



	Continental	Dairy X
Purchase Weight October 1st (kg)	500	460
Weight Gain		
Winter 100 days/ 70 days (kg)	120	77
Silage Required (tonnes)	2.7T	1.8T
Meal (kg)	5	5
Liveweight at Sale (kg)	620	545
Age at Slaughter	23 months	22 months
Carcass Weight	341	272
Purchase Weight	500	460
Assumed Purchase Price (€/kg liveweight)	4.41	3.8
Purchase Price (€/head)	2,205	1748
<u>Plus costs:(€/head)</u>		
Variable costs (€)	356	260
Fixed Costs(€)	63	49
Total Costs(€)	419	309
Total Cost + Purchase Price (€)	2624	2057
Breakeven selling price required (€/kg carcass)	7.70	7.55
Increase in selling price required for every €100 increase in margin	0.29	0.37



Effects of Autumn 2026 Store Price on Breakeven Price Required Winter 2026/ Spring 2027

	Continental	Dairy X
Lower Store Prices Autumn 2026		
€ per kg liveweight	4.21	3.6
Breakeven price required €/kg carcass	7.40	7.21
Assumed Store Prices Autumn 2026		
€ per kg liveweight	4.41	3.80
Breakeven price required €/kg carcass	7.70	7.55
Higher Store Prices Autumn 2026		
€ per kg liveweight	4.61	4
Breakeven price required €/kg carcass	7.99	7.89

Note: The breakeven selling prices required are NOT predicted or expected prices. Rather they are the price that farmers would need to attain to break-even given the assumptions in these budget for purchase price, animal performance, input usage and costs. Farmers should be aware that future beef prices are difficult to predict.