

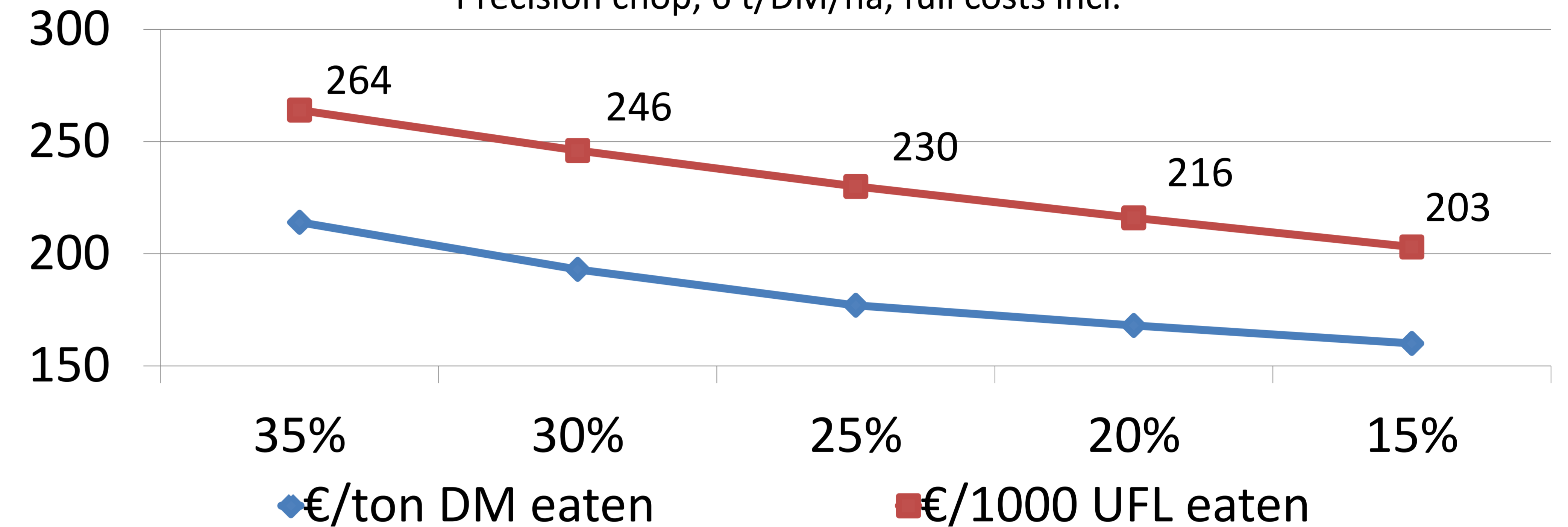
## Growth Stage at Harvest and Silage DMD



DMD	76+	74-76	72	67-70	<67
	Finishing Cattle		Weanlings Growing Cattle	Dry cows	Low Quality Feed

## Impact of Ensiling Losses on Cost of Silage

Precision chop, 6 t/DM/ha, full costs incl.



### Improve Silage Quality by:

- Graze off swards to 4 cm before closing.
- High % ryegrass in swards, sufficient fertiliser applied.
- Harvest at correct growth stage weather permitting.
- Wilt if possible - fill clamp/ bale +wrap quickly.
- Check cover/wrap for damage - tighten as required.
- Maintain and clean pit and feed face regularly.
- Target 4 bales per weanling/ 6 bales per 1-2 year old.