

The Productivity Commission Report on the Pork Industry of Australia

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We are Pork Producers supplying the Newcastle area with 80 to 90 chilled carcasses per week. As a business we have operated for over 30 years from our property at Craven NSW,. Currently we are carrying 230 sows in production and plan to increase to 250 sows by the end of 1998. The reason behind this is that we must maximise our total output to help compensate for the present low prices.

We have failed to make a profit in the last 1998 financial year.

In 1997 we turned off 3704 pigs for a gross income on \$620250.00

In 1998 we turned off 3809 (104 extra) pigs for a gross income of \$469663.00

We managed to save on costs approximatley \$40000.00, however the current pricing level will not allow us to see another year in business.

Yours faithfully

Cliff Bramley
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