FROME LIVESTOCK

AUCTIONEERS LTD

SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 15TH NOVEMBER 2024

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1490



TRADE AT A GLANCE

PRIME CATTLE SPRING LAMBS STORE LAMBS PIGS STORE STEERS

TO 308P/KG & £1721 TO 313P/KG & £159.50 TO £106 TO £230 TO £1745
 CULL COWS/BULLS
 TO 239P/KG & £1731

 CULL EWES/RAMS
 TO £150

 CALVES
 TO £396

 DAIRY
 TO £1900

 STORE HEIFERS
 TO £1375

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MONDAY 30TH	MARKET OPEN FOR ALL STOCK (EXCLUDING PIGS)
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JANUARY	
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To book in stock for Monday 30th December please call:

Bradley Towell	Cattle/Cull Cows	07496 263916
Tom Rogers	Calves	07384 462288
Ross Whitcombe	Sheep	07815 985737
Clive Peach	Sheep	07970 620859
Trevor Rowland	Dairy	07968 480401

WEDNESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2024

Prime stock in demand in all sections as firms look to start Christmas orders. Cattle, lambs and pigs dearer on the week with numbers generally tight in all sections. An excellent number of calves seeing just shy of 200 head forward. More cows forward selling to a faster trade.

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TOTAL HEAD

SOLD

1039

AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916 Start 12.30pm Prime cattle in very short supply and rising demand as expected for the time of year. Cattle dearer again on the week very much in line with the current strong deadweight prices.

TOP PRICE STEER	308p/kg	308p/kg for a Limousin from WA Waterman						
TOP PRICE HEIFER	279p/kg	279p/kg for an Angus from AE Weaver & Son						
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	MIN P/KG	MAX P/KG					
STEERS								
Light 100-500kg	2	240.00	246.00					
Medium 501-590kg	5	270.00	308.00					
Heavy 651kg+	1	263.00	263.00					
HEIFERS								
Light 100-500kg	1	200.00	200.00					
Medium 501-590kg	9	249.00	279.00					
Heavy 651kg+	2	254.00	265.00					

UTM STEERS (8) Max. 308p/kg £1711

Best grade continental steers sailed to 308p/kg for 556p/kg Limousin from WA Waterman and grossing £1709. Angus from AE Weaver & Son to 278p/kg and £1626. Hereford steers from AE Weaver & Son 270p/kg and £1711 from LM Maidment & Sons. South Devon steers with good cover from Potticks Pigs to 270p/kg and £1595. Steers averaged 268p/kg overall.

UTM STEERS							
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR			
Limousin	308.00	WA Waterman & Sons, Bockhampton	1709	WA Waterman & Sons, Bockhampton			
Angus	278.00	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell	1626	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell			
Hereford	270.00	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell	1711	LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham			
South Devon	270.00	Potticks Pigs Ltd, Bathford	1595	Potticks Pigs Ltd, Bathford			

UTM HEIFERS (12) Max. 279p/kg £1721

Heifers from AE Weaver & Son to 279p/kg for an Angus x grossing £1601 and heavier Angus from IJ Masters 226p/kg coming to £1721. Others with good cover from VI & GR Doggrell to 277p/kg / £1578 and 270p/kg / £1431 from CA AC Alvis. Herefords from LM Maidment & Sons 261p/kg and £1406. Heifers averaged 289p/kg overall.

UTM HEIFERS							
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR			
Angus	279.00	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell	1721	IJ Masters & Prtrs, Wareham			
Hereford	261.00	LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham	1406	LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham			
South Devon	257.00	Potticks Pigs Ltd, Bathford	1413	Potticks Pigs Ltd, Bathford			
Simmental	249.00	VI & GR Doggrell, Wincanton	1441	VI & GR Doggrell, Wincanton			
Friesian	200.00	Mell Park Trust, Frome	770	Mells Park Trust, Frome			

CULL COWS (72) Beef to 239p/kg Dairy to 203p/kg AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916

Cows have taken another lift in price again this week with all looking firmer across the board. Young Blue x cows from AE Weaver & Son to 239p/kg. Grade 1 Angus cows 228p/kg grossing £1589 from IJ Masters & Partners. Other native breeds to 211p/kg for Galloways and 203p/kg / £1589 for Hereford x. Best fed Friesian cows to 203p/kg coming to £1731 from RC Garraway. Limousin feeding cows to 198p/kg. Cows with feeding potential generally 165p/kg to 198p/kg. Grade 2 Friesians to 180p/kg and Grade 3 with feeding potential 171p/kg. Grade 3 Friesians to kill dearer on the week generally between 148p/kg and 165p/kg. Grade 4 cows 110p/kg to 144p/kg. Grade 2 cows 170p/kg to 185 p/kg Grade 3 cows 148p/kg to 171p/kg Cows average 165.29p/kg overall.

CULL COWS							
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR			
Blue	239.00	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell	1292	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell			
Angus	228.00	IJ Masters & Prtrs, Wareham	1581	IJ Masters & Prtrs, Wareham			
Galloway	211.00	PM & DS Ford, Maiden Newton	1157	PM & DS Ford, Miaden Newton			
Stabiliser	205.00	Fielding & Son, Worton	1535	Fielding & Son, Worton			
Hereford	203.00	IJ Masters & Prtrs, Wareham	1589	IJ Masters & Prtrs, Wareham			
Friesian	203.00	RC Garraway, Keevil	1731	RC Garraway, Keevil			
Limousin	197.00	WA Waterman & Sons, Bockhampton	1281	WA Waterman & Sons, Bockhampton			
Simmental	190.00	BG & TW Randall, Wareham	1023	BG & TW Randall, Wareham			



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SHEEP (552) Start 10.30am AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985737 PRIME LAMBS (351) Max 313p/kg £159.50

A larger entry forward which sold to a faster trade on the week. Best lambs flying well past 300p/kg and up to 313p/kg and £159.50 from Wallmead Farm Partnership. Light lambs flew to 312p/kg and £121.50 from Horseley Farm Partnership. Handy weights enjoyed spirited bidding and topped at 309p/kg from JE Langley and £133.50 from C Langmaid. Heavies to 313p/kg and £159.50 from Wallmead Farm Partnership with over 52kg to 296p/kg and £158.50 from Wallmead Farms Partnership. More lambs needed each week to keep buyers forward. Seven buyers buying on 12 accounts all willing to battle for sheep from Frome.

PRIME LAMBS						
KG	£	Vendor				
51.00	159.50	Wallmead Farms Partnership, Timsbury				
50.00	146.50	Wallmead Farms Partnership, Timsbury				
49.50	146.00	RR Creed & Son, Wells				
48.00	144.00	RR Creed & Son, Wells				
45.00	133.50	D Webber, Shepton Mallet				
43.00	133.00	JE Langley, Farmborough				
42.50	127.00	D Webber, Shepton Mallet				
41.50	126.00	MJ Knowles & S Withers, Claverham				

CULL EWES & RAMS (38) Max £150

A reduced entry of ewes which sold to a strong contingent of buyers. Best rams flying to £150 from Mrs J Andrews of Devizes and £139 from DW Doggrell of Bruton. Best mules to £115 and hill ewes to £90.

STORE LAMBS (163) Max £106

A large entry of store lambs which enjoyed a fast trade. The average would look low but the entry had to be seen. Best lambs flying to £106 from Dave Burrough of Fordingbridge. More lambs needed with plenty of farmer buyers now looking to start feeding grass now cattle been penned up for winter.

Next Sale of Reared Calves Wednesday 20th November

DAIRY (5) Start 11am AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401 CALVED HEIFERS TO £1900 CALVED COWS £1890

Although only a limited entry forwards this week the quality was high and demand was excellent. Super "Cheers" calved Holstein Friesian heifer from regular vendors Roger & Matt Masters peaked at £1900, closely followed by Robert Simpkins & Partners "Arabia" sire Friesian Holstein heifer at £1880. "Arabia" 2nd calved cows from the same home at £1890. Finer leaner types saw very fresh heifers at £1420. Overall superb demand for fresh milk.

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PIGS (193) Start 10.15am AUCTIONEER: WILL WALLIS 07833 453482

A smaller entry of pigs this week sold to a better trade for the fat pigs. More stores on offer selling to a slower trade.

FAT PIGS (101)

A bit more life today in the fat trade. The best heavies to £202 and £192 from Durnell Sons. Other heavies to £184 from PB Weeks. Light weight porkers from PB Weeks selling well to £178 and £176. Other lights to £164 from B Long. Coloured fat pigs selling well to £148 from Adam Ward of Surrey and DH Turner from Bridport.

STORE PIGS (60)

A larger entry of store pigs this week with trade harder work. Best strong stores to £50 from Abingdon & Witney College. Younger stores £30 from C Wilkins and £30 from J Whittle.

CULL SOWS & BOARS (33)

Trade on par to last sale with the best heavy sows to £230 for M & O Meat & Co Ltd. Others to £180 from Durnell & Son. Cull Boars to £195 from SJ Loveless.

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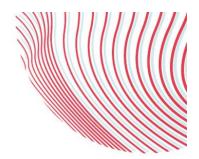


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CALVES (198) Starts 9.30am AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

A good entry of calves sold to a flying spring-like trade with 22 buyers present and active!! and a good entry of pre-booked calves. Thank you! Please keep pre-booking with Tom, the office or info@fromelivestock.com

CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £395/ HEIFERS TO £265

A very firm trade for all continental this week with best Blue bulls to £395 from MP & PM Perrett, £335 from C & P Milton, £358 from MW Ford, £295 from BA Marsh and £262 from HB Green & Son. Blue heifers in demand with older sorts from MW Ford to £290 and £270 from Elliscombe Farm. Younger Blue heifers from R & J Tibbs to £278, £265 from MP & PM Perrett, £220 from NF Clothier and £212 from HB Green & Son. Tidy Blonde bull from Andrew Dolman to £278. Young fresh Charolais bulls from AK Hosie & Sons to £175 and their Charolais heifers looking well sold to £190. More Charolais x heifers from NR & D Norris to £205. Tidy Simmental heifers to £140 again from MW Ford.

NATIVE BULLS TO £340/ HEIFERS TO £265

Well-presented Angus Bulls from AJ Harding saw best sorts to £340 and £262 from K & EJ Simpson, £238 from BJ & J Pocock, £235 from Elliscombe farm and £212 from Tite Partners. Angus heifers looking a much faster trade on the week with older sorts from Elliscombe farm again to £263. Smart young Angus heifers from BJ & J Pocock to £205 with others from K & EJ Simpson to £185, £120 from Thornhill Farm and £100 from Kevin Morse. Nice to see a few more Hereford x this week with young fresh calves looking a firm trade. Herford x bulls from R & J Tibbs to £185 and £185 from S & G Gould; only small heifers here this week but still wanted and finding homes at £70-£95. Only the very smallest £30-£40.

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DAIRY

No let up on the trade here with stronger part-weaned Holstein Friesian bulls from Padfield & Dyke to £185. Tidy Fleckvieh bulls from the same home flying to £285. Younger Holstein Friesian bulls from DBH Miles from £155 to £170. Smart young Dairy Shorthorn bulls from Kevin Morse flying to £152. Ayrshires from BA Marsh to £95. Nice British Friesian bulls from AJ Scott to £88. No dairy bulls under £45.

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FRIDAY 8th NOVEMBER 2024 STORE CATTLE

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 451

Starts 10.30am AUCTIONEERS: TREVOR ROWLAND BRADLEY TOWELL LESTER WILLIAMS

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STEERS TO £1745 HEIFERS TO £1375

All types seeing a stronger lift in the trade today with buyers confident to bid well in order to replace cattle sold to the firm finished trade. Vendors are encouraged to take advantage of this demand by selling before winter sets in.

COWS & CALVES

Only one set forward today but plenty of interest and more could have been sold. NR Hitchens saw his Blue cow and 1mo Simmental heifer calf to \pounds 1540. Grazing cows easily sold to \pounds 1100.

YOUNG CONTINENTAL

Another very buoyant trade in this section. 5-6mo Limousin suckled steers and heifers from John Fielding & family had a strong trade at £875 with heifers to £700. Another quality annual consignment from Ross & Claire Whitcombe created very lively bidding with 5mo Charolais steers to £950 and heifers to £795 and £700. Andy Jefferies continuing to produce some smart 5-7mo steers and heifers at £830 and £785 respectively. Dairy x Blue steers 10mo saw increased demand with those from Andrew Wadman at £80. Nice quality Blue 12mo suckled steers from regular supporter Tim Handy to £1090 closely followed by his heifer at £900. Derek & Graham Stevens' suckled Charolais steer to £950 and heifers to £980. Overall, a very good day in this section.

ANGUS

A tremendous entry of 192 head forward met an outstanding trade with all grades and ages selling to advantage.

Forward Steers took top honours today with fleshed steers to £1745 (32mo) from Francis & Sons of Westbury and their younger steers also sold well from £1400 - £1490 (25-26mo). Another highlight was the excellent consignment of younger steers from S Newman & Son of Seend selling from £1500, £1650 and topping at a massive £1680 (all 20mo). Other notable prices were £1200 from NH Ludlow and £1090 from Vernon Christopher.

Forward heifers also met a tremendous trade with Francis & Sons' heifers selling from £1250 to £1305 and topping at £1375 (26-31mo). Good framed feeding heifers wanted and sold to £945 (20mo) from Vernon Christopher and £930 (18mo) from R Hill of Farmborough.

Younger steers wanted and sold to an exceptional £1165 to £1245 (14-15mo) from S Newman & Son, £1090 from Vernon Christopher, £1005 from DA Lee and £1000 (14mo) from RF Stratton & Co. Yearling steers met sensational bidding to £1000 (only 9mo) from RJ Phelps, £960 to £980 (8mo) from DP & EM Halliwell, £870 to £910 (6mo) from Ross & Claire Whitcombe & family, £890 (8mo) from SJ Legg and £880 (8mo) from FC Cottle & Son.

Younger heifers equally sought after from £905 to £1045 (all 14mo) from S Newman & Son and £900 to £950 (all 14mo) from RF Stratton & Co. Yearling heifers also an exceptional trade from £710 to £800 (8mo) from DP & EM Halliwell £725 to £740 (7-10mo) from Ross & Claire Whitcombe & family of Westhay, £770 from Kenton & Charlotte Bennett and £710 from R Hill.

YOUNG STEERS				YOUNG HEIFERS			
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Charolais	1395	17mo	K Tovey, Bishop Sutton	Blue	1115	17mo	AJ Harding, Ashwick
Blue	1250	15mo	DA Lee, Somerton	Angus	1045	14mo	S Newman & Son, Seend
Angus	1245	14mo	S Newman & Son, Seend	Charolais	1030	17mo	K Tovey, Bishop Sutton
Beef Shorthorn	1105	15mo	PJ Hulbert, Winsley	Blonde	785	8mo	AR Jefferies, Bath
Hereford	935	16mo	SC Pomeroy, Chippenham	Beef Shorthorn	700	10mo	PJ Hulbert, Winsley
Friesian	925	14mo	Perry Farm Ltd, Sturminster Newton	Hereford	700	14mo	R Carter T/A Twyning Ash, Coaley
Ayrshire	900	14mo	Perry Farm Ltd, Sturminster Newton	Limousin	700	7mo	Fielding & Son, Worton
Stabiliser	875	6mo	Fielding & Son, Worton	South Devon	690	11mo	MJ lles, Calne

HEREFORD & OTHER NATIVES

Only a few on offer but sold to a fast trade with forward, fleshed steers to ± 1402 (25mo) from Clive Baker of Frome. Framed feeding steers also wanted to ± 960 from NH Ludlow of Melksham and ± 935 (16mo) from SC Pomeroy of Chippenham. Yearling steers equally sought after to ± 800 (11mo) from both Andrew Wadman of Yeovil and Kenton & Charlotte Bennett T/A Perry Farm

Ltd of Sturminster Newton. Heifers keenly bid with framed heifers to \pounds 1060 (25mo) from J Alvis of Gloucester and potential bullers from \pounds 660 from NH Ludlow to \pounds 700 (only 14mo) from R Carter T/A Twyning Ash of Coaley.

FRIESIAN & FLECKVIEH

Forward Fleckvieh steers set the trade today with fleshed, large framed steers selling well to £1395 (twice) and £1250 (31mo) all from Paul and Olly Hurd of Hill Deverill. More Friesian heifers on offer this week with fleshed heifers from £1100 to £1300 (25-28mo) all from H G Perkins & Sons of Radstock and feeding heifers to £900 from HJ Moody & Son. A better show of 30 yearling Friesian steers met an amazing trade selling at £860, £900 and topping at £925 (12-14mo) all from Kenton & Charlotte Bennet T/A Perry Farm Ltd of Sturminster Newton and others to £745 from DL Clarke of Chippenham, £660 from HJ Moody & Son and Norwegian Red heifers to £800 from Lucy Harding.

FORWARD CONTINENTAL

Another good entry with several consignments selling well following the trend of good finished prices. Blue steers continue to top the trade with wellpresented younger steers selling for £1640 to £1660 (20-21mo) all from AJ & PJ Whitmarsh of Winford. Quality Parthenaise and Blonde steers from Paul & Olly Hurd also sold well for £1450-£1505 (31mo).

Younger Charolais steers also a highlight with 17mo to £1395 from Keith Romain of Bath and others steers from £1150 to £1235 from Derek & Graham Stevens of Maiden Bradley. Similar Blues also keenly sought after to £1250 (15mo) from D.A Lee of Somerton, £1200 from Tim Handy, £1095 from R Carpenter and £1000 from SC Pomeroy. Quality feeding Limousin steers also in demand £1215 to £1225 all from J Alvis of Gloucester.

Heifers met another fast trade with well presented Blue heifers selling to $\pounds 1295$ (only 23mo) from HJ Moody & Son of Henstridge. Charolais heifers to $\pounds 1135$ (25mo) from Nigel Hitchens of Paulton, $\pounds 1120$ (20mo) from Derek & Graham Stevens and $\pounds 1030$ (17mo) from K Tovey. Limousin heifers equally sold to a fast bidding at $\pounds 1130$ (23mo) from J Alvis and younger Blue heifers to $\pounds 1115$ (17m)o from Lucy Harding of Ashwick.

	FORWARD STEERS					FORWARD HEIFERS			
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR		
Angus	1745	32mo	Francis & Sons, Westbury	Angus	1375	30mo	Francis & Sons, Westbury		
Blue	1660	21mo	AJ & PJ Whitmarsh, Regil	Friesian	1300	25mo	HG Perkins & Sons, Terry Hill		
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Chaplain's Prayer

Dear Lord God. All of our Farming relies on the good earth! Help us to take care of it, to cherish and nurture it, so that it remains in fine fettle to pass on to the next generation. Thank you for our farmers, and all those who serve farming; the machinery suppliers, feed manufacturers, vets, markets, insurance and financial etc. We pray that those farmers struggling in any areas of their lives will courageously seek help when needed he has a the start of the week, The **NFUs** Tom Bradshaw met with the DEFRA secretary and Treasury officials to stress the significant impact of



changes to inheritance tax and exactly what this would mean for family farms across the country, the knock-on impact on homegrown food production, and the stress and anxiety these planned changes are causing. Somerset Mental Health in Agriculture (**SMHAG**) can be contacted if you need immediate help with mental health and finding it difficult to cope? becky@newleaf.uk.com Also, our usual numbers below:-

Here are the contact details you need if you'd like to chat about anything worrying you: Farming community network (FCN) 03000 111 999; or <u>help@fcn.org.uk</u>; RABI free helpline 0808 281 9490; Samaritans 365 days a year 116 123 <u>jo@samaritans.org</u> It's Good News on the Agri-climate front! DEFRA(27.10.22) report 1. All Agricultural green house gas emissions decreased between 1990-2020(16%) 2. In same period emission intensity from cattle, dairy, pigs decreased. For sheep they remained same.3. DEFRA farm practices survey indicated 64% farmers thought it important to consider GHG when making farming business decisions. 29% considered it wasn't important! 7% hadn't an opinion...Take care and May God Bless you in all you do!

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