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SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 14TH JUNE 2024

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1172



TRADE AT A GLANCE

PRIME CATTLE	TO 294P/KG & £1828	CULL COWS	TO 228P/KG & £1620
PRIME HOGGS	TO 314P/KG & £180	STORE HOGGS	TO £90
SPRING LAMBS	TO 409P/KG & £200	CULL EWES/RAMS	TO £155
DAIRY	TO £1730	SOW & LITTER	TO £270
PIGS	TO £300	CALVES	TO £460
STORE STEERS	TO £1800	STORE HEIFERS	TO £1465

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WEDNESDAY 12TH JUNE 2024

A good show of pigs selling to a dearer trade with fat pigs to £246 and cull sows £300. More new season lambs forward with vendors being rewarded for properly finished lambs. Dairy heifers to £1730. A good number of calves forward and a larger percentage of younger calves reflected in the averages. A lighter show of cows and clean cattle but demand and competition for both.

**TOTAL
HEAD
SOLD
942**

PRIME CATTLE (45) to 293p/kg and £1828

AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916

Start 12.30pm

Not as many forward as the previous week however trade just as firm on the week. Up to to 15 customers for prime cattle and cull cows today ensuring competition for all categories. Numbers wanted each week to fill orders from wholesale butchers and feeding buyers.

TOP PRICE STEER	294p/kg for a Limousin from EM Horn & Son		
TOP PRICE HEIFER	286p/kg for a Blue from EM Horn & Son		
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	MIN P/KG	MAX P/KG
STEERS			
Light 100-550kg	11	220.00	257.00
Medium 551-650kg	11	227.00	293.00
Heavy 651kg+	1	266.00	267.00
HEIFERS			
Light 100-500kg	4	258.00	264.00
Medium 501-590kg	11	230.00	286.00
Heavy 590kg+	7	242.00	276.00

UTM STEERS (23) Max. 294p/kg & £1828

Quality in the steer section again this week with two superb Limousin steers from EM Horn & Son ringing the bell at 294p/kg and 287p/kg grossing £1746 and £1635 respectively. Simmental x steers from DJ & VM Norman to 278p/kg & £1720 and 276p/kg grossing £1680. Top gross price steer £1828 for a 686kg Simmental from TJ Rowland Farms. Handy weight Simmental steers from the same home 272p/kg, 268p/kg grossing £1618 and £1602. A good consignment of fed cattle from J Powell & Son reached 256p/kg and £1507 for Hereford x. Angus with good cover to 255p/kg, 250p/kg and £1406. Longhorns from JA Ponzo to 238p/kg. Steers averaged 252p/kg overall.

UTM STEERS

BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Limousin	294.00	EM Horn & Son, Southampton	1746.00	EM Horn & Son, Southampton
Simmental	278.00	DJ & VM Norman, Sigwells	1828.00	TJ Rowland (Farms) Ltd, Stourton Caundle
Hereford	257.00	J Powell & Son, Egford	1508.00	J Powell & Son, Egford
Angus	255.00	O Martin, Broadstone	1406.00	S Powell, Horton
Longhorn	238.00	JA Ponzio, Pewsey	1251.00	JA Ponzio, Pewsey
Montbeliarde	238.00	O Martin, Broadstone	1172.00	O Martin, Broadstone

UTM HEIFERS (22) Max. 276p/kg & £1821

Best quality U grade Blue heifers from EM Horn & Son topped at 286p/kg for a smart heifer grossing £1635 and the same pence per kilo for a handy weight Limousin from JA Ponzio. Top gross price in the heifer section £1821 for a well bred and fed Simmental x from TJ Rowland Farms with other Simmental x from the same home to 266p/kg and £1664. Hereford x heifers 247p/kg, 246p/kg and 243p/kg grossing £1382, £1370 and £1280 from J Powell & Son. Blue x heifers from the same home 249 p/kg and £1568. OTM Angus heifers to 248p/kg and £1475 and UTM to 245p/kg and £1569. Heifers averaged 254 p/kg overall.

UTM HEIFERS

BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Blue	286.00	EM Horn & Son, Southampton	1635	EM Horn & Son, Southampton
Limousin	286.00	JA Ponzio, Pewsey	1450	JA Ponzio, Pewsey
Simmental	276.00	TJ Rowland (Farms) Ltd, Stourton Caundle	1821	TJ Rowland (Farms) Ltd, Stourton Caundle
Angus	248.00	S Powell, Horton	1569	BJ & EM Yandle, Martock
Hereford	247.00	J Powell & Son, Egford	1380	J Powell & Son, Egford

CULL COWS (17) Beef to 228p/kg Dairy to 168p/kg

Cows in very short supply fuelling higher demand and ensuring some excellent prices achieved for all cows forward. Angus cull bulls to 179p/kg and £2,236! Good meat grade 1 Angus cows to 228p/kg and £1620 with others 218p/kg, 217p/kg, 216p/kg and 206p/kg. Fleckvieh cows to 218p/kg. Grade 3 feeding cows to 192p/kg for Charolais x. Holstein Friesian to 168p/kg and grade 4 cows 147p/kg.

Grade 1 cows 196p/kg to 228p/kg

Grade 2 cows 186p/kg to 194 p/kg

Grade 3 cows 168p/kg to 191p/kg

Grade 4 cows 114p/kg to 147p/kg

Cows average 193p/kg and £1353 overall

CULL COWS				
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR
Angus	228.00	O Martin, Broadstone	1620.00	RJ Bull, Winchester
Fleckvieh	218.00	M&S White & Son, Yeovil	1331.00	M&S White & Son, Yeovil
Highland	207.00	O Martin, Broadstone	1069.00	O Martin, Broadstone
Charolais	192.00	WS Stitch, Brinscombe	1170.00	WS Stitch, Brinscombe
Holstein Friesian	168.00	WJ Weeks & Son, West Harptree	926.00	WJ Weeks & Son, West Harptree

WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE

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SHEEP (475) Start 10.30am**AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985 737****PRIME LAMBS (323) Max 409p/kg £200**

A larger show of lambs forward which sold to a similar trade on the week. Best lambs soaring to 409p/kg from HM & KI Stowell & Son and £200 from Sue Bishop.

Handy weight lambs to 400p/kg & £180 from regular supporter Keith Raymond. Heavier types to 409p/kg from HM & KI Stowell & Son and £196 from Roger Lyons. Heavies to 330p/kg and £200 from Sue Bishop.

More lambs needed each week to keep buyer consignment forward.

PRIME LAMBS		
KG	£	Vendor
59.00	200.00	SA Bishop, Bristol
51.00	196.00	RJ Lyons, West Harptree
48.50	194.00	SA Bishop, Bristol
46.50	173.00	RJ Lyons, West Harptree
45.00	180.00	KA Raymond, Salisbury
44.00	164.00	MA & KL Webber
42.00	158.00	S Coombes, Ashcott
38.50	130.00	PC Knowles, Claverham

PRIME HOGGETS (12) Max 314p/kg £180

Best hoggs to £180 from Keith Raymond and 314p/kg from S Atkinson.

STORE HOGGS (15) Max £90

Very few forward with best to £90 from A & T James of Salisbury.

CULL EWES & RAMS (104) Max £155

Over 100 ewes forward enjoyed a fast trade with best to £155 from Sue Bishop. Best mules to £130 from Steve Carnie. Best hill ewes to £100 for Beluahs from Mike Knowles.

PIGS (228) Start 10.15am

AUCTIONEER: WILL WALLIS 07833 453482

Another good entry of pigs forward with all types in strong demand this week. New vendors from Herefordshire and Tenby travelling to Frome.

FAT PIGS (79)

Trade flying this week for all fat pigs. Best from PB Weeks to £246, £238, £233 and £230. Overall average for all 40 pigs forward £231.60. Other heavies to £230 from Durnell & Son. Lighter sorts selling well to £228 from PJ Snook. A nice entry of lighter porker weights forward this week. Best to £210 from M & O Meat & Co and £190 for new vendors J & S Mulroy of Bromyard, Herefordshire.

STORE PIGS (42)

Plenty of demand for stores when more could have easily sold. 8w/o White stores to £68 from P Hughes. Younger coloured weaners to £60 from M & O Meat Co with others to £52 from I Partridge. Stronger stores to £118 for some Saddlebacks from D Gundy of Whitland.

CULL SOWS & BOARS (97)

Culls still wanted with the best to £300 for FE White. Others to £290 from O Cutts and £290 for A White & Partners. Overall average £202.66. Cull boars to £300 from S White and £280 from C Down.

BREEDING PIGS (10)

Young Saddleback sow & 9 selling to £270 from D Lanahan.

DAIRY Start 11am

AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401

Calved Heifers to £1730

An anticlimax in entries in this section following last week's sale, however, the demand and trade was very strong and more could have been sold. A very tidy home bred Friesian Holstein calved heifer from HJ Masters & Son produced a lively trade to £1730. Further entries in the pipeline subject to TB testing.

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CALVES (174) Starts 9.30am

AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

Good numbers forward and a brisk trade from start to finish; well-shaped mediums were well sought.

CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £460/ HEIFERS TO £290

Plenty forward, mainly Blues which saw a strong demand. All grades of calf wanted and good/medium heifers saw a fast trade. A wonderful Blue bull from AJ Scott & Sons soared to £460 with others to £335 from DA James & Son. Blue heifers to £290 and £232 from NF Clothier & Sons Ltd. Charolais Bulls to £260, heifers to £190 from AK Hosie & Sons. Simmental Bulls to £190 and heifers to £128, Limousins to £160.

NATIVE BULLS TO £315/ HEIFERS TO £188

A good number of Native sired calves forward and a real mix of quality. All sorts wanted and demand was firm from start to finish. Herefords were well sought seeing bulls to £315 and heifers to £188 from AJE Mellish. Angus bulls to £250 from DIVA Ltd and heifers to £182 from Church Farm Partnership. Native heifers averaged over £100 and bulls over £160.

DAIRY

Few forward and no real first quality. Holsteins to £47, Longhorns to £75 and Montbeliarde to £45.

Please state clearly on your entry form if your male cattle are STEERS or BULLS; please don't just enter as male on entry form.

NEXT REARED CALF SALE: WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE

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FRIDAY 7TH JUNE 2024

STORE CATTLE

**TOTAL
HEAD
SOLD
230**

Starts 10.30am

AUCTIONEERS:

TREVOR ROWLAND	07968 480 401
BRADLEY TOWELL	07496 263 916
LESTER WILLIAMS	07778 646 031

STEERS TO £1800 HEIFERS TO £1465

An unbelievable trade at Frome again this week. Younger farming cattle keep getting dearer and the stronger cattle hold firm in price despite the continuing drop in deadweight beef price. An excellent turnout of buyers for the cattle on offer and a great day overall.

COWS & CALVES

Older Angus cows with 2mo calves at foot produced lively bidding regularly over £1400 and peaked at £1520. PD+ in calf Limousin x 14 year old cows had a strong trade at £1170.

ORGANIC

Mainly harder types coming forward today but all had a marvellous trade. Hereford x Dairy 12mo steers and heifers easily sold to a very keen complement of buyers with steers to £635 and heifers to £525

YOUNG CONTINENTAL

Trade really marching on at a pace again and buyers desperate to get cattle onto the abundance of grass that is now available. Tom Bartlett & family once again very well rewarded for making the trip from Weymouth; their top quality 14mo home bred Limousin steers regularly over £1400 topping at £1480, heifers from the same home were very close with 13mo to £1395! More super well-presented Limousins 8-11mo from long time vendor Alan Pike had a wonderful trade at £1230. Leaner Blonde steers to £965 and Blonde heifers from the same home £1075 and £1000. Dairy x Blue steers 14mo easily sold to £1125 from Townsend Family. PE King once again seeing their top grade Blue x Dairy 12mo steers at £1390 and heifers at £1160. Overall everyone chasing cattle and more needed to meet buyers demand!

FRIESIAN/ FLECKVIEH

More heifers forward this week with fleshed heifers selling well to £1210 (26mo) from AJ & GG Thomas of Bristol, their younger heifers to £1105 and their pen of 6 steers to £990 (24mo). Framed Fleckvieh heifers also a premium selling to £960 from DA James & Son of Frome. Good shapely British Friesian steers wanted and sold to £738 (13mo) from DL Clark Partnership of Chippenham.

YOUNG STEERS				YOUNG HEIFERS			
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Limousin	1460	14mo	TWG Bartlett & Son, Weymouth	Limousin	1395	14mo	TWG Bartlett & Son, Weymouth
Blue	1390	14mo	PE King (Bristol) Ltd, Iron Acton	Angus	1230	15mo	PE King (Bristol) Ltd, Iron Acton
Blonde	965	9mo	GA Pike & Son, Trowbridge	Blue	1160	15mo	PE King (Bristol) Ltd, Iron Acton
Simmental	910	13mo	GA Pike & Son, Trowbridge	Blonde	1075	15mo	GA Pike & Son, Trowbridge
British Friesian	738	13mo	DL Clark Partnership, Dauntsey	Longhorn	8450	15mo	GA Pike & Son, Trowbridge

ANGUS

Another strong demand for the select entry forward with best conformation steers a premium with 24mo farm assured steers selling well to £1575 from Rob Bartlett of Sturminster Newton, closely followed at £1570 (26mo) from Las Lilas Ltd of Sherborne and £1505 (24mo) from Will Weaver & family of Frampton Cotterell. Younger steers also wanted and selling to £1415 from GP Spiller of Yeovil, £1345 (15mo) from Las Lilas Ltd, £1340 (15mo) from Tom Bartlett & family of Weymouth and £1330 from Rob Bartlett.

Heifers also keenly sought after with first time vendors P & C Brown of Calne taking top honours with well-presented 20mo heifers selling to £1335 and closely followed by the excellent consignment from Will Weaver & family selling to £1295 and PE King of Bristol selling to £1230 (only 15mo). Yearling heifers also selling well to £820 (11mo) from Tim Brown of North Nibley.

HEREFORD

Herefords in demand topping at £1400 for a large framed single steer from AE Weaver & Son to £1380 for 26mo and others £1370 for the same age. A good pen of steers from AJ & GG Thomas sold well to £1285 (21mo). Hereford heifers from AE Weaver & Son to £1235 for a pair at 22mo and £1110 from AJ & GG Thomas. Younger grazing steers very dear as expected with 10-12mo £550 to £665 and smaller types £525.

FORWARD CONTINENTAL

What a trade at Frome today. As the finished prices ease the bidding gets stronger for stores as fierce competition forces prices beyond expectations. Quality younger cattle at a massive premium with Blue steers selling to a excellent £1800 (21mo) from the Sprake family of Sherborne and their younger steers also selling well to £1610.

The excellent consignment of 37 from Will Weaver, Frampton Cotterell, was the highlight of the day with his Limousin steers topping at £1685 (26mo), Simmental steers from £1570 to £1645 (25mo) and Charolais steers to £1440 (24mo). Other good conformation younger Limousin Steers also selling well from £1500 to £1540 (only 19mo) and £1480 (15mo) all from Tom, Martin & Harry Bartlett of Weymouth.

Quality younger Blues from regular vendors PE King of Bristol met a premium again selling to £1390 (only 14mo) and closely follow at £1370 (14mo) from the Sprake Family. Their heifers met tremendous bidding with best bred and reared Blue heifers selling well for £1340 to £1465 (21mo). Quality Limousin heifers keenly sought after to £1395 (only 14mo) from the Bartlett family of Weymouth and closely followed from £1340 to £1355 (23mo) from Will Weaver and family. Their Charolais heifers also well bid to £1380 (24mo). Other Blue heifers sold to a faster trade this week at £1325 (19mo) from regular vendor Keith Romain, £1240 from Will Weaver, £1200 (18mo) from JT Jackson of Trowbridge and £1160 (only 15mo) from PE King (Bristol) Ltd.

FORWARD STEERS				FORWARD HEIFERS			
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Blue	1800	21m	WJR Sprake, Sherborne	Blue	1465	21m	CJ Sprake, Sherborne
Limousin	1685	26m	AE Weaver, Frampton Cotterell	Charolais	1380	24m	AE Weaver, Frampton Cotterell
Simmental	1645	25m	AE Weaver, Frampton Cotterell	Limousin	1355	26m	AE Weaver, Frampton Cotterell
Angus	1575	24m	Ridgeway Farm, Sturminster Newton	Angus	1335	20m	PG & CNA Brown, Heddington Wick
Charolais	1440	24m	AE Weaver, Frampton Cotterell	Hereford	1235	22m	AE Weaver, Frampton Cotterell
Hereford	1400	19m	PG & CNA Brown, Heddington	Holstein Friesian	1210	26m	AJ & GG Thomas, Wotton Road

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Lord Bless the land you've given me; may I always know as I tend each crop and creature that you're the one that helps them grow 🙏 Grant me the strength and wisdom and please protect me from harm. Thankyou for your gracious gift.**The Blessings of a Farm**

Input prices on farms have increased a whopping 270pc since early turn of the century! Food resulting from these inputs had increased about 170pc ..it shows the disparity of financial share in the food chain? To top this off , reported figures from the majority retailers tell us that their profits have increased over this period by **400pc!** When you add the greatly increased regulation over same timespan...it adds up to much pressure on the producer...hence the need to try'n sell as much direct as possible!?

I must say **Tom Bradshaw the new NFU President** has impressed me so far!? He's very articulate and well informed...and a good ambassador for the farming industry 🙏

Phone me on 07880770887 if you need to chat about anything...or are worried for a neighbours well being!?

Neville (Market Chaplain

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