# Australian perceptions about the red meat industry



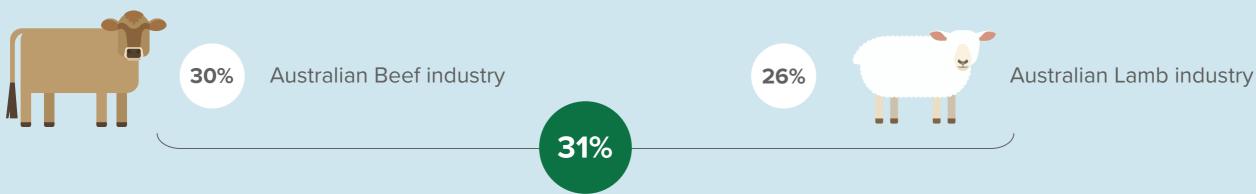
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## Who we spoke to

A robust, sample of n=1510 main grocery buyers and main meal preppers aged 18-64 in metro Australia

# Higher percieved industry knowledge is linked to better perceptions

Those who agreed "I have a very good knowledge & understanding of ...



From the 31% who feel knowledgeable, the following agreed		Total sample
I feel good about the production of beef / lamb in Australia	76%	63%
Cattle / sheep farmers make a positive contribution to society	77%	63%
Cattle / sheep farmers care about the environment	72%	56%
Australian cattle / sheep are farmed and raised in a humane manner	70%	54%

And they want to learn more ...

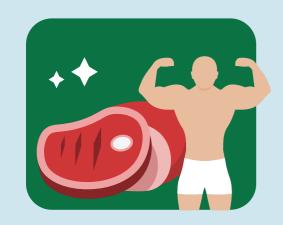
53%

of total metro Australians are interested in learning about how farmers produce beef and lamb

## What has motivated people to change their red meat consumption?

In the last 12 months, 9% are consuming meat more often, and 28% are consuming meat less often

+9% 63% no change -28%



## Reasons for eating $\underline{more}$ red meat

- **#1** Source of protein
- **#2** Just like meat
- **#3** Source of nutrition
- **#4** Source of iron

## Reasons for eating <u>less</u> red meat

- **#1** Too expensive
- **#2** Health concerns
- **#3** Environment
- **#4** Animal welfare



## **MLA's Community Engagement priorities**



### **Community sentiment**

Maintain positive community sentiment towards the red meat industry, highlighting care for environment and animal wellbeing



### **Tell our positive stories**

Showcase farmer stories to share their knowledge with the community on the journey from paddock to plate



#### **Red Meat, Green Facts**

Provide easy to understand facts on the red meat industry to bust myths and build industry knowledge



#### **School education**

Build teachers and students knowledge through curriculum aligned topics on the red meat industry