

AUBRAC

AUTONOM and ECONOM breed

Its maternal qualities, its proven dairy aptitudes, its excellent fecundity, its great ease of calving, its longevity (average age at culling : 10 years), its calving regularity, the simplicity of its management make it a breed of dams efficient in the economy of beef production, both as pure breed and crossed with a bull from a specialised beef breed.

For a long time it has been selected in extensive production conditions, which explains its hardiness: summer pasture in the mountains, a harsh climate, management in large herds, a diet composed exclusively of grazed or harvested pastures, a long winter period. So the breed is well adapted to present day conditions which require optimum use of grassy areas in production systems whose economic viability depends on their being self-sufficient. In this way, the Aubrac is contributing to land-use planning and development.

In addition to its excellent numerical productivity, its aptitude for walking over extensive rough pasture and the use it makes of rough forage also contribute to its capacity for low cost production.



An Aubrac cow has an easy birth every year for a long time.

The **AUBRAC** breed is among the best breeds in **REPRODUCTION** qualities.

Aubrac cattle are especially outstanding in their reproductive capacity, which is consistent regardless of the environmental conditions. The breed reproduction qualities guarantee one calf per cow per year to the operation, without a problem. This is, in effect, the principle component of income.

Easy Calving	98 %
IVV* average	381 days
Cattle over than 10 years old	15 %
Twinning rate	2,3%

(*) IVV : Interval between births

Source : Résultats du Contrôle de Performances Bovins Allaitants, France, Campagne 2008, Institut de l'Elevage, FBC, Edition 2009



	Aubrac	Other beef breed average
Renewal rate	18%	22%
Death rate	5%	7%
Productivity	93 %	89%
Price of cull cow carcass kilogram	3,64 €	3,57 €
Price of kilogram of grass-fed calf	2,33 €	2,24 €

Source : Les systèmes bovins viande en France, repères techniques et économiques, Edition 2008

210 days weights of pure Aubrac and cross-bred with Charolais.

	Aubrac	Charolais x Aubrac
Males	271 kg	278 kg
Females	238 kg	246 kg

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