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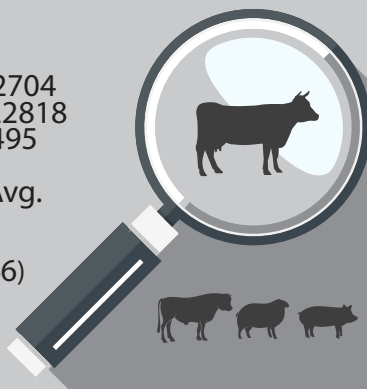
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### MARKET REPORT FOR MONDAY 16th DECEMBER & 12TH DECEMBER

#### MARKET AT A GLANCE

Prime Steers to 366p/kg & £2704  
Prime Heifers to 386p/kg & £2818  
Prime Bulls to 321p/kg & £2495  
Cows to 226p/kg to £1704  
Lambs SQQ 328p/kg (2195 Avg.  
£141.32)  
Lambs to 412p/kg & £190  
Ewes to £242 (1027 Avg £146)



**BLUE TONGUE RESTRICTIONS ZONES ARE NOW  
THROUGHOUT THE MIDLANDS.  
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Sunday lairage is now open from 9am-3:00pm  
Gates close 3:00pm STRICTLY.

## VET ATTESTATIONS

From 13th April 2024, all producers selling livestock for slaughter will require a Veterinary Attestation, or evidence of membership of a qualifying assurance scheme. Producers should prepare now for the changes Follow the link below to our FAQs for livestock markets and producers to find out more. <https://www.laa.co.uk/news/5126/veterinary-attestations-faqs-for-livestock-markets-and->

## WELFARE STATEMENT

Following a meeting with Warwickshire Trading Standards & the FSA on Monday we have been asked to highlight the Welfare Issues being reported from the Abattoirs regarding Cull Ewes. These mainly relate to MASTITIS & LAMENESS. Condition Score i.e being very thin.

Please remember that an animal must be fit for the intended journey, it should not be ill, injured or severely lame ie. must be full weight bearing.

These sheep are being rejected at abattoirs around the Country



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*Calf sales 2025*

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ALL VENDORS PLEASE NOTE AS MATTER OF URGENCY!

VET ATTESTATION NUMBERS (VAN) will now be coming up for Renewal.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT AT THE TIME OF WEIGHING STOCK, THE RENEWED CODE IS KNOWN BY THE SYSTEM.

IF NOT WE CANNOT PROCESS STOCK AND A £20 FINE WILL BE APPLIED.

## CATTLE : 95 Forward



The year concluded on a high with an outstanding trade for the cattle forward. Who would have imagined, at the beginning of 2024, how the prices would finish! It was an utterly fantastic trade.

A shortage of beef, or is it the time that stock farmers have seen inflation that's been needed

Many thanks to all of our vendors, staff, and customers who have made 2024 the success it's been.

To finish off the year, Frank Page topped at 386p per kilogram, and Robert Nichols reached £2818.

NUMBERS OF MEATED CATTLE DESPERATELY NEEDED

Auctioneer : Emma Coupland

## STEERS & BULLS

Top prices per Head				FA
Charolais x	864kg	£2704	W Selmes, Waterperry	Y
Aberdeen Angus	722kg	£2563	W Selmes, Waterperry	Y
Aberdeen Angus	744kg	£2418	W Selmes, Waterperry	Y
Limousin x	676kg	£2366	R W & HER Trivett, Athestone	Y
Limousin x	676kg	£2332	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Top prices per Kilo				
Limousin x	604kg	366ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	614kg	363ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	614kg	360ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Aberdeen Angus	722kg	355ppk	W Selmes, Waterperry	Y
Limousin x	660kg	350ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y

## HEIFERS

Top prices per head				FA
Charolais x	810kg	£2819	R F & J A Nichols, Rugby	Y
Limousin x	752kg	£2745	R F & J A Nichols, Rugby	Y
Limousin	662kg	£2449	RW & HER Trivett, Atherstone	Y
Limousin x	658kg	£2369	C W Thomas, Wolston	Y
Aberdeen Angus	720kg	£2311	H & J East, Kiddlington	Y
Top prices per kilo				
Limousin x	586kg	386ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	598kg	377ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	552kg	370ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin	662kg	370ppk	RW & HER Trivett, Atherstone	Y
Limousin x	596kg	367ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y

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## SPRING LAMBS 2195 FORWARD SQQ 328P/KG AVG £141.32



More in all Sections with 2200 Lambs forwards returning an SQQ of 328p/kg! A yarding of meat in general, with some super runs of quality forwards, but today also saw 200 or so very, very lean lambs that would be £20 dearer on a Thursday Store Sale. Meat, though, was a real trade, and buyers were fit from start to finish.

Top today was 412p/kg for 39kg from Ian Wain with Beltex, and 406p/kg for Messrs Roots. W Bartlett, up from Winslow, also broke 403p/kg, with D W Gurney, using the M40, taking 393p/kg for 43kg. Meat and shape were on fire today, with export orders popping, and meat lambs with finish trading regularly over 340p/kg. First-cross meat lambs were trading at 330–310p/kg, and the very lean lambs were at 280–300p/kg.

Heavies again were not the flyer we've seen all season but still fast throughout. Topping at 371p/kg for 48kg from C R Hill, Leicester, and 46kg from G R Fountaine & Son at 368p/kg. V Roots and Taylor & Son hit 360p/kg at 46kg. Meat was regularly trading over 330p/kg. Weight in general was at 310p/kg, with heavy Suffolks and Mule-bred lambs at 300p/kg. Super heavies were out of vogue and a much harder sell.

An all-in average of £142 was recorded throughout—a serious average, with a fair few clearing the hedges today. A competition for the lightest fat lambs sold took place, with small but beautiful Orphans (24–27kg). Export lambs topped out at £172 for 45kg from DD Pugh, Leicester, with DW Gurney & Son achieving £169 for 43kg, and G Bennett & Partners, from Gloucester, seeing 45kg at £167. Meat was well chased throughout.

The top price today was £190 for the Gloucester wonderer, G Bennett & Partners, at 60kg, with HL Goode & Son achieving £187 for 69kg, and W Bartlett reaching £186 for 58kg. I Wain and P Edwards both broke £180.

Today, 600 lambs were clipped, all selling at a premium. The clipping service will be available Sunday night and Monday, from now on.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

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**IMPORTANT  
ANNOUNCEMENT**

**We will be going  
paperless from the 1st  
January**

No cheques will be  
printed in the new  
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## SPRING LAMB 328 SQQ p/kg

### Per Kilo **under 45.5kg**

Texel	39kg	412ppk	BJ & IS Wain, Sawbridge
Charolais	34kg	406ppk	V J Roots, Southam
Betex	36.5kg	403ppk	W Bartlett, Winslow
Beltex	43kg	393ppk	D W Gurney & Son, Milton Keynes
Beltex	35kg	389ppk	GR Fontaine & Son, Beachampton

### Per HEAD

Beltex	45kg	£172	D D Pugh, Lutterworth
Beltex	44kg	£169	D W Gurney & Son, Milton Keynes
Texel	45kg	£167	G M Bennett & Partners, Bourton
Texel	45kg	£166	R H Burman, Solihull
Charolais	45kg	£163	V J Roots, Southam

### Per Kilo **over 45.5kg**

Texel	48kg	371ppk	C R Hill, Wigston
Beltex	46kg	368ppk	GR Fontaine & Son, Beachampton
Charolais	46.5kg	360ppk	V J Roots, Southam
Texel	46kg	359ppk	Taylor & Son, Banbury
Texel	46.5kg	358ppk	BJ & IS Wain, Sawbridge

### Per HEAD

Continental x	60kg	£190	G M Bennet & Partners, Bourton
Charolais	69kg	£187	R Woodward, Langely
Beltex	58kg	£186	W Barlett, Winslow
Texel	59kg	£183.5	P F Edwards, Beoley
Texel	56kg	£182	BJ & IS Wain, Sawbridge



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## BABY CALVES - 12.12.24



Again small numbers forward with many farmers wanting to sell at Rugby but can't at present with them being in the Blue Tongue Areas

Today we topped at £340 for Phil Dyson and his Limousin Bull Calf who also had a Limousin Heifer at £320

Other Calves sold from Border Holdings and RC & J Mann

Limousin Bulls.	To £340
Limousin Hfrs.	To £320
Simmental Hfrs.	£190 To £200
Hereford Bulls	To £168

Next Sale Thursday 2nd January 2025

Auctioneer: Tim Webster



Don't hesitate to get in touch for sheep scanning services.

Ewes are best scanned 75 days since the tup went in so please get in touch early with your tugging dates.





# CULL EWES: 1027 FORWARD

Many more about today and a real show of weight for the first time in months, with just shy of 1100 ewes averaging £143! The trade was simply a flyer, with all major ewe abattoirs represented. Travelled ewes from Cornwall and Norfolk were forward today—genuine farmed ewes, with no buy-back schemes involved.

The trade was a real Christmas present, selling to £242 for Charolais from J & R Lowe, with Texels from AA Peck across from Norfolk at £240 and £227. Passmore & Nunnerly, a little less travelled but still strong, saw £225, with Messrs Peck also at £222. Ricky Brendon, up from Cornwall, saw £220. Messrs Peck, Norwich, had 23 further ewes over £200, with VJ Roots’ Beltex at £211 and Jamie Best’s Dorset at £207. Messrs Wain and Roots also broke £200.

White faces with weight today were trading between £160 and £200 throughout. Suffolks reached £194 for T J Griffith and Messrs Peck, and £191 for J Lowe. Suffolks were generally £170 plus. Mules reached £184 for JM Grace and £182 for Mules with weight, almost all of which were over £140.

Lean ewes remain hard to sell. Compared to last Thursday’s Grazing Ewe Sale, they should be shown there when AHDB tax is not due.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

## EWES

Charolais	£242	J & R Lowe, Rugby	Texel	£225	Passmore & Nunney, Banbury
x Bred	£240	A A Peck, Norwich	x Bred	£222	A A Peck, Norwich
x Bred	£227	A A Peck, Norwich	Texel	£220	R J Brendon, Cornwall



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CHARTERED SURVEYORS

## STORE LAMBS 12.12.24



Store Lambs: 480 Forward

What a sale—Lambs on Fire! Those who brought stock in were greatly rewarded for their efforts. Rugby remains clear of blue tongue, which is restricting the numbers of stock forward, but prices are very good, with many buyers keen and prices dearer than at other outlets.

The top price today was £131 for Messrs SM & J Lambert for his Texels. Other prices of note included £130 for Mouldings Green Farm and £128 for Suffolks from EJ Taylor.

The overall average was £102.18, which included several long-term lambs at £78.

Auctioneer: Tim Webster



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