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### MARKET REPORT FOR THURSDAY 13TH FEBRUARY & MONDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2025

#### MARKET AT A GLANCE

##### HEIFERS AND STEERS BREAK £3000!

Prime Steers to 400p/kg & £3457  
Prime Heifers to 419p/kg & £3175  
Prime Bulls to 362p & £2667  
Cows to 283p/kg to £2609  
HOGGS SQQ 360p/kg (1190 Avg.  
£154.97  
HOGGS to 435p/kg & £215  
Ewes to £300 (524 Avg £155.39)



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## **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->

## **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 i.e. must be full weight bearing.

These sheep are being rejected at abattoirs around the Country

Adrian Dollar 07914623989

All hedges considered. Southam Area



## CATTLE : 63 Forward



*The show was slightly tighter, with fewer top-quality cattle forward, but trade reached the highest prices seen yet. Six cattle sold for over 400ppk, with Tom Reeve's stunning Limousin Heifer leading the way at 419ppk.*

*Other excellent Heifers followed closely, with prices of 414ppk and 407ppk from JC & AT Hutchinson. Steers peaked at 400ppk from Frank Page.*

*The top Steer from Robert Nichols fetched a massive £3457, while the top Heifer sold for £3175 – an incredible trade!*

*Butchers and Wholesalers were short on numbers to meet demand. Young Bulls reached 362ppk, or £2667, from Richard Lowe.*

*R R & M Lawrence topped the Cows at 283ppk, or £2609*

*Auctioneer : Emma Coupland*

## Store Cattle - 13th February



*To see is to believe!! A new Centre record for genuine Stores from H L Goode at £2490 for Angus Steers.*

*We all knew they would be dear with the continued and unprecedented increase in Fat Cattle returns. But buyers were two deep, and any trade was simply blistering, with £4/kg been and gone on the quality cattle, and plenty at 4.20 plus.*

*Starting with Cows and Calves, we saw new vendor E Boden & Sons, Droitwich, sell a Cow and Calf Couple Piedmontese to £3120. The 7-year-old cow, being free of the bull, sold with their 10-month-old bull calf.*

*Feeding bulls were flying, with NF & K Redfern selling Limousin 7-month-old bulls to £1410 and £1250. Townshends sold Blonde bulls to £1255.*

*Popular calf-rearing expert Mark Peebles kicked us off, selling Lim x Steers at 5 months for £905, with sisters at £820. Herefords, suckler bred from Gloucestershire, from R J White, saw 11-13 month-old steers at £1355 and £1220. NF & K Redfern, with genuine red Limousin quality, saw a top of £1595 for 9-10 month-old steers, with others at £1585, £1550, and £1500. Proper outwintered stores from Wolverton Farm Estates saw £1450 for Simmental steers at 11 months, and sisters at £1000. Pritchard Farms sold their best run so far, with Limousin steers at 10 months reaching £1665 and £1485, with sisters at £1160. Cornwall calling next, with Brendans selling Charolais steers at 19 months for £1605 and 11-month-old brothers for £1360. C McMillan, down from Cheshire, sold proper traditional Blues from Dairy Shorthorns, seeing heifers at 16 months for £995. Then the strength from K Allard stole the show for the youth, seeing 12-month-old Limousin steers to £1900, with others at £1710 and £1700. Dairy men reaped the rewards also when moving up the ages, with Limousin steers from P Dyson at 16 months selling for £2020 and 14 months for £1555.*

*R S Beaty & Sons, with the first of their seasonal draws, saw a top of £2190 for super Simmentals at 19 months, with others at £2070, £1940, and £1900.*

*Then, H L Goode & Sons, Solihull, stole the show, selling 35 Angus and Shorthorns to an average of £2070. These Angus, 19-21 month-old steers, saw a top of £2490, with others at £2425 and £2405. Shorthorns reached £2300, with heifers at £2045.*

*Strength from Woods Farm Meridan saw £2200 and £2005 for Simmental heifers at 20 months. Buckets next, with Lim x from T J Hoare selling steers at £1745 at 21 months, and Angus in pen after pen at £1520, £1505, and £1500. Sisters better done, selling to £1580 and £1490. R J White then with his older groups saw heifers at £1665 at 23 months.*

*To round things off, one last new customer from Hampshire saw Heckfield Estates sell Blue Bucket steers at 27 months for £2000 and £1900.*

*Many, many more wanted next week.*

**Auctioneer: Tom Wrench**

## STEERS & BULLS

### Top prices per Head

Charolais	882kg	£3457	R F & J A Nichols, Rugby
Simmental	816kg	£2938	P R Mann, Ufton
Charolais x	826kg	£2726	W R Keeves & Sons, Northants
Simmental	748kg	£2715	P R Mann, Ufton
Charolais	802kg	£2687	W R Keeves & Sons, Northants

### Top prices per Kilo

Limousin x	669kg	400ppk	Page Bros, Yelvertoft
Charolais	882kg	392ppk	R F & J A Nichols, Rugby
Simmental	626kg	388ppk	R & T Reeve, Rugby
Blonde	694kg	385ppk	N & T Foulconbridge, Coventry
Limousin x	636kg	384ppk	Page Bros, Yelvertoft

## HEIFERS

### Top prices per head

Charolais x	810kg	£3175	R F & J A Nichols, Rugby
Charolais x	698kg	£2785	R F & J A Nichols, Rugby
Charolais x	658kg	£2487	JF & BM Tyrrell & Son, Winwick
Limousin x	594kg	£2418	JC & AT Hutchinson, Clay Coton
Limousin x	588kg	£2393	JC & AT Hutchinson, Clay Coton

### Top prices per kilo

Limousin	528kg	419ppk	R & T Reeve, Rugby
Limousin x	554kg	414ppk	JC & AT Hutchinson, Clay Coton
Limousin x	588kg	407ppk	JC & AT Hutchinson, Clay Coton
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Charolais x	590kg	404ppk	JF & BM Tyrrell & Son, Winwick

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## SPRING LAMBS 1190 FORWARD

SQQ 360P/KG AVG £154.97. TOP £215 for K Crabtree



Painfully short on numbers for a Sale, which saw a flying trade for Exports and an improved trade for heavies. An SQQ of 360p/kg absolutely flying, with all corners wanting Export Hogs and good finished Hogs in massive demand.

Top of the day: real shape from MJ Woodward at 39kg to 431p/kg, with Henry Tustian breaking cover for the Root feeders to sell 38.5kg at 429p/kg, equal with Steve Timms. 425p/kg was also taken by Henry and R Richins Beltex, with weight and grade, seeing 45kg at 424p/kg and 420p/kg. Plenty of Hogs over 400p/kg today, and trade just simply flying for those with fully finished Hogs.

Meated Exports with style: 380-420p/kg. Meat-first cross: 350-380p/kg, with lean Hogs trading around the 340-350p/kg mark. Heavier Exports were discounted by 10p for those over 43.5kg. Weight with meat was chased hard throughout.

Weighted Beltex from S F Taylor: 48kg at 417p/kg, equal for the same from R Richins, also selling 47kg at 403p/kg. K Crabtree had 48.5kg at 400p/kg, with others at 390p/kg.

All in average of £155 today, with weighted Exports making a massive £191 for 45kg from R Richins and £183 for H Tustian. £181 for 44kg from R Richins, with plenty of export Hogs £160 plus.

Top overall: £215 at 57kg for Beltex from K Crabtree, sold to Yorkshire Halal Meats. R & T Reeve next at £207 for 63kg and £207 at 60kg for Team Crabtree. H L Goode & Son, fresh from Thursday's Store Cattle, high selling to £205.50. S Taylor, R Richins, and P Edwards all breaking £200.

Trade was simply sharp throughout, and meat needs to be sold. Many more numbers are desperately needed.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench



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## HOGGS SQQ 360 SQQ p/kg

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

Beltex	39kg	431ppk	M J Woodward, Lutterworth
Beltex	38.5kg	429ppk	J & H Tustain, Banbury
Beltex	35kg	429ppk	S J Timms, Brandon
Beltex	39.5kg	425ppk	J & H Tustain, Banbury
Beltex	45kg	424ppk	R Richins, Oxford

### Per HEAD

Beltex	45kg	£191	R Richins, Oxford
Beltex	45kg	£183	J & H Tustain, Banbury
Beltex	44kg	£181	R Richins, Oxford
Beltex	43kg	£180.50	R Richins, Oxford
Beltex	44kg	£180	S F Taylor, Coventry

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

Beltex	48kg	417ppk	S F Taylor, Coventry
Beltex	48kg	417ppk	R Richins, Oxford
Beltex	47kg	403ppk	R Richins, Oxford
Texel	48.5kg	400ppk	K Crabtree, Milton Keynes
Texel	48.5kg	390ppk	K Crabtree, Milton Keynes

### Per HEAD

Texel	57kg	£215	K Crabtree, Milton Keynes
Suffolk	67kg	£207	R & T Reeve, Rugby
Texel	60kg	£207	K Crabtree, Milton Keynes
Charolais	66kg	£205.5	H L Goode & Son, Solihull
Beltex	48kg	£200	S F Taylor, Coventry



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## Store Lambs - 13th February



*Store Lambs : 712 Forward*

*Another well attended sale from sellers and buyers*

*Rugby Market still being in the clean Blue Tongue Area anyone in the country can buy*

*Today we had good runs of Lambs from Charlie Betteridge, Bromehall Farm, JW & M Timbs, DH Higgins who all sold Lambs over £140*

*Though top price today went to WSE Moreby and Suffolk Lambs to £150.50*

*Trade was brisk and every Lamb was fought over*

*Auctioneer: Tim Webster*

Pedigree Aberdeen Angus Bull for sale

22m

Full pedigree

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never pushed

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## CULL EWES: 529 FORWARD top at £300



*Also short, albeit some big loads diverted for next week. Trade was very swift for a mixy yard of Ewes, lacking in any runs of meated fed Ewes.*

*Top today: £300 for RFS Ltd. RR & M Lawrence Texel Rams to £290, and Texel Ewes from S F Taylor at £288. A Pittom had Texel Rams at £285, and Blue Texel Ewes at £285 from S J Timms. Henry Tustian had heavy Texels at £280, and Z Collett had Texel x at £272. Continental Ewes with weight traded at 220 plus. Tex x Mules ranged from £180-220.*

*Suffolks: £242 for A Pittom, £235 for RFS Ltd, and £225 for D J Harris. Weighted Suffolks sold for over £200. Mules topped at £200 for J Hope & Son, with Welsh Ewes at £195 for J Hodgkinson and £190 for A T Edwards.*

*Mules were generally with weight at £180 plus. There were lots of very lean forwards today, and with this trade, they should be fed.*

**Auctioneer: Tom Wrench**

### EWES

Texel	£300	R F Staveley, Suffolk	Texel	£285	A Pittom, Long Buckby
Texel	£290	R R & M Lawrence, Nuneaton	Texel	£285	SJ Timms, Brandon
Texel	£288	S F Taylor, Coventry	Texel	£280	J & H Tustain, Banbury



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