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### SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2024

# **TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1185**



### **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 £1750	STORE HEIFERS	TO £1630

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# WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> 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 calvers 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	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				
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	EM Horn & Son, Southampton			
Simmental	278.00	DJ & VM Norman, Sigwells	1828	TJ Rowland (Farms) Ltd, Stourton Caundle			
Hereford	257.00	J Powell & Son, Egford	1508	J Powell & Son, Egford			
Angus	255.00	O Martin, Broadstone	1406	S Powell, Horton			
Longhorn	238.00	JA Ponzo, Pewsey	1251	JA Ponzo, Pewsey			
Montbeliarde	238.00	O Martin, Broadstone	1172	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 Ponzo. 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			VENDOR			
Blue	286.00	EM Horn & Son, Southampton	1635	EM Horn & Son, Southampton			
Limousin	286.00	JA Ponzo, Pewsey	1450	JA Ponzo, 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 19<sup>TH</sup> 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 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE PLEASE CALL TOM ROGERS ON 07384 462288 BY TUESDAY PM TO PRE-BOOK CALVES SO WE CAN INFORM BUYERS OF STOCK COMING

### WEEKLY TOP PRICE CALF WINNER!



This week's winner of £25 for the top price Native Sired Heifer under 41 days was a Hereford to £188 from AJE Mellish.

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# FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2024 STORE CATTLE

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 243

Starts 10.30am AUCTIONEERS: TREVOR ROWLAND BRADLEY TOWELL LESTER WILLIAMS

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### STEERS TO £1750 HEIFERS TO £1630

The wet weather and abundance of grass fuel this insatiable trade with all grades and breeds wanted. Feedback reporting cattle dearer today than other markets in the region so far this week. Vendors are encouraged to take advantage by selling earlier this year.

### **BREEDING/FEEDING BULLS**

Demand outstripping supply with young Beef Shorthorn bulls selling well to £1300 (25mo) from AR Debenham of Dorchester and Ruby Red Devon bulls to £955 (23mo) from Bottom Barn Farm of Wincanton. Hereford yearlings also sold well to £1125 from AH Farming of Castle Cary and South Devon yearlings to £895 from John Virgin of Sturminster Newton.

### **YOUNG CONTINENTAL**

Buyers are keen to fulfil orders with the abundance of grass fuelling the trade. The excellent consignment of yearling Charolais from DR & EA Brimble of Bath set the standard for the day with their smart Charolais steers selling from £1225 to £1295 (all 11mo) and their young heifers to £870. Well grown Blues also a highlight with best yearling steers selling to £1240 (14mo) from PE King (Bristol) Ltd and their heifers to £1235 (15mo). Other good steers sold to £1150 (13mo) from Townsend Farming & Contracting Ltd of Calne and their heifers to £810. Well fleshed Blues out of x bred cows also keenly bid with steers to £1145 (15mo) and heifers to £900 all from Mark & Jess Read (Drummers Farming Ltd) of Sherborne. Limousins also keenly contested with young steers to £1260 from PF Best & Son of Wareham and their heifers to £1035 (15mo). Other well grown steers sold well to £1192 from Robert & Jane Mayo.

### FRIESIAN

Trade goes form strength to strength with all grades wanted. Forward steers met an exceptional price selling to £1220 (28mo) from B & P White of Castle Cary. Younger steers also sold well to £1050 (16mo) from Ian Dimond & family of Sherborne, £1045 from Robert & Jane Mayo of Weymouth and £910 (17mo) from Rupert & Gilbert Loder of Yeovil. Yearling steers continue to receive fast bidding with best shape 12mo to a massive £840 from PE King (Bristol) Ltd and younger British Friesian to £642 from Richard & Tom Davies of Wells. Freemartin heifers also wanted with large framed heifers to £1095 (22mo) from Robert & Jane Mayo.

YOUNG STEERS			YOUNG HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Blue	1440	17mo	CT Baker, Frome	Blue	1235	15mo	PE King (Bristol) Ltd, Iron Acton
Angus	1425	17mo	CT Baker, Trudoxhill	Limousin	1035	16mo	PF Best & Son, Wareham
South Devon	1298	17mo	J Virgin, Pulham	Angus	1020	14mo	Dimond Farming Ltd, Sherborne
Charolais	1295	12mo	DR & EA Brimble, Litton	Charolais	870	12mo	DR & EA Brimble, Litton
Limousin	1260	17mo	PF Best & Son, Wareham	Speckled Park	700	14mo	KD Lippiatt, Bruton
Speckled Park	1155	15mo	KD Lippiatt, Bruton	Hereford	520	10mo	SJ Bridger, Petersfield
Friesian	1050	16mo	Dimond Farming Ltd, Sherborne				

### ANGUS

A roaring trade for Angus once again this week with the best pen of 4 sailing to  $\pounds$ 1488 from J Trott & Sons. Steers from Clive Baker to  $\pounds$ 1425 for 17mo. A good consignment of Angus from FJ Lessey & Son reached £1380. A super pen of 7 Angus from ML & RI Loder reached £1335 and £1232 from RH & AE Mayo. Younger, well grown for age, steers from PE King (Bristol) Ltd hit £1295 (13mo). Heifers with frame and cover to £1445 for a pair from IW Lane & Sons and £1288 from PH Creed & Son. Well grown heifers from RH & AE Mayo to £1252 and £1200 from FJ Lessey & Son. Younger suckler bred Angus from R Taylor & Sons to £1020 for 12mo and £1015 for 9mo from DR & EA Brimble.

### **HEREFORD & OTHER NATIVES**

Hereford steers topped at £1382 for 21mo from J Trott & Sons. South Devon steers with shape and potential from J Virgin to £1298 for 17mo and £1198 for 15mo. Hereford steers from Clive Baker £1200 for 20mo and £1172 from FJ Lessey & Son. North Devon steers from Bottom Barn Farm reached £1190 and Speckled Park steers £1155 from KD Lippiatt. FJ Lessey & Son saw Hereford heifers top at £1370 for 21mo and £1050 for medium term sorts from ML & RI Loder. Younger longer term farming/yearling cattle £700 to £950 generally.

### FORWARD CONTINENTAL

The amazing trade continues at Frome as buyers bid beyond expectations. The packed ringside of buyers bid ferociously for all grades and the best continue to sell at a strong premium. Top honours go to B & P White of Castle Cary with their Blue steers selling from £1560 to a massive £1750 (28mo). Closely followed at £1510 (only 21mo) from IW Lane & Sons of Norton Malreward, £1432 (21mo) from Steve Crossman of Horningsham and £1350 (21mo) from Rob & Wendy Lessey of Wincanton. Younger Blue steers sold to a strong premium with 17mo selling to £1440 from Clive Baker of Frome and 14mo to £1240 from PE King (Bristol) Ltd.

The good selection of younger Limousin also met an impressive trade with steers to £1260 (17mo) from PF Best & Son of Wareham and £1192 (17mo) from Robert & Jane Mayo of Weymouth. Similar Simmental steers wanted and sold to £1135 from Rob & Wendy Lessey.

Heifers met another outstanding trade with Blue heifers leading the way. Best fleshed heifers sold well to £1630 (29mo) from B & P White and their over age heifers to £1395 (33mo). Younger Blue heifers go from strength to strength with 20mo to £1375 from Keith Romain of Clapton, £1302 from Rupert & Gilbert Loder of Yeovil, £1270 from Steve Crossman and £1255 from IW Lane & Sons. Bulling potential Blue heifers also a premium selling to £1325 (only 19mo) from PH Creed of Somerton, £1235 (15mo) from PE King (Bristol) Ltd and £1120 from Rob Brice of Cheddar. Simmental bullers also keenly sought after to £1210 (19mo) from PF Best & Son and Limousin bullers to £1172 (19mo) from Robert & Jane Mayo.

FORWARD STEERS			FORWARD HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Blue	1750	28mo	B & P White, Castle Cary	Blue	1630	29mo	B & P White, Castle Cary
Angus	1488	23mo	J Trott & Sons, Castle Cary	Angus	1445	21mo	IW Lane & Sons, Norton Malreward
Hereford	1382	20mo	J Trott & Sons, Castle Cary	Hereford	1370	21mo	FJ Lessey & Son, Wincanton
Friesian	1220	28mo	B & P White, Castle Cary	Simmental	1210	19mo	PF Best & Son, Wareham
Devon	1190	23mo	Bottom Barn Farm, Castle Cary	Limousin	1172	19mo	RH & AE Mayo, Weymouth
Simmental	1135	22mo	FJ Lessey & Son, Wincanton	Friesian	1095	22mo	RH & AE Mayo, Weymouth

### ENTERED FOR NEXT WEEK FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE

# 40 ANGUS X STEERS 14-16MO NAMED SIRES SUCKLER BRED OUT OF STRONG COWS ALL FROM ONE FARM

### Chaplain's Prayer

Matthew 11v 28-30...

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The cost of crime is up 16.6pc from 2022..GPS units,Quad bikes, ATVs seem to be top targets. Also livestock theft is 8pc up too, as well as fuel theft. Increased security must be high on a Farmers list of 'must do' these days. Back in my younger farming days it was the opportunist that was more likely to Thieve?! Now it's the organised gangs that target the above 'to order'

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 normal 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

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Neville (Market Chaplain









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