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SALE REPORTS & INFORMATION WEEK ENDING 30TH MAY 2025

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 1734



TRADE AT A GLANCE

PRIME CATTLE	TO 380P/KG & £2407	CULL COWS/BULLS	TO 287P/KG & £2005			
SPRING LAMBS	TO 285P/KG & £172	CULL EWES/RAMS	TO £195			
STORE HOGGS	TO £159	CALVES	TO £608			
PIGS	TO £205	DAIRY	TO £2550			
STORE STEERS	TO £2670	STORE HEIFERS	TO £2430			
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Come and see us for:

- Health and wellbeing checks
- Advice on lifestyle and concerns affecting your emotional wellbeing
- Guidance towards any support you may require in the future

No appointments necessary, just call in and speak to one of our volunteers.











HEALTH HUB

9am – 1pm Drop In - no appt needed

FOOT CLINIC

9am – 1pm **Pre-booking required**

Wednesday 11th June Wednesday 25th June

Wednesday 4th June Wednesday 18th 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:-

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Bradley Towell 07496 263916

Trevor Rowland 07968 480401

Tom Rogers 07384 462288 Andrew Frizzle 07977 136863

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 12th June 2025. DEFRA reserve the right to withdraw the extension at any time should new disease be confirmed.

An excellent day in the market with an outstanding Dairy entry seeing prices and quality above the national trend, together with a record entry in the pig section!

PRIME CATTLE (14) to 380p/kg and £2407 AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401 Start 12.30pm

TOP PRICE STEER	380p/kg for a Limousin from Castlemead Poultry							
TOP PRICE HEIFER	372p/kg f	372p/kg for a Limousin from Castlemead Poultry						
UTM FAT TOTALS:	No	MIN P/KG	MAX P/KG					
STEERS								
Medium 551-650kg	4	343.00	380.00					
Heavy 651kg+	2	348.00	348.00					
HEIFER	HEIFER							
Light 100-550kg	1	348.00	348.00					
Medium 501-590kg	4	300.00	348.00					
Heavy 590kg+	3	341.00	372.00					

UTM STEERS (6) Max. 380p/kg £2383 UTM HEIFERS (8) Max 348p/kg £2407

Generally short on entries this week with overall trade on a par with last week although the dead weight price continues to ease. Best Limousin U grade steers and heifers 380p/kg and 372p/kg respectively. Thick heavy fleshed steers 340-350p/kg and heifers very much on a par with the steers 340-360p/kg in line with national trade. Feeding Friesian heifers to 329p/kg and all were well sold.

UTM STEERS					
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR	
Limousin	380.00	Castlemead Poultry T/A HG Perkins, Terry hill	2383	Castlemead Poultry T/A HG Perkins, Terry hill	
Angus	348.00	MP Hues & Sons, Poulshot	2356	MP Hues & Sons, Poulshot	
Blue	348.00	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell	2105	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell	

UTM HEIFERS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Limousin	372.00	Castlemead Poultry T/A HG Perkins, Terry hill	2407	Castlemead Poultry T/A HG Perkins, Terry hill		
Blue	358.00	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell	2388	AE Weaver & Son, Frampton Cotterell		
Angus	342.00	Castlemead Poultry T/A HG Perkins, Terry hill	1967	Castlemead Poultry T/A HG Perkins, Terry hill		
Friesian	330.00	TD Sharp & Sons, Market Lavington	1851	TD Sharp & Sons, Market Lavington		

CULL COWS/OTM'S (22) to 287p/kg and £2005 AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401 Start 12.30pm

Short on numbers this week and generally lesser quality throughout than last weeks sale. As the dead weight prices ease, buyers and trade slightly more uncertain. Super Dairy Shorthorn steaking cows still over 280p/kg topping at 287p/kg from KJ Osborne & Partners. Thick young Irish Friesian cows up to 282p/kg. Plain Friesian Holstein black & whites a bit harder to place 160 - 200p/kg and eased on the week. Handy meat Friesian 240p/kg – 265p/kg generally. Herefords regularly 260 – 270p/kg and buyers were keen for these types particularly wanting heavier fleshed sorts. Although pence per head was back on last week, this was due predominantly to bigger numbers of plain cows forward for sale. Best meat cows £2000 or very close to this.

Vendors: Please help us to keep buyers informed regarding likely entries of stock, phone the market office 01373830033 or auctioneer Trevor Rowland 07968 480401 on Tuesday to notify of any entries. Help us to help you. Many thanks. Trevor Rowland.

CULL COWS						
BREED	MAX (p/kg)	VENDOR	MAX (£)	VENDOR		
Dairy Shorthorn	287.00	KJ Osborne & Prtrs, Ston Easton	2005	KJ Osborne & Prtrs, Ston Easton		
Friesian	282.00	P Wade, Gillingham	1953	P Wade, Gillingham		
Angus	272.00	C & J Smart, Pensford	1791	C & J Smart, Pensford		
Hereford	271.00	CT Knott, Sturminster Newton	1883	CT Knott, Sturminster Newton		
Charolais	253.00	C & J Smart, Pensford	1676	C & J Smart, Pensford		

SHEEP (688) Start 10.30am AUCTIONEER: ROSS WHITCOMBE 07815 985737 PRIME LAMBS (215) Max 340p/kg £172

A brighter trade on spring lambs this morning which topped at 340p/kg for quality Texel types from Clive Peach and £172 from Stuart Coombes of Ashcott. Overall average 316p/kg and an SQQ of 318p/kg. A smaller entry of light lambs sold to 315p/kg and £123 from Biddesden Farm Partnership. Handy weights enjoyed the fastest trade of the day with best types to 340p/kg from Clive Peach and £146 twice from Roger Lyons and Jon Pittard & family. Heavier types enjoyed a faster trade with best to 324p/kg from Stuart Coombes of Ashcott and £156 from Clive Peach. Over 52kg faster trade on the week with best at 296p/kg and £172 from Stuart Coombes. Many more lambs could have been sold to the advantage and we will need more each week as hoggs start to dry up.

PRIME HOGGETS (355) Max 310p/kg £160

Another large show of hoggs today which with best flying to 310p/kg from Steve Horn and £160 from Roy Kyte. Handy weights flew to 310p/kg from Steve Horn and £136 from Neil Spearing of Melbury Sampford. Heavier types to 302p/kg from Brian Clothier & family and £150 from Roy Kyte. Over 52kg to 285p/kg from S Goddard and £160 from Roy Kyte. More hoggs could have been sold to the advantage.

PRIME LAMBS					
KG	£	Vendor			
62.50	172.00	S Coombes, Ashcott			
61.00	165.00	S Coombes, Ashcott			
54.00	160.00	S Coombes, Ashcott			
51.00	156.00	C Peach, Yeovil			
48.50	154.50	SA Bishop, Bristol			
47.50	152.00	AL & DM Sage & Son, Claverton			
46.00	149.00	S Coombes, Ashcott			
		PRIME HOGGETS			
56.00	149.00	DR & PS Osborne, Keynsham			
49.00	148.00	NF Clothier & Sons Ltd, Ston Easton			
47.00	140.50	Newton Farm Partners, Newton St Loe			
44.50	136.00	N Spearing, Melbury Sampford			
43.50	135.00	SR Horn, Bruton			
43.00	119.50	D Mann & Son, Salisbury			
40.00	118.00	Streetcroft Farm Ltd, Hampshire			

EWES & LAMBS, ORPHAN LAMBS

A neat entry of ewes & lambs which enjoyed a fast trade with best singles to \pounds 210 (\pounds 105 per life) from Martin Webber of Radstock. A small entry of orphan lambs met a serious trade with best to \pounds 42 from Martin Webber.

STORE HOGGETS (19) Max £159

A small entry of store hoggs which flew to £159 from Nick Fear of Trowbridge.

CULL EWES & RAMS (95) Max £195

A larger entry of cull ewes which sold to a fast trade, when other centres have been easier. Best rams to £195 from Sam Skipper and ewes flying to £192 from Mick Fear of Trowbridge. Many more culls needed each week.

DAIRY (64) Start 11am AUCTIONEER: TREVOR ROWLAND 07968 480401 Calved Heifers £2550

What a wonderful day in the Dairy section. All sections were supported with real quality types throughout and all produced a superb trade with plenty of bidders and buyers around the ring. A number of excellent consignments were forward all from local vendors. First through the ring was home bred Holstein Friesian calved heifers from NR & D Norris. These quality heifers averaged over £2300 and peaked at £2580 for a 'Tulare' bred daughter. The 356th daughter from the 'Handson' blood line sold to £2400. We had two excellent consignments of in-calf heifers today. Firstly, we saw Tim Rawlings July - September calving Friesian Holstein heifers all were well grown calving at 2 and a half years to Angus. These were twice over £2200, topping at £2270 and averaged £2120. Next through the ring was another top consignment of 20 well bred quality late June/July drawn calving heifers from Radstock Co-op Society due to sexed semen and Beef, these found tremendous interest. Plenty of these topped £2000 with the best £2300+ producing an average of £1983 . Following the in-calf heifers was a grand consignment of 35 Holstein Friesian bulling heifers again from Radstock Co-op Society. A pleasure to see such a nice entry and all created a lively trade topping at £1220 and averaged £1099.

PIGS (440) Start 10.15am AUCTIONEER: WILL WALLIS 07833 453482

A record entry for cull and fat pigs ever seen at Frome. Also, almost certainly the biggest number forward in any market in the country this week. Many thanks to all vendors and buyers for your continued support. Trade for all types similar to a fortnight ago with a little bit of life.

FAT PIGS (228)

What an entry with trade for the best quality still strong. Top to J Sprake & Partners at £205. A decent run from PB Weeks to £196, £192, £191 and £190. Other heavies to £190 from J Padfield. Lighter stores to £190 from Jonathan Sprake again.

STORE PIGS (27)

A small entry again to a flying trade; stronger stores to £95 from DJ Winder and £78 from C Wake with younger sorts to £35 from D & H Dairying.

CULL SOWS/BOARS (184)

Best cull sows to £200 for Mr C Down with others to £170 x 15 from J Meadows. Best also from JR Bodman at £168. Cull boars to £150 from FE White.

Next sale of Reared Calves: Wednesday 4th June

Next sale of Pigs: Wednesday 11th June

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CALVES (172) Starts 10am AUCTIONEER: TOM ROGERS 07384 462288

A super show of calves sold to a bright trade for the best and smaller end calves. Medium types would be a shade more on the week!!

CONTINENTAL BULLS TO £478 / HEIFERS TO £450

Tidy young Blue bulls from NF Clothier to £478 with others from NR & D Norris to £468, £450 RE Kingman, £400 JR Meeker and £398 from both Waddon Farm and K & EJ Simpson. Heifers looking a solid trade to £450 from R & E Kingman, £430 K & EJ Simpson, £420 A Bullus, £408 DA James and £400 Radstock Co-op. Simmental bull from Waddon farm to £390 and a tidy Simmental heifer again from A Bullus to £420. Fresh Charolais heifer from Padfield & Dyke to £385 and a tidy Limousin heifer from J Watts to £400.

NATIVE BULLS TO £608 / HEIFERS TO £425

A marvellous show of Angus here this week with a cracking run from GJ & C Taylor seeing bulls to £608 and heifers to £400. Smart Angus bulls from J Watts to £585, £570 AB & FE Wood, £482 GE, CJ & CW Allward, £452 J & W Davis and £445 from R & E Kingman. Heifers flying to £425 again from the Allward family, £320 from R & A Holder, £312 R & E Kingman and £302 J & W Davis. Hereford bulls wanted to £430 from RG & SE Hawker, £300 from R & A Holder, £290 Radstock Co-op. Hereford heifers to £400 from the Hawker family, £392 R & A Holder, £270 RJ Jackson & Son and £240 AK & AD Parker.

DAIRY

Older Holstein Friesian bulls to £295 from Padfield & Dyke with fresher younger sorts to £228 and £210 from Radstock Co-op. Younger Holstein Friesian bulls from DBH Miles to £185 and £175 R & E Kingman. Fleckvieh bulls from Padfield & Dyke to £265.

Please pre-book!! It helps greatly with buyer notification, help us to help you!!!

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 Heifer under 41 days was an Angus to £425 from GE CJ & CW Allward. Next week's prize will be for the top price any breed male/female.

Space by Howard & Sons Dealers for Kubota, Nugent & Ritchie Devizes Wiltshire SN10 5SQ Tel: 01380 723986



Chaplains Prayer

Matthew 11v 28-30...

'Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart; and you will find rest for your souls...for my yoke is easy and my burden is light'

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The cost of crime is up 16.6pc from 2022..GPS units,Quad bikes, ATVs seem to be top targets. Also livestock theft is 8pc up too, as well as fuel theft. Increased security must be high on a Farmers list of 'must do' these days. Back in my younger farming days it was the opportunist that was more likely to thieve! Now it's the organised gangs that target the above 'to order'

Lord Bless the land you've given me; may I always know as I tend each crop and creature that you're the one that helps them grow reference of the strength and wisdom and please protect me from harm. Thank you for your gracious gift. **The Blessings of a Farm**

Input prices on farms have increased a whopping 270pc since early turn of the century! Food resulting from these inputs had increased about 170pc ...it shows the disparity of financial share in the food chain? To top this off, reported figures from the majority retailers tell us that their profits have increased over this period by **400pc!** When you add the greatly increased regulation over same timespan...it adds up to much pressure on the producer...hence the need to try'n sell as much direct as possible!?

A new survey is seeking the views of **Women in Farming**. Results and findings will improve the support provided for their **Health and Wellbeing (b) (b) (b) (c) (c)**

20 May was UN World Bee day, intended to raise our awareness of the roles of bees within the ecosystem. They are crucial for farmland, for pollination and crop production! Do whatever you can on your farms to protect and promote these vitally important busy little creatures!

Phone me on 07880770887 if you need to chat about anything...or are worried for a neighbours' wellbeing!? **Try and look up a neighbour you haven't seen in a while too!** Neville (Market Chaplain)

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FRIDAY 23RD MAY 2025 STORE CATTLE 10.30AM

TOTAL HEAD SOLD 336

AUCTIONEERS:			336
TREVOR ROWLAND	07968 480) 401	
BRADLEY TOWELL	07496 263	3 916	
LESTER WILLIAMS	07778 646	6 031	
STEERS	TO £2670	HEIFERS TO £243	30

A decent entry of stores this week selling well overall despite the falling finished beef price. The recent splash of rain has helped the younger, longer term grazing cattle with a few more buyers around. Forward cattle marginally less as expected however achieving good prices overall.

YOUNG CONTINENTAL

A tremendous show of quality with Andrew Gale & family of Stourpaine leading the way with their well-presented, double muscled Limousin steers selling to a massive £1820 (only 11mo) and heifers to £1750, £1690 and £1605. Their Blue heifers equally selling well to £1750 (12mo). Other quality consignments met a fast trade with Mrs DAM Marklove's well-presented Simmental steers selling to £1450 (12mo) and her similar heifers to £1360. Well grown for age Charolais steers also wanted with Clive House's 12mo selling to £1370 and his heifers to £1290. Good turn out steers wanted with I & MS Watson's Blonde steers to £1180 and heifers to £1135. Shapely younger Blue steers also keenly bid to £1090 (8mo) and heifers to £1000 (8mo) all from JT Jackson & Son of Southwick. WFH Francis & Sons' Blue steers to £1115 (11mo) their heifers to £900 and Tim Handy's Blue heifers to £825 (7mo).

YOUNG STEERS			YOUNG HEIFERS				
Breed	£/ Head	Age	Vendor	Breed	£/ Head	Age	Vendor
Limousin	1820	12mo	AD & AM Gale, Stourpaine	Limousin	1750	13mo	AD & AM Gale, Stourpaine
Angus	1800	16mo	Wareham Partners, Frome	Hereford	1715	15mo	MD & LM Keen, Melksham
Hereford	1590	14mo	LP Shackell & Son, Bath	Angus	1470	17mo	Wareham Partners, Frome
Blue	1510	13mo	AD & AM Gale, Blandford	Simmental	1360	13mo	DAM Marklove, Swindon
Simmental	1450	12mo	DAM Marklove, Swindon	Devon	1295	12mo	HJ Marklove, Swindon
Charolais	1370	12mo	CW House, Lymington	Charolais	1290	12mo	CW House, Lymington

HEREFORD & OTHER NATIVES

Strength on show in the Hereford section this week topping at £2350 for a nice shaped suckler bred steer from S & H Webb. A pair of OTM steers from AJ & CG Thomas hit £2160 at 31mo. Steers from LP Shackell & Son to £1800 and £1690 and well grown steers from the James family £1660. Heifers from LP Shackell & Son to £1980 and £1540. A pen of 3 heifers from MD & LM Keen to £1715 and £1550. Well-bred heifers from RJ Sparshott to £1445. Younger Herefords wanted to graze with demand increased due to the recent splash of rain.

ANGUS

Angus heifers from RC Few & Sons topping the trade at £2000 for a smart pen of 4 with steers reaching £1960 from PW CC & JC Gould. Forward heifers from Bryan Read Ltd to £1900 and younger steers from Wareham Partners to £1800 (16mo). A super consignment of suckle bred Angus from AD & AJM Gale saw steers to £1590 (14mo) and £1520 (12mo). Other young steers from DL & VRJ Higgins to £1485 for 13mo. Grazing steers to £1300 for 10mo from JT Jackson and heifers to £1100 for 12mo from WFH Francis & Son.

FRIESIAN

Smarter British types selling to advantage with fast bidding to £1790 (28mo) from PW CC & JC Gould of Norton Ferris, Holsteins from £1360 to £1450 (30mo) from AJ & GG Thomas of Bristol and £1420 (only 20mo) from Bryan Read Ltd of Marlborough. Other younger steers also well bid and selling to £1220 (21mo) from JTR Jackson & Sons and yearling steers to £710 (11mo) from WFH Francis & Son of Radstock.

FORWARD CONTINENTAL

Quality wanted and selling ahead of recent finished levels. Well grown British Blues the highlight of the day with top honours going to Sarah & Helen Webb & families of Weymouth with their steers selling to a massive £2670 (27mo) and £1880 (23mo). Younger Limousin steers another highlight selling from £1950 to an amazing £2390 (only 19mo) from Bryan Read Ltd of Marlborough. Their Blue steers also met fast bidding to £1940 (19mo). The tremendous entry of 79 cattle from the James family of East Stour met an outstanding trade with keen bidding throughout forcing prices to £1805 for their 20mo Blue steers. Other fleshy Blue steers equally selling well to £1800 (23mo) from J Alvis of Gloucester and £1760 (19mo) from LP Shackell & Son of Bath.

Heifers wanted with several quality pens selling to advantage. Sarah & Helen Webb's Blue heifers topped again at £2430 (25mo) and others to £1990. Bryan

Read Ltd closely followed at £2095 to £2160 (21mo). Their younger heifers to £1825. Proper bullers also well bid with Limousins to £1655 from J Alvis and Blue bullers to £1500 from the James family, younger heifers with potential to £1280 from C Crossman of Bristol and £1190 from P Hughes of Chippenham.

FORWARD STEERS			FORWARD HEIFERS				
BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR	BREED	£/ HEAD	AGE	VENDOR
Blue	2670	27mo	S & H Webb, Weymouth	Blue	2430	25mo	S & H Webb, Weymouth
Limousin	2390	19mo	Bryan Read Ltd, Marlborough	Angus	2000	23mo	RC Few & Son, Longbridge Deverill
Hereford	2350	25mo	S & H Webb, Weymouth	Hereford	1980	22mo	LP Shackell & Son, Bath
Angus	1960	28mo	PW CC & JC Gould, Norton Ferris	Friesian	1890	29mo	Wareham Partners, Frome
Friesian	1790	28mo	PW CC & JC Gould, Norton Ferris	Limousin	1655	23mo	J Alvis, Wickwar





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