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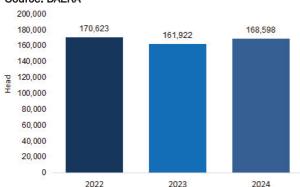
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DEADWEIGHT CATTLE TRADE

NI FACTORY BASE QUOTES FOR CATTLE This Week **Next Week** (P/KG DW) 10/06/24 17/06/24 Prime 454 - 464p 454 - 462p U-3 448 - 458p R-3 448 - 456p 0+3 442 - 452p 442 - 450p P+3 386 - 396p 386 - 394p Cows 0+3340 - 356n 340 - 356p

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.

Prime Cattle Throughput to date 2022 - 2024. Source: DAERA



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Dairy Day
Tuesday 18th June
Guided tours stort at 10am to 2.30pm

Beef and Sheep Day Wednesday 19th June Guided tours start at 1pm to 5.30pn

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REPORTED NI CATTLE PRICES - P/KG

W/E 08/06/24	Steers	Heifers	Young Bulls
U3	479.3	483.3	467.2
R3	475.7	479.8	467.5
0+3	471.1	469.9	-

*Prices exclude AA, HER, WAG and Organic cattle

REPORTED COW PRICES NI - P/KG

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W/E	Weight Bands					
08/06/24	<220kg	220-250kg	250-280kg	>280kg		
P1	235.9	250.6	269.0	284.8		
P2	253.7	279.5	307.5	324.8		
Р3	302.3	307.2	333.0	333.0		
03	-	334.6	343.4	346.8		
04	-	-	330.0	352.0		
R3		-	-	368.4		

Deadweight Cattle Trade

The deadweight cattle trade in NI continued to soften last week with declines reported for all types of prime cattle. Meanwhile, the trade for cows has firmed. Reports from industry indicate beef sales have slowed, however there are reports that supplies of in-spec prime cattle have tightened.

Prime cattle throughput in NI last week totalled 7,136 head, an increase of 83 head from the week previous and 323 head more than the number processed during the corresponding week last year. Meanwhile, 1,830 cows were slaughtered locally last week up 123 head on the week previous and 240 head behind the same week during 2023. Last week direct slaughter imports of prime cattle from ROI totalled 282 head, an increase of 58 head from the previous week. Last week 115 cows were imported from ROI up 31 head on the previous week.

The average steer price in NI last week was back 3.8p/kg to 470.6p/kg, with the R3 steer price back 2.6p/kg to 479.5p/kg. Average steer and heifer prices in GB last week declined in the region of 3.4-3.5p/kg to 477.4p/kg and 475.9p/kg respectively. R3 steer prices declined across all GB regions with declines ranging from 0.6p/kg in Southern England to 5.2p/kg in Northern England. Prices in ROI last week were improved on the previous week in euro and sterling terms with tighter supplies of cattle reported. Last week prime cattle throughput in ROI plants declined 2,252 head on the previous week.

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

	V/E 06/24	Northern Ireland	Rep of Ireland	Scotland	Northern England	Midlands & Wales	Southern England	GB
	U3	481.6	449.9	484.0	489.1	484.8	486.6	485.9
	R3	479.5	442.8	482.4	488.3	482.6	482.5	483.7
Steers	R4	479.1	448.1	481.7	489.0	478.7	481.7	483.4
	03	468.5	434.4	465.5	475.7	467.7	468.7	469.9
	AVG	470.6	-	478.9	483.3	473.7	473.0	477.4
	U3	482.6	456.9	488.7	494.8	491.2	490.3	491.3
	R3	479.4	447.4	481.8	486.9	482.6	478.1	482.4
Heifers	R4	479.2	450.9	485.6	491.1	482.8	479.6	485.9
	03	469.0	437.6	458.6	469.4	465.8	465.5	466.2
	AVG	471.9	-	482.1	481.6	474.2	464.9	475.9
	U3	472.8	444.5	474.3	480.3	479.6	487.8	478.5
Young	R3	466.4	435.3	473.0	473.3	472.4	477.1	473.3
Bulls	03	450.7	420.2	453.9	448.3	447.6	448.5	449.1
	AVG	457.2	-	469.5	467.1	467.3	474.6	468.7
	e Cattle Reported	6,086	-	6,169	7,297	8,255	5,384	27,105
	03	345.6	368.7	386.8	390.8	388.7	387.4	389.0
Cows	04	353.7	369.4	389.9	391.4	391.3	384.7	390.2
	P2	312.5	337.2	338.4	348.2	346.5	336.7	344.1
	Р3	330.3	356.0	362.8	370.9	367.4	357.1	365.5
	AVG	312.3	-	381.4	367.3	361.0	343.4	361.1

Notes: (i) Prices are p/kg Sterling-ROI prices converted at 1 euro=85.12p 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 1st QUALITY 2nd QUALITY W/E 08/06/24 Finished Cattle (p/kg) 280 300 290 245 279 258 Steers Friesians 222 232 227 200 216 208 270 298 220 Heifers 280 269 245 Beef Cows 240 290 250 150 239 195 Dairy Cows 148 Store Cattle (p/kg) Steers up to 400kg 330 429 360 230 329 275 Steers 400kg - 500kg 280 355 315 200 279 235

Steers over 500kg 298 276 220 260 259 240 Heifers up to 450kg 310 200 Heifers over 450kg 250 300 275 185 249 215 Dropped Calves (£/head) 480 380 720 225 375 300 Continental Bulls Continental Heifers 350 600 420 200 345 280 218

DEADWEIGHT SHEEP TRADE

NI SHEEP BASE QUOTES

(P/Kg DW)	This Week 10/06/24	Next Week 17/06/24
R3 Lambs up to 21kg	750p	740p

REPORTED NI SHEEP PRICES

(P/KG)	W/E 25/05/24	W/E 01/06/24	W/E 08/06/24
D/W R3 Lambs	825.8	795.4	743.1
D/W Lambs	812.4	787.9	738.8
L/W Lambs	785.5	738.2	714.3

REGIONAL SHEEP PRICES (GB / ROI)

GB D/W Lambs	893.0	849.7	807.6
ROI D/W Lambs	787.6	766.8	732.1

Sheep Trade

Base quotes from the major NI lamb processors ended this week in the region of 740-750p/kg up to 21kg. Base quotes received from two processors for early next week indicate a softer trade. The plants have reported steady numbers of lambs for slaughter in line with normal seasonal trends, while local marts this week have reported an increased demand from the GB market.

GB buyers in recent weeks have been sourcing good quality lambs from across NI and ROI. This demand from the GB market has upheld the trade locally in recent weeks when compared to previous years. Last week direct slaughter lamb exports to GB totalled 1,706 head, up 1,243 head from the previous week, and the highest weekly consignment of lambs exported from NI to GB for direct slaughter in over a decade. Meanwhile, last week direct slaughter lamb exports to ROI declined 1,557 head to total 2,084 head.

In line with seasonal trends the deadweight lamb price declined across NI, GB and ROI last week. The NI deadweight lamb price continues to track ahead of ROI despite reporting a decline of 49.1p/kg to 738.8p/kg last week. In GB the average price paid for lambs was back 42.1p/kg week on week to 807.6p/kg.

LIVEWEIGHT SHEEP TRADE

LATEST SHEEP MARTS (P/KG LW)

From: 08/06/24		Lambs				
To: 13/06/24		No	From	То	Avg	
Saturday	Omagh	198	684	779	-	
	Swatragh	360	750	813	-	
Monday	Kilrea	1100	765	820	-	
	Markethill	620	720	762	-	
Tuesday	Saintfield	1185	710	790	-	
	Rathfriland	800	716	765	725	
Wednesday	Ballymena	2006	700	811	725	
	Enniskillen	374	700	782	-	
	Armoy	368	700	770	-	

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