



Rimanui Farms

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- North Island Hill Country – Higher altitude
- Predominantly breeding & finishing
- Farms are run independently of each other
- Supportive shareholders and excellent staff.
- We try to do the basic's well

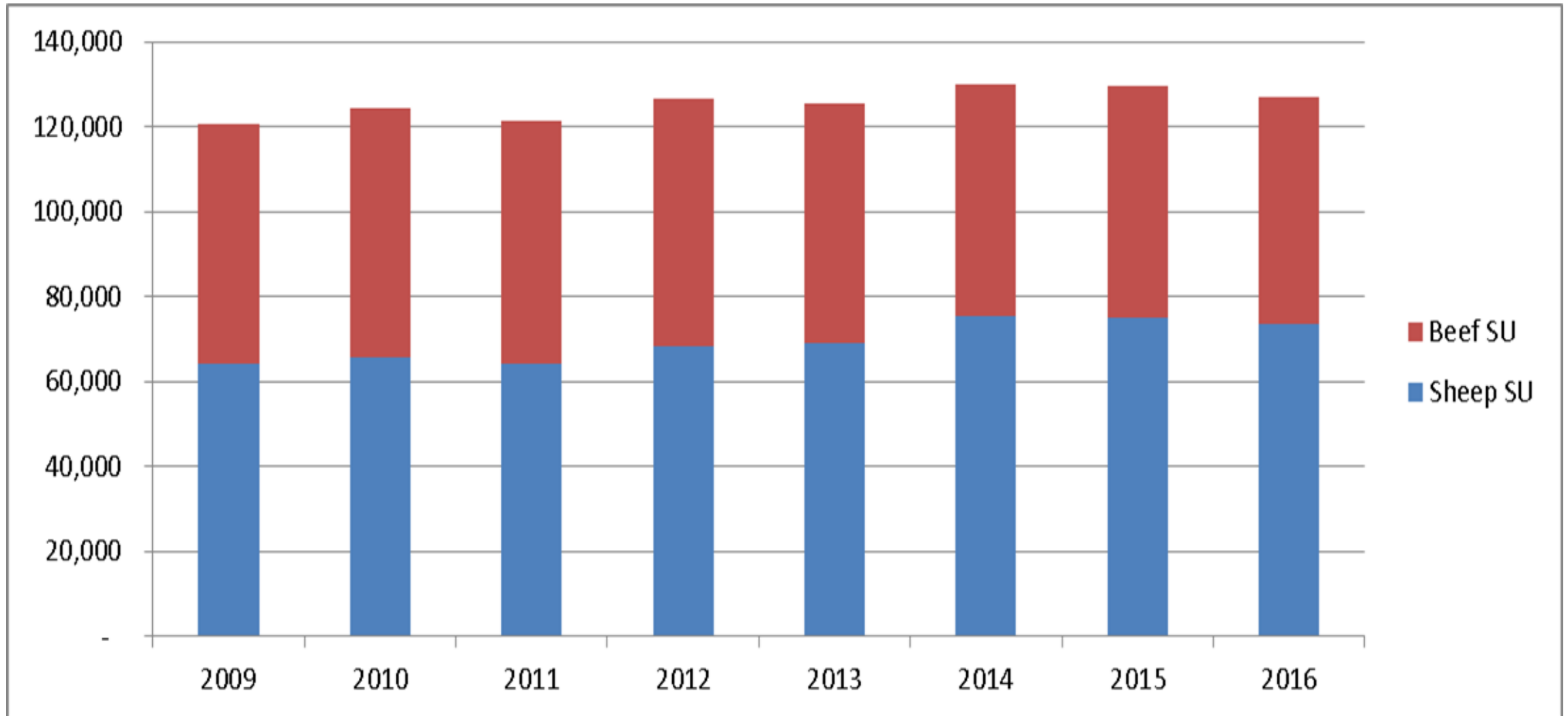


Beef Cattle Policy

- 45% cattle ratio, includes bull beef, dairy support etc.
- Calve November, Wean May, Finish at 24-30 months.
- Mate Yearling heifer
- Historically Angus X Hereford, now mainly Angus
- Purchased Bulls from two sources
- Selected mainly on SRI
- Synopsis of Five Farms



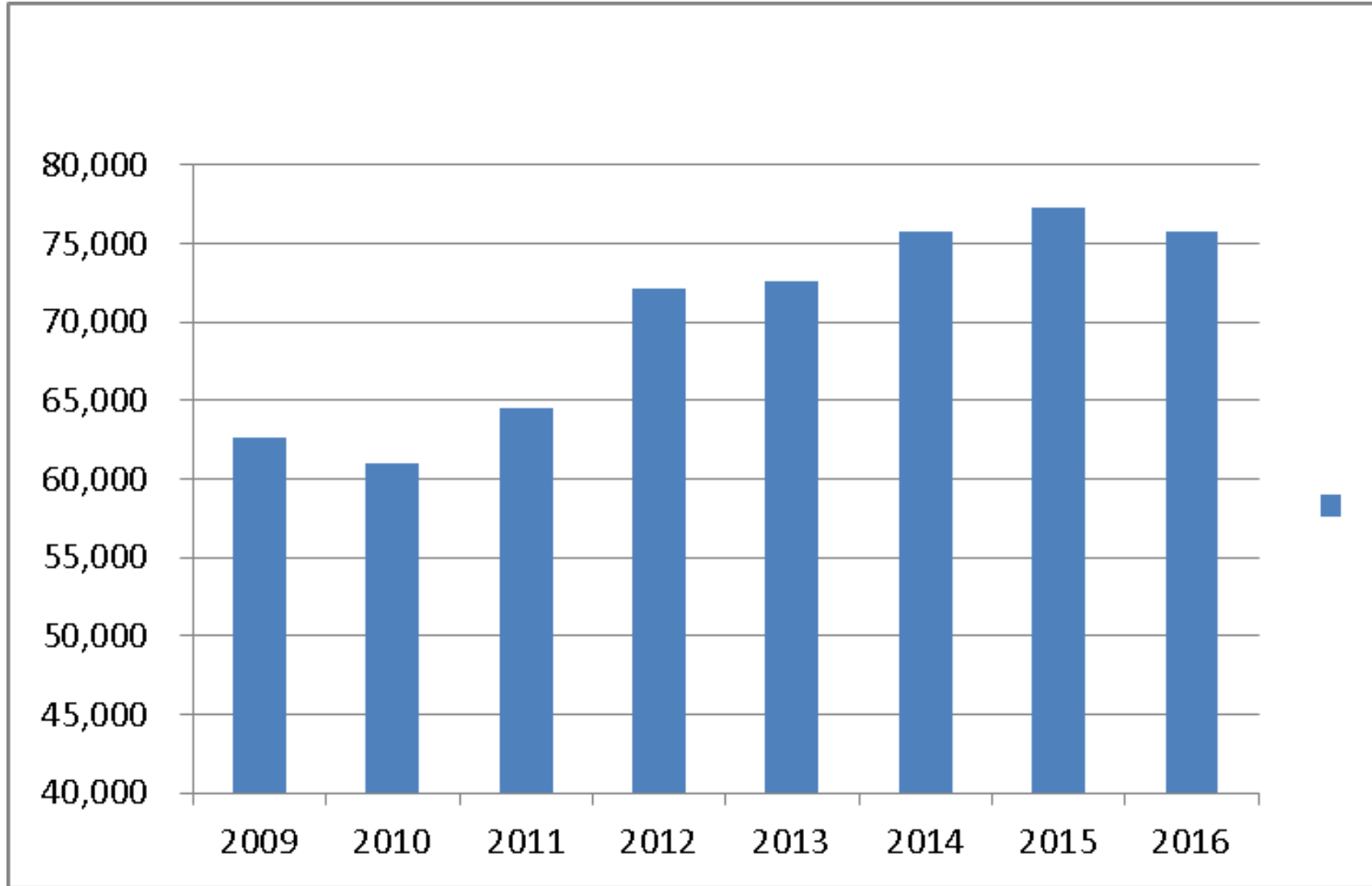
Stock Units +5% Sheep



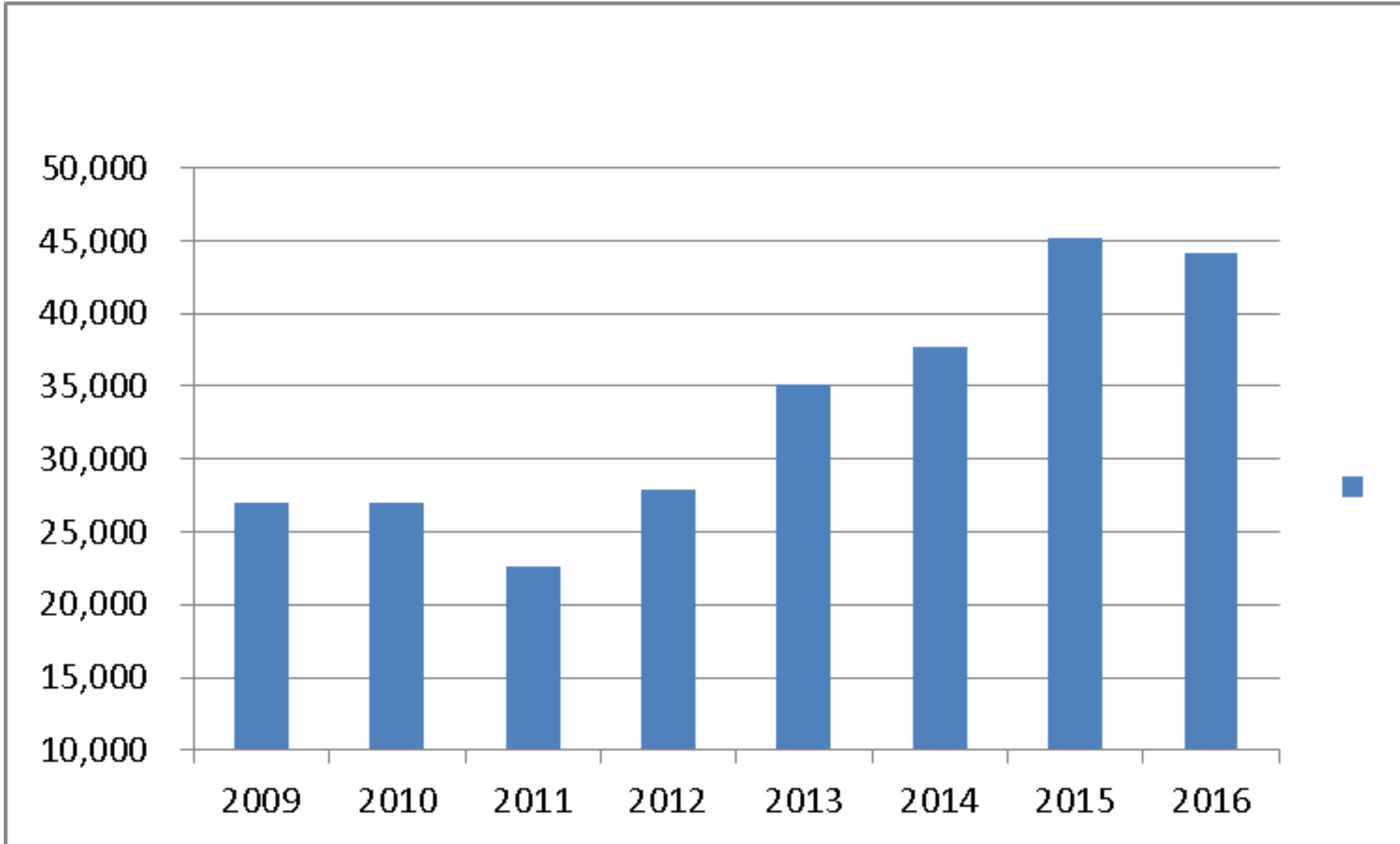
Producing More Lambs + 25%



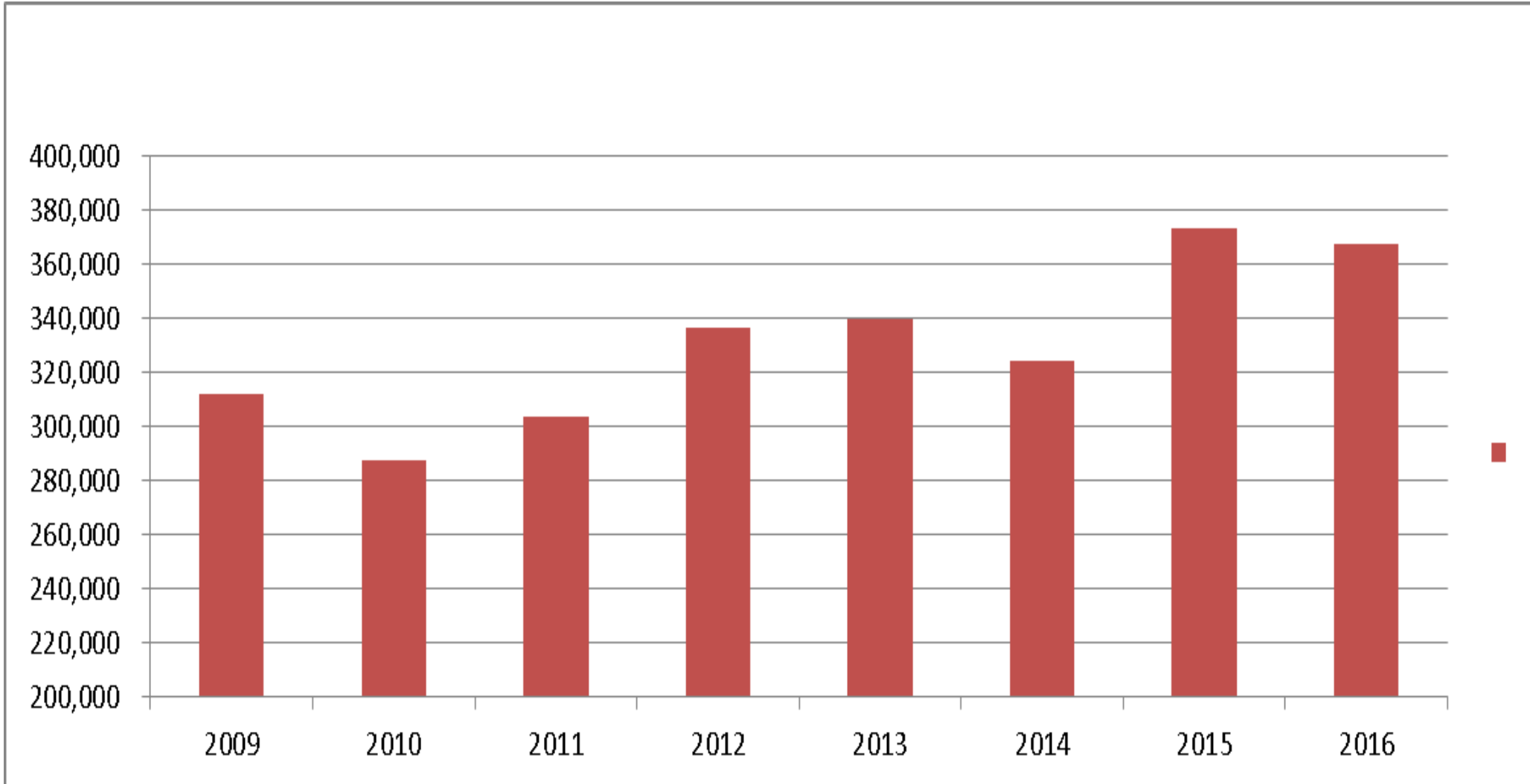
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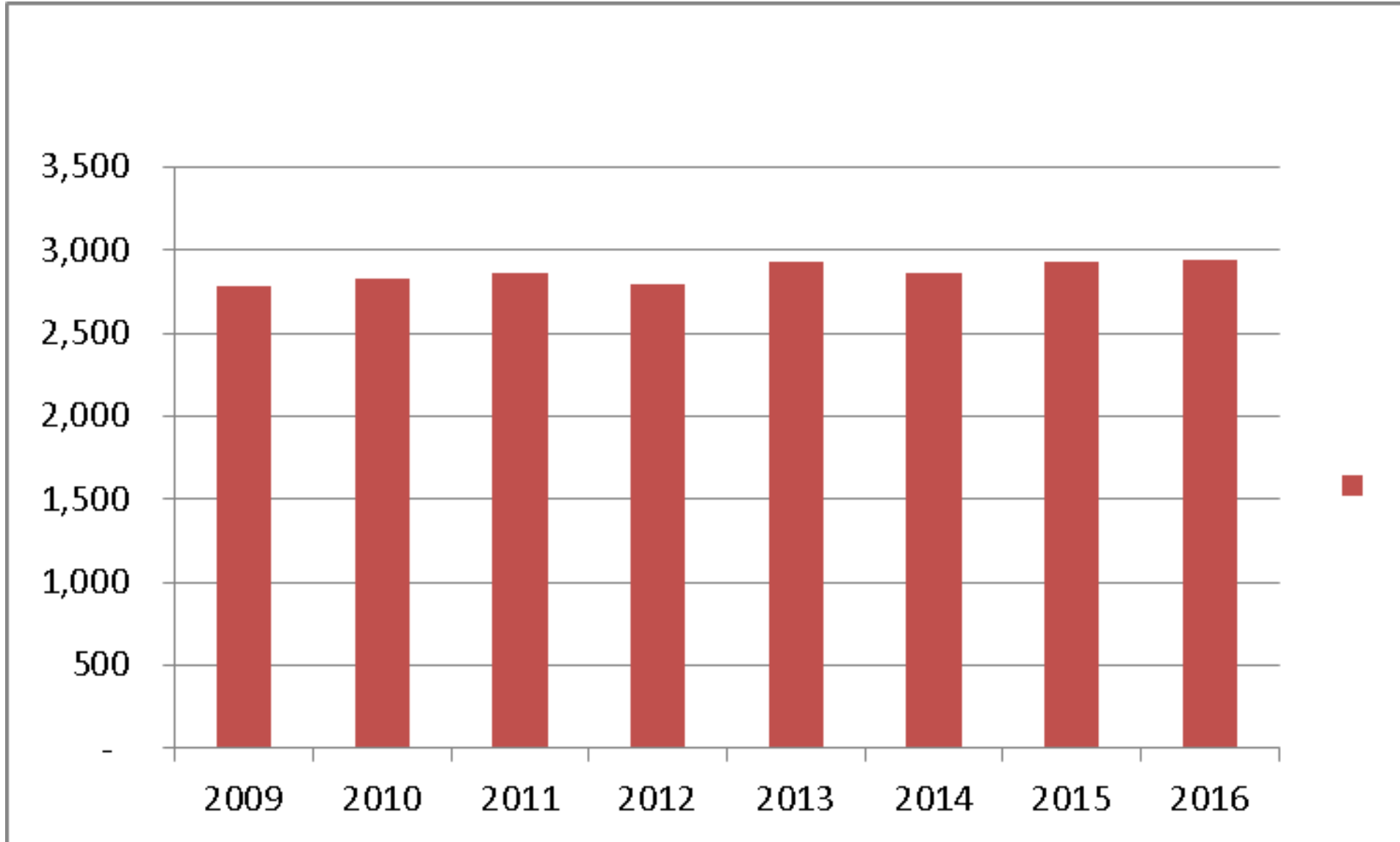
Finishing More Lambs +50%



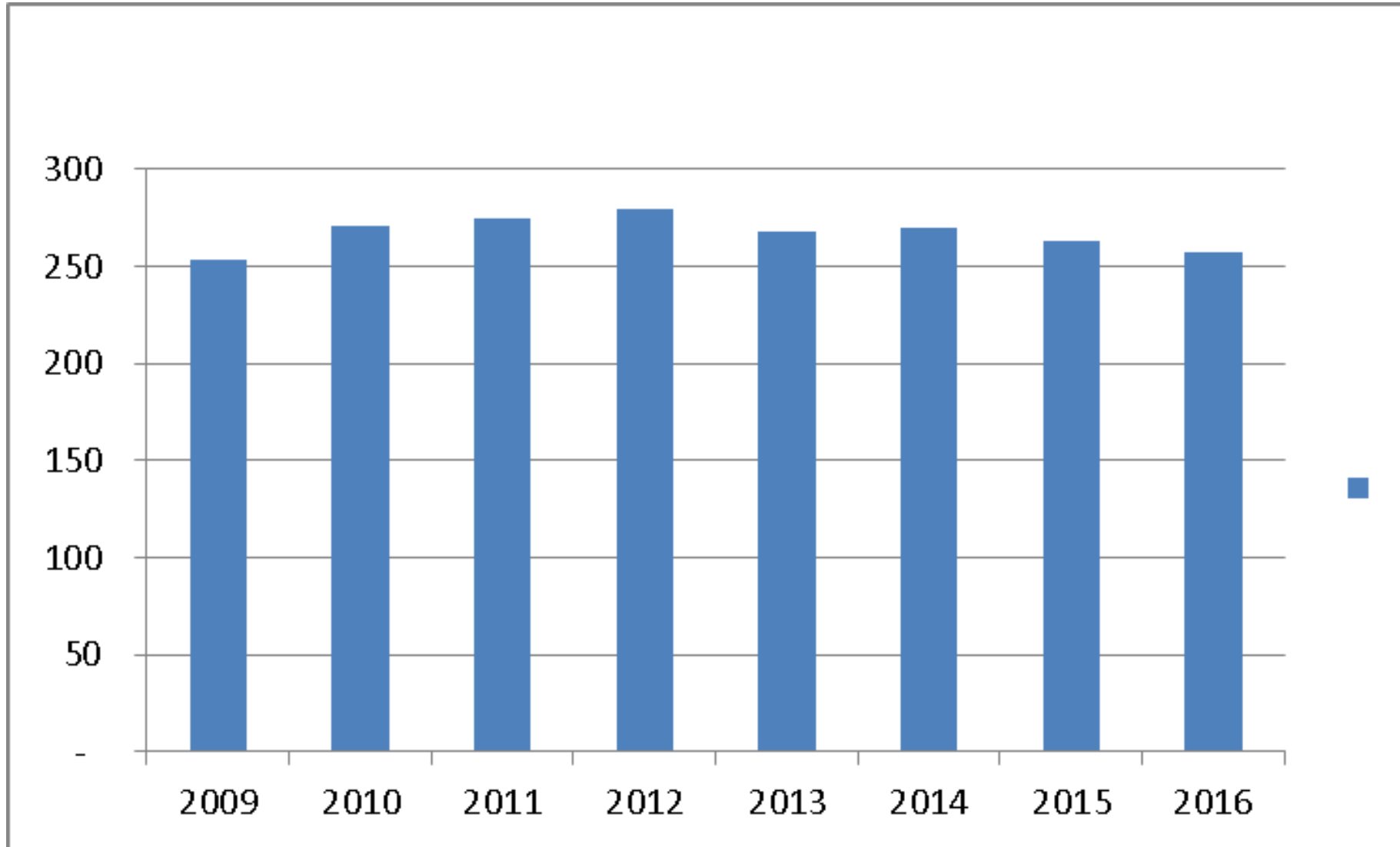
Producing More Wool +50t



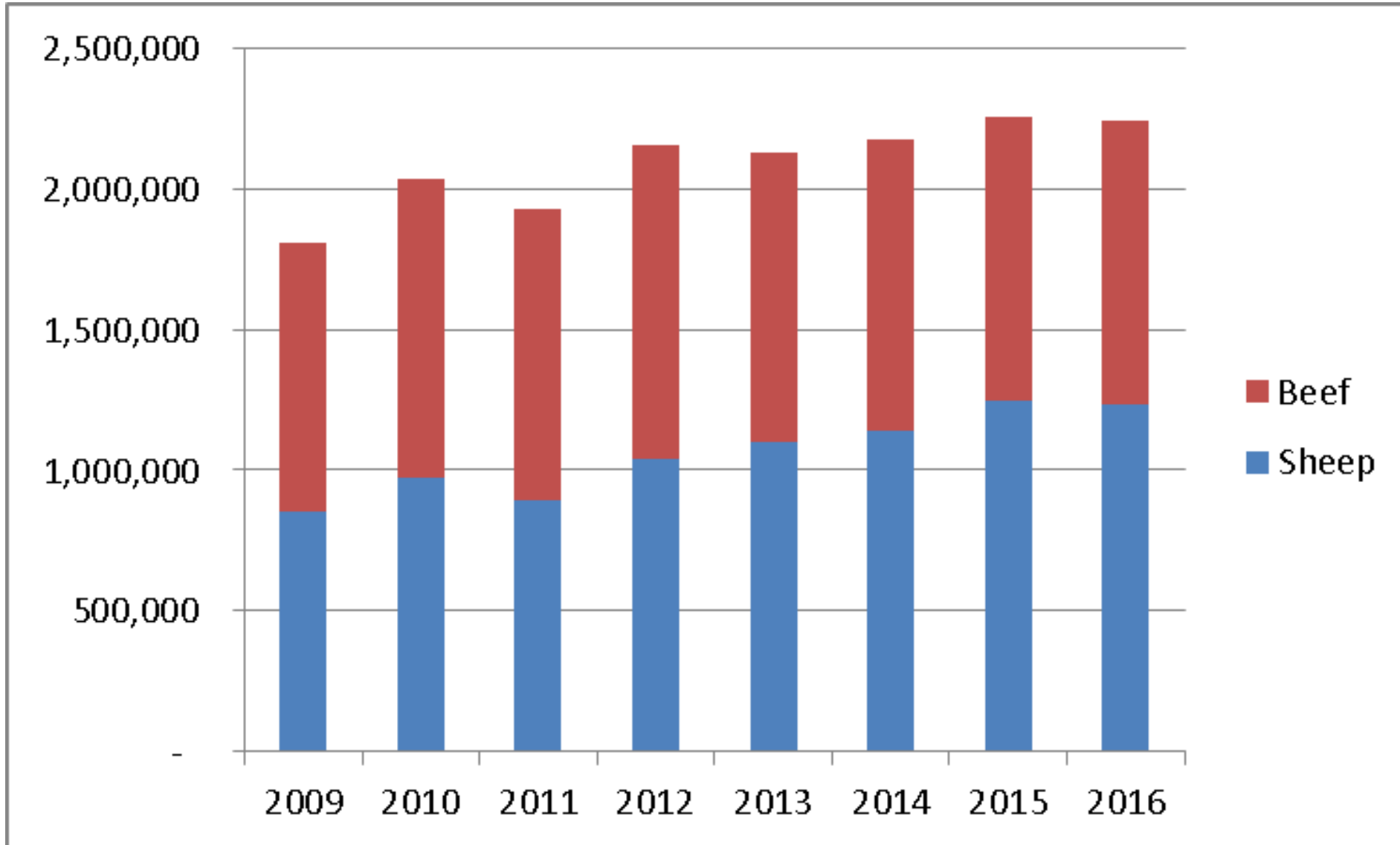
Calves Weaned



Average Cattle Carcass Weight kg



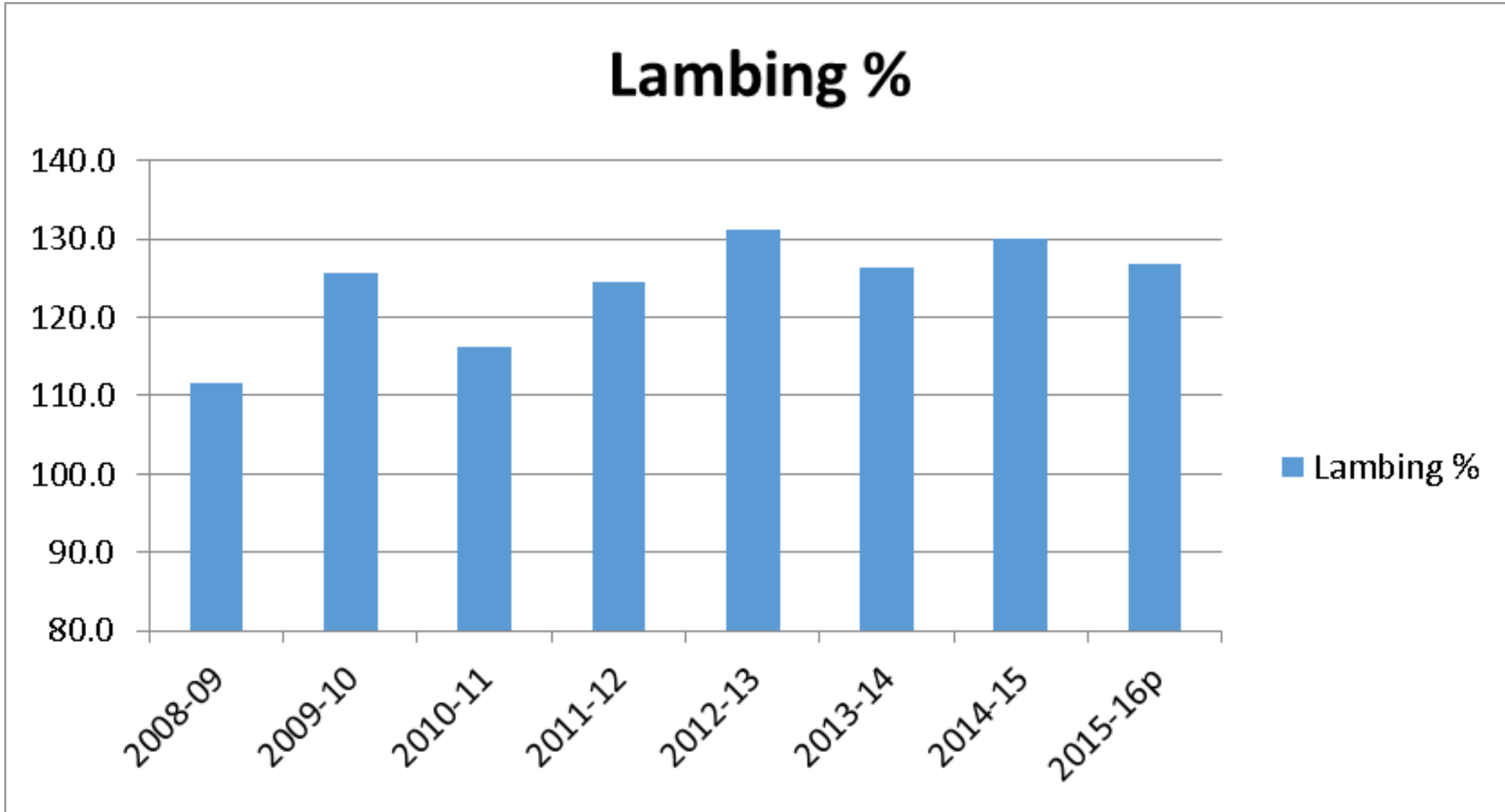
Sheep Meat & Beef, + 400t



NI Hill – lambing %



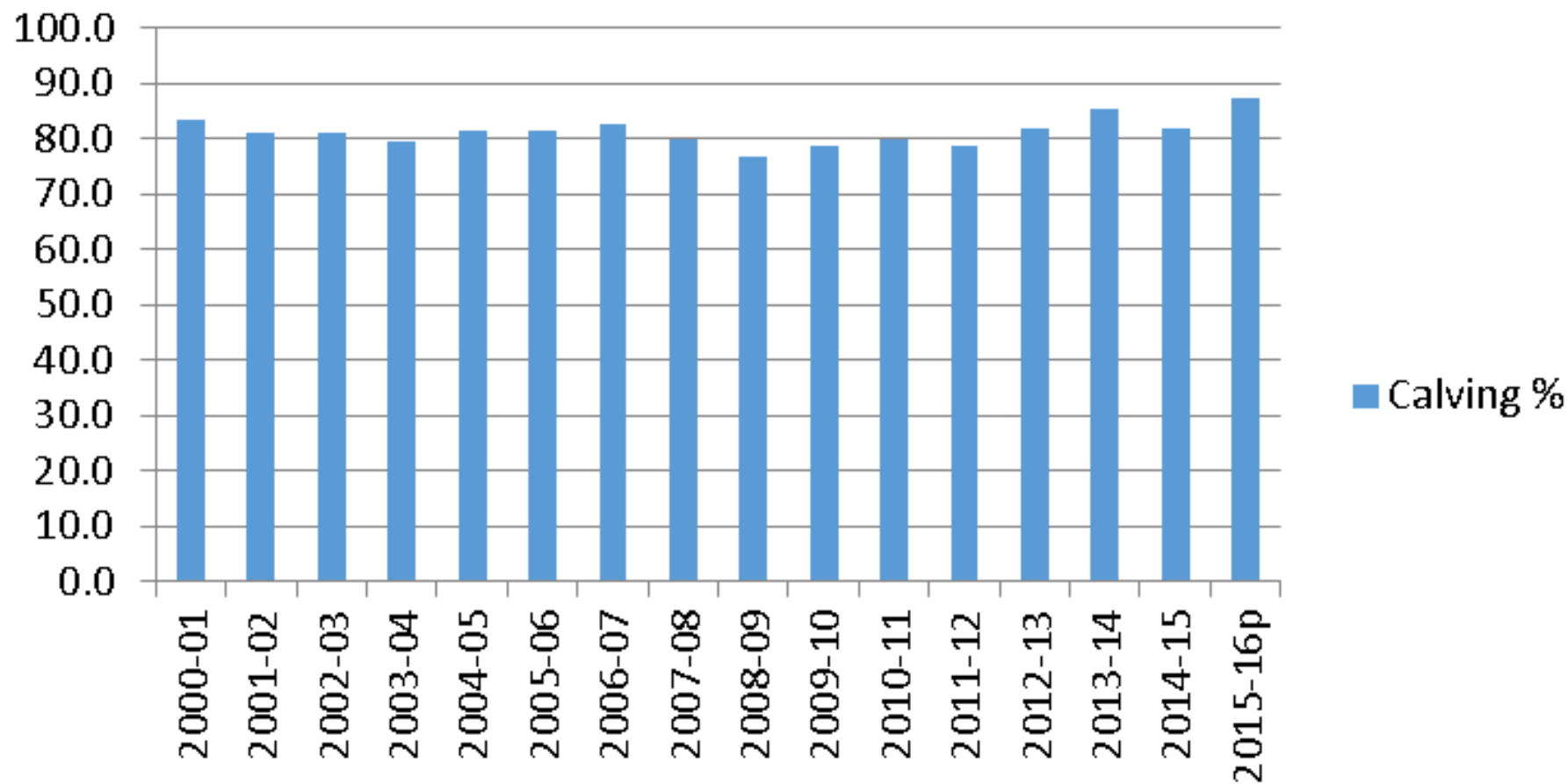
Lambing %



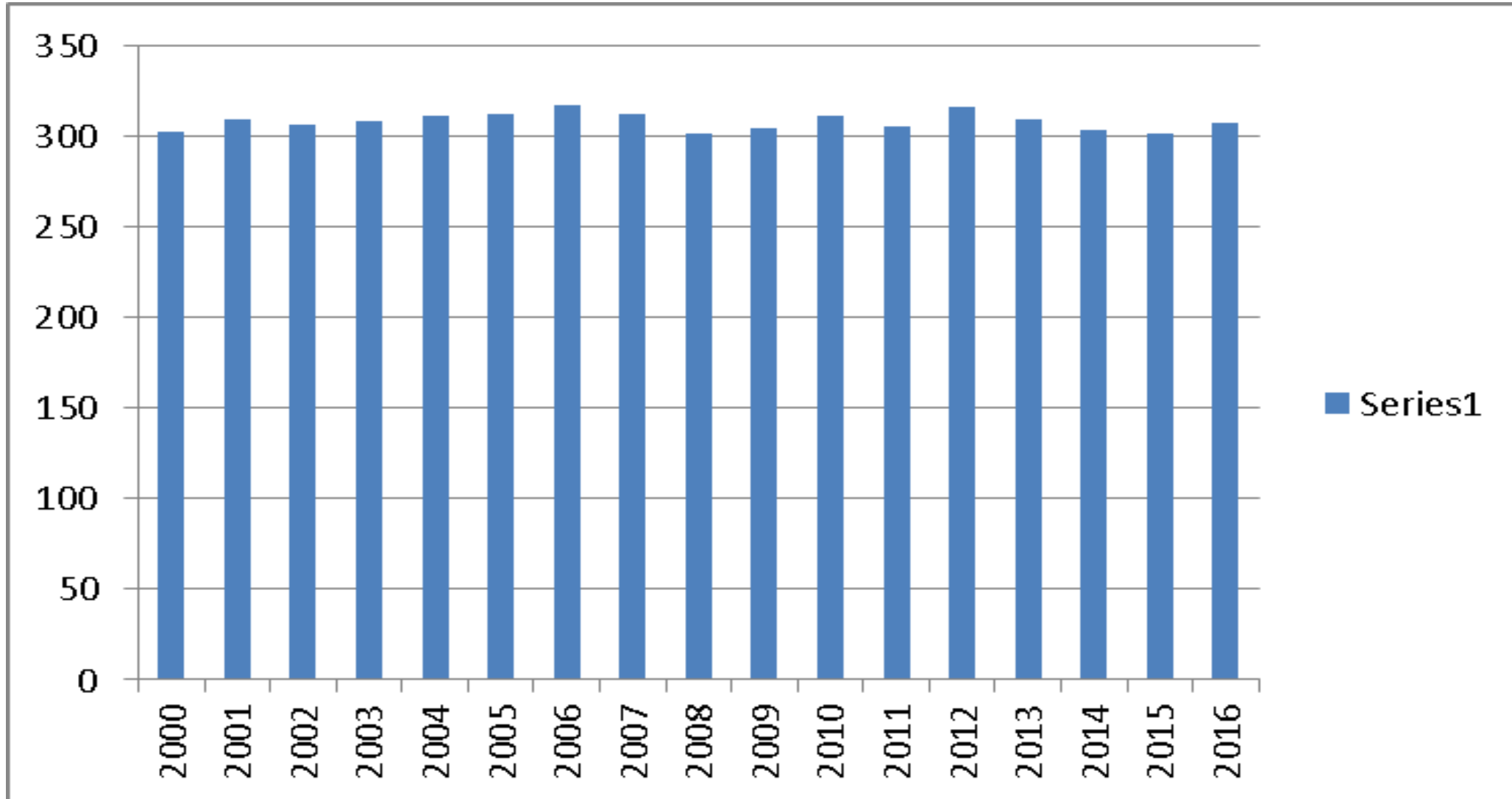
NI Hill – Calving %



Calving %



NI Hill – Steer weights



Conclusions

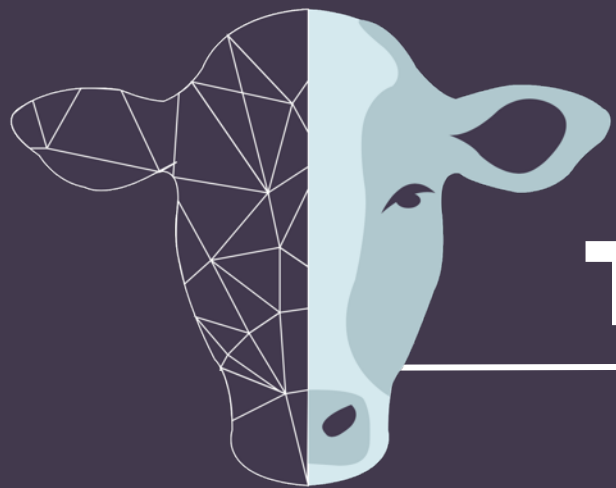
- Significant increases in sheep production have been achieved
- Not so in beef production
- How will commercial farmers capture the benefits of improved beef genetics?



Sourcing Bulls

- Need scale 40-50 bulls/year
- Leading breeders prefer to sell at auction
- Auctions don't suit corporates
- Rimani multiplier herd using AI





Thank you.