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#### SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2025

### **TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1459**



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

PRIME CATTLE	TO 366P/KG & £2346	CULL COWS/BULLS	TO 327P/KG & £2843
SPRING HOGGS	TO 356P/KG & £171	CULL EWES/RAMS	TO £190
STORE HOGGS	TO £135	CALVES	TO £585
REARED CALVES	TO £890	DAIRY	TO £2100
STORE STEERS	TO £2310	STORE HEIFERS	TO £2210

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#### CURRENT BLUE TONGUE INFORMATION

Please see the most recently updated map to see whether the new zone now affects your farm.

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#### Outside the Zone

If you are outside of the zone, then no restrictions apply to buying or selling at Frome Market

#### Inside the Zone

For Wednesday Prime Stock market (prime & cull cattle, prime & cull sheep) - a general license EXD634 will need to be obtained from:-

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Your stock will be declared as coming from within the BTV RZ and can be purchased by any Abbatoir inside or outside of the RZ aswell as being able to go home. NO OTHER MOVEMENTS COMPLY WITH THIS LICENCE

Store animals for Wednesday & Friday Markets (calves, store lambs & store cattle) All animals will need to be subject to a negative pre-movement test for BTV. Please note that pig movements do not apply to these restrictions. The tests are carried out by Farmcare UK. Please note the test is free of charge.

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Results will take 48 hours to be confirmed and then animals must be accompanied by License to Frome Market.

If you require any assistance in this matter and would like to speak to one of our team please see numbers below:-

- Trome Market office 01373 830033
- Bradley Towell 07496 263916
- Trevor Rowland 07968 480401
- Elester Williams 07778 646031

Details for Licence Application: Contact: Bradley Towell – 07496 263916 Frome Farm Vets: 01749 601899 Tom Rogers 07384 462288 Andrew Frizzle 07977 136863 Clive Peach 07970 62085

Market Holding: 36/122/8000 BA11 2QB Grid Ref: ST 822 005 0000 <u>office@fromefarmvets.co.uk</u>

#### BLUE TONGUE UPDATE WEDNESDAY 26TH MARCH

DEFRA have today announced a temporary easing of pre-movement testing for Blue tongue for non-breeding livestock leaving the restricted zone.

- Store stock can move out of the restricted zone without a premovement test but must still have specific licence EXD 632
- Only the following animals still require both a pre-movement test and a specific movement licence EXD 632: Calves under 60 days Breeding stock including breeding bulls, in-calf cows, cows with calves at foot and ewes with lambs at foot

This is a temporary change that will apply until 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025

#### PRIME CATTLE (11) to 366p/kg and £2346 AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916 Start 12.30pm

A very light show of Prime Cattle forward fuelling demand even more. No top U grade cattle forward however those consigned achieving excellent returns.

TOP PRICE STEER	366p/kg for a Simmental from DP Tucker							
TOP PRICE HEIFER	340p/kg for an Angus from CA AC Alvis							
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	No MIN P/KG MAX P/KG						
STEERS								
Light 100-500kg	5	320	360					
Medium 501-590kg	1	349	349					
Heavy 590kg+	2	362	366					
HEIFERS								
Light 100-500kg	1	335	335					
Medium 501-590kg	0							
Heavy 590kg+	2	340	340					

#### UTM STEERS (8) Max. 366p/kg £2346

Simmental steers from DP Tucker to 366p/kg and 362p/kg grossing £2346 and £2295 respectively. Charolais steers from RJ Harroway to 349p/kg and £1972. OTM Blue steers from RJ Harraway to 350p/kg and £1711.

UTM STEERS							
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	MAX (£)	VENDOR				
Simmental	366	D P Tucker T/A Tucks Tyres, Binegar	2346	D P Tucker T/A Tucks Tyres, Binegar			
Blue	360	RJ Harraway, Chippenham	1711	RJ Harraway, Chippenham			
Charolais	349	RJ Harraway, Chippenham	1972	RJ Harraway, Chippenham			

#### UTM HEIFERS (3) Max. 340p/kg £2108

Angus heifers from CA AC Alvis to 340p/kg (twice) grossing £2108 and £2040.

More wanted next week!

#### **UTM HEIFERS**

BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR	
Angus	340	CA AC Alvis, Radstock	2108	CA AC Alvis, Radstock	
Simmental	340	CA AC Alvis, Radstock	2040	CA AC Alvis, Radstock	

#### CULL COWS (22) to 327p/kg and £2843 AUCTIONEER: BRADLEY TOWELL 07496 263916 Start 12.30pm

Cows unbelievable dear this week with heavy weight Charolais cows from A Salter to 327p/kg coming to £2843. Grade 1 Limousin cows to 311p/kg and £2414 from NJ Bond and Beef Shorthorns from Reeves Farm Bratton to 287p/kg grossing £2180. Grade 2 cows to 287p/kg £1893 and grade 3 feeding cows to 294p/kg and £1467. Dairy cows to 267p/kg for a Fleckvieh grossing £1868 and Holstein Friesians with weight and cover to £2195.

Grade 1 cows 291p/kg to 327p/kg

Grade 2 cows 264p/kg to £287p/kg

Grade 3 cows 241p/kg to 294p/kg

Grade 4 cows 185p/kg to 225p/kg

Cows averaged 259.75p/kg overall.

CULL COWS							
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR			
Charolais	327	A Salter, East Cranmore	2843	A Salter, East Cranmore			
Limousin	311	NJ Bond, Trowbridge	2414	NJ Bond, Trowbridge			
Simmental	296	NJ Bond, Trowbridge	2242	NJ Bond, Trowbridge			
Hereford	294	WJ Jennings, Winkleigh	1520	WJ Jennings, Winkleigh			
Beef Shorthorn	287	Reeves Farm Bratton LTD, Westbury	2180	Reeves Farm Bratton LTD, Westbury			
Murray Grey	274	NJ Bond, Trowbridge	1736	NJ Bond, Trowbridge			
Fleckvieh	267	DA James & son, Frome	1930	WR Phippen, Buckland Dinham			

#### NOTICE TO FARMERS IN THE BLUE TONGUE ZONE

If you are in the Blue Tongue Zone, we can accept your prime stock (sheep & cattle) on a general licence EXD634 without being BTV tested and your stock will be sold direct to abattoirs; this is applicable for our weekly **Wednesday** market. Prime stock **MUST** be fit to slaughter otherwise needs to be BTV tested.

We have plenty of buyers looking to source stock from Frome Market.

If you require any further information or advice please do ring us:-

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Bradley Towell 07496 263916 (Prime Cattle Auctioneer)

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#### SHEEP (891) Start 10.30am AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985737 PRIME HOGGETS (680) Max p/kg £3.56

A superb entry of hoggs which sold to a faster trade on the week, for all weights. Best hoggs which sold to 356p/kg from S Fineman and £171 from NF Clothier & Sons Ltd. Feather weight Balwins to 356p/kg and £89 from S Fineman. Light hoggs to 348p/kg from Pat Apsey and £130 from R S Williams & Son. Handy weights to 348p/kg and £151 from Grace Whitcombe. Heavies to 341p/kg from Pat Apsey and £160 from NF Clothier & Sons and Tom & Charlotte Wheeler. Over 52kg to 303p/kg from RJ Mitchell & LA Voke and £171 from NF Clothier & Sons. Many more hoggs could have been sold to the advantage and we can handle 1000 plus hoggs every week.

PRIME HOGGETS					
KG	£	Vendor			
64.00	171.00	NF Clothier & Sons Ltd, Ston Easton			
61.50	168.00	Keevil Farm Partnership, Frome			
54.50	165.00	RJ Mitchell & LA Voke, Chewstoke			
52.00	160.00	T& C Wheeler, Norton St Philip			
49.50	159.50	NF Clothier & Sons Ltd, Ston Easton			
46.00	157.00	PG Apsey, Charlton Musgrove			
45.00	151.00	G Whitcombe, Westhay			
42.00	146.00	G Whitcombe, Westhay			
38.00	130.00	RS Williams & Sons, Melksham			

#### **SPRING LAMBS**

A small entry of spring lambs enjoyed a fast trade. Best types to £172 and 372p/kg from Mike Knowles and Sally Withers. We now have abattoirs asking for spring lambs. Easter show on 9th April.

#### GOATS

A small entry of kid goats looking well sold at £40 from Keith Romain. STORE HOGGETS (92) Max £135

A smaller entry of store hoggs which sold to a fast trade. Best hoggs to £135 from S Barfoot with plenty of hoggs in the £120's and £130's. Overall average to  $\pounds$ 111.40.

#### CULL EWES & RAMS (98) Max £190

A larger entry of ewes which sold to a flying trade. Best ewes topping at £190 from S & D Carnie, with best rams to £170 from R & G Gooding. Strong mules to £150

with very lean sorts topping at £110's. Many more ewes could have been sold to the advantage

**EWES & LAMBS** 

A small entry of ewes and lambs enjoying terrific demand. Best outfits to £280 for 3 aged ewes and 4 lambs. Best singles to £235 and £117.50 per life from Ollie and Hannah Combes of Witham Friary. Many more needed each week.

#### DAIRY Start 11am AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401 CALVED HEIFERS TO £2100

Unfortunately, low numbers of dairy forward but plenty of demand. Fresh milk desperately wanted again today. A super "Denvo Admiral" sired calved Friesian Holstein heifer from TC & PW Candy created strong interest and bidding to £2100. For dairy enquiries call: Trevor Rowland Auctioneer 07968480401

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

Very firm trade here with farmers buying to Spring turn-out.

#### CONTINENTAL BULLS/ STEERS TO £890/ HEIFERS TO £780

Best blue steers from Mike Aylesbury & family (Crosskeys Farm) flying to £890,  $\pounds$ 800 &  $\pounds$ 740 all 5-7mo and their Blue heifers to  $\pounds$ 765 (only 4mo!!) and  $\pounds$ 640. Tidy Blue steers from JW & P Marsh & Son to  $\pounds$ 840 (6mo) and their Blue heifers to  $\pounds$ 780 and  $\pounds$ 705 (6-7mo). Younger Blue steers from AJ Langley to  $\pounds$ 705 (5mo) and heifers to  $\pounds$ 640 (5mo), well presented Blue heifers from Sarah Byrne looking well sold at  $\pounds$ 695 and  $\pounds$ 645 (5mo)

#### NATIVE STEERS TO £635/ HEIFERS TO £820

Young angus steers looking very dear to £635, £610 and £590 for young Angus 3-4mo from Stella Sargent and their Angus heifers from JW & P Marsh to £820.

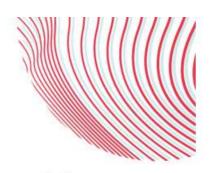
#### DAIRY

Fleckvieh bulls from Padfield & Dyke to £850 and £720 and their Holstein Friesian bulls wanted to £355. Don't forget our Annual Spring Stirk fair on April  $23^{rd}$ . Please call with your entries or for visit.

Next Pig Sale: Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April Next Reared Calf Sale: Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April Annual Spring Stirk Fair Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April







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#### CALVES (124) Starts 10am AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

Medium and smaller end calves looking dearer again on the week. The quality calves still a straight price and more fresh buyers again this week. All calves under 41 days unless otherwise stated.

#### **CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £585/ HEIFERS TO £450**

Belting Blue bulls from Wardour Farm to £585 with others from the same stable to £512. More best sorts from Daniel & Hole flying to £500, £490 & £480, Blue bulls from NR & D Norris to £470 & £405, £365 from Westwood Farm and £338 from RL Clapp & Sons. Best Blue heifers to £400 from Wardour Farm £392 from AJ Langley and a tidy run of young fresh Blue heifers from £210- £372. Good to see a few more continental breeds here this week with Simmental bulls from DBH Miles to £520, £500 from M Carver who also topped the continental heifer trade for his Simmental x heifer £450. Tidy Limousin bulls from RE Trowbridge & Son to £488 and their heifers to £440 looking well sold. Charolais wanted to £500 from Padfield & Dyke and their heifers to £400. Younger fresher bulls from NR & D Norris to £330, Charolais heifers from KJ Osborne & Partners flying to £350.

#### NATIVE BULLS TO £528/ HEIFERS TO £380

Older Angus bulls 6-8 weeks from MSJ & SJ Green to £528, younger fresher sorts from Gilson & Tucker to £500, SC Eavis to £500, £480 from Wardour Farms, £375 from GN & KM Langley, £325 from MSJ & SJ Green and £320 from JW & P Marsh. Hereford in demand with bulls again from JW & P Marsh to £490, £382 and £368, their heifers wanted to £270, £262, £258 and £255. Super Hereford bulls from Charles Milton to £485, £330 from RG & SE Hawker and their heifers to £255. Tidy Hereford heifers from Dan Heal to £240 and a nice Hereford heifer from the Parkers to £240. Longhorn bulls to £245 and light heifers to £150 from RL Clapp. **DAIRY** 

## Holstein Friesian bulls flying to £188 from weekly supporter DBH Miles. Mediums to £70 from Bayley partners who also had British Friesian bulls flying to £142 and £120. Norwegian Red bulls from K & EJ Simpson to £220.

Please continue to pre-book it really helps with buyer procurement; text or phone Tom Rogers or email the office info@fromelivestock.com





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Sue, Chris and Simon would like to invite you to John's Thanksgiving Service on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 12.30pm at Folke Church DT9 5HP.

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# FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2025<br/>STORE CATTLEStarts 10.30am<br/>AUCTIONEERS:<br/>TREVOR ROWLAND<br/>BRADLEY TOWELLO7968 480 401<br/>O7496 263 916TOTAL<br/>HEAD<br/>SOLD<br/>357

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**STEERS TO £2310 HEIFERS TO £2210** An excellent show of store cattle forward this week selling to a consistently firm trade. Store cattle generally in short supply fuelling demand for all grades and weights. Several consignments of quality suckler bred farming cattle in demand as the sun appears and the grass starts to grow. Some super show potential cattle forward achieving some top prices. Store cattle averaged £1330 overall.

#### **COWS & CALVES**

LESTER WILLIAMS

Only one set forward today, but plenty of demand. Hard outwintered Hereford x cow & calf to  $\pounds$ 1200. An Angus bred 22mo stock bull was wanted from Stella Sargent to  $\pounds$ 1950.

#### YOUNG CONTINENTAL

Prices and demand continue to go from strength to strength. Everyone wanting cattle and as spring arrives more buyers fill the ring. A wonderful annual consignment from Nick Bond & family of 70 mainly Limousin 8mo homebred suckled calves created fierce bidding from start to finish. Their best pens of steers regularly £1200 and the top 3 pens all over £1340 peaking at £1380. Heifers from the same home always £900 - £1000 and a superb pen of 7mo to an incredible £1260. Twyning Ash again presenting their usual quality Blue x steers and heifers 9-11mo seeing prices for steers £1350 - £1430 topping at £1500. Their heifers all £1100 + with a marvellous pen at £1400. More good 10mo Limousin forward from S Tanner saw steers at £1520. Good to see some show potential cattle forward for our special sale and quality 10mo Blue steers from Richard Wright saw bidding peak at £1660. Top spot for this section went to Miss Laura Bodman with her 2 Blue steers 10mo and 14mo which had an electric trade; 10mo steers to £1790 and the 14mo steers to an unbelievable £2180. Well done to all who supported this section.

YOUNG STEERS			YOUNG HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Blue	2180	14mo	L Bodman, Urchfont	Limousin	1800	17mo	Hares Partnership, Corsley
Limousin	1900	15mo	Hares Partnership, Corsley	Angus	1650	17mo	D & PR Tibbs & Son Ltd, Stanton Drew
Angus	1520	12mo	RJ Hopkins, Lacock	Blue	1400	11mo	C Carter T/A Twyning Ash
Hereford	1515	10mo	DJ & EJ Mitchell, Merriott	Hereford	1195	10mo	DJ & EJ Mitchell, Merriott
Simmental	1500	14mo	Townsend Farming & Contracting Ltd, Calne	Parthenaise	1125	10mo	PJ Snook, Frome
Beef Shorthorn	1360	11mo	NJ Bond, Semington	Beef Shorthorn	1060	11mo	S Tanner, Bath

#### ANGUS

Angus still attracting premium prices and the finished prices go ever skyward as do the store replacements. DH Masters & Son seeing their strong forward steers £1850 - £1955 closely followed by Paul and Martin Few at £1750. It was the forward heifers which really set the pace today as DH Masters, Richard Pearce and David Green all saw their stock over £2000. Nigel Masters and family topped the section at £2210! Many strong Angus £1600-£1900 and more could have been sold. Younger Angus very dear as everyone looking for early summering cattle. Richard Hopkins once again showing his Angus x South Devon steers (11mo) all averaging £1500. 13-15mo Dairy x steers £1400 from PH Creed & Son. A number of super 10-12mo heifers on offer and those from Oram Family Partners commanded premium prices £1400-£1460. Hard young 8mo heifers from Stephen Fry £900-£990 all seeing keen interest. Overall a tremendous day again at Frome.

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

Not as many Herefords forward this week however some cracking suckler bred steers from DJ & EJ Mitchell to £1515 for 10mo and heifers the same age to £1195. Stronger Hereford heifers from RJ Phelps to £1455. Young Suckler bred Herefords from Twyning Ash to £1140 and £1110 for 9 - 11mo. Smart Beef Shorthorn steers from S Tanner to £1060 and £1055 from PJ Hulbert. Younger Beef Shorthorn steers to £1360 from NJ Bond and Herefords to £1340 from Stretton Partners.

#### FRIESIAN

Holstein Friesians from AW Doel & Sons to £1385 and £1300 from D & R Tibbs with others to £1100. Younger steers from G & R House to £1015 and £980.

#### FORWARD CONTINENTAL

Strength in short supply and very high demand with those forward seeing excellent headline prices. A fantastic consignment of forward Continental stores from Roger Glover topping at £2310 for Limousin at 23mo and others to £2280 and £2000. Limousin heifers for the same home at £2170, £2100 and £2000 and Blue to £1880. Another super consignment of Continental yearling stores with shape and frame reached £2310, £2150 with others £2070, £2010, £1970. Blue from D & PR Tibbs & Son to £2080 and younger Blue steers from KF Romain to £2000. Limousin x heifers from Hares Partnership to £1810, £1800 and £1780 for 17-19mo.

FORWARD STEERS			FORWARD HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Limousin	2310	23mo	RJ Glover, Yeovil	Angus	2210	26mo	DH Masters & Son, Maperton
Blue	2310	22mo	RE & AM Hicks, Bristol	Limousin	2170	23mo	RJ Glover, Yeovil
Angus	1955	25mo	DH Masters & Son, Maperton	Blue	1880	26mo	RJ Glover, Yeovil
Charolais	1800	20mo	WCG & J Simmons, Priddy	Simmental	1700	23mo	RJ Glover, Yeovil
Friesian	1385	21mo	AW Doel & Sons Ltd, Lacock	Hereford	1455		RJ Phelps, Westbury Sub Mendip



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However, some are struggling to cope. Remember to check up on your neighbour. Especially those you're not in regular contact with. Here are some contacts who can and WILL help: FCN, call 0300 111 999, or email <u>help@fcn.org.uk</u> RABI 0800 188 4444, Open mental Health: 7 days support 01823 276892, Samaritans: call 116 123, or: jo@samaritans.org

The Avon and Somerset Police rural affairs team visit us regularly at the market on a Wednesday....Recorded crimes went from just over 400 in 21/22 to 500 in 23/24. Crime is under reported! I had a long chat with the unit at the market, and was impressed by their commitment and resolve to help Farmers and landowners who need advice regarding their security for themselves and property! Don't be afraid to ask their advice or to report a rural crime! Also, they have 'Farm Watch' posters available for your farm gate and vulnerable premises.

Finally:' As the Sun rises, Lord may your hope rise up in us; As the birds sing, may your love flow out of us; And as the light floods into the new Day, MAY YOUR JOY shine through us  $A \heartsuit$  Blessings to you!

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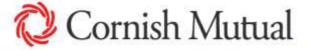
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