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# **AUCTIONEERS LTD**

# SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2025

# **TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1246**



#### TRADE AT A GLANCE

PRIME CATTLE TO 352P/KG & £2267 CULL COWS/BULLS TO 241P/KG & £1731 TO 355P/KG & £174 CULL FWFS/RAMS SPRING HOGGS TO £250 STORE HOGGS TO £118 CAL VES TO £470 PIGS TO £188 DAIRY TO £1220 STORE STEERS TO £1945 STORE HEIFERS TO £1565

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Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January					
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January					

### WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY

A fantastic start to the year with good numbers and a strong trade in all sections. Prime Beef exceptionally dear and lambs edging up. A good show of in lamb ewes selling well. Calves in high demand and firm competition seeing a lift in value. A good show of pigs selling to demand and competition.

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1246

# PRIME CATTLE (44) to 352p/kg and £2267 AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916 Start 12.30pm

An exceptional trade for prime cattle to start the new year with 15 out of 44 clean cattle over £2000 topping at £2260 and 17 cattle over 330p/kg . A good show overall of well finished cattle selling to 16 customers.

TOP PRICE STEER	350p/kg for a Limousin from WA Waterman & Sons						
TOP PRICE HEIFER	352p/kg for a Limousin from WA Waterman & Sons						
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	No MIN P/KG MAX P/KG					
STEERS							
Light 100-500kg	7	240.00	325.00				
Medium 501-590kg	10	269.00	350.00				
Heavy 651kg+	6	300.00	341.00				
HEIFERS							
Light 100-500kg	2	228.00	315.00				
Medium 501-590kg	10	244.00	350.00				
Heavy 651kg+	7	220.00	352.00				

#### UTM STEERS (23) Max. 350p/kg £2267

An excellent show of steers met an extremely competitive trade topping at 350p/kg for a smart suckler bred Limousin from WA Waterman & Sons grossing £2180. A super run of steers from CW Butcher & Son reached 348p/kg for Simmental x and the overall top price of £2267; similar quality from the same vendor 341p/kg, 340p/kg, 331p/kg and others over 320p/kg coming to £2260, £2199, £2151, £2141 and £2088. Charolais from CR Hartley & Son 329p/kg and Angus again from CW Butcher & Son to 331p/kg and £1923. Herefords to 312p/kg from AR Smith and £1748 from LM Maidment & Son. Steers averaged 311.79p/kg and £1792 overall.

UTM STEERS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Limousin	350.00	WA Waterman & Sons, Bockhampton	2180	WA Waterman & Sons, Bockhampton		
Simmental	348.00	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes	2267	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes		
Angus	331.00	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes	1923	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes		
Charolais	329.00	CR Hartley & Son, Bath	2217	CR Hartley & Son, Bath		
Hereford	312.00	AR Smith, Swanage		LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham		
Blue	300.00	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes	1958	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes		

#### UTM HEIFERS (19) Max. 352p/kg £2130

Some well-fed heifers forward topping at 352p/kg from WA Waterman & Sons for a super Limousin heifer with shape and finish grossing £2112. Angus heifers not far behind reaching 350p/kg for 580kg well bred and fed from S & R Stamp grossing £2027. Top gross price in the heifer section £2130 at 318p/kg for a Simmental heifer from CW Butcher & Sons and others to 349p/kg. Charolais from CR Hartley & Son 337p/kg and £2049 and Angus from ME & SE Wall 337p/kg and £2103. Heifers averaged 307p/kg overall.

	UTM HEIFERS					
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Limousin	352.00	WA Waterman & Sons, Bockhampton	2180	WA Waterman & Sons, Bockhampton		
Angus	350.00	S & R Stamp T/A Appletree Prtrs, Highbridge	2103	S & R Stamp T/A Appletree Prtrs, Highbridge		
Simmental	349.00	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes	2130	CW Butcher & Son, Devizes		
Charolais	337.00	CR Hartley & Son, Bath	2049	CR Hartley & Son, Bath		
Hereford	286.00	S Powell, Horton	1712	MC Gibbs, Wookey Hole		
Blue	244.00	RF Drake, Castle Cary	1261	RF Drake, Castle Cary		
Friesian	220.00	NF Clothier & Sons Ltd, Ston Easton	1407	NF Clothier & Sons Ltd, Ston Easton		

# CULL COWS (32) Beef to 241p/kg Dairy to 211p/kg AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916

Cows to a sharper trade and very much wanted after the Christmas period. Best grade 1 Charolais cows to 241p/kg grossing £1606 from Tom Bamlet Farming. Top gross price again for Charolais from N & S Glover at £1701. Hereford cows to 236p/kg and £1699 and Angus 233p/kg and £1678. Best fed Friesian cows to 211p/kg and £1456. Grade 2 cows 230p/kg and £1548. Grade 3 feeding cows to 215p/kg and others 180p/kg+. Grade 3 Friesians to 185p/kg and £1450 and others 168p/kg to 182p/kg. Grade 4 processing cows 104p/kg to 130p/kg.

CULL COWS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR MAX (£)		VENDOR		
Charolais	241.00	Tom Bamlet Farming, Dorchester	1701	N & S Glover, Yeovil		
Hereford	236.00	MD & LM Keen, Melksham		N & S Glover, Yeovil		
Angus	233.00	Snook, Yeovil	1678	Snook, Yeovil		
Friesian	211.00	Snook, Darvole	1456	Snook, Yeovil		
Simmental	202.00	J Coleberd Services, Corscombe	1211	J Coleberd Services, Corscombe		
Blue	188.00	RF Drake, Castle Cary	890	RF Drake, Castle Cary		



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#### SHEEP (781) Start 10.30am

AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985737

#### PRIME HOGGETS (415) Max 355p/kg £174

A flying start to 2025 with best hoggs flying to 335p/kg and £174 with an impressive SQQ of 324p/kg, with every hogg averaging £144.51. Handy weights looking the dearest of the day with plenty 340p/kg upwards. Light hoggs to 355p/kg from TFT Handy and £135 from the same good home. Handy weights to 343p/kg from Brian Godwin & family topping at £150 from L Hoddinott. Heavies to 342p/kg from Keevil Farm Partnership and £163 from A Doman & Co. Over 52kg to 303p/kg and £174 from Wallmead Farms Partnership. More hoggs needed each week to keep buyers coming.

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	PRIME LAMBS							
	KG	£	Vendor					
62.50 174.00			Wallmead Farms Partnership, Timsbury					
	54.50	165.00	Wallmead Farms Partnership, Timsbury					
	45.50	150.00	L Hoddinott, Coleford					
	43.50	148.00	TFT Handy t/a Pry Holding, Purton					
	42.50	140.00	A Doman & Co, Ston Easton					
	41.00	139.50	Shaplands Farm Prtrs, Cold Ashton					
40.50 139.00			BA & CM Godwin & Sons, Bath					

#### CULL EWES & RAMS (123) Max £250

A larger entry of ewes which consisted of liquorice allsorts! A lot of smaller and leaner ewes forward. Very best types selling to £250 from Karina Heritage with other best ewes flying over £200. Medium ewes all £140 - £170 with very small or lean all £50+. More ewes needed each week.

#### STORE LAMBS (61) Max £118

A short entry of store hoggs sold to a flying trade with best soaring to £118 from EJ White of Braydon. Plenty of hoggs £100 - £115 with an overall average of £99.41 being achieved which included some very small types. More hoggs needed each week.

#### **BREEDING EWE DISPERSAL (182) Max £200**

A cracking dispersal of in lamb ewes from Keith Darling drew interest from all over the South West. Aged 6T and full mouth looked well sold at £200 for both North Country Mules & Suffolk types. Plenty of ewes £180 - £190. Many more could have been sold to the advantage.

#### Wednesday 15th January

Dispersal of 60 In lamb 2 tooth North Country Mules from Rose Debenham.

#### **DAIRY Start 11am**

AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401

**CALVED HEIFERS TO £1220** 

Only two fresh milk heifers forward for our 1<sup>st</sup> 2025 market. Generally smaller types having been with their calves. Trade very firm for the type on offer. Plenty of enquiries for top quality high yielding heifers and cows.

#### PIGS (220) Start 10.15am

AUCTIONEER: WILL WALLIS 07833 453482

A good first entry forward for 2025.

#### **FAT PIGS (128)**

A large entry of fat pigs with lighter weight gilts and quality in strongest demand. Best lighter weights from PB Weeks to £188 and £178 this week. Porker weight gilts from Durnell & Sons to £168. Coloured fat pigs to £162 from Fulmer Pace Farm of Slough.

#### STORE PIGS (26)

A small entry of stores this week with a smart pen of 14 w/o White stores from N Legge of Herefordshire selling to £75. Others to £50 for JE Cock & Son.

#### **CULL SOWS/BOARS (66)**

Less forward than booked this week. Trade harder as expected and in line with national trends. Best to £180 from FE White & Sons with others to £172 and £170. Others from J Bodman to £168. Overall average £115.91.

Next Pig Sale: Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January

Next Reared Calf Sale: Wednesday 15th January



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#### CALVES (169) Starts 10am AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

A sensational trade for calves here today with all grades and breeds in demand, 21 active buyers with many unsuccessful bidders!!! Please continue to pre-book it really helps with buyer procurement; text or phone Tom or email the office info@fromelivestock.com

#### CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £470/ HEIFERS TO £390

All of the below calves mentioned are 41 days and under. Best blue bulls from J Sprake & Partners flying to £470 with others from the same stable to £445, £398, £390, £382 and £380. Super Blue bull from NL Norris to £355, others from NF Clothier to £352, £350 from JT Jackson, £322 from RH & CM Johnston, £325 from NR & D Norris and £318 from Pressbarrow Partners. Blue heifers a blinding trade to £370 from J Sprake & Partners, £365 from AJ Scott, £310 from Wareham Partners, £305 from JT Jackson & Sons, £300 from AK Hosie & Sons, £300 Pressbarrow Partners and £298 from Church Farm Partnership. Simmental heifers taking the top spot at £390 from regular supporters Adrian Bullus (with their Simmental bull to £378). Young Charolais bulls looking a very fierce trade from NR & D Norris to £245 and Limousin bulls from George E Masters flying to £255.

#### NATIVE BULLS TO £380/ HEIFERS TO £255

A well presented Angus bull from SJ Stevens & sons to £380 with other best sorts to £335 from DA James & Son, £330 from AJ Scott & Son, £300 from J Sprake, £250 from Church Farm Partnership and £175 from Godminster Farm who also had young Angus steer calves to £215. Hereford few and far between seeing strongest bull calves to £340 again from J Sprake & Partners and £220 from AK Hosie. Hereford heifers wanted to £265 from RG & SE Hawker, £238 from RE Trowbridge & Son and £210 from Dan Heal.

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#### **DAIRY**

Holstein Friesian bulls now looking like a rare breed but selling well to £135 from DBH Miles, Dairy Shorthorn bulls from GN & KM Langley to £210 and £170 from Kevin Moorse.

#### **WEEKLY TOP PRICE CALF WINNER!**

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This week's winner of £25 for the top price Native Sired Bull under 41 days was an Angus to £380 from SJ Stevens & Sons.

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## FRIDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2024 STORE CATTLE

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 240

Starts 10.30am AUCTIONEERS:

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

STEERS TO £1945 HEIFERS TO £1565

A tremendous entry of quality stores to close the year with steers selling to £1945 from Paul Webber and heifers to £1565 from Peter Hunt.

All the staff at FLA thank you for your support through 2024 and look forward to seeing you in 2025 with a good entry of store cattle already building for Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

#### IN CALF COWS

An excellent trade for the in-calf cows forward today. Deep bodied Angus due March to Angus had excellent demand at £1570 from Timsbury Workshop Estate Ltd. Simmental in calf cows from Rob and Charlotte Stott were easily sold to £1400.

#### YOUNG CONTINENTAL

No problem to sell the younger types; quality suckler bred Charolais steers and heifers (7mo) from Dave and Liz Brimble to £1095 and £895 respectively. 3-4mo suckled Blues from regular vendor Tim Handy often over £800 topping at £850. Smart 13mo Blue steers from S Kingston saw good demand for these well grown types to £1170. Quality dairy bred 14mo Blue steers once again from Andrew Ridout produced competitive bidding throughout to £1180. Heifers from the same home £1200, £1080 and £965. A nice consignment of suckler bred Limousin 7-9mo steers forward from Philliols Farm commanded keen interest with bunches at £1080, £1060 and £1000! Their heifers were well sought at £955. Overall, a marvellous trade for the younger cattle and as the finished prices climb ever higher the stores follow suit.

#### **ANGUS**

A wonderful selection forward with premium prices paid for farm assured, named sire types. Framed steers with potential topped this section selling from £1505 to £1585 (21-22mo) all from Rob Lessey & family of Wincanton, £1480 (24mo) from PF & JH Osborne of Westbury and £1455 (22mo) from WJ & SB Down & Partners of Yeovil. Other good feeding steers also keenly sought to £1325 (21mo) from Amy & Elaine Sheppard of Corsham, £1305 from W Green & Sons and £1205 from PW Sherborne & Partners. Medium framed steers also a highlight selling to £1055 (17mo) from WH Chipp of Portesham, £1045 (15mo) from WJ & SB Down & Partners and £990 (14mo) from Andrew Ridout of Dorchester. Best yearling steers also wanted from £840 (7mo) to £955 (8mo) all from DR & EA Brimble of Litton, £830 (12mo) from Alan Foot of Dorchester and £785 (9mo) from Rob & Charlotte Stott of Wells. Heifers continue to sell to a fast trade with fleshed heifers selling from £1375 (33mo) from Rob & Charlotte Stott to £1430 (31mo) from Clifford Alvis of Radstock. Bullers also wanted from £1040 to £1220 (21mo) all from Rob Lessey & family and £1180 (22mo) from PW Sherborne & Partners. Younger heifers also met keen demand to £915 (15mo) from Andrew Ridout, £900 (14mo) from Rob & Charlotte Stott and £790 from WH Chipp.

YOUNG STEERS			YOUNG HEIFERS				
BREED	ED £/ HEAD AGE VENDOR BREED £/ HEAD		AGE	VENDOR			
Blue	1180	14mo	MJ Ridout, Toller Porcorum	Hereford	1165	17mo	JC Gay & Son, West Harptree
Charolais	1095	8mo	DR & EA Brimble, Litton	Blue	1080	15mo	MJ Ridout, Toller Porcorum
Limousin	1080	16mo	JC Gay & Son, West Harptree	Angus	915	15mo	MJ Ridout, Toller Porcorum
Hereford	1080	16mo	Philliols Farm, Wareham	Charolais	895	7mo	DR & EA Brimble, Litton
Angus	1055	17mo	S White, Portesham	Simmental	805	10mo	Philliols Farm, Wareham
Simmental	880	10mo	Philliols Farm, Wareham				

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

The good entry of Hereford continue to sell to a strong demand with feeding steers wanted and selling from £1175 to £1395 (18-20mo) all from Colston Gay & family of West Harptree, others from £1160 to £1195 (21mo) from Rob Lessey & family of Wincanton and £1150 (20mo) from TJ Davies & Son of Westbury Sub Mendip. Younger steers also selling to advantage to £1080 (16mo) from Colston Gay, £910 from Will Stitch & Kate Isgar of Axbridge and £750 (9mo) from Rob & Charlotte Stott.

Heifers met an outstanding trade and topping at £1565 (25mo) from Peter Hunt & family of Sherborne. Bulling potential heifers also met a fast trade from £1100 to £1165 (17-18mo) from Colston Gay and £1050 from Will Stitch and Kate Isgar. Young heifers also wanted to £645 (7mo) from D & S Salter of East Cranmore.

#### FRIESIAN & FLECKVIEH

Another excellent trade for the few on offer with fleshed framed Holsteins selling to £1160 (21mo) from Rob Lessey & family of Warminster and closely followed at £1110 (19mo) from Colston Gay & family of West Harptree. Their heifers also met a fast trade to £950 (19mo). Fleshed heifers topped at £1295 (27mo) from Stuart Perkins of Radstock. Younger steers also met ken demand to £800 (15mo) from Andrew Ridout of Dorchester.

#### **FORWARD CONTINENTAL**

The stronger finished trade forces store prices up again. All grades wanted and massive premiums paid for good conformation and close to finishing. Top honours of the day go to Paul Webber's consignment from Draycott with his 16 Parthenaise steers selling to £1945 (21-22mo), £1765 (18-21mo) £1680, £1645 and £1610 (17-21mo) being over £3p/kg. Well presented Limousin steers also met keen competition selling to £1595 (20mo) from Philliols Farm of Wareham and £1340 (19mo) from PW Sherborne of Chelwood. Shapely Simmental steers equally sought after from £1425 to £1460 (24-26mo) from W Green & Sons of Horningsham. Heifers also strongly bid with framed Simmental heifers selling to £1410 (26mo) from Stuart Perkins of Radstock, £1365 (20mo) from Philliols Farm and £1200 (22mo) from Rob Lessey and family. Similar Blue heifers also sold to £1200 (21mo) from Andrew Ridout and family of Dorchester and £1130 (24mo) from A & E Sheppard of Corsham. Good bulling potential Blue heifers wanted and sold well to £1000 from TJ Davies of Wells.

FORWARD STEERS				FORWARD HEIFERS			
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Parthenaise	1945	22mo	P Webber, Draycott	Hereford	1565	25mo	PW & ASL Hunt Ltd, Sherborne
Limousin	1595	20mo	Philliols Farm, Wareham	Angus	1430	31mo	CA AC Alvis, Oakhill
Angus	1585	22mo	FJ Lessey & Son, Wincanton	Simmental	1410	27mo	HG Perkins & Sons, Terry Hill
Simmental	1460	26mo	W Green & Sons, Horningsham	Friesian	1295	27mo	HG Perkins & Sons, Terry Hill
Hereford	1395	20mo	JC Gay & Son, West Harptree	Blue	1200	21mo	MJ Ridout, Toller Porcorum
Friesian	1110	19mo	JC Gay & Son, West Harptree				
Lakenvelder	955	21mo	TJ Daves & Sons, Westbury Sub				

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This coming Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> is 'Plough' Sunday! It feels important to acknowledge that this New Year has not got off to a flying start!?...Disruptive industrial action, and Rampant Flu putting severe



pressure on our already hard pressed NHS, severe cost of living challenges, war in Ukraine, High winds ...and flooding on the lower ground all over the country..The list goes on!? However, if possible, it's best to try and dwell on the positives in life!? Hope is the expectation that something good is going to happen! Devolution! The government has published it's Devolution White Paper... which sets out their vision and plans for devolving power across the Nation, giving councils the powers they need to 'Drive growth and Raise Living standards' Local government reorganization to try and improve councils ability to deliver sustainable and high quality public services? We shall keep an open mind and see!! Of course available central funds will still dictate these services won't they!? So... Let's stay positive Deliver to the cartoon goes: 1st person says: Aren't you apprehensive

about what the New Year will bring!? 2<sup>nd</sup> Person replies: I think it will bring Flowers! (First person is taken aback!) Flowers, Really? Why!? 2<sup>nd</sup> Person replies: Because I've planted Flowers!!'

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