# FROME LIVESTOCK

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## SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2024

# **TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1305**



#### **TRADE AT A GLANCE**

PRIME CATTLE	TO 298P/KG & £1910	CULL COWS/BULLS	TO 234P/KG & £1870
SPRING LAMBS	TO 328P/KG & £155	CULL EWES/RAMS	TO £160
STORE LAMBS	TO £114.50	CALVES	TO £470
REARED CALVES	TO £625	DAIRY	TO £1790
STORE STEERS	TO £1795	STORE HEIFERS	TO £1500

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### FROME LIVESTOCK AUCTIONEERS LTD CHRISTMAS OPENING TIMES

DECEMBER	
WEDNESDAY 18TH	NORMAL MARKET TO INCLUDE STORE CATTLE/PIGS
THURSDAY 19 <sup>TH</sup>	OFFICE OPEN
FRIDAY 20TH	NO MARKET BUT OFFICE OPEN MORNING ONLY
MONDAY 23RD	OFFICE OPEN MORNING ONLY
TUESDAY 24 <sup>™</sup>	MARKET AND OFFICE CLOSED
WEDNESDAY 25TH	MARKET AND OFFICE CLOSED
THURSDAY 26 <sup>TH</sup>	MARKET AND OFFICE CLOSED
FRIDAY 27 <sup>TH</sup>	MARKET AND OFFICE CLOSED
MONDAY 30 <sup>TH</sup>	MARKET OPEN FOR ALL STOCK (EXCLUDING PIGS)
TUESDAY 31 <sup>st</sup>	OFFICE OPEN MORNING ONLY
JANUARY	
WEDNESDAY 1 <sup>st</sup>	MARKET AND OFFICE CLOSED
THURSDAY 2ND	OFFICE OPEN
FRIDAY 3RD	NO MARKET BUT OFFICE OPEN 🛛 🏹 💭
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#### To book in stock for Monday 30<sup>th</sup> 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





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	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December			
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January			

## WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

A lighter show of stock in all sections following the Christmas prime stock show last week. Prime cattle and lambs just as dear, cull cows and ewes a competitive trade. Less calves forward driving prices upwards and a firm trade for Dairy cattle. TOTAL HEAD SOLD 922

#### PRIME CATTLE (34) to 298p/kg and £1910 AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916 Start 12.30pm

Trade continues very firm following on from the Christmas prime stock last week with all grades selling to a straight price. All buyers present and looking to fill orders and looking for cattle for the next 2 weeks.

TOP PRICE STEER	297p/kg for an Angus from S & R Stamp							
TOP PRICE HEIFER	298p/kg	298p/kg for an Angus from ME & SE Wall						
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	MIN P/KG	MAX P/KG					
STEERS	STEERS							
Light 100-500kg	6	250.00	286.00					
Medium 501-590kg	10	260.00	297.00					
Heavy 651kg+	1	240.00	240.00					
HEIFERS	HEIFERS							
Light 100-500kg	1	234.00	234.00					
Medium 501-590kg	14	183.00	298.00					
Heavy 651kg+	2	256.00	273.00					

#### UTM STEERS (17) Max. 298p/kg £1910

Native steers topped the trade achieving 297p/kg for a suckler bred Angus grossing £1781. Hereford steers from LM Maidment & Sons to 286p/kg and £1750 and 283p/kg grossing £1613 from AR Smith. Dairy cross Angus from WJ EM SJ Masters to 273p/kg achieving the top gross price of £1824. Blue x steers from JC Stainer to 264p/kg and £1646. Steers averaged 269p/kg overall.

UTM STEERS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Angus	297.00	S & R Stamp, Highbridge	1824	WJ EM SJ Masters, Wells		
Hereford	286.00	LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham	1750	LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham		
Blue	264.00	JC Stainer, Semington	1646	JC Stainer, Semington		

#### UTM HEIFERS (17) Max. 298p/kg £1910

Native heifers with plenty of cover topping at 298p/kg and £1574 from ME & SE Wall. Top gross price for an OTM Angus heifer to £1910 and 273p/kg from CA AC Alvis. Good meated Native heifers wanted for the Christmas trade making between 265p/kg and 296p/kg. OTM heifers to 247p/kg (41mo). South Devon from Potticks Pigs to 267p/kg and £1393 and Simmental from JC Stainer to 260p/kg, £1354. Heifers averaged 256p/kg to include several OTM's.

UTM HEIFERS							
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR			
Angus	298.00	ME & SE Wall, Highbridge	1910	CA AC Alvis, Radstock			
South Devon	267.00	Potticks Pigs Ltd, Bathford	1393	Potticks Pigs Ltd, Bathford			
Hereford	260.00	AR Smith, Studland	1589	Pipplepen Farms Ltd, Beaminster			
Simmental	260.00	JC Stainer, Semington	1354	JC Stainer, Semington			
Jersey	189.00	Pipplepen Farms Ltd, Beaminster	1065	Pipplepen Farms Ltd, Beaminster			

#### CULL COWS (27) Beef to 234p/kg Dairy to 196p/kg AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916

Less cows forward on the week selling to a faster trade. Charolais cows achieved 234p/kg for a super grade 1 cow grossing £1870 and 219p/kg grossing £1656. Angus cows from AT Garrett to 212p/kg and £1594. Best fed Grade 1 Friesians to 196p/kg, 191p/kg, 190p/kg, 189p/kg and 185p/kg. Heavy weight Friesians to £1734 at 185p/kg. Grade 2 feeding cows to 190p/kg and others to 185p/kg, 177p/kg and 175p/kg. Grade 3 processing cows to 173p/kg and others to 160p/kg+. Grade 4 cows from 138p/kg to 150p/kg.

Grade 1 cows 185p/kg to 234p/kg Grade 2 cows 175p/kg to 205p/kg Grade 3 cows 160p/kg to 190p/kg Grade 4 cows 138p/kg to 150p/kg Cows averaged 181p/kg overall.

CULL COWS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Charolais	234.00	PW Fry & Son, Calne	1870	PW Fry & Son, Calne		
Angus	212.00	AT Garrett, Cerne Abbas	1594	AT Garrett, Cerne Abbas		
Friesian	196.00	KJ & CP Dunn, Dinder	1538	KJ & CP Dunn, Dinder		
Jersey	185.00	RGE Durston, Glastonbury	1734	RGE Durston, Glastonbury		
Blue	170.00	MF & IM Hale, Dundry	1044	MF & IM Hale, Dundry		

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#### SHEEP (734) Start 10.30am AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985737 PRIME LAMBS (275) Max 328p/kg £155

A neat entry of lambs which sold to a faster trade on the week. Best lambs flying to 328p/kg from Steve Bowles and £155 from Clive Peach. Light lambs flying to 328p/kg from Charles Buckler. Handy weights to 323p/kg from Charles Buckler. Handy weights to 323p/kg from AJ Davis and Clive Peach topping at £140 from Dom Creed. Heavies flying to 316p/kg from Dom Creed and £155 from Clive Peach. Over 52kg to 283p/kg from Balmain & Balmain and £154 from Hannah Garrett.

PRIME LAMBS					
KG	£	Vendor			
52.00	155.00	C Peach, Halstock			
58.00	154.00	Hannah Garrett, Dunkerton			
49.50	150.00	BA & CM Godwin & Sons, Bath			
47.50	148.00	RR Creed & Son, Wells			
46.50	147.00	RR Creed & Son, Wells			
45.00	140.00	RR Creed & Son, Wells			
44.50	140.00	RR Creed & Son, Wells			
44.00	136.50	PJ Pobjoy & Son, Norton St Philip			
42.00	135.50	C Peach, Halstock			
40.00	129.00	AJ Davis Farming, South Cheriton			

#### CULL EWES & RAMS (160) Max £160

A larger entry of cull ewes which sold to a flying trade. Best ewes to £160 from Sue Bishop with plenty of ewes ranging from £140 - £150. Welsh ewes topping at £90 from Mike Knowles and Sally Withers. Many more ewes could have been sold to the advantage.

#### **STORE LAMBS (299) Max £114.50**

A large entry of lambs forward which consisted of mainly very small types. All lambs looking a serious trade with best types selling at £114.50 from G Law of Dorchester. Plenty of lambs £100+. Very small Welsh lambs topping at £80.

#### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Breeding Ewe Sale

A reduction sale of over 100 Texel, Texel mule and North Country Mules entered from one farm. Mostly 4 - 6T, have been running with Texel rams since 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

For more information, please call Ross Whitcombe 07815 985737 Andrew Frizzle 07977 136863

#### DAIRY Start 11am AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401 CALVED HEIFERS TO £1790

A few less numbers forward but plenty of trade flowing around the ring. HJ Masters & Son saw their 'Cheers' sired daughters top at £1790 and more could have been sold. In calf heifers seeing increased demand with a lovely consignment of Holstein Friesian x Norwegian Red January due heifers from Dillington Farm Ltd. All in calf to sexed semen, cubicle trained and well grown for 2 year calving. These best types over £1300 and peaked at £1390.

#### REARED CALVES (30) Start 12.30am AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

Reared calves very much in demand with the lift in store cattle prices. Only 30 reared calved forward and more required to satisfy demand. Can only be described as a remarkable "spring like" trade.

#### **CONTINENTAL STEERS TO £625/ HEIFERS TO £560**

Medium Blue steers from LA Lewis selling very well to  $\pounds 625$  and their Blue heifers to  $\pounds 560$  and  $\pounds 520$ . Younger Blue heifers from NF Clothier & Sons looking very dear to  $\pounds 450$  and younger Blue bulls (3mo) to  $\pounds 485$ .

#### NATIVE STEERS TO £560/ HEIFERS TO £605

Tidy young Angus steers (4mo) from Simon Salvidge flying to £560. Angus heifers wanted with tidy sorts from Howard Tratt to £605 and his Hereford heifers to £570, £550 and £465 respectively.

#### Next Sale of Reared Calves Wednesday 18th December

Future Pig Dates

11<sup>th</sup> December, 18<sup>th</sup> December & 8<sup>th</sup> January

### WEEKLY TOP PRICE CALF WINNER!



This week's winner of £25 for the top price any breed male/female under 41 days was a Blue Bull to £470 from JT JACKSON .

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#### CALVES (100) Starts 9.30am AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

A better show of calves on the week saw a blistering trade with all types and grades in demand. Please keep pre-booking with Tom, the office or info@fromelivestock.com

#### **CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £470/ HEIFERS TO £222**

Continental bulls keenly contested with best Blue bulls from JT Jackson & Sons to £470, £422 and £290. Other best Blue bulls from NF Clothier & Sons to £349, £312, £295, £290 and £318 from Peter Evans. Blue heifers sought after today with medium heifers from MP & PM Perrett to £218, £212 from ART Meatyard and £160 from Wardour Farms. Young fresh Blue heifers looking well sold from AK Hosie & Son to £152 and £145 from RTE Dauncey. Simmental heifers from NAC Taylor taking the top spot at £222. A very tidy well presented Simmental bull from M Carver & Son to £390. Limousin bulls from A Bullus to £348 and RE Trowbridge to £280 with their Limousin heifers to £175.

#### NATIVE BULLS TO £220/ HEIFERS TO £200

Best Hereford bulls from RG & SE Hawker to £220 and best heifers to £200 all under 3-4 weeks. A younger show of smaller Natives in general looking well sold with young fresh Hereford bulls from S & G Gould to £178 and heifers to £138 from RH & CM Johnston. Angus bulls from Wardour Farms to £178 and £170 from A Bullus, Angus heifers from Peter Evans to £135. Pretty Longhorn heifers sought after to £118 from Godminster Farm.

# PLEASE WRITE YOUR PEDIGREE SIRE NAMES IN FULL ON THE ENTRY FORM OR PASSPORT

#### DAIRY

British Friesian bulls from Dan Heal flying to £225 and £180. Just 1 odd tiny Holstein Friesian bull to £21.

Please pre book your calves so we can inform buyers more precisely of stock coming forward. Office: 01373 830033 Tom Rogers: 07384 462288

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# FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2024 STORE CATTLE

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 383

Starts 10.30am AUCTIONEERS: TREVOR ROWLAND BRADLEY TOWELL LESTER WILLIAMS

07968 480 401 07496 263 916 07778 646 031

STEERS TO £1795 HEIFERS TO £1500

Trade to another level today with a packed ringside battling to buy cattle. With the exceptional prices achieved today it is nearly impossible to put a price on cattle on-farm. Both stronger short-term cattle and longerterm wintering stores wanted before Christmas. Please contact us to book store cattle in.

#### **COWS & CALVES / FEEDING BULLS**

A blistering trade in the cow & calf section with some tremendous types forward. A super consignment from Andy Gale saw his Limousin & Blue x cows (in calf) and forward calves regularly over £2500 with top set at £2820 for his best Blue cow and Limousin steer calf. Leaner, plain cows and calves saw very keen bidders ranging £850 - £970.

#### **YOUNG CONTINENTAL**

Some super young Continentals forward and what a trade!! Wonderful suckled Limousin and Blue steers and heifers 7-8mo from Andy Gale always over £1000 with Limousin steers at £1240 and Blues at £1190. Heifers from the same home saw tremendous demand 7mo from £850-£950 and his best to £995.

Super suckled Charolais steers 5-6mo once again from Neil & Sharon Glover with pens £1100 and £1040. For the second week in a row a cracking entry of suckled Blonde steers on offer from the Gapper family saw 7mo well-shaped cattle at £1170 & £1100 respectively. Most quality cattle +£100 against recent sales this week. Hard outwintered Simmental heifers from Chris Rose 8mo £815. Outstanding Limousin heifers 13mo homebred from regular vendors BJ & A Boulton seeing prices £1200, £1145 & £1040. Hard wintered Blue x Dairy steers were all easily sold to a very strong trade.

#### **ANGUS**

Nearly 150 on offer met an outstanding trade with several new buyers forward forcing prices to exceptional levels. Top honours go to Bill & Valerie Masters of Yeovil whose 2 pens of well presented framed steers selling to an excellent £1795 and £1675 (27m). Chave & Foster of Bath also presented quality steers selling from £1210 to a highlight of £1435 (only 18mo). Other quality consignments equally sold well to £1400 (only 17mo) from Dillington Farm Ltd of Ilminster, £1355 from MP Hughes of Devizes, £1300 from PW Sherborne & Partners of Chelwood and £1230 (19mo) from Mike Knowles & Sally Withers of Claverham. Forward heifers met an exceptional demand selling to £1460 (28m) from John Snell of Yeovil. Younger heifers with bulling potential met a massive trade to £1285 (18mo) from Dillington Farms Ltd, £1210 (19mo) from Chave & Foster, £1180 (25mo) from M & L Steele of Chippenham, £1165 (20mo) from Young farmer Harry Pope of Barford, Wimborne with his first consignment, £1145 (16mo) from RJ Carver of Radstock, £1100 (19mo) from both Mike Knowles and Sally withers and PW Sherborne, £1035 to £1070 (19mo) all from Somers Farm Partnership. Yearlings were out of this world with the best steers from £1100 to £1110 (11-13mo) all from DB & BJ Hill & Sons of Shepton Mallet and £950 (13mo) from Martin Gibbs of Wells. 6 month steers the highlight to £910 from RJ Lyons of West Harptree and £800 (8mo) from Rob Phelps of Wells. Yearling heifers were equally sought after to £885 (12m) from DB & BJ Hill & Sons and 6 month heifers to £655 from RJ Lyons.

YOUNG STEERS			YOUNG HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Angus	1400	17mo	Dillington Farm Ltd, Ilminster	Limousin	1200	13mo	PJ & A Boulton, Pucklechurch
Blue	1250	7mo	AD & AJM Gale, Blandford	Angus	1145	16mo	RJ Carver, Stoke St Michael
Blonde	1170	7mo	C & RL Gapper, Wick	Blonde	1100	9mo	C & RL Gapper, Wick
Charolais	1100	6mo	N & S Glover, Yeovil	Blue	885	15mo	N & B Hutton, Frome
Beef Shorthorn	1055	16mo	J Wake, Yeovil	Simmental	815	8mo	CW Rose, Corsham
Simmental	930	15mo	N & B Hutton, Frome				
Friesian	870	14mo	N & B Hutton, Frome				

#### **HEREFORD & OTHER NATIVES**

Hereford steers from J & J Hawkins topped at £1695 for well grown steers with weight and frame and others to £1580, £1525, £1460 and £1440. Suckler bred steers from RJ Sparshott to £1400 and £1200 from Michael Knowles & Sally Withers. Hereford heifers from J & J Hawkins to £1500, £1495. Beef Shorthorns from J Wake to £1200, £1055 and £1000. Medium term wintering heifers to £1095 from young farmer Harry Pope with other £900+.

The excellent show of well presented South Devons met insatiable trade with 20m selling for £1590 to £1600 all from AH Corp & Son of Tytherington and heifers equally wanted £1095 (24mo) from M&L Steel of Chippenham.

#### **FRIESIAN & FLECKVIEH**

An excellent time of year to sell you free martin or out of sink calving heifers with the strong finished price forcing the trade from £1390 to £1395 (26-28mo) all from Wareham Partners of Frome and other heifers to £1340 (27mo) from HG Perkins & Sons of Radstock. Younger heifers equally selling well for £1245 to £1255 (18-20mo) and £1095 from HJ Moody & Son of Henstridge. British Friesian steers met keen interest as well selling from £1100 to £1190 (all 21mo) from TJ Davies & Sons of Wells.

Yearling steers also a highlight to £870 (14mo) from Nick Hutton.

#### FORWARD CONTINENTAL

Rising finished prices force the trade beyond exceptions with fleshed, framed types wanted. Quality Stabiliser steers met keen competition selling to £1470 (only 19m) from AH Corp & Son of Tytherington. Well-presented lighter Limousin steers also selling well to £1385 (28m) from Martin Gibbs of Wells and equalled at £1385 (22mo) from PW Sherborne & Partners of Chelwood. Heifers continue to sell to a strong demand with quality Simmental heifers to £1395 (26mo) from HG Perkins & Son of Radstock and Blue heifers to £1260 (25mo) from M & L Steele of Chippenham. Limousin heifers with bulling potential also wanted selling to £1195 from PW Sherborne and similar Charolais heifers to £1110 (only 18mo) from Nick Hutton of Frome. Please take advantage of selling on this electric trade as the winter sets in.

FORWARD STEERS			FORWARD HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Angus	1795	27mo	WD & VJ Masters, Ilchester	Hereford	1500	30mo	J & J Hawkins, Binegar
Hereford	1695	30mo	AH Corp & Son, Tytherington	Angus	1460	28mo	J Snell, Yeovil
Stabiliser	1470	19mo	AH Corp & Son, Tytherington	Fleckvieh	1410	26mo	HJ Moody & Son, Templecombe
Limousin	1385	28mo	MC Gibbs, Wookey Hole	Simmental	1395	26mo	HG Perkins & Sons, Terry Hill
Norwegian Red	1240	20mo	Dillington Farm Ltd, Ilminster	Friesian	1395	28mo	Wareham Prtrs, Frome
Beef Shorthorn	1200	19mo	J Wake, Yeovil	Blue	1260	25mo	M & L Steele, Chippenham
Friesian	1190	21mo	TJ Davies & Sons, Westbury Sub Mendip	Norwegian Red	1245	20mo	Dillington Farm Ltd, Ilminster

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'Come O Lord, Your wounded world is yearning for you to come again! Come Lord, your weary world is crying out for you to lift us out of

our despair, our hunger, our thirst for something better, our need for the spiritual food that will last! Sustain us with your endless Grace and Provision'

We pray especially for all those in our farming community and beyond who yearn for Good News and for Peace at this time. All the farming community and those who serve that community.. markets, auctions, suppliers, financial and land agents etc! May all who need help make themselves known. Try and make a point of contacting a neighbour or a fellow farmer that you've not seen in a while?

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