**Life Cycle of a Number 9 Cow**

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| **cow moved to****the milking herd****artificially inseminated** **after 3 months****dried off at 300 days** | **birth****removed from mother** **at 24 hrs****females have 12 weeks in calf shed****moved to the grower herd and grown until 350kg liveweight at around 15 months of age****moved to the mating herd for about 6 weeks****moved to the dry cow herd****moved to the springer herd about 4 weeks before calving****Moved to the milking herd 24 hours after calving** | **males sold at local****saleyards as bobby calves**  |

**Holstein cows are kept until around 11 years of age and Illawarras until about 8 years of age.**