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DEADWEIGHT CATTLE TRADE

NI FACTORY BASE QUOTES FOR CATTLE This Week Next Week (P/KG DW) 19/06/23 26/06/23 Prime 460 - 466p 458 - 464p U-3 454 - 460p R-3 452 - 458p 0+3 448 - 454p 446 - 452p P+3 392 - 398p 390 - 396p Including bonus where applicable Cows

364 - 374n

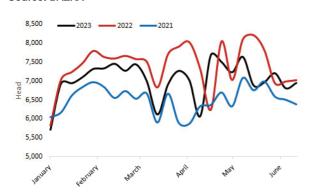
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Cow quotes vary depending on weight and grade.

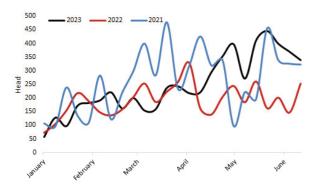
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Pricing policies vary from plant to plant. Producers are advised to check pricing policies before presenting cattle for slaughter.

Prime Cattle Throughput to date 2021-2023 Source: DAERA



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



REPORTED NI CATTLE PRICES - P/KG

W/E 17/06/23	Steers	Heifers	Young Bulls	
U3	490.1	488.9	483.2	
R3	483.5	482.7	475.5	
0+3	474.7	473.6	458.7	

*Prices exclude AA, HER and Organic cattle

REPORTED COW PRICES NI - P/KG

W/E	Weight Bands					
17/06/23	<220kg	220-250kg	250-280kg	>280kg		
P1	275.1	292.6	305.0	315.5		
P2	298.5	332.7	343.2	362.6		
Р3	324.3	339.5	363.8	369.9		
03	301.8	354.7	381.5	388.3		
04	340.0	370.0	396.4	394.5		
R3	-	-	390.0	405.4		

Deadweight Cattle Trade

The deadweight trade for all types of cattle in NI continued to soften last week which was also the case across all regions of GB and also in ROI. All reported prime cattle grades in NI recorded a decrease from the previous week with an average price of 473.5p/kg paid for steers and an average price of 473.6p/kg paid for heifers. Across all categories heifers recorded the largest decline last week with prices back 3.7p/kg on average.

In GB last week the average steer price was back 2.1p/kg to 484.8p/kg while the average R3 steer price was back by 2.7p/kg to 491.2p/kg. The average heifer price in GB last week was back 4.6p/kg to 481.4p/kg while the average R3 heifer price decreased by 3.5p/kg to 489.1p/kg. The heifer trade also reported declines across all of the GB regions most notably in the Midlands and Wales where it was back by 7.3p/kg on average to 474.9p/kg.

The trade also came under pressure in ROI last week with the R3 steer price back by the equivalent of 6.8p/kg to 438.4p/kg. Meanwhile the R3 heifer price was back by 7.7p/kg to 441.8p/kg. This has widened the differential in R3 steer and heifer prices between NI and ROI to 45.6p/kg and 41.8p/kg respectively. Equating to a value of £159.60 on the value of a 350kg steer carcase and £133.76 differential on a 320kg heifer carcase. The O3 cow price in ROI last week was back by 8.7p/kg to 356p/kg which puts it 31.2p/kg behind the same price in NI and is the lowest ROI price reported for O3 cows since December 2022.

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

	V/E 06/23	Northern Ireland	Rep of Ireland	Scotland	Northern England	Midlands & Wales	Southern England	GB
	U3	490.6	447.5	503.2	497.2	496.8	496.8	498.3
	R3	484.0	438.4	497.9	494.2	487.8	489.0	491.2
Steers	R4	484.6	441.3	498.7	497.4	485.7	486.4	494.7
	03	471.6	427.8	482.0	479.5	471.2	468.6	474.0
	AVG	473.5	-	495.9	487.9	479.0	478.1	484.8
	U3	488.6	459.3	505.2	496.5	499.3	495.0	499.2
	R3	483.6	441.8	494.9	491.6	488.0	485.6	489.1
Heifers	R4	481.6	445.4	498.4	495.1	486.9	487.2	493.0
	03	470.6	433.3	476.4	474.1	466.0	458.3	466.8
	AVG	473.6	-	496.1	486.0	474.9	471.7	481.4
	U3	481.9	440.1	494.8	482.5	493.6	486.6	492.3
Young	R3	474.8	427.5	488.2	482.2	487.1	479.5	485.6
Bulls	03	455.1	408.5	476.1	453.9	454.9	457.5	457.8
	AVG	464.7	-	488.5	474.0	478.9	478.5	480.8
	e Cattle Reported	5,650	-	5,021	6,222	7,625	4,986	23,854
	03	387.2	356.0	413.6	409.6	411.0	410.3	410.7
	04	394.1	356.3	418.1	413.9	412.9	409.3	413.1
Cows	P2	349.2	325.7	371.0	370.8	371.1	371.8	371.3
	Р3	366.2	343.5	387.1	391.8	388.1	387.6	388.3
	AVG	357.7	-	412.3	389.0	381.9	374.1	384.7

Notes: (i) Prices are p/kg Sterling-ROI prices converted at 1 euro=85.59p 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	1 s	1st QUALITY			2nd QUALITY		
17/06/23	From	То	Avg	From	То	Avg	
Finished Cattle (p/kg)							
Steers	280	327	298	230	279	250	
Friesians	210	240	220	155	209	185	
Heifers	270	329	285	230	269	245	
Beef Cows	225	304	249	190	224	207	
Dairy Cows	149	220	170	75	144	110	
Store Cattle (p/kg)							
Bullocks up to 400kg	280	358	305	200	279	230	
Bullocks 400kg - 500kg	250	340	280	180	249	215	
Bullocks over 500kg	254	298	270	240	251	244	
Heifers up to 450kg	275	375	300	200	274	230	
Heifers over 450kg	250	352	280	200	249	220	
Dropped Calves (£/head)							
Continental Bulls	450	670	500	260	445	350	
Continental Heifers	350	540	400	250	345	300	
Friesian Bulls	130	225	165	50	125	85	
Holstein Bulls	95	210	115	35	90	60	

DEADWEIGHT SHEEP TRADE

NI SHEEP BASE QUOTES

(P/Kg DW)	This Week 19/06/23	Next Week 26/06/23
R3 Lambs up to 21kg	630 - 640p	620 - 625p

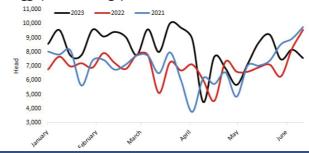
REPORTED SHEEP PRICES

(P/KG)	W/E 03/06/23	W/E 10/06/23	W/E 17/06/23
NI L/W Lambs	612.8	611.4	599.5
NI D/W Lambs	645.5	631.0	634.0
GB D/W Lambs	709.1	673.6	655.7
ROI D/W	640.1	634.1	647.6

Sheep Trade

Quotes from the plants this week for R3 grade lambs came back to 620-625p/kg up to 21kg as the week progressed, with similar quotes expected on Monday. The number of lambs coming through the marts continues to increase in line with normal seasonal trends. Improving supplies were reported with 7,572 lambs processed in NI plants last week. Exports of lambs to ROI for direct slaughter totalled 3,248 head last week up 1,313 head from the previous week. The average deadweight lamb price in NI last week was 634p/kg, up 3p/kg from the previous week while the average ROI price increased by the equivalent of 13.5p/kg to 647.6p/kg.

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



LIVEWEIGHT SHEEP TRADE

LATEST SHEEP MARTS (P/KG LW)

From: 17/06/23		Lambs				
To: 22/06/23		No	From	То	Avg	
Saturday	Omagh	510	547	605	-	
	Swatragh	1055	511	637	-	
Monday	Kilrea	600	588	630	-	
	Markethill	1000	580	630	-	
Tuesday	Saintfield	770	575	610	-	
	Rathfriland	602	570	610	585	
Wednesday	Ballymena	1642	575	643	605	
	Enniskillen	402	560	600	-	
	Armoy	415	565	622	-	

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