



TUESDAY 23RD JUNE 2026
SALE OF PRIME SHEEP & EWES

PRIME LAMBS – 1604

The sun was shining today and as a result 1604 Prime Lambs sell at Hopes Auction, Wigton.

A much-increased show of lambs and a spirited trade, albeit at a reduced average. Trade would be stronger for 46kg plus, to a top of £250 on two occasions, firstly for a 67kg Texel and secondly for a 63kg Texel, both lambs from Guy Reed, Orchard House Farm. 52kg topping at £238 for Texels from Messrs Bowe, Mechi and selling to RJ Harrison & Sons, King Street Butchers Shop. Top pence per kilo for today at 524.4pkg (£236) was secured by a 45kg Texel from TB Stamper & Sons, Harrot Hill Farm who also had another 45kg Texel to £234, and this time purchased by RA & EJ Harrison Ltd for the Main Street Butchers Shop, Cockermouth.

All meat easy to sell with resistance against leaner types. Fed sheep very easily recouping feed investments. The firm enquiry for an increase entry double forward on the year and £15 up per head.

More Spring Lambs required each week please, contact David Bowman on 07721616786 or David Fearon on 07500173273.

PRIME HOGGS – 46

Tailing off now, to a top of £182 for a single Texel, weighing 68kg, from Messrs Paterson, Thistle Bottom, who also secured the top pence per kilo at 352.7pkg (£158) for a pen of 4 Texels, weighing 44.8kg

More Hoggs required each week please, contact David Bowman on 07721616786.

Spring Lambs 417.93pkg

Spring Lamb SQQ 414.75pkg

Prime Hoggs 313.90pkg

Prime Lambs	Sold	Average pkg	Max pkg
32.1-39.0kgs	206	407.79	448.70
39.1-45.5kgs	995	415.65	524.40
45.6-52.0kgs	316	429.40	485.70
Over 52.1kgs	87	423.12	451.90

Prime Hoggs	Sold	Average pkg	Max pkg
32.1-39kgs	7	247.01	309.30
39.1-45.5kgs	23	326.63	352.70
45.6-52.0kgs	16	320.10	333.30

Spring Lambs Averages £: £233.20 for 5 from G Reed, Orchard House Farm
£231.00 for 3 from DJ & A Trafford, Raise Lodge Farm
£211.30 for 10 from Messrs GN Bowe & Sons, Bothel Parks
£208.00 for 4 from D & A Hunt, Croft House
£206.20 for 35 from Messrs Bowe, Mechi

Top Five Spring Lambs £: £250 for 1 weighing 67kg from G Reed, Orchard House Farm
£250 for 1 weighing 63kg from G Reed, Orchard House Farm
£244 for 1 weighing 54kg from P & J Maitland, Newbiggin Grange
£240 for 2 weighing 56.5kg from Messrs Brough, The Clappers
£240 for 1 weighing 60kg from Messrs Bowe, Mechi

Top Five Spring Lambs pkg: 524.4 for 1 weighing 45kg from TB Stamper & Sons Farms, Harrot Hill Farm
520.0 for 1 weighing 45kg from TB Stamper & Sons Farms, Harrot Hill Farm
495.5 for 3 weighing 44kg from TB Stamper & Sons Farms, Harrot Hill Farm
487.5 for 1 weighing 40kg from TB Stamper & Sons Farms, Harrot Hill Farm
485.7 for 1 weighing 49kg from TB Stamper & Sons Farms, Harrot Hill Farm





Top Five Hogs Averages £: £168.35 for 17 from Messrs Paterson, Thistle Bottom
£150.33 for 12 from Messrs Thirlwall, Bothel Craggs
£133.67 for 6 from WL Musgrave & Sons, Cardew Hall Farm
£132.80 for 5 from JS & J Whitfield, Orton Rigg Farm

Top Five Hogs £: £182 for 1 weighing 68kg from Messrs Paterson, Thistle Bottom
£174 for 2 weighing 56kg from Messrs Paterson, Thistle Bottom
£170 for 7 weighing 51kg from Messrs Paterson, Thistle Bottom
£170 for 1 weighing 55kg from WL Musgrave & Sons, Cardew Hall Farm
£170 for 3 weighing 51.7kg from Messrs Paterson, Thistle Bottom

Top Five Hogs pkg: 352.7 for 4 weighing 44.8kg from Messrs Paterson, Thistle Bottom
346.3 for 5 weighing 43.6kg from Messrs Thirlwall, Bothel Craggs
341.0 for 1 weighing 41kg from WL Musgrave & Sons, Cardew Hall Farm
340.2 for 2 weighing 43.5kg from Messrs Thirlwall, Bothel Craggs
333.3 for 7 weighing 51kg from Messrs Paterson, Thistle Bottom

SPRING LAMBS PER HEAD

Texel £250 x 2 £226 £220 Orchard House Farm (Reed) £244
Newbiggin Grange (Maitland) £240 £238 £208 £203 £200 Mechi
(Bowe) £236 £234 £222 £218 £211 x 2 £208 £204 £202 £200 Harrot
Hill Farm (Stamper) £234 £217.5 £207 £205 x 3 Hill House (Harrison)
£234 £213 Arkleby House (Wilkinson) £228 £210 £204 £202 £200
Wood Farm (Wilson) £220 x 2 £207 Low Buildings Farm (Wetherell)
£220 £209 £207 £206 £201 Swallows Barn (Benson) £220 £205
Thethwaite Farm (Bell) £220 Beck Farm (Harrison) £219 x 2 £210
£203 £201 Bothel Parks (Bowe) £218 £210 Broomhills Farm (Marrs)
£214 £200 West Park Farm (Brough) £214 £200 Riggwood
(Harrington) £211 Salter Hall Farm (Spedding) £210 Arkelby Farm
(Jennings) £210 Park House Farm (Brennand) £206 £203 £200
Priestcroft (Raven) £205 £204 Allerby Hall (Miller) £205 Kiln Close
(Grainger) £205 East Park (Donaldson) £202 £200 Swallow Waite
(Storr) £200 Chalkside Farm (Chalkside Farming Co)



Adam Bell, Thethwaite Farm sold a run of 23 Texel lambs to £220 (423pkg) for a single, weighing 52kg, taking his average to £189.72 and 419.53pkg. Texel Ewes from the same home sold to £278 on two occasions.

Suffolk £240 £234 x 2 £232 £210 £201 £199 £181 x 2 The Clappers
(Brough) £238 Harrot Hill Farm (Stamper) £230 £212 £199 £194.5 £192.5
£184 Hill House (Harrison) £230 £200 Gate Farm (Wilson) £213 Allerby
Hall (Miller) £204 Wood Farm (Wilson) £197 Thethwaite Farm (Bell) £189
Bridge Mill (Hunter) £188 Arkelby Farm (Jennings) £185 Riggwood
(Harrington) £183 Scales Demesne (Mashiter)



John Harrington, Riggwood sold a run of 21 Texel and Suffolk lambs, Texels to £214 for a single, weighing 49kg and Suffolks to £185 for a pen of 3, weighing 45kg, taking John's average to £182.67 or 416.78pkg

Dutch Texel £237 £216 £213 £207 Mechi (Bowe)

Charollais £233 £230 x 2 Raise Lodge Farm (Trafford)

Blue Texel £220 £214 £208 £190 Croft House (Hunt) £212 Bothel Parks (Bowe)

Beltex £209 £204 £190 £189 Borranshill (Wybergh) £193 £188 £186
£182.5 £181.5 Beck Farm (Harrison) £184 Thethwaite Farm (Bell)
£177 Whitehead Brow (Richardson)

Dutch Spotted £199 £192 Croft House (Hunt)





SPRING LAMBS PER KILO

Texel 524.4 520.0 495.5 487.5 472.3 467.4 460.5 458.7 453.3 452.4 449.4 448.9
Harrot Hill Farm (Stamper) 483.3 455.6 445.7 Hill House (Harrison) 472.1 471.0
468.8 467.4 466.0 Bothel Parks (Bowe) 460.0 458.3 442.7 Low Buildings Farm
(Wetherell) 459.8 451.1 447.8 Priestcroft (Raven) 457.7 Mechi (Bowe) 452.9 449.2
447.1 445.1 Greensyke Farm (Palmer) 452.5 441.9 440.4 Broomhills Farm (Marrs)
451.9 Newbiggin Grange (Maitland) 451.2 Swallows Barn (Benson) 448.9 444.4
Wood Farm (Wilson) 448.7 Seaville Farm (Ryder) 447.7 443.5 443.2 Allerby Hall
(Miller) 447.1 Salter Hall Farm (Spedding) 445.8 441.5 West Park Farm (Brough)
444.4 Swallow Waite (Storr) 443.8 441.5 Arkleby House (Wilkinson) 443.6 Moor
Platt Farm (Butler) 442.2 East Park (Donaldson) 440.4 High Blaitwaite (Spark)

Suffolk 485.7 Harrot Hill Farm (Stamper) 477.6 446.2 445.7 428.6 426.1 424.8
421.4 420.5 411.4 The Clappers (Brough) 442.3 414.1 Gate Farm (Wilson) 439.8
432.7 424.3 421.2 420.1 Hill House (Harrison) 435.7 Scales Demesne
(Mashiter) 425.0 416.7 x 2 Wood Farm (Wilson) 419.3 Beck Farm
(Harrison) 418.4 411.6 Home Farm (Parkin) 416.3 Southerfield House
(Wilson) 416.3 Kiln Close (Grainger) 414.7 Thethwaite Farm (Bell) 413.2
Arkelby Farm (Jennings) 411.1 Riggwood (Harrington) 410.9 Bridge Mill
(Hunter)

Blue Texel 471.1 Bothel Parks (Bowe) 455.3 433.3 423.1 422.2 Croft
House (Hunt)

Dutch Texel 469.3 461.9 458.1 454.7 447.1 Mechi (Bowe)

Charollais 451.0 439.6 425.9 Raise Lodge Farm (Trafford)

Beltex 448.8 440.8 433.2 432.6 432.2 Beck Farm (Harrison) 448.8
Thethwaite Farm (Bell) 444.7 438.7 431.8 424.7 Borranshill (Wybergh)
436.0 Whitehead Brow (Richardson)

Dutch Spotted 414.6 408.5 Croft House (Hunt)

HOGGS PER HEAD

Texel £182 £174 £170 x 2 £158 Thistle Bottom (Paterson) £170
Cardew Hall Farm (Musgrave) £159 £151 Bothel Craggs (Thirlwall)

Cheviot £141 Orton Rigg Farm (Whitfield)

Beltex £140 £130 Cardew Hall Farm (Musgrave)

Herdwick £86 Ashness Farm (Cornthwaite)

HOGGS PER KILO

Texel 352.7 333.3 328.8 310.7 Thistle Bottom (Paterson) 346.3 340.2 329.5 311.8 Bothel Craggs (Thirlwall) 309.3 309.1 Cardew
Hall Farm (Musgrave)

Beltex 341.0 317.0 Cardew Hall Farm (Musgrave)

Cheviot 333.3 Orton Rigg Farm (Whitfield)

Herdwick 223.4 Ashness Farm (Cornthwaite)



DI Donaldson, East Park sold a run of 23
Texel lambs to £205 for a pen of 4,
weighing 49.5kg (414pkg), securing an
average of £192.65 and 421.96pkg



WS Mashiter, Scales Demesne sold a lovely run of 80
Suffolk lambs to £183 (435pkg) for a single, weighing
42kg, taking his average to £165.91 and 403pkg.





PRIME EWES –197

Ave £191.55

A useful entry and a sharper trade with smarter types, well rewarded to a top of £308 for a Pure Texel from Messrs Metcalfe and Smith, Nook Close.

Beltex to £282 for D Potts, Orchard Drive, Bothel, and Suffolks to £222 for GJ Butler, Moor Platt Farm.

All classes good to sell and more required each week, please contact David Bowman on 07721 616786 or David Fearon on 07500 173273.

Texel £308 £288 £278 £258 Nook Close (Metcalfe & Smith) £295 Hall Close (Proudlock) £278 x 2 £245 £228 £200 Thethwaite Farm (Bell) £272 Moor Platt Farm (Butler) £268 Orchard Drive (Potts) £265 £220 West Park Farm (Brough) £262 The Croft (Brough) £260 £240 Low Blaithwaite (Bell) £258 £220 Skinburness Drive (Carr) £258 Sycamore House (Skelton) £240 £215 Kiln Close (Grainger) £235 Park House Farm (Brennand) £215 Mechi (Bowe) £214 £200 Hill House (Harrison) £212 Thistle Bottom (Paterson) £210 Yew Tree Farm (Peile)

Beltex £282 Orchard Drive (Potts) £262 £258 £248 £218 Parkgate Hall (Peile)

Charollais £240 Raise Lodge Farm (Trafford) £198 Harrot Hill Farm (Stamper)

Suffolk £222 Moor Platt Farm (Butler) £210 £200 The Croft (Brough) £206 Thethwaite Farm (Bell) £198 £186 £185 Hill House (Harrison) £198 Sycamore House (Skelton) £190 Low Blaithwaite (Bell)

Blue De Maine £198 Moor Platt Farm (Butler)

Black Texel £190 Ashness Farm (Cornthwaite) £180 Broomhills Farm (Marrs) £142 Yew Tree Farm (Peile)

Zwartble £185 £148 Orchard House Farm (Reed)

Cheviot £170 Hill House (Harrison)

Mule £166 Ellenbank (Byers) £164 £157 £136 £126 Hill House (Harrison) £150 £142 Yew Tree Farm (Peile) £150 Bridge Mill (Hunter) £148 £142 Chalkside Farm (Chalkside Farming Co)

Hampshire £126 Cherry Tree Farm (Brough)

TUPS - 2

Beltex £220 Parkgate Hall (Peile)

Texel £175 Parkgate Hall (Peile)

