

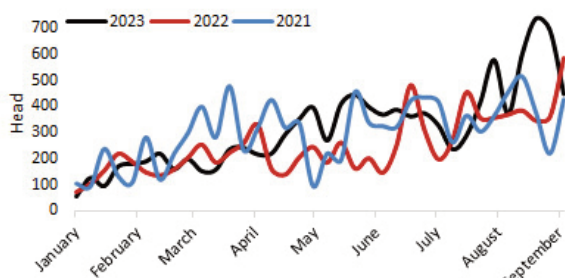
DEADWEIGHT CATTLE TRADE

NI FACTORY BASE QUOTES FOR CATTLE

(P/KG DW)	This Week 25/09/23	Next Week 02/10/23
Prime		
U-3	446 - 456p	446 - 454p
R-3	440 - 450p	440 - 448p
O+3	434 - 444p	434 - 442p
P+3	378 - 388p	378 - 386p
Including bonus where applicable		
Cows		
O+3	335 - 360p	335 - 360p

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 Imports from ROI for direct slaughter to date 2021-2023 Source: DAERA



MART FQAS SUPPORT DATES OCTOBER 2023

LMC's Farm Liaison officer Terry White will be available at the livestock marts listed in the table below during October 2023 to assist with any Farm Quality Assurance related queries.

Mart	Day	Date
Markethill	Tuesday (Day)	03/10/2023
Ballymena	Friday (Day)	06/10/2023
Omagh	Monday (Day)	09/10/2023

Call the NI Farm Quality Assurance Helpline on (028) 9263 3024 to speak to Terry Monday to Friday.

REPORTED COW PRICES NI - P/KG

W/E 23/09/23	Weight Bands			
	<220kg	220-250kg	250-280kg	>280kg
P1	236.9	253.5	267.2	277.7
P2	263.8	293.0	313.6	321.3
P3	256.0	314.8	316.6	332.7
O3	327.5	331.1	350.9	351.5
O4	-	-	369.6	353.2
R3	-	-	-	367.5

Deadweight Cattle Trade

Base quotes from the major NI processors for in spec U-3 steers and heifers this week ranged from 446-456p/kg, with quotes for O+3 cows ranging from 335-360p/kg. Quotes for U-3 prime cattle received for Monday are ranging from 446-454p/kg with cow quotes expected to remain steady.

Steady levels of prime cattle continue to be presented for slaughter in local plants with the prime kill last week totalling 6,551 head. Meanwhile, cow throughput last week increased to 2,211 head. The deadweight cattle trade in NI last week reported increases across the majority of grades. The average R3 steer was up 3p/kg to 467.9p/kg while the deadweight cow trade in NI strengthened across all grades from the week previous with the average price paid in NI for an O3 cow up 4.3p/kg this week to 350.6p/kg. Marginal declines of 0.3p/kg were reported on average for heifers and young bulls last week.

GB prices continue to strengthen across all categories and across all regions. In GB, the average R3 steer was up 2.9p/kg to 486.3p/kg, the average R3 heifer price increased 4.2p/kg up to 484.8p/kg, and an increase of 4.3p/kg was reported for an average R3 young bull at 478.6p/kg. Cow prices also reported increases in GB with the average price paid for an O3 cow at 365p/kg, up 5.5p/kg from the previous week.

ROI cattle prices also continued an upward trajectory last week across all but one reported base grade with an R3 young bull, down 2.1p/kg to the equivalent of 399p/kg. The average price for R3 steers increased 2.7p/kg to 407.3p/kg, while the average R3 heifer price increased by 2.8p/kg to 411.2p/kg in ROI. Cows in ROI reported price increases across all categories, with an average O3 cow price of 344.3p/kg last week, remaining 6.3p/kg behind the same price in NI. The most significant cow price rise in ROI was reported for an O4 cow up 5.5p/kg to 346.1p/kg.

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

W/E 23/09/23		Northern Ireland	Rep of Ireland	Scotland	Northern England	Midlands & Wales	Southern England	GB
		U3	470.4	417.8	499.4	491.5	487.5	491.9
Steers	R3	467.9	407.3	497.4	484.6	481.3	484.8	486.3
	R4	465.2	407.4	499.1	486.5	480.5	483.3	491.7
	O3	456.9	391.7	480.1	470.1	462.2	467.1	467.6
	AVG	458.0	-	495.1	478.3	469.6	472.5	479.3
Heifers	U3	470.6	421.9	502.9	492.0	494.7	495.8	496.4
	R3	465.8	411.2	496.3	481.7	483.3	483.3	484.8
	R4	464.2	410.6	496.8	484.8	481.7	481.8	488.5
	O3	455.8	401.4	480.4	466.9	457.5	460.6	462.9
Young Bulls	AVG	456.7	-	493.9	476.5	467.7	469.4	476.5
	U3	458.3	406.7	484.7	477.8	487.7	486.9	483.9
	R3	453.7	399.0	478.5	477.6	479.2	476.0	478.6
	O3	436.3	381.7	453.2	446.2	451.1	470.0	450.2
Prime Cattle Price Reported	AVG	443.9	-	470.3	460.9	460.6	472.8	463.5
	Price Reported	4,992	-	5,936	6,622	6,857	4,751	24,166
Cows	O3	350.6	344.3	383.4	365.9	360.6	361.7	365.0
	O4	353.9	346.1	389.3	368.3	360.8	365.1	367.6
	P2	312.5	311.2	344.7	327.3	320.5	327.6	325.5
	P3	328.4	330.7	354.4	341.8	335.8	341.6	339.5
AVG	308.3	-	376.5	338.2	325.1	322.8	332.7	

Notes: (i) Prices are p/kg Sterling-ROI prices converted at 1 euro=86.49p 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 23/09/23	1st QUALITY			2nd QUALITY		
	From	To	Avg	From	To	Avg
Finished Cattle (p/kg)						
Steers	260	306	280	200	259	230
Friesians	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heifers	250	292	270	190	249	220
Beef Cows	208	268	230	165	207	185
Dairy Cows	144	190	160	70	143	105
Store Cattle (p/kg)						
Bullocks up to 400kg	300	347	315	200	299	250
Bullocks 400kg - 500kg	260	329	295	210	259	230
Bullocks over 500kg	270	319	290	210	269	225
Heifers up to 450kg	250	318	275	200	249	220
Heifers over 450kg	240	294	265	185	239	215
Dropped Calves (£/head)						
Continental Bulls	400	675	470	245	385	300
Continental Heifers	325	475	410	170	320	240
Friesian Bulls	105	235	180	10	95	40
Holstein Bulls	34	115	75	2	24	15

DEADWEIGHT SHEEP TRADE

NI SHEEP BASE QUOTES

(P/Kg DW)	This Week 25/09/23	Next Week 02/10/23
R3 Lambs up to 21kg	510 - 515p	510 - 515p

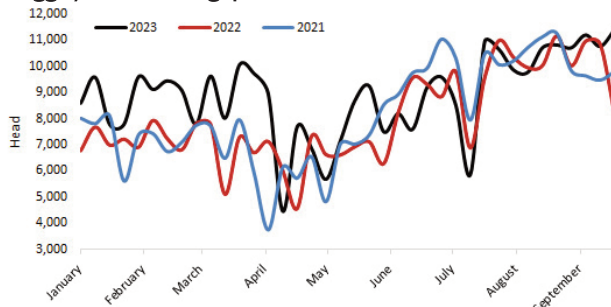
REPORTED SHEEP PRICES

(P/KG)	W/E 09/09/23	W/E 16/09/23	W/E 23/09/23
NI L/W Lambs	471.1	477.6	483.3
NI D/W Lambs	517.6	517.9	518.7
GB D/W Lambs	549.7	546.4	553.1
ROI D/W	529.0	529.8	532.0

Deadweight Sheep Trade

Base quotes for R3 lambs ended this week at 510-515p/kg, up to 21kg, with similar quotes expected early next week. An average deadweight price of 518.7p/kg was paid for lambs in NI last week, an increase of 0.8p/kg from the week previous. Prices for deadweight lambs in GB were up 6.7p/kg, paying an average price of 553.1p/kg. The average lamb price in ROI was also up by the equivalent of 2.2p/kg last week at 532p/kg. A total of 11,368 lambs were slaughtered locally in the major NI plants last week, the largest weekly slaughter figure in NI since October 2022.

Hogget/Lamb Throughput to date 2021-2023 Source: DAERA



LIVEWEIGHT SHEEP TRADE

LATEST SHEEP MARTS (P/KG LW)

From: 23/09/23		Lambs			
To: 28/09/23		No	From	To	Avg
Saturday	Omagh	1020	506	595	-
	Swatragh	1400	436	484	-
Monday	Kilrea	1100	474	509	-
	Markethill	1700	460	500	-
Tuesday	Saintfield	1255	465	600	-
	Rathfriland	676	465	552	478
Wednesday	Ballymena	2745	455	507	470
	Enniskillen	1261	455	495	-
	Armoyle	600	455	490	-