

WEEKLY UPDATE BEEF & SHEEP MARKETS

NI AVERAGE NON-PREMIUM CATTLE PRICES (P/KG)

23/05/2026	U-3	Change	R-3	Change	O+3	Change
Steers	594.9	↓ -3.3	586.9	↓ -8.5	581.4	↓ -9.5
Heifers	595.6	↓ -7.2	586.2	↓ -8.5	581.3	↓ -9.9
Young Bulls	586.2	↓ -2.4	579.0	↓ -1.7	572.8	↓ -3.6
Cows	514.8		519.9	↑ +4.4	509.9	↓ -1.7

Information supplied by LMCNI.

Prices based on data for the period shown exclude reported animals within the grade eligible for a bonus scheme as notified by plants, for example Aberdeen Angus, Hereford, Wagyu and Organic cattle.

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23/05/2026	Steers	Change	Heifers	Change	Young Bulls	Change
U-3	595.0	↓ -3.3	595.9	↓ -8.3	586.2	↓ -2.4
R-3	593.4	↓ -5.4	589.9	↓ -7.1	579.0	↓ -1.5
O+3	588.9	↓ -3.7	587.8	↓ -5.3	572.8	↓ -3.6
P+3	553.1	↓ -2.8	536.1	↓ -9.6		
Average	589.6	↓ -2.3	589.4	↓ -3.3	571.6	↓ -5.5

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NI AVERAGE CATTLE PRICES (P/KG)

23/05/2026	Steers	Change	Heifers	Change	Young Bulls	Change
U2	591.0	↓ -7.0	589.9	↓ -7.4	581.8	↓ -3.2
U3	596.1	↓ -5.0	595.2	↓ -8.1	585.7	↓ -3.6
U4	601.3	↑ +2.2	593.3	↓ -8.9	580.0	
R3	592.7	↓ -6.0	590.7	↓ -7.8	577.8	↓ -6.0
R4	595.1	↓ -2.2	590.9	↓ -8.4	568.5	↓ -16.7
O3	585.8	↓ -0.9	585.4	↓ -1.5	568.1	↓ -6.0
O4	606.1	↑ +18.7	593.9	↑ +5.1		

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Prices based on data for period shown include all reported animals within the grade.

Blank cells indicate no price in the grade or no price comparison can be made with the previous period.

Data for all cattle include those eligible for a bonus scheme as notified by plants, for example Aberdeen Angus, Hereford, Wagyu and Organic cattle.

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NI SHEEP MART LIVELWEIGHT PRICES (P/KG)

23/05/2026 - 26/05/2026		No	Lambs	
			From	To
Saturday	Swatragh	980	650	763
Monday	Markethill	750	790	846
	Kilrea	850	885	942
Tuesday	Saintfield	571	787	870
	Rathfriland	500	800	840

NI SHEEP DEADWEIGHT QUOTES

	20/05/2026	27/05/2026
R3 Lamb (21 & 21.5kg)	910 - 920	850
R3 Hoggets (22.5kg)	820	-

Base quotes received from 2/3 major NI sheep slaughter plants.

Base quotes exclude VAT and are provided on standard specifications.

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