Position last Mth	Position this Mth	Country	Price last Mth (w/e 25.02.24)	Price this Mth (w/e 24.03.24)	Change on Mth (cents)
1	1	Great Britain	584.8	576.4	-8.3
3	2	Northern Ireland	557.5	554.6	-2.9
4	3	France	549.0	549.0	0.0
6	4	Spain	524.6	537.8	+13.2
7	5	Ireland	519.2	522.3	+3.2
5	6	Sweden	525.3	521.8	-3.5
8	7	Portugal	501.6	513.8	+12.3
9	8	Poland	498.7	503.4	+4.7
10	9	Austria	477.5	484.9	+7.4
12	10	Slovenia	460.8	483.9	+23.0
2	11	Italy	575.5	482.4	-93.2
11	12	Belgium	466.1	477.6	+11.5
14	13	Romania	434.0	466.8	+32.8
13	14	Germany	452.5	445.5	-7.0
15	15	Denmark	428.1	433.7	+5.6
17	16	Czech Republic	365.2	374.1	+8.8
16	17	Lithuania	386.6	373.1	-13.5
18	18	Netherlands	189.0	206.0	+17.0
		EU Average	**510.9**	**509.9**	-1.0
	Euro (€1=)		**85.5**	**85.6**	+0.1

Key trends

In the w/e 24/03/24 the average R3 heifer price in the EU was 509.9c/kg, back 1.0c/kg from the w/e 25/02/24.

NI moved up one place to second position on the EU league table with an equivalent price of 554.6c/kg. This was back 2.9c/kg from the w/e 25/02/24. In the w/e 25/02/24 the R3 heifer price in NI was 46.6c/kg above the EU average and 44.7c/kg above the EU average price in the w/e 24/03/24.

GB remained in first position on the EU league table in the w/e 24/03/24. The equivalent R3 heifer price was 576.4c/kg, back 8.3c/kg from the w/e 25/02/24. GB was 73.9c/kg ahead of the EU average in the w/e 25/02/24 and 66.5c/kg ahead of the EU average price in the w/e 24/03/24.

In ROI the R3 heifer price was 522.3c/kg in the w/e 24/03/24, up 3.2c/kg from the w/e 25/02/24. ROI moved up two places to fifth position on the EU league table in the w/e 24/03/24. ROI was 12.4c/kg above the EU average price and 32.3c/kg behind the same price in NI in the w/e 24/03/24.

The euro rate increased to €1= 85.6p in the w/e 24/03/24.