

BEEF CATTLE PRODUCTION

Location: Northern Territory, Australia

Sector: Agribusiness

Investment type: Various opportunities available including purchase of pastoral lease, joint venture and direct passive equity investment

Investment amount sought: Variable dependent on location, scale, infrastructure and business model

Project status: Investor ready

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**AUSTRALIA'S NORTHERN TERRITORY
INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY**



Project description:

The Northern Territory (the Territory) currently has a total cattle herd of around 2 million head, sales of around 500 000 cattle per annum and the capacity for further growth. There are two main breeds of cattle in the Territory.



North

Bos indicus including Brahman, Brahman cross and tropical composites which are generally live exported through the Darwin port.



South

Bos taurus or British breeds which are processed for Australian and export markets.

Beef cattle free range on pastoral stations. A pastoral lease is issued as a long-term lease of an area of land to use for grazing of cattle (and other livestock). Recent changes to lease arrangements mean that there is also opportunity to develop tourism, horticulture and forestry activities on pastoral leases. For more information on leases refer to www.austrade.gov.au/land-tenure/Land-tenure/pastoral-leases.

Investment in beef cattle offers:

- high quality products with a reputation for food safety
- proximity to south-east Asian markets with growing protein consumption
- long-term return on investment.

TOP END

- Predominately Brahman cattle and a small buffalo industry
- Mostly live exported to supply South-east Asia
- Cattle graze on floodplains and improved pasture
- Average property size is 500 km²
- Average herd size is 3600 head

KATHERINE REGION

- Predominately Brahman cattle
- Live exported to supply South-east Asia
- Cattle graze on native grasses
- Average property size is 2200 km²
- Average herd size is 10 500 head

BARKLY REGION

- Commonly Brahman, Brahman cross and Tropical composite cattle
- Mostly sent to feedlots in Queensland (with 20% live exported to supply South-East Asia)
- Cattle graze on floodplains and improved pasture
- Average property size is 6600 km²
- Average herd size is 24 000 head

ALICE SPRINGS REGION

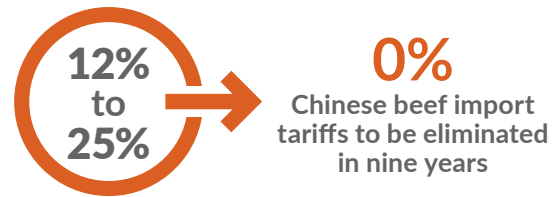
- Largely *Bos taurus* breeds
- Generally sold to abattoirs, feedlots and sale yards in southern Australia states
- Cattle graze on native grasses
- Average property size is 3800 km²
- Average herd size is 5700 head

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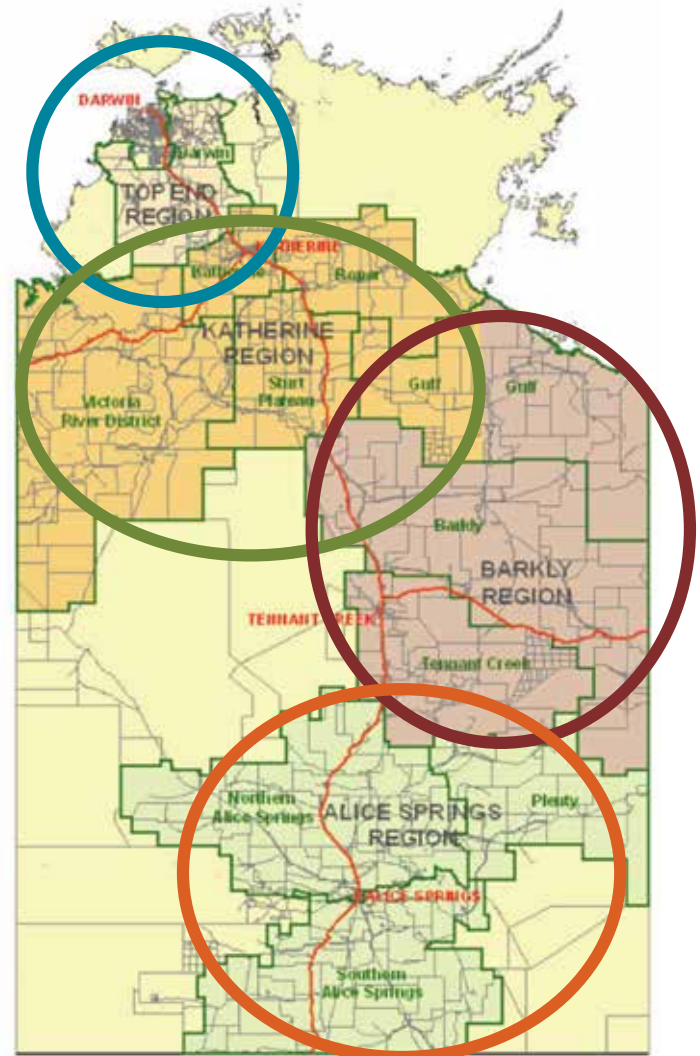
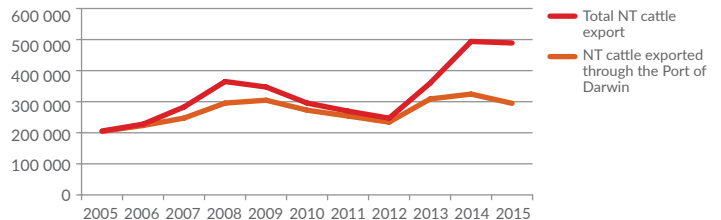
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Industry statistics:

China-Australia free trade agreement



Live cattle export from NT



More information is available at nt.gov.au/industry/agriculture/livestock/cattle-and-buffalo

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