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# MARKET REPORTS

**WEDNESDAY**

**25th October 2023**

## PRIME LAMBS - 2073

*Auctioneer - Matthew Nicholls*

A strong entry of prime lambs with a large majority of weight making up the entry, in fact 1281 lambs were all over 46kg. These lambs generally trading from 245p to 255p/kg depending upon meat, quality and breed. An overall average of 253p/kg achieved topping at 292p/kg for 41.5kg that made £121/hd from Messrs V Eaton, Strawberry Hill. The best meated 48kg to 50kg trading from 255p/kg to 270p/kg topping at £131.50/hd for 48kg lambs from Powell Partners, Upper Newton. A pen of 45kg from Messrs Dunswater Farms topping at 266p/kg.

The heavier lambs still in strong demand with the 52kg plus weights averaging £136.20/hd up to £157/hd for 63kg from Messrs Pritchard, Primrose Bank. Others at £155.50/hd (268p/kg) for 58kg from Messrs J W Rees & Son, New House. Plenty £140 to £150. A serious shortage of light lambs forward with only 200 under 39kg, the 32-39kg averaged a very pleasing 268p/kg up to 287p/kg for a pen of 37.5kg that flew to £107.50/hd from Messrs T K & S M Atkinson, Fayreways.

The same trade this time last year was 226p/kg so thankfully 26p/kg the right side!!

	<b>STANDARD</b> 32.1 - 39.0		<b>MEDIUM</b> 39.1 - 45.5		<b>HEAVY</b> 45.6 - 52.0		<b>+ HEAVY</b> 52.1 - >	
	PREMIUM	PRIME	PREMIUM	PRIME	PREMIUM	PRIME	PREMIUM	PRIME
<b>PRIME LAMBS/KG</b>	287	268	292	254	274	250	268	249
<b>PRIME LAMBS/HEAD</b>	111.00	100.83	121.50	109.56	134.00	123.25	157.00	136.19

**PRIME LAMBS**  
**SQO 252.73p/kg**



### Summary of Prime Lamb Weights/Prices

#### Top/kg

<u>Weight</u>	<u>Price-£/head</u>	<u>Price-p/kg</u>	<u>Vendor</u>
41.5	121.00	292	V J Eaton
41	117.50	287	Cresswell & Oliver
37.5	107.50	287	T K & S M Atkinson
42.5	121.50	286	E Williams
36.5	104.50	286	S & J Oliver
39	111.00	285	S & J Oliver
38.5	108.50	282	Exors Of R Meredith
48	131.50	274	Powell Partners
42	114.50	273	D P Parsons
40	108.50	271	J L Smith

#### Top/head

<u>Weight</u>	<u>Price-£/head</u>	<u>Vendor</u>
63	157.00	M T Pritchard
60	155.50	J W Rees & Son
62	155.00	J W Rees & Son
60	148.00	R A Annetts
59	147.50	M T Pritchard
60	147.00	D L & L J Jones
60	145.00	Dunswater Farms Ltd
56.5	143.00	J W Rees & Son
57.5	143.00	B I Powell & Co
54.5	142.00	R Wallis

**A Designated STORE/FAT MARKET ~ GREEN MARKET STATUS**

**TUESDAY 31st OCTOBER**

**10,000 SHEEP**

**THIRD SPECIAL SALE OF  
4000 MULTI-BREED EWE LAMBS**

*Catalogue available online*

**500 BREEDING EWES**

**5000 STORE LAMBS**

**BREEDING RAMS**

**REARING/WEANED CALVES**

*Store sheep/calf entries by Friday 27th October*

**WEDNESDAY 1st NOVEMBER**

**2000 PRIME LAMBS - 10.00am**

**2000 CULL EWES - 12 noon**

*All sheep penned on arrival*

**THURSDAY 2nd NOVEMBER**

At 10.30am

**700 STORE CATTLE**

**BULLS**

**COWS & CALVES**

**BARREN COWS**

*Catalogue available online*

**TUESDAY 14th NOVEMBER**

**SPECIAL SALE OF**

**SUCKLED CALVES**

*Entries to the office by Friday 3rd November*

## **CULL EWES - 1821, GOATS - 40**

*Auctioneers - Rob Meadmore/Phil Jones*

It had all the feeling of a sharper trade, possibly because the show had improved on last week. Not a huge amount of 'top end' forward, easily sold from £140 to £189 (twice for 9 ewes). This week bought a lot more sheep being sold between £90 and £110 whereas last week a lot of sheep changed hands at £70-£85. Good runs of North Country Mules in places up to £125 and regularly between £90-£105, very little hill breeds with the best generally over £70, lesser £40 to £60. Average up £10 at £85.15.

Fair show of rams with breeders to £182. Cull rams to £145.

### ***Overall average £85.15***

<b>Continental</b>	<b>£189</b>
<b>Suffolk</b>	<b>£145</b>
<b>North Country Mule</b>	<b>£125</b>
<b>Welsh Mule</b>	<b>£115</b>
<b>Speckles</b>	<b>£70</b>
<b>Welsh</b>	<b>£75</b>
<b>Cull Rams</b>	<b>£182</b>
<b>Cull Wethers</b>	<b>£ -</b>
<b>Goats</b>	<b>£160 (average £128)</b>

For advice on marketing contact  
Rob Meadmore - 07774 763971 or Phil Jones - 07895 120404

**Cull ewe eartags - All cull ewes and rams must have FULL EID TAGS to be sold in Hereford**

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

FOLLOWING A RECENT MEETING WITH DEFRA  
IT WAS MADE VERY CLEAR THAT ANY VENDOR PRESENTING LAME OR UNFIT SHEEP  
MAY FACE PROSECUTION BY THE AUTHORITIES

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#### **FARM ASSURANCE**

#### **HEREFORD MARKET AUCTIONEERS LTD**

**WE ASSUME THAT ALL FARM ASSURED SHEEP PRESENTED FOR SALE HAVE BEEN  
ON THE PREMISES FOR A MINIMUM OF 60 DAYS TO COMPLY WITH RESIDENCY  
REQUIREMENTS.**

**IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE VENDOR TO INFORM THE AUCTIONEERS IF THE  
60 DAY RESIDENCY HAS NOT BEEN FULFILLED**

## **New Veterinary Attestation rule for farmers to be introduced on 13th December**

Changes in legislation, as from 13th December 2023, will require all producers selling livestock for slaughter to have had an annual farm veterinary visit to allow their animals, and/or part of any animal, to be exported out of the UK. The purpose of the new rule is to comply with EU export requirements to verify the absence of notifiable disease and provide general advice on farm biosecurity.

### **Why is this changing?**

The Statutory Health Attestation is required from the 13 December 2023 to certify exports of POAO (Products of Animal Origin) to the EU. The EHCs (Export Health Certificates) require that the animals' farm of origin has undergone regular visits by a veterinary surgeon.

### **What do producers need to do?**

Producers will be required to obtain a signed declaration from their vet that the visit has taken place.

The LAA recommends that producers take steps now to obtain a signed declaration from their vet.

This should be signed and completed by the farm vet.

Obtaining a signed veterinary attestation must be done at least once over a 12-month period and can be combined with any other routine veterinary visit, including government supported initiatives such as the Animal Health and Welfare Pathway in England.

Farmers and vets must keep a copy of their completed declarations and the “unique reference number” created, for their records and to provide to their livestock auction market or meat processor.

It is expected that the sheep movement document will be updated to include a declaration that a visit has taken place, with additional space to include the “unique reference number” – We will confirm this once Defra have signed the process off. Farms that are part of qualifying assurance schemes do not need to complete the veterinary declaration. Membership of these farm assurance schemes is accepted as evidence that a premises of origin meets the requirement for regular health visits from a vet. The qualifying schemes are:

- Annual health and welfare review (England only)
- Quality Meat Scotland (QMS)
- Farm Assured Welsh Livestock Beef and Lamb Scheme (FAWL) (Welsh Lamb and Beef Producers Ltd (WLBP))
- Red Tractor

**Farmer declarations can be used until 13th December.**



Talgarth Market

**PRIME LAMBS/HOGGS**

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**(This document must be completed and handed to market staff on arrival)**

**SHEEP/GOAT OWNER/KEEPER DECLARATION**  
**FOR NON-ASSURED LIVESTOCK**

<b>ACCOUNT NO:</b>	<b>MARKET DATE:</b>
<b>TRADING NAME:</b>	<b>MARKET: HEREFORD / BUILTH / TALGARTH</b> (delete as appropriate)
<b>TRADING ADDRESS:</b>	
<b>POSTCODE:</b>	<b>MOBILE NO:</b>
<b>CPH NO:</b>	<b>HAULIER:</b>
<b>Veterinary visit unique reference no:</b>	

**OWNER/KEEPER DECLARATION**

1. I/we confirm that the sheep/goats have originated from establishments that have received regular animal health visits from a veterinarian for the purpose of the detection and signs of disease to comply with veterinary requirements for export into the E.U.
2. The movement complies with the relevant General Licence.
3. I/we declare that I/we are the owner/owner's agent of the animals forward.
4. **WITHDRAWAL PERIODS:** I/we confirm that we had read and understood the 'FCI for sheep and goats consigned for slaughter for human consumption' document and declare the sheep or goats entered herewith fulfil all the statements contained therein.
5. The sheep/goats are not subject to a 6 day standstill.  
I/we hereby declare that I have read and confirm the above details.

**SIGNED**.....

**PRINT NAME** .....

**DATE**.....