

### DEADWEIGHT CATTLE TRADE

#### NI FACTORY BASE QUOTES FOR CATTLE

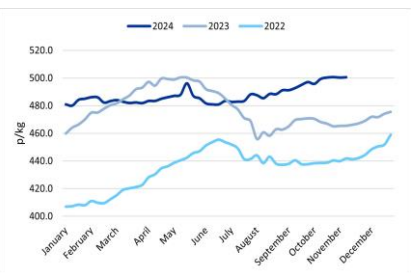
(P/KG DW)	This Week 11/11/24	Next Week 18/11/24
<b>Steers &amp; Heifers</b>		
U-3	482 - 488p	484 - 488p
R-3	476 - 482p	478 - 482p
O+3	470 - 476p	472 - 476p
P+3	414 - 420p	416 - 420p
<b>Cows</b>		
O+3	370 - 380p	374 - 380p

Base quotes for in-spec U-3 steers and heifers, and O+3 cows are received from 6 of the 7 major NI beef slaughter plants. Base quotes vary depending on age, weight and grade. Pricing policies vary from plant to plant. Producers are advised to check pricing policies before presenting cattle for slaughter.

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#### U3 Steer Price NI 2022 - 2024 YTD



#### NI REPORTED AVERAGE CATTLE PRICES - P/KG

W/E 09/11/24	Steers	Heifers	Young Bulls
U3	501.4	502.3	490.7
R3	495.6	496.8	483.2
O+3	487.7	488.0	470.6

\*Prices exclude Aberdeen Angus, Hereford, Wagyu and Organic Cattle

#### NI REPORTED AVERAGE COW PRICES - P/KG

W/E 09/11/24	<220kg	220-250kg	250-280kg	>280kg
P1	240.5	260.8	278.6	293.5
P2	264.7	291.7	315.8	337.0
P3	266.8	322.2	336.2	347.7
O3	293.6	378.8	362.3	362.9
O4	300.4	360.0	355.9	362.1
R3	-	-	-	387.8

#### Deadweight Cattle Trade

Prime cattle throughput in local plants remains strong with 8,696 head processed last week. Meanwhile, 2,953 cows were slaughtered in NI last week, similar to previous weeks.

Direct slaughter imports from ROI last week totalled 467 prime cattle, a decline of 90 head on the previous week. Cow imports for direct slaughter remained similar to previous weeks with 265 cows imported from ROI last week. Meanwhile, four steers and 14 cows were exported to ROI for direct slaughter last week.

The deadweight trade for steers and heifers improved across NI, ROI and GB last week. With plentiful supplies of cattle coming forward for slaughter, the plants have reported strong beef sales as driving the trade.

Locally the average price paid for U3 steers and heifers was 500.6p/kg and 502.5p/kg last week, reporting respective increases of 0.3p/kg and 1.8p/kg from the previous week. The average price paid for steers was up 2.4p/kg to 491.7p/kg, while the average price paid for heifers increased by a similar margin (2.6p/kg) to 492.5p/kg. However, young bulls were back 1.1p/kg on average last week, despite a week on week increase of 0.9p/kg for U3 young bulls. The cow trade in NI held steady with the average cow price up by 0.1p/kg, while the O3 cow price firmed 1.1p/kg to 362.4p/kg.

In GB last week the deadweight trade for prime cattle strengthened across all regions. In Scotland the average U3 heifer price reached 542.2p/kg. On average across GB, U3 steers and heifers reported increases of 4.9p/kg and 5.8p/kg respectively. The deadweight cattle trade in ROI continued its upward trajectory across all types of cattle in both sterling and euro terms.

#### LAST WEEK'S AVERAGE DEADWEIGHT CATTLE PRICES

W/E 09/11/24	Northern Ireland	Rep of Ireland	Scotland	Northern England	Midlands & Wales	Southern England	GB
Steers	U3	500.6	445.4	536.0	531.7	526.6	532.5
	R3	499.1	437.4	535.0	530.0	523.1	527.8
	R4	499.6	436.3	534.8	530.4	520.2	529.8
	O3	494.7	427.3	519.1	519.0	503.5	511.5
	AVG	491.7	-	531.4	523.8	510.0	514.1
Heifers	U3	502.5	450.8	542.2	534.2	535.1	536.1
	R3	499.5	442.9	531.3	528.5	522.8	525.5
	R4	500.6	443.8	533.3	527.9	519.6	525.3
	O3	489.9	437.3	497.0	516.5	500.2	502.2
	AVG	492.5	-	529.6	520.0	506.5	506.6
Young Bulls	U3	490.7	440.6	514.4	517.1	526.1	520.8
	R3	483.0	433.8	522.9	514.2	512.5	516.1
	O3	472.7	420.8	501.2	481.6	491.9	494.9
AVG	475.3	-	511.9	506.6	496.7	505.1	
Prime Cattle	7,195	-	5,479	7,126	8,110	4,855	25,570
Cows	O3	362.4	381.8	384.7	380.3	377.3	379.8
	O4	361.0	382.0	387.1	382.8	380.1	378.2
	P2	325.2	350.3	340.6	338.8	335.7	340.3
	P3	344.7	364.6	346.5	351.7	354.2	356.9
	AVG	319.3	-	383.7	357.1	339.6	337.7

Prices listed are for deadweight price reported animals only. Prices are p/kg. Sterling to ROI prices are converted at 1 euro = 83.52p Stg. Shading indicates a lower price than the previous week. AVG is the average price of all grades in the category (not just those listed).

#### NI LATEST LIVEWEIGHT CATTLE MART PRICES (BALLYMENA)

W/E 09/11/24	1st QUALITY			2nd QUALITY		
	FROM	TO	AVG	FROM	TO	AVG
<b>Finished Cattle (p/kg)</b>						
Steers	264	300	280	220	263	240
Friesians	242	245	243	183	231	207
Heifers	249	298	271	200	248	225
Beef Cows	242	274	261	145	241	175
Dairy Cows	143	175	153	79	142	110
<b>Store Cattle (p/kg)</b>						
Steers up to 400kg	300	400	335	210	299	250
Steers 400kg - 500kg	300	358	315	200	299	240
Steers over 500kg	277	329	300	205	276	235
Heifers up to 450kg	290	374	320	215	289	240
Heifers over 450kg	240	289	260	180	239	210
<b>Dropped Calves (£/head)</b>						
Continental Bulls	430	640	480	290	425	345
Continental Heifers	360	625	430	250	355	290
Friesian Bulls	130	290	190	80	120	90
Holstein Bulls	155	255	180	25	100	80

### DEADWEIGHT SHEEP TRADE

#### NI DEADWEIGHT SHEEP BASE QUOTES

(P/Kg)	This Week 11/11/24	Next Week 18/11/24
R3 Lambs up to 22kg	625p	640p

#### NI REPORTED AVERAGE SHEEP PRICES

(P/KG)	W/E 26/10/24	W/E 02/11/24	W/E 09/11/24
D/W R3 Lambs	606.2	614.0	620.9
D/W Lambs	610.6	614.2	618.9
L/W Lambs	584.8	594.8	603.0

#### Sheep Trade

This week, local marts reported a soaring trade for fat lambs with smaller numbers passing through the sale rings. In Ballymena on Wednesday, an average price of 606p/kg was reported for factory ready lambs. Meanwhile, local plants provided improved base quotes of 630p/kg mid-week for R3 lambs (up to 22kg). With continuing demand from the export market driving the trade in local marts, two of the three major plants have provided increased quotes of 640p/kg for early next week.

Last week, the liveweight trade for lambs locally reached 603p/kg, increasing 8.2p/kg on the previous week. Meanwhile, the average deadweight lamb price was up 4.8p/kg from the previous week to 618.9p/kg. In ROI last week the deadweight trade for lambs reported an increase the equivalent of 3.4p/kg to 633.9p/kg. Across the water in GB, the deadweight sheep price increased by 11.2p/kg to 625.2p/kg. Throughput in local plants remains steady with 9,337 lambs slaughtered last week. Meanwhile, an additional 4,264 lambs were exported to ROI and 221 lambs were exported to GB last week for direct slaughter. Producers are reminded base quotes should be used as a starting point for negotiation when selling stock and producers are encouraged to consider different sales outlets for their stock.

#### LATEST SHEEP MARTS (P/KG LW)

From: 09/11/24		Lambs			
To: 14/11/24		No	From	To	Avg
Saturday	Omagh	716	626	712	-
	Swatragh	950	653	708	-
Monday	Kilrea	1200	570	712	-
	Markethill	760	580	647	-
Tuesday	Saintfield	940	585	770	-
	Rathfriland	716	626	712	-
Wednesday	Ballymena	1662	580	659	606
	Enniskillen	782	550	700	-
	Armoyle	378	575	736	-