

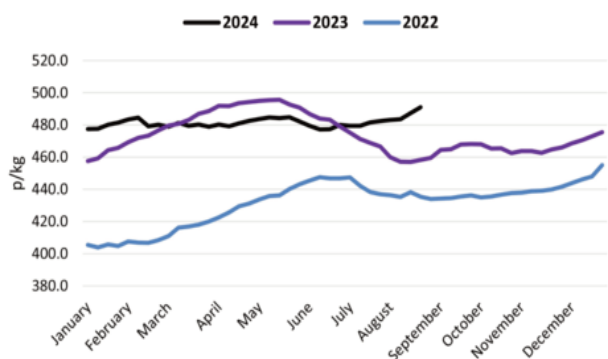
DEADWEIGHT CATTLE TRADE

NI FACTORY BASE QUOTES FOR CATTLE

(P/KG DW)	This Week 26/08/24	Next Week 02/09/24
Prime		
U-3	466 - 476p	466 - 476p
R-3	460 - 470p	460 - 470p
O+3	454 - 464p	454 - 464p
P+3	398 - 408p	398 - 408p
Cows		
O+3	355 - 375p	355 - 375p

Cow quotes vary depending on weight and grade. Pricing policies vary from plant to plant. Producers are advised to check pricing policies before presenting cattle for slaughter.

Average Weekly Deadweight Price Paid for an R3 Steer in NI 2022 - 2024 Year To Date. Source: LMC.



REPORTED NI CATTLE PRICES - P/KG

W/E 24/08/24	Steers	Heifers	Young Bulls
U3	488.4	491.2	485.0
R3	484.7	485.6	479.1
O+3	475.2	476.4	468.8

*Prices exclude AA, HER, WAG and Organic cattle

REPORTED COW PRICES NI - P/KG

W/E 24/08/24	Weight Bands			
	<220kg	220-250kg	250-280kg	>280kg
P1	243.2	260.6	279.9	291.8
P2	264.3	302.3	318.5	337.2
P3	301.9	295.4	337.7	346.3
O3	-	341.9	356.7	364.2
O4	-	348.8	346.7	367.3
R3	-	-	-	374.9

Deadweight Cattle Trade

NI factory base quotes for U-3 grade steers and heifers strengthened at the start of last week to a range of 466-476p/kg with a similar range expected early next week. Base quotes for O+3 cows also increased to a range of 355-375p/kg last Monday, with quotes expected to remain firm going into next week.

Last week, a total of 6,821 prime animals and 2,538 cows were presented for slaughter in local plants. Imports of cattle to NI for direct slaughter totalled 416 steers, 41 heifers and 223 cows meanwhile, only four cows were exported from NI for direct slaughter in ROI last week.

The deadweight cattle trade strengthened for the most part in NI with average steers, heifers and young bulls reporting average category increases of 0.7p/kg, 3.3p/kg and 5.7p/kg respectively. The young bulls category reported the largest increases ranging from 1p/kg up to 8p/kg last week. However, cow trade weakened by 1.7p/kg to an average paid price of 319.4p/kg in NI.

In ROI, deadweight cattle trade strengthened across the board in euro terms however, there were some declines reported for prime cattle in sterling terms last week. A marginal increase of 0.1p/kg was recorded for R3 steers, meanwhile R3 heifers and young bulls reported a decline of 1.1p/kg and 0.7p/kg respectively. Trade for O3 cows strengthened by 3.3p/kg in ROI last week.

Across the water, in GB, the deadweight cattle trade strengthened with the average steers, heifers, young bulls and cows reporting increases of 3p/kg, 4.5p/kg, 2.8p/kg and 3.5p/kg respectively.

LAST WEEK'S DEADWEIGHT CATTLE PRICES (UK / ROI)

W/E 24/08/24	Northern Ireland	Rep of Ireland	Scotland	Northern England	Midlands & Wales	Southern England	GB
Steers	U3	488.3	441.3	508.7	505.2	505.6	508.0
	R3	491.0	432.2	506.8	503.8	499.1	502.2
	R4	486.5	434.3	506.6	501.9	499.3	503.2
	O3	480.2	421.6	491.4	499.9	483.2	489.6
	AVG	478.6	-	503.9	499.2	488.9	494.5
Heifers	U3	492.6	444.7	512.0	508.8	510.3	511.4
	R3	488.5	435.1	502.3	503.9	498.7	501.2
	R4	485.3	435.8	505.8	502.4	500.0	502.2
	O3	479.7	427.1	483.4	492.5	480.0	488.4
	AVG	481.7	-	502.3	496.2	486.8	490.6
Young Bulls	U3	481.9	434.8	499.0	501.6	502.7	506.6
	R3	476.1	426.1	492.0	493.4	492.7	497.0
	O3	467.5	413.5	468.6	458.4	463.3	482.9
	AVG	471.9	-	488.5	484.3	487.0	493.2
	Prime Cattle Price Reported	4,942	-	5,394	6,409	8,094	4,441
Cows	O3	362.9	373.4	391.4	389.5	386.2	390.3
	O4	366.4	373.0	396.7	389.7	386.4	391.8
	P2	323.2	341.6	348.4	350.7	346.3	350.9
	P3	343.3	359.1	365.8	360.5	364.1	371.8
	AVG	319.4	-	386.9	361.8	352.1	349.8

Notes: (i) Prices are p/kg Sterling-ROI prices converted at 1 euro=85.1p Stg
(ii) Shading indicates a lower price than the previous week.
(iii) AVG is the average of all grades in the category, not just those listed

LIVEWEIGHT CATTLE TRADE

LATEST LIVEWEIGHT CATTLE MART PRICES NI

W/E 24/08/24	1st QUALITY			2nd QUALITY		
	From	To	Avg	From	To	Avg
Finished Cattle (p/kg)						
Steers	280	313	291	225	279	248
Friesians	214	238	228	186	206	201
Heifers	255	306	273	200	254	225
Beef Cows	218	269	235	120	217	165
Dairy Cows	155	214	171	61	154	105
Store Cattle (p/kg)						
Steers up to 400kg	300	400	345	200	299	250
Steers 400kg - 500kg	295	385	325	225	294	245
Steers over 500kg	275	314	290	210	274	230
Heifers up to 450kg	300	390	330	225	299	250
Heifers over 450kg	275	353	300	215	274	240
Dropped Calves (£/head)						
Continental Bulls	400	790	475	300	395	335
Continental Heifers	350	710	445	200	345	275
Friesian Bulls	140	280	170	35	135	85
Holstein Bulls	100	190	130	18	95	35

FQAS MART DATES SEPTEMBER 2024

Saintfield - Wednesday 4th September
Kilrea - Wednesday 11th September
Enniskillen - Thursday 12th September

LMC Farm Liaison Officer Terry White will be present at the locations outlined to assist FQAS members with scheme queries and offer advice. Terry is contactable on the FQAS Helpline: 028 9263 3024.

DEADWEIGHT SHEEP TRADE

NI SHEEP BASE QUOTES

(P/Kg DW)	This Week 26/08/24	Next Week 02/09/24
R3 Lambs up to 22kg	600p	595 - 605p

REPORTED NI SHEEP PRICES

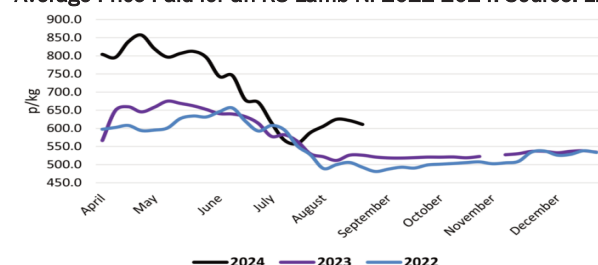
(P/KG)	W/E 10/08/24	W/E 17/08/24	W/E 24/08/24
D/W R3 Lambs	625.0	621.7	611.1
D/W Lambs	625.7	622.0	613.5
L/W Lambs	566.0	548.5	555.0

REGIONAL SHEEP PRICES (GB / ROI)

GB D/W Lambs	667.3	664.8	665.5
ROI D/W Lambs	616.7	615.5	610.6

Base quotes for R3 grade lambs started last week at 600p/kg with quotes of 595-605p/kg expected early next week, with only one plant quoting the lower price. Last week, a total of 9,952 lambs were processed locally and 5,046 lambs were exported to ROI for direct slaughter. Lamb exports to GB for direct slaughter came to a halt last week, after 15 consecutive weeks of lambs being transported across the Irish sea. The average price paid for R3 lambs continues above previous years, with an average price of 611.1p/kg paid in NI last week, back 10.6p/kg from the week previous. However, liveweight lamb trade in NI strengthened by 6.5p/kg to an average price of 555.0p/kg last week. A marginal increase of 0.7p/kg was reported for deadweight lambs in GB, meanwhile the ROI lamb trade decreased by 4.9p/kg last week.

Average Price Paid for an R3 Lamb NI 2022-2024. Source: LMC.



LIVEWEIGHT SHEEP TRADE

LATEST SHEEP MARTS (P/KG LW)

From: 24/08/24		Lambs			
To: 29/08/24		No	From	To	Avg
Saturday	Omagh	706	548	619	-
	Swatragh	1,580	543	605	-
Monday	Kilrea	1,500	555	616	-
	Markethill	1,790	540	586	-
Tuesday	Saintfield	960	545	600	-
	Rathfriland	915	541	645	562
Wednesday	Ballymena	2,750	500	576	532
	Enniskillen	1,189	548	602	-