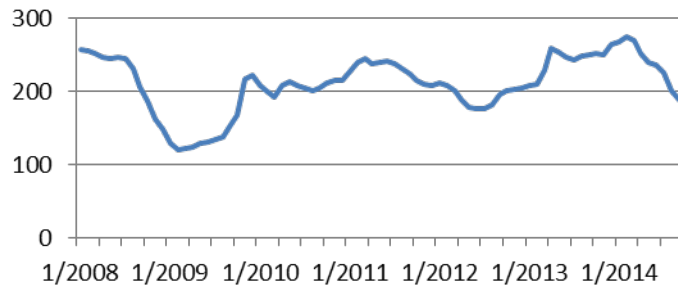
In Sept / Oct Prices were:

- 5% lower than last year
- 15% ahead of 2012
- 10% ahead of 2011

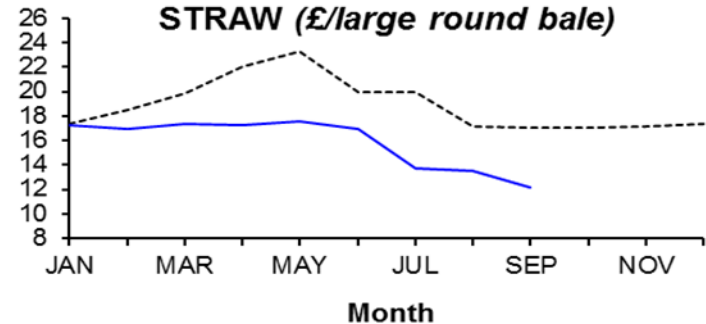


# Feed Costs Falling

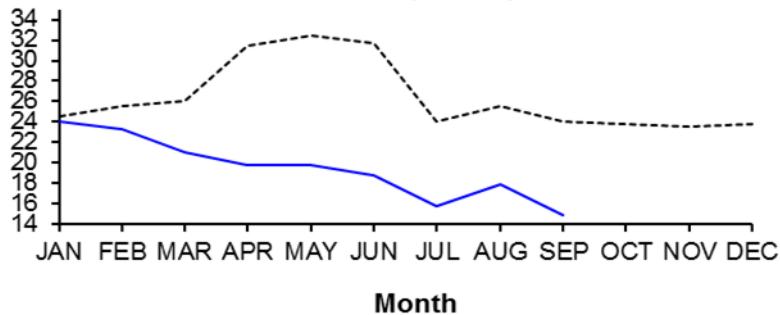
**FAO Food Price Index - Cereals**



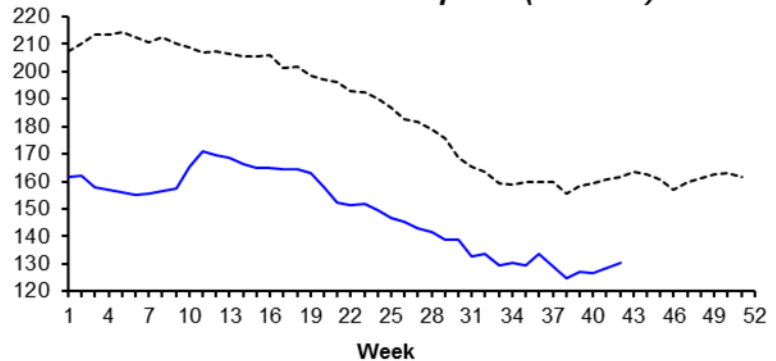
**STRAW (£/large round bale)**



**SILAGE (£/bale)**

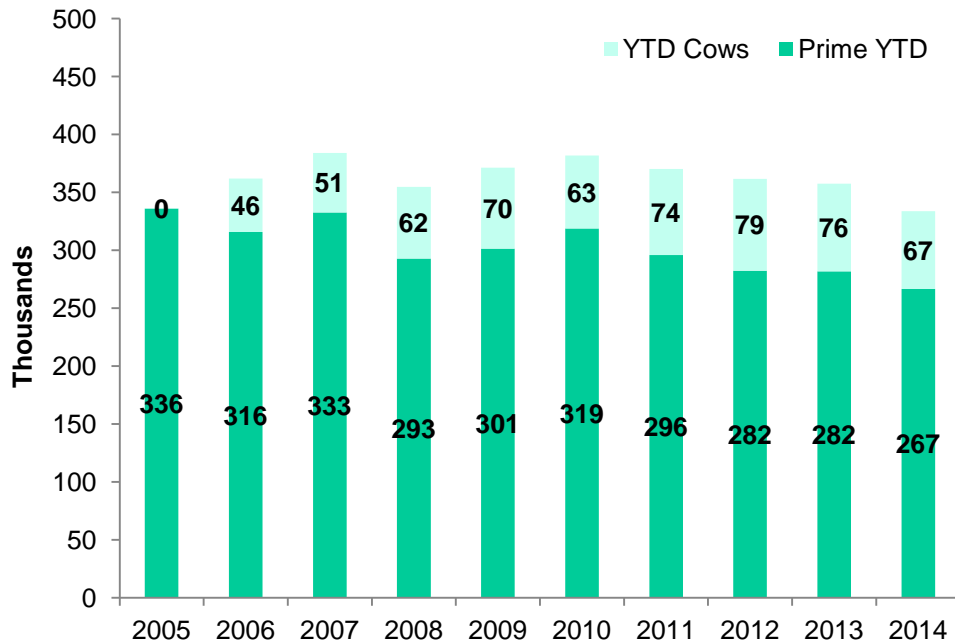


**BARLEY - Delivered price (£/tonne)**



# Reduced NI Production in 2014

But Increases in ROI, GB and EU



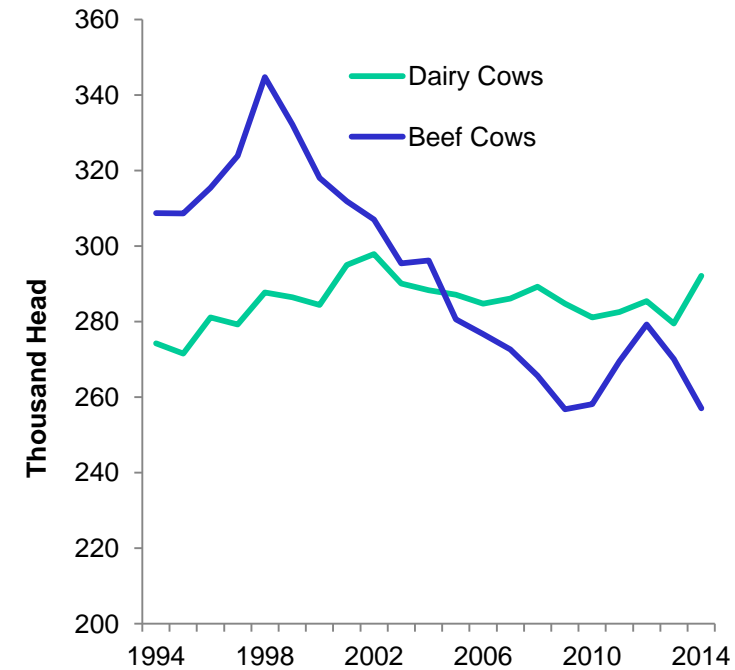
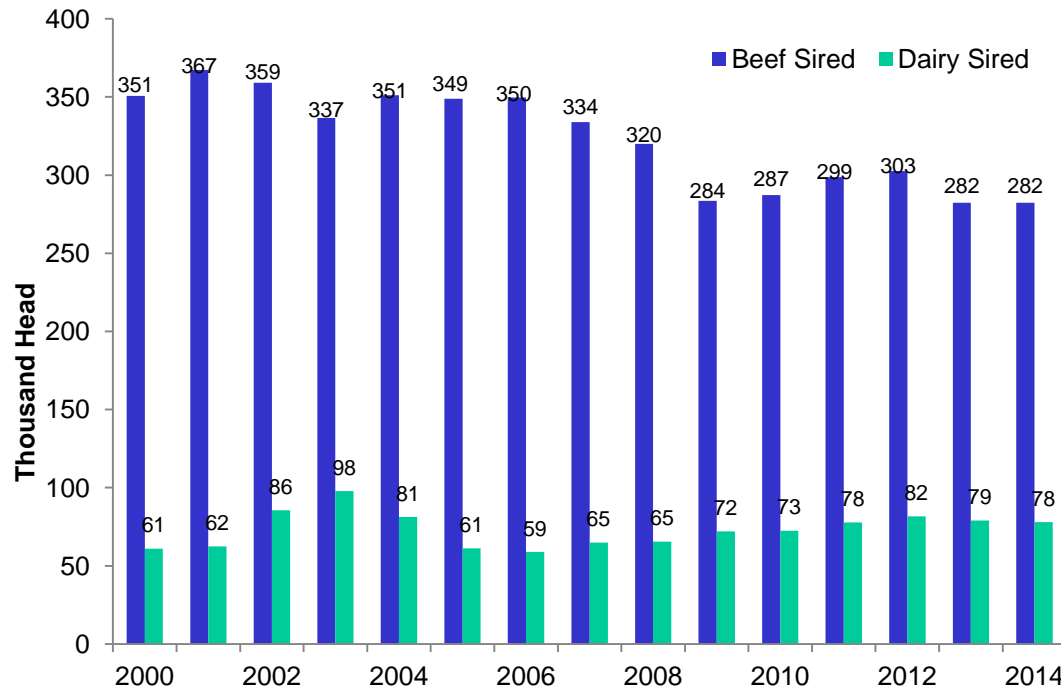
In 2014 to date:

- NI prime kill down 5% (- 15,000 head)
- NI cow kill down 12% (- 9,000 head)
- Prime carcase wts up 4kg
- Cow carcase wts up 10kg
- ROI prime kill up 14% (+ 132,000 head)
- ROI cow kill down 2% (-5,000 head)
- GB prime kill up by 2% (+28,000 head)
- GB Cow Kill down 5% (-20,000 head)

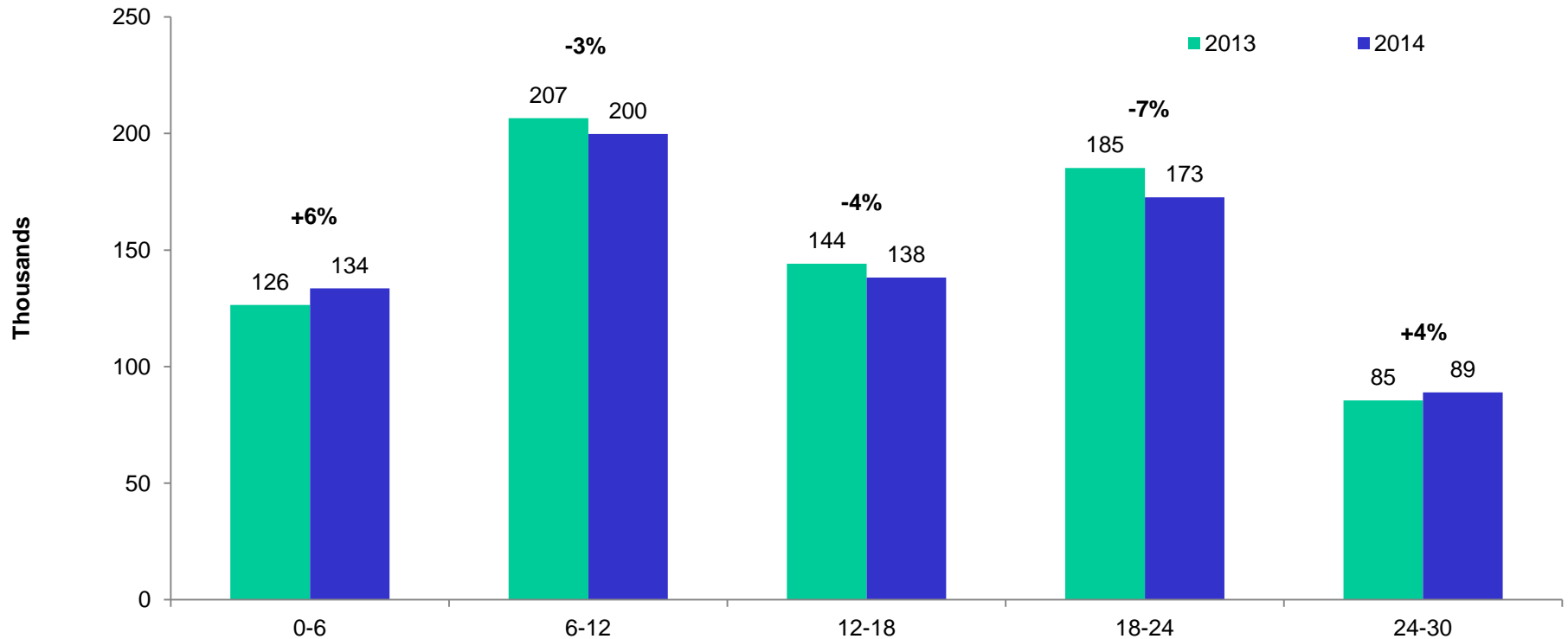
3.5 % increase in production in EU by year end



# Decline in Breeding Herd



# Reduced NI Cattle Numbers



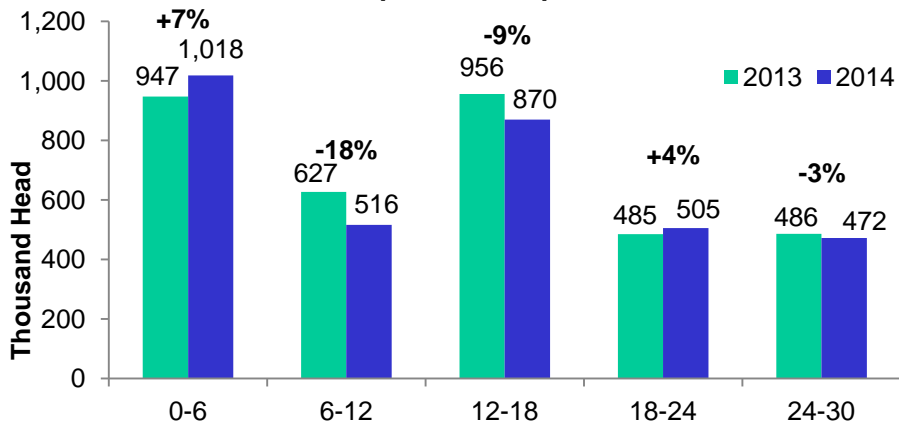
All Beef + Dairy Males (1<sup>st</sup> November 2014 v 2013)





# Reduced Supplies Forecast Elsewhere

ROI Cattle on the Ground - All Beef Cattle + Dairy Females  
Sept 2014 v Sept 2013



Source: Bord Bia

GB Slaughter Forecasts 2014-15

	2013	2014 (a & f)	2015 (f)
		Forecast	Forecast
Jan - Mar	214.6	221.0	<b>225.0</b>
Apr - Jun	212.6	218.4	<b>209.4</b>
Jul - Sep	200.5	210.4	<b>205.9</b>
Oct - Dec	220.4	<b>231.6</b>	<b>225.6</b>
Year (52 weeks)	848.0	<b>881.6</b>	<b>865.9</b>

Forecasts in bold. All figures subject to revision.

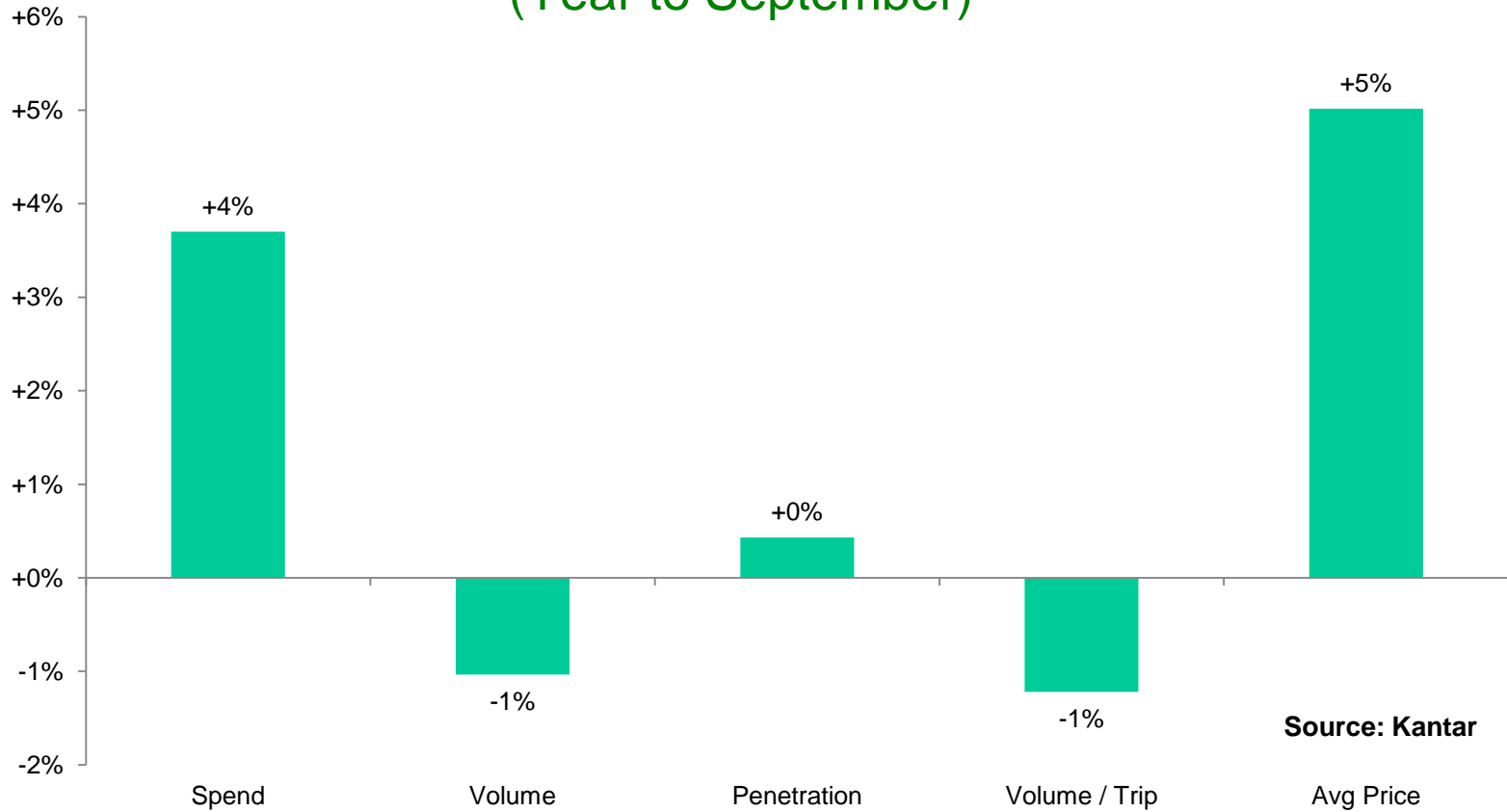
Source: Defra, AHDB / EBLEX

- Beef production to decline in EU in 2015 by just under 1%
- ROI forecasting sharp decline 2015
- Substantial reduction in the number of GB cattle from 18-24 months
- GB Forecasting decline of 2% in 2015



# GB Beef Buying Trends

(Year to September)





**Thank You**

