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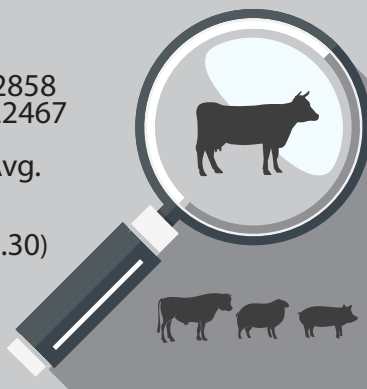
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### MARKET REPORT FOR MONDAY 6th JANUARY

#### MARKET AT A GLANCE

Prime Steers to 381p/kg & £2858  
Prime Heifers to 394p/kg & £2467  
Cows to 200p/kg to £1737  
Hoggs SQQ 366p/kg (1227 Avg.  
£163.37)  
Hoggs to 437p/kg & £205  
Ewes to £252 (463 Avg £163.30)



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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

# CALF SALES

*2025*



JANUARY 2nd & 16th

FEBRUARY 8th & 27th

MARCH 13th & 27th

APRIL 10th & 24th

MAY 8th & 22nd

JUNE 12th & 26th

JULY 10th & 26th

AUGUST 14th & 29th

SEPTEMBER 11th & 25th

OCTOBER 9th & 23rd

NOVEMBER 6th & 27th

DECEMBER 11th

More Information contact  
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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 : 48 Forward



A small show of cattle forward due to the horrific weather conditions. However, the floods were worth battling, with bullocks selling to £2857.60 from Frank Page. Heifers, also from Frank Page, sold to £2466.52.

A record top price of 394ppk was achieved, with steers reaching 384ppk.

Heavy Aberdeen Angus bullocks sold to 330ppk, with sweet Heifers regularly achieving 350/380ppk

NUMBERS OF MEATED CATTLE DESPERATELY NEEDED

Auctioneer : Emma Coupland

## STEERS & BULLS

Top prices per Head				FA
Limousin x	760kg	£2858	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	680kg	£2591	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	672kg	£2554	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
British Blue	670kg	£2526	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
British Blue	664kg	£2503	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Top prices per Kilo				
Limousin x	680kg	381ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	672kg	380ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	634kg	379ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	648kg	379ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	616kg	378ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y

## HEIFERS

Top prices per head				FA
Limousin x	644kg	£2467	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	630kg	£2287	DTP & PA Walters, Rugby	Y
Limousin x	632kg	£2282	C W Thomas, Wolston	Y
Limousin x	616kg	£2279	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
British Blue	574kg	£2262	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Top prices per kilo				
British Blue	574kg	394ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	570kg	383ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	644kg	383ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin x	616kg	370ppk	Page Bros, Northampton	Y
Limousin	616kg	365ppk	DTP & PA Walters, Rugby	Y

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## SPRING HOGGS 1227 FORWARD SQQ 366P/KG AVG £163.37



Hoggs: OVERALL AVG £163!!!!

After a non-stop schedule of sales throughout the festive period, which saw trades at new levels, everyone expected the trade to steady for the beginning of 2025. However, the weather had other ideas. With many farmers unable to market sheep nationally, a shortage of sheep on Monday morning led to what was possibly the dearest trade we have ever seen.

A yarding dominated today by Hoggs from the Green area meant a returning buyer at ringside. Numbers were depleted by the weather and road closures, with some farmers having to return home quickly to deal with floods. Despite this, the 1,250 Hoggs forward received an SQQ of 366p/kg, equal to £7.82 deadweight equivalent. The yarding was fairly short on numbers and quality, but those with meat saw massive rewards throughout.

400p/kg was no barrier today, with the top price achieved by clean-presented Beltex from D W Gurney at 38kg, selling to 437p/kg. BJ & IS Wain followed with 38.5kg at 429p/kg, and VJ Roots achieved 421p/kg. Mickler Farming (Gloucestershire), G & E Livestock (Norfolk), Matt Morris, and Steve Timms all broke the 400p/kg mark. Meat and shape were trading at 390p/kg plus, with first-cross Hoggs trading between 365p/kg and 390p/kg. The leaner Suffolk sorts traded around 355-360p/kg, while some very lean store sorts, still worth more as store lambs, were trading around 300p/kg.

Meat and finish were key now, certainly not weight. Heavier Hoggs were trading at 340-350p/kg for quality, with the best fetching more. Lean heavies were harder to place, trading around 300-320p/kg. Export weights reached a massive £175.50 for 44kg from G & E Livestock (Norfolk), with VJ Roots achieving £174 for 44kg, Lambs End 45kg at £170, Ted Taylor 44kg at £170, and D W Gurney following with 3 pens at £170.

Heavies were well chased if they had meat, with the top price of the day being £205 for 60kg from Roger Coombes for his first draw of the year. Robert Goode celebrated his birthday with 3 trailer loads of stock dragged through the floods to see 60kg Hoggs at £204, and D W Gurney achieved £204 for 66kg. JK Smith & Sons, J Gowling & Sons, and Messrs Coombes all beat the £200 mark. Plenty of heavy lambs were sold for over £120.

This trade was completely unsustainable but purely a result of supply and demand at work. A big thank you to all vendors who struggled through the weather. You were rewarded well, thankfully.

**SHEEP NOW NEED BELLY CLIPPING:** If the belly wool or dirt can fold back and touch the first incision at slaughter, they need clipping!

Clipping service: Sunday and Monday morning in the market.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT**

We will be going paperless from the 1st January

No cheques will be printed in the new year, Bacs payments only

The image is a purple and pink announcement graphic for RFM (The Midlands Mart). It features a central white speech bubble with the text 'IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT'. Below this, it states 'We will be going paperless from the 1st January' and 'No cheques will be printed in the new year, Bacs payments only'. To the left of the text is a small illustration of a black and white cow. To the right is a crossed-out illustration of a cheque with a dollar sign and 'pv' written on it. The background is decorated with various arrows and smartphone icons.

## SPRING HOGGS 366 SQQ p/kg

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

Beltex	38kg	437ppk	D W Gurney & Son, Milton Keynes
Beltex	38.5kg	429ppk	BJ & IS Wain, Sawbridge
Betex	38kg	421ppk	V J Roots, Southam
Beltex	41kg	415ppk	D W Gurney & Son, Milton Keynes
Beltex	39kg	415ppk	Dinkler Farming Ltd, Cheltenham

### Per HEAD

Texel	44kg	£175.5	G&E Livestock, Norwich
Beltex	44kg	£174	V J Roots, Southam
Texel	45kg	£170	Lambs End Ltd, Combrook
Charolais	44kg	£170	E J Taylor & Son, Southam
Beltex	41kg	£170	D W Gurney & Son, Milton Keynes

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

Charolais	49kg	376ppk	H L Goode & Son, Hockley Heath
Charolais	47kg	374ppk	H L Goode & Son, Hockley Heath
Beltex	51kg	373ppk	V J Roots, Southam
Charolais	51kg	373ppk	KW Ormond & Son, Banbury
Continental x	50.5kg	373ppk	R J Paybody & Sons, Northampton

### Per HEAD

Charolais	60kg	£205	D G Coombes, Chipping Norton
Charolais	60kg	£204	H L Goode & Son, Hockley Heath
Suffolk	66kg	£204	D W Gurney & Son, Milton Keynes
Suffolk	58kg	£200.5	J K Smith & Sons, Leamington Spa
Texel	59.5kg	£200.5	J Gowling & Sons, Market Harborough



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## BABY CALVES - 02.01.25



Rugby Market providing a vital service for the farming community and holding a calf sale, taking the stress of TB Testing with the 42 day rule

A very good sale prevailed with a trailer full of Simmental Bulls & Heifers from Andrew Hall realising £300 to £348

Phil Dyson also sold Limousin Heifers to £300 and Border Holdings selling Hereford Bulls to £220

Messrs RC & J Mann also sold several Simmental Calves

Next Sale will be Thursday 16th January 2025 at 10.30am

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: 446 FORWARD



Numbers were very short for all the same reasons as the lambs. We thought the lambs were dear, but the ewes left the lambs in their dust. It was a bedraggled yarding of Mules and Cracker Ewes in the main, with an all-in average of £163.30. Simply a flyer, and dearer than we have ever seen, with meated ewes almost all fetching over £200!

The top price today was achieved by Texel rams from Harrison Bros, which sold to £252. Texel x Lleyrn ewes from Colban Ltd reached £240, and Lleyrn rams from T Kirk sold for £235. There wasn't much shape to speak of, but white-faced and first-cross white faces were trading at £200 plus. Suffolks reached £240 for D Dashwood and £228 for H L Goode & Son, with Suffolks generally trading at £190 plus.

Mules were on fire, with no real strength but a top of £194 for RJ Paybody & Son, and TS TL Enterprises at £192. Plenty of Mules were trading around the £180 mark if weightied, but meat in general was trading upwards of £155.

Auctioneer: Tom Wrench

## EWES

X Bred	£252	Harrison Bros, Calverton	Lleyrn	£235	T & V Kirk, Oxford
Suffolk	£240	D Dashwood, Brackley	x Bred	£235	B & SM Sutton, Leicester
x Bred	£240	Colban Ltd, Bletchington	Texel	£232	MH Fox, Banbury



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200 Tonnes Grass Silage at Rowington, Warwick.

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