

# Effect of weaning age and growth rate on target

**Experiment:** 2 weaning ages; high and low feeding rates post-weaning

## Objective

Determine the optimum weaning age & post-weaning growth rate so that target live-weights are achieved

## Target weights

	6 mths	15 mths	Calving
% Mature weight	30	60	90

**Weaning age**

**1<sup>st</sup> season at grass (May-Nov)**

**Common diet over winter (Nov-Mar)**

**2<sup>nd</sup> season at grass: no concentrate (Mar-present)**



1.5 kg/heifer



2.5 kg/heifer

**OR**



4.5 kg/heifer

**+**



2 kg/heifer



3.5 cm

**OR**



4.5 cm