

## KOORINGAL 2017 DROP LIVEWEIGHT GROWTH PATH

The most recent weighing of the Kooringal 2017 drop animals has shown that this group are well on track to achieving good joining weights next year. Feed conditions from winter have generated an average growth rate of 155 grams per head per day since June 2018, resulting in an average current liveweight of 50kg, which is nearly 5kg heavier than the minimum target weight for this time (see graph below). While it is important to ensure that these animals do not lose weight from this point forward, minimal growth is now required over the summer period. This is a great outcome and will minimise any supplementary feed required as pasture growth rate slows and feed quality declines.



Figure 1 - Liveweight growth path for 2017 Kooringal Drop





Data from the most recent weighing at the start of November has shown once again the value of the improved growth leading into summer, as those animals of a greater liveweight have a higher growth rate, increasing their resilience to poorer quality summer feed. The graph below shows that spread of liveweight within the group and the corresponding average growth rate of each group, ie there are approximately 190 animals at an average liveweight of 50kg and the average growth rate of these animals is 0.135kg/hd/day.

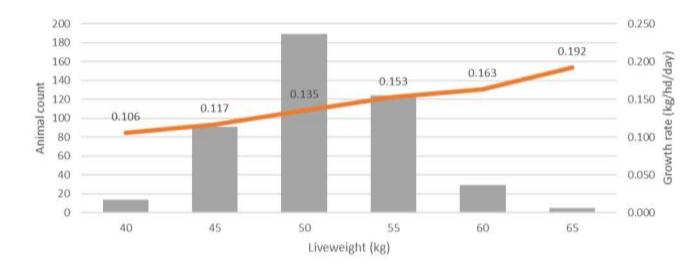


Figure 2 - Count of animals in each liveweight category and corresponding growth rate of each group