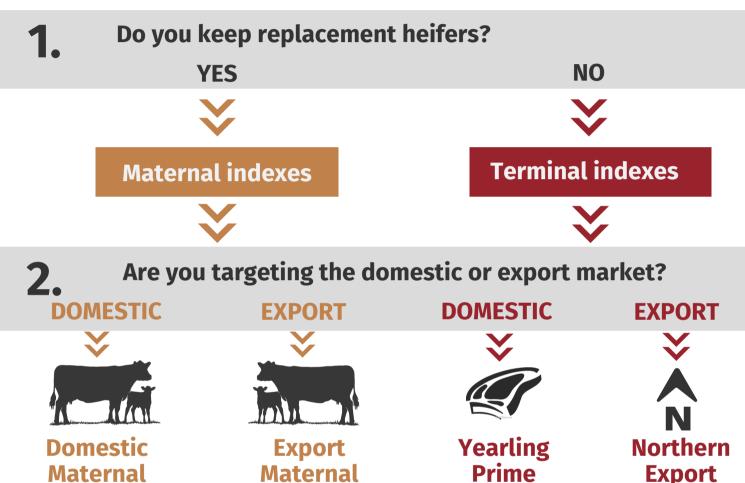




Which index should you use?

The aim is to select the index that most closely reflects your breeding objective.



Selecting an index that aligns with your breeding objectives is an important first step, you can then:

- 1. Use the index to sort catalogues, herds and sire lists to find the animals broadly suited to your needs.
- 2. Add additional parameters in addition to the index to your search parameters to find animals that are best for you e.g. Docility EBVs







Domestic Maternal

- Self-replacing herd targeting domestic supermarket specifications
- · Steers finished on grass or short-fed
- Marketed at 450kg live weight (250kg carcase weight & 8mm P8 fat) at 15 months of age
- Selected heifers are retained for breeding and the balance marketed at 425kg (235kg carcase weight & 9mm P8 fat) at 15 months of age
- · Positive emphasis on maternal traits
- Positive emphasis on meeting MSA specifications



Export Maternal

- Self-replacing herd targeting export specifications
- · Steers finished on grass or short-fed
- Marketed at 560kg live weight (330kg carcase weight & 12mm P8 fat) at 22 months of age
- Selected heifers are retained for breeding and the balance marketed at 525kg (290kg carcase weight & 14mm P8 fat) at 22 months of age
- · Positive emphasis on maternal traits
- Positive emphasis on meeting MSA specifications



Yearling Prime

- Commercial cross-breeding herd using Limousin bulls over British bred Dairy Cows targeting the domestic trade (butchers, veal, light domestic carcase)
- All progeny finished on grass (potentially with creep feeding)
- Marketed at 365kg live weight (200kg carcase weight & 5mm P8 fat)
- Positive emphasis placed on early growth and meeting MSA specifications.

This Index is well suited for producers looking to finish animals efficiently to produce a high yielding carcase for the domestic trade



Northern Export

- Limousin bulls joined with Bos indicus cows in Northern Australia targeting the export trade
- All progeny finished on grass
- Steers marketed at 580kg live weight (330kg carcase weight & 12mm P8 fat) at 27 months of age
- Heifers marketed at 545kg live weight (300kg carcase weight & 14mm P8 fat) at 27 months of age
- · Positive emphasis placed on finishing ability

This index can also be used by producers in Temperate Australia that are targeting larger carcase weights

