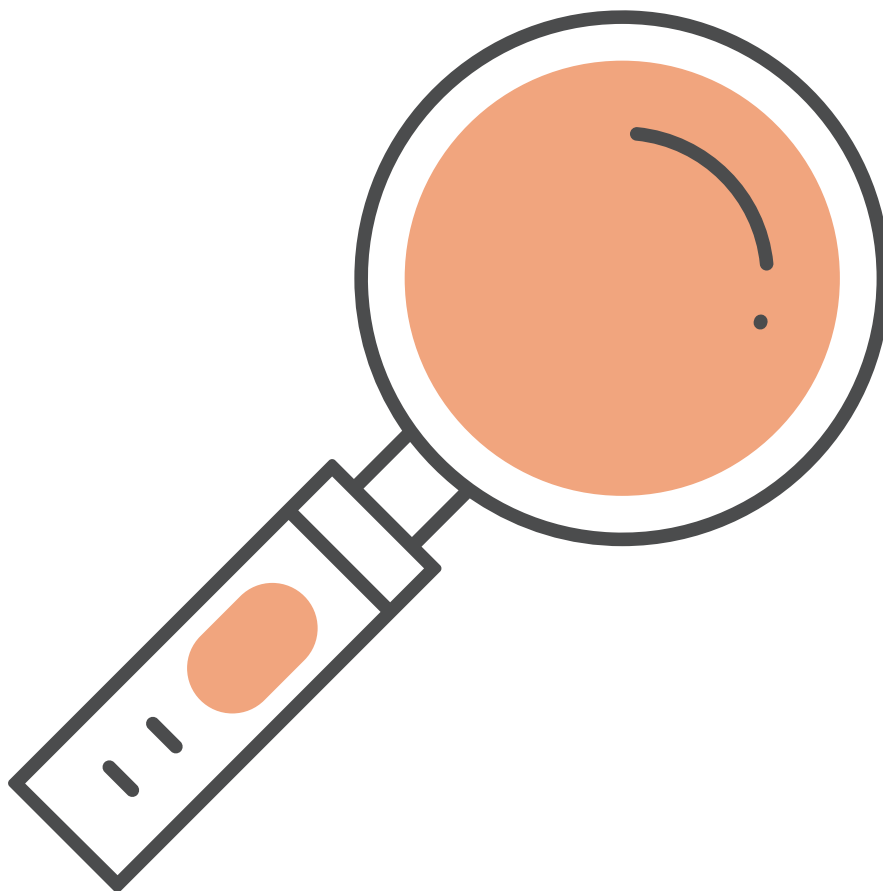


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Animal welfare considerations

- Early weaning
- Doe-kid separation
- Lameness and mastitis prevalence
- Painful husbandry practices such as disbudding and castration
- Rangeland (feral) goat mustering and management
- Slaughter methods



If you have specific questions or challenges arising from your supply chain analysis, get in touch with [RSPCA Australia](#).

Product range

Meat: fresh, processed, offal

Dairy: liquid milk, powdered products, cheese products, butter & cream products, sour milk products, whey products, soaps

By-products: pet food, pet treats, horns, gelatine, leather

Step one

Where are goat horns, meat, dairy or by-product used in your business.

- Are you using goat meat on site?
- Are you buying in products that contain goat meat?
- Are you buying in goat horns?
- Are you using goat dairy on site?
- Are you buying in products that contain goat dairy?

What goat meat or dairy is used in your business?

- Is the goat meat used on site fresh or value added?
- Is the goat dairy used on site liquid, powdered, cheese, butter, cream, sour milk or whey?
- Do the products brought in list which kind of goat dairy is used?

Step two

For goat meat, dairy and/or goat by-product used in your business, ask your supplier:

- Is the product certified by a third party?
If so, which certification program.
- Is the method of production labelled?
- What country/ies is the goat meat/dairy/by-product sourced from?

- Is your supplier also the producer? If not, how many suppliers are involved in the chain back to the producer?
- Does the producer also supply goats to the live export trade?
- Is the goat meat, dairy or by-product produced in Australia?
- If product is sourced from rangeland (feral) goats, what is the method of capture?
- If product is sourced as a by-product of fibre or dairy production, what husbandry practices are carried out and how?
- What is the method of slaughter?

Step three

Compile your findings to work out the following:

- The percentage of certified goat meat/dairy/by-product product in your business supply chain
- The proportion of Australian goat meat/dairy/by-product and any imported product
- A list of all producers supplying your business
- Husbandry practices, farming methods, capture methods and slaughter methods

Step four

Review your organisation's current supply chain to identify the animal welfare issues using the information collected from the first three steps.

Step five

Implement plan within your organisation to address the identified issues. See RSPCA Australia's 'How to develop an animal welfare policy' for more information.