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## SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2025

## **TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1876**



## **TRADE AT A GLANCE**

PRIME CATTLE	TO 386P/KG & £2665	CULL COWS/BULLS	TO 321P/KG & £3002
SPRING HOGGS	TO 333P/KG & £188	CULL EWES/RAMS	TO £200
STORE HOGGS	TO £145	CALVES	TO £700
PIGS	TO £194	DAIRY	TO £2856
STORE STEERS	TO £2150	STORE HEIFERS	TO £2310

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#### FOOT CLINIC

9am – 1pm Pre-booking required Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June IMPORTANT BLUE TONGUE RESTRICTION ZONE INFORMATION

Please see the most recently updated map to see whether the new zone now affects your farm. <u>https://link.edgepilot.com/s/d1877cff/R3MfAcw490iTzvXANA751Q?u=https://defra.maps.arcgis.co</u> <u>m/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=514ec88edec74575958d860f0196d2ea</u>

### 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:-

https://link.edgepilot.com/s/85605744/t8JbDQL8BEWaAPjOP9pEtA?u=https://assets.publishing.se rvice.gov.uk/media/67acc8da4fd41c3a24cd21cf/EXD634 E GL-movement-to-slaughter-out-of-the-BTVZ during the seasonal vector low period 12.02.25.pdf

Your stock will be declared as coming from the BT zone and can be purchased by any Abattoir as well as being able to go home. NO OTHER MOVEMENTS COMPLY WITH THIS LICENCE.

Store animals for Wednesday & Friday Markets (calves, store lambs & store cattle) see update below. 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.

#### 20800 6125289 Email:- admin@ukfarmcare.com

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

Tom Rogers 07384 462288 Andrew Frizzle 07977 136863

<sup>—</sup>Clive Peach 07970 62085

Details for Licence Application: Market Holding: 36/122/8000BA11 2QBContact: Bradley Towell: 07496 263916Grid Ref: ST 822 005 0000Frome Farm Vets: 01749 601899office@fromefarmvets.co.uk

### BLUE TONGUE UPDATE WEDNESDAY 14th MAY

DEFRA have extended the temporary easing of pre-movement testing for Blue tongue for non-breeding livestock leaving the restricted zone. Specific licence EXD632 is still required but non-breeding cattle, goats and sheep over 60 days can now move without a BT pre-movement test. Only the following animals still require testing:

- Entire males intended for breeding
- Pregnant females (or pregnancy status unknown)
- Stock aged 60 days or younger (unless travelling at foot with the maternal dam where the maternal dam should be tested by PCR and ELISA)

This is a temporary change that will apply until 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025. DEFRA reserve the right to withdraw the extension at any time should new disease be confirmed.

## WEDNESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MAY

A good entry of stock here today with a smart Dairy dispersal from the Pittard family. More calves here on the week with a stronger trade and a good show of pigs and sheep. Cull cows continue to be a very strong trade with prime cattle easier on the week reflecting the dead weight trend.

### PRIME CATTLE (44) to 386p/kg and £2665 AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401 Start 12.30pm

Good to see more numbers coming forward this week. Overall trade firmer than perhaps anticipated as nationally abattoir prices full again for the second week in succession.

TOP PRICE STEER	386p/kg for a Limousin from EM Horn & Son							
TOP PRICE HEIFER	378p/kg f	378p/kg for a Limousin from AE Weaver & Son						
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No MIN P/KG MAX P/KG							
STEERS								
Steer 100-550kg	6	323.00	369.00					
Steer 551-650kg	8	313.00	386.00					
Steer 651kg+	8	314.00	379.00					
Heifers 100-500kg	2	228.00	291.00					
Medium 501-590kg	13	301.00	360.00					
Heavy 590kg+	7	306.00	378.00					

Vendors: Please help us to keep buyers informed regarding likely entries of stock; phone the market office or an auctioneer on Tuesday to notify of any entries. Help us to help you. Many thanks, Trevor Rowland.

### UTM STEERS (22) Max. 386p/kg £2665 UTM HEIFERS (22) Max 360p/kg £2340

More of the better grade steers 370 – 380p/kg with super quality U grade steers from regular vendor EM Horn & Son topping at 386p/kg. Grass fed steers under 560kg from Robert Snook topped at 369p/kg. Traditional breeds generally 340 – 360p/kg with little difference in steers and heifers this week. Good Continental Blue x heifers from AE Weaver & Son to 371p/kg while nice butchers' heifers from Padfield & Partners from 360 – 370p/kg.

UTM STEERS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Limousin	386.00	EM Horn & Son, Southampton	2467	EM Horn & Son, Southampton		
Blue	379.00	EM Horn & Son, Southampton	2581	EM Horn & Son, Southampton		
Hereford	374.00	LM Maidment & Sons, Corsham	2665	LP Shackell & Son, Bath		
Angus	369.00	RH Snook & Prtrs, Castle Cary	2530	BJ & EM Yandle, Martock		

UTM HEIFERS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Limousin	378.00	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell	2340	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell		
Blue	372.00	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell	2252	Padfield & Partners Ltd, Stratton on the Fosse		
Hereford	353.00	MD & LM Keen, Melksham	1981	MD & LM Keen, Melksham		
Angus	346.00	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell	1996	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell		
Friesian	325.00	WFH Francis & Son, Hemington	1914	WFH Francis & Son, Hemington		

### CULL COWS/OTM'S (46) to 321p/kg and £3002 AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401 Start 12.30pm

Close to 50 cows on offer this week and while the finished Beef has eased the cow prices are as strong as ever with an incredible overall of £1837 being achieved. Plenty of export type black & white cows over £2000 and a super run from RL Clapp & Sons £2200 - £2460 peaking at 287p/kg. Plain and feeding black & white cows 200 – 250p/kg. A very good entry of Continental cows today and all sold to high levels. Wonderful Charolais from Des Beatty grossed over £3000! (310p/kg); quality Limousin from the same home all over 300p/kg topping at 321p/kg. Overall, a super day in this section. Thank you to all who supported us this week.

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CULL COWS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Limousin	321.00	D Beatty, Southwick	2485	D Beatty, Southwick		
Friesian	315.00	C & P Milton, Frome	2463	RL Clapp & Sons Ltd, Glastonbury		
Charolais	310.00	D Beatty, Southwick	3002	D Beatty, Southwick		
Blue	297.00	BA & CM Godwin, Bath	2229	BA & CM Godwin, Bath		
Fleckvieh	282.00	W & C Lasbury, Compton Martin	2026	W & C Lasbury, Compton Martin		
Aubrac	280.00	The Gore Farm Prtrs, Salisbury	2129	The Gore Farm Prtrs, Salisbury		
MRI	275.00	GPD Raymond, Gillingham	1526	GPD Raymond, Gillingham		
Angus	261.00	R Carpenter, Pensford	1797	R Carpenter, Pensford		
Brown Swiss	260.00	W & C Lasbury, Compton Martin	1577	W & C Lasbury, Compton Martin		

### SHEEP (887) Start 10.30am AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985737 PRIME LAMBS (150) Max 365p/kg £164

A larger entry of new season lambs which sold to a faster trade on the week. Best lambs to £164 from Pat Apsey and 365p/kg from Richard Coward. Handy weights to £150 from Jon Pittard & family. More lambs wanted on a weekly basis as abattoirs start switching over.

### PRIME HOGGETS (426) Max 333p/kg £188

Another large entry of hoggs which sold to a faster trade on the week. Best hoggs from M Franklin at 333p/kg and £188 from Pat Apsey. Light hoggs to 333p/kg from M Franklin, with handy weights to 312p/kg and £131 from EF Huntley. Heavies to 292p/kg from Tom & Charlotte Wheeler and £143 twice from DR & PS Osborne and University of Bristol. Over 52kg to 283p/kg from RJ Mitchell & LA Voke and £188 from Pat Apsey.

PRIME HOGGETS					
KG	£	Vendor			
85.00	188.00	PG Apsey, Wincanton			
65.00	173.00	PG Apsey, Wincanton			
63.50	155.00	T & C Wheeler, Norton St Philip			
61.50	150.50	K Hill, East Knoyle			
60.00	150.00	NF Clothier & Sons Ltd, Ston Easton			
59.00	148.50	University of Bristol, Langford			
58.00	147.50	NF Clothier & Sons Ltd, Ston Easton			
55.00	147.00	T & C Wheeler, Norton St Philip			
52.00	143.00	University of Bristol, Langford			
49.00	142.00	EF Huntley, Salisbury			

### **EWES & LAMBS, ORPHAN LAMBS**

A larger entry of ewes & lambs which looked well sold on the day. Older couples to  $\pounds 300 \& \pounds 100$  per life from Rob & Charlotte Stott of Easton. Beulah couples to  $\pounds 70$  per life from Will Stitch & Kate Isgar. A small entry of orphan lambs which enjoyed a fast trade with best to  $\pounds 55$  from Richard Coward.

### STORE HOGGETS (60) Max £145

A seasonal entry of store hoggs which sold to a much-improved trade. Best to £145 from Pat Apsey of Wincanton.

### CULL EWES & RAMS (178) Max £200

Top price cull ewes to £200 from J Bath.

### DAIRY Start 11am AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401 CALVED COWS TO £2856, £2835 & £2782

What an excellent day in this section, the main event of the day was the dispersal of the herd of Friesian Holstein in milk & in calf cows for Messrs Pittard Partners, of Oborne, Sherborne. Demand for these quality Dairy cattle was excellent and all calving July – December saw tremendous bidding for the autumn milk. Although farmed on a low input system the cows were exceptionally well managed by the family. Prices were superb, with 3 over £2700 and 2 over £2800. Top spot to an August calving cow (due with her 3<sup>rd</sup>) at £2856, closely followed by a 'Stantons Useful' daughter at £2835 with a cell count of just 35! Everyone was keen to buy which helped produce an overall average of £2137. Thank you to the Pittard family for their instructions today, it certainly was a pleasure to auction such quality cattle. More Dairy in the pipeline, so keep an eye on our market report and website.

### PIGS (262) Start 10.15am AUCTIONEER: WILL WALLIS 07833 453482

A good entry again with stronger trade for fat and store pigs. Cull sows a similar trade.

### **FAT PIGS (111)**

A decent entry in terms of quality and numbers. Best heavies topped at £194 from PB Weeks with others from the same farm to £190, £189 and £186. Mediums to £186 from RP Tucker and some cracking fat pigs from Harvey Kingman to £172. Coloured fat pigs in lots of demand to £170 from B Long and £152 from GA Dean. Overall average £167.92

### **STORE PIGS (36)**

Stores still very short nationally with no white stores on offer this week. Strong stores to to £140 for JE Cock and £115 for RP Tucker. Younger stores to £52 for Treebor Ltd and £27 for GOS store from N Welch.

### **CULL SOWS/BOARS (115)**

Best cull sows to £165 from C Down and £162 fro JR Bodman. Cull boars to £154 for Half Penny Farm Ltd of Cheltenham. Overall average £117.87.

### Next sale of Pigs: Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May Next sale of Reared Calves: Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May

The funeral of Tony Wareham will take place on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at Winterbourne Kingston Church 12pm & after at the Greyhound Inn.



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### CALVES (182) Starts 10am AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

A much stronger trade on the week and numbers forward. An older show of calves in general with all grades keenly contested. All under 41 days unless otherwise stated.

### **CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £700 / HEIFERS TO £695**

A belting Blue bull from AJ Harding flying to £700. Blue bulls from JT Jackson & Sons to £670 (8wo), £650 from Wardour Farms, £635 from both J Score and JR Meeker (8wo), £625 from DA James and £535 NF Clothier & Sons. Supersonic Blue heifers from DA James to £695 with others from J Score to £645 (8wo), £570 from AJ Harding, £565 JT Jackson (8wo), £555 from JR Meeker and £500 from NR & D Norris. A tidy entry of Simmental from M Carver & Son saw best bulls to £540 and heifers to £530. Tidy Limousin bulls from N & B Hutton to £415 with their Limousin heifers £485 and Charolais heifers to £420.

### NATIVE BULLS TO £680 / HEIFERS TO £590

Top quality Angus here today with best bulls to £680 from GJ & C Taylor & Sons, £650 (8wo) from N & B Hutton and good to see Tony Weeks here with Angus bulls to £605, £570 twice over and Angus heifers to £470. More Angus bulls from Wardour farms £555, £550 from JR Meeker and £480 from AJM Eavis. Angus heifers wanted to £590 (5wo) N & B Hutton, £495 JR Meeker, £475 J Score and £472 M Carver. Hereford keenly contested with a good entry here today; best Hereford bulls from AJK & AD Parker to £530 and their heifers to £460. A tidy run of older Herefords from AJE Mellish looking well sold with bulls to £525, £500, £498 and their Hereford heifers flying to £460. More tidy Hereford heifers from WJ Weeks & Son to £460. More tidy Hereford heifers from RJ Ackson & sons. Tidy Longhorn heifer from NR & D Norris to £295.

### DAIRY

A super trade for black & white's with British Friesian bulls from Dan Heal & family to £249 and £125 from Whitehouse Farm. Holstein Friesian Bulls flying to £205 from DBH Miles, £180 from JR Meeker and £170 from AJM Eavis. Younger Holstein Friesian Bull to £82 from Radstock Co-op.

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

## WEEKLY TOP PRICE CALF WINNER!



This week's winner of £25 for the top price Native Sired Bull under 41 days was an Angus Bull to £680 from JG & C Tayler & Sons .

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## FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2025 STORE CATTLE 10.30AM

		HEAD	
AUCTIONEERS:		SOLD	
TREVOR ROWLAND	07968 480 401	380	
BRADLEY TOWELL	07496 263 916		
LESTER WILLIAMS	07778 646 031		
STEERS TO	£2150 HEI	FERS TO £2310	

TOTAL

A fantastic consignment of genuine Pedigree Angus cows and calves from WW Hannam & Sons as part 1 of a dispersal saw local and away buyers travelling to bid for all competitively. Store cattle a firm trade despite the lesser Beef trade with the edge off the strength.

### **SUCKLER COWS & CALVES**

What a day in this section! This week saw a dispersal of 40 Angus x cows & calves for WW Hannam & Sons, Blandford (retiring). These super high health status quality cattle saw wonderful interest from all quarters and while only 1 mo calves at foot prices in excess at £2400 were regularly achieved with all the best sets from £2600 - £2800. Top spot was £3200 for their 8y/o cow and heifer calf. Also included were their senior stock bulls and younger replacement bulls, "Lightning Park Tip Top" 4y/o peaked at £3250 closely followed by "Penguin Harry" at £2800.

YOUNG STEERS			YOUNG HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Angus	1900	17mo	JR Meeker, Kilmington	Angus	1460	15mo	A & E Sheppard, Corsham
Limousin	1700	12mo	FC Cottle & Son, Steeple Ashton	Charolais	1450	15mo	A & E Sheppard, Corsham
Simmental	1590	12mo	Philliols Farm, Wareham	Simmental	1410	13mo	Philliols Farm, Wareham
Blue	1540	15mo	JR Meeker, Killmington	Hereford	1400	14mo	K & R Hickery, Stowey
Saler	1160	12mo	FC Cottle & Son, Steeple Ashton	Limousin	1280	15mo	FC Cottle & Son, Steeple Ashton
Fleckvieh	1085	13mo	A & E Sheppard, Corsham	Fleckvieh	1150	16mo	A & E Sheppard, Corsham

### YOUNG CONTINENTAL

A much brighter trade in this section than anticipated and although the grass growing season is starting to stall demand was very strong from start to finish.

Super Dairy x Blue 7mo steers from FD & ME Candy & Son were easily sold to £930. Not quite so many single suckled Continentals which is to be expected at this time of year but those on offer were wanted. Smart 11mo Limousin steers from FC Cottle & Son sold to £1700, heifers from the same home to £1280. More quality suckler bred Limousin steers from Philliols Farm 12mo regularly over £1400 topping at £1640. Heifers always over £1200 and peaked at £1410. Their Simmental steers and heifers 12mo easily whizzed away to £1590 and £1410 respectively.

### ANGUS

Not as many Angus forward this week however those consigned selling to a firm trade. Steers topping a £2150 for 29mo from PW CC & JC Gould. Steers to £1900 for 17mo from JR Meeker and heifers to £1800. Medium term steers from with potential from MD & LM Keen to £1700 for 19mo and £1560 from SH Lawrence & Sons. Heifers from A & E Sheppard to £1305. Well bred single suckled steers from Kellaway & Prideaux to £1740 for 13mo and £1450 for a pen of heifers at 12mo. Younger steers from JH Cruse to £1580 for 8mo and £1480 for 11mo from RG Tory. Heifers from £1410 for 12mo from PR & AT Hill.

### **HEREFORD & OTHER NATIVES**

Hereford steers to £1800 for a pen of 6 from SJ Crossman with others to £1655 from E Luxmoore, £1450 (14mo) from K & R Hickery with medium framed Dairy bred steers from SH Lawrence & Sons to £1440. Heifers from E Luxmoore to £1480 and £1400 for 14mo from K & R Hickery.

### **FRIESIAN**

Another good selection of feeding heifers forward with Fleckvieh heifers a highlight selling to a massive £1920 (31mo) from HG Perkins & Sons of Radstock and their Holstein heifers also selling well from £1148 (23mo) to £1400 (33mo). Steers from PW CC & JC Gould to £1690 and £1490. Fleckvieh from Padfield & Dyke to £1365 and £1015 from 13mo from A & E Sheppard.

### FORWARD CONTINENTAL

More grazing cattle forward this week but fleshed framed cattle still selling to a premium. Quality reared and fed heifers a highlight with Limousin heifers setting the trade. Well presented heifers from FC Cottle & Son, Steeple Ashton selling to a fast trade at £2310 (only 25mo) and good conformation Simmental heifers also keenly bid to £1920 (31mo) from HG Perkins & Sons of Radstock. Shapely Blue steers also well bid to £1995 (27mo) from Steve Crossman of Horningsham. Younger Blue steers from £1760 to £1810 (20mo) from Tom Lawrence & family of Timsbury and £1540 (15mo) from JR Meeker of Kilmington. Other turn out steers also wanted and selling well with Limousin steers to £1700 (only 12mo) from F Cottle & Son, £1640 (15mo) from Philliols Farm of Wareham.

Bulling heifers continue in demand with Blue heifers selling from £1450 to £1490 (20mo) from SH Lawrence & Sons, young Charolais heifers to £1450 (15mo) from Amy & Elaine Sheppard of Corsham. Simmental heifers to £1410 (13mo) from Philliols Farm, £1260 (13mo) from Nigel Hitichins of Paulton and £1160 from WC & P Craig & Sons of Weymouth. Limousin heifers from £1265 to £1280 (13-15mo) all from FC Cotttle & Son.

FORWARD STEERS			FORWARD HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Angus	2150	29mo	PW CC & JC Gould, Norton Ferris	Limousin	2310	25mo	FC Cottle & Son, Steeple Ashton
Blue	1995	27mo	SJ Crossman, Horningsham	Simmental	1920	31mo	HG Perkins & Sons Terry Hill
Friesian	1800	26mo	SJ Crossman, Horningsham	Angus	1800	19mo	JR Meeker, Kilmington
Hereford	1655	25mo	E Luxmoore, East Harptree	Blue	1490	20mo	SH Lawrence & Sons, Timsbury
Fleckvieh	1365	18mo	Padfield & Dyke, Corsley	Hereford	1480	20mo	E Luxmoore, East Harptree
Simmental	1230	21mo	WC & P Craig & Sons, Osmington	Fleckvieh	1330	30mo	HG Perkins & Sons Terry Hill

### Chaplain's Prayer

Our prayer this week asks God's Blessings on those who are able to take time off during this month of May (however brief) whether at home or away!? Exodus 34:21 'You shall work six days, but on the seventh day you shall rest. Even during ploughing time and harvest you shall rest'.



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