

BAKEWELL MARKET REPORT

Monday 15th December

Unexpectedly busy for the penultimate market before Christmas with no fewer than 632 cattle and 1,592 sheep on offer from 227 vendors.

For the avoidance of doubt, we are open next Monday 22nd December and also on the 29th December.

The store & breeding cattle section was very well supported with a total of 375 head on offer and trade was strong from the first to last.

Steers reached 2,240 to average £1,477 with heifers to £2,260 ave £1,331. Feeding bulls peaked at £1,800 ave £1,021.

The averages were lower this week, but only because there are more smaller/younger cattle in the sample.

There were 31 breeding cattle forward with cows and calves to £1,860 and a mature Limousin stock bull to £2,500.

A smaller entry of 95 finished cattle sold on a trade very similar to last week.

Top figures 448p/kg and £3,216 per head.

The average for the 32 heifers was 379.2 pence and £2,318 per head.

Another large entry of 129 OTM cattle saw trade noticeably down. Top figures 326p/kg and £2,566 per head.

The average was a solid 225.8 pence with the per head figure at £1,396.

Only 33 calves on offer on a rotten wet day with bulls to £570 and heifers also to £570.

Decent numbers of sheep on offer with 1,071 lambs forward, trade was excellent with the trouble in France having no effect on business in Bakewell.

Top figures 389p/kg and £188.67 per head.

The SQQ was a hefty 346.0 pence making a typical lamb in the 39-45 kg weight range worth £149.33

Forthcoming Fixtures

Thursday 18th December – Thursday Lunchtime Sheep Sale

Thursday 18th December - Pedigree Limousin Sale

DISEASE PRECAUTIONS

The authorities have asked us to pass on the message to everyone to be vigilant with regard to Bio Security.

May we respectfully ask that you use the footbaths and boot wash in order to reduce the risk

ON BEHALF OF C G BUCKSTON
SUTTON HALL, SUTTON ON THE HILL, DERBYSHIRE
Dispersal of the Pedigree Limousin



CHARLESTON HERD

170 HEAD


Comp:
70 Pedigree Cows with Calves at Foot and/or In-calf
4 Pedigree Limousin Stock Bulls
10 Pedigree In-calf Heifers (Due early 2026)
12 Pedigree Maiden Heifers
A run of Young Limousin Bull & Heifer Calves (Upto 12mths)

At Bakewell Livestock Market

**THURSDAY
18TH DECEMBER 2025
11.00AM**



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The Funeral of
Alan Dickinson
Of
Park Gate Farm, Bradbourne
Will be held at
Bradbourne Church
On
Monday 22nd December
At 2pm

Refreshments afterwards at
The Sycamore Inn, Parwich

BAKEWELL MARKET

Monday 22nd December - MARKET OPEN
Thursday 25th December - NO MARKET
Monday 29th December - MARKET OPEN
Thursday 1st January 2026 - NO MARKET

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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On Instructions from C. G. Buckston
Field Farm • Sutton on the Hill • Derbyshire

GENUINE FLOCK DISPERSAL

**300
HEAD**

Comp: 190 Main Flock Ewes predominantly Texel
& Beltex Cross Ewes due February 2026
70 Shearling Ewes due March 2026 onward
24 Homebred Ewe Lambs (run with Blue Texel Ram)
6 Stock Rams

Heptavac, Enzo Vaccinated and Footvax Treated

Removed for convenience of sale to
Bakewell Livestock Market



Thursday
8th January 2026
to follow the usual sheep sale
after 12.00 noon



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129 BARREN, OTM AND FEEDING COWS overall ave 225.9p/kg or £1396

(Auctioneer Oliver Hiles)

A big entry for the week before Christmas and with a lot of cows about nationally, trade was harder work in line with all other outlets. A lovely OTM heifer (31 mnths) still topped the day for Jonathon Salisbury with the best cow at 391p for Neil Pearson. Nowhere near as many beef cows on offer today with a higher proportion of dairy cows taking the centre stage today.

Results:

326p/kg	530kg	Lim, 31 mnths	MA Salisbury, Hayfield
291p/kg	694kg	Lim, 6 yrs	N & S Pearson, Peak Forest
288p/kg	484kg	Hfd, 32 mnths	JR Barker & Sons, Findern
282p/kg	798kg	Sim, 5 yrs	B Foster, Hanch
280p/kg	662kg	Others, 32 mnths	JR & DJ Hollingworth, Ockbrook
277p/kg	624kg	Lim, 6 yrs	N & S Pearson, Peak Forest
275p/kg	526kg	B Blue x, 4 yrs	RM Hadfield Ltd, Castleton
271p/kg	782kg	AA, 6 yrs	B & M Frost, Youlgreave
270p/kg	576kg	Char, 5 yrs	A Merryman, Dronfield
269p/kg	658kg	Lim, 5 yrs	RM Hadfield Ltd, Castleton

Gross Prices:

£2250.36	798kg	Sim	B Foster, Hanch
£2119.22	782kg	AA	B & M Frost, Youlgreave
£2019.54	694kg	Lim	N & S Pearson, Peak Forest
£1927.86	762kg	Hfd	JR & DJ Hollingworth, Ockbrook
£1853.60	662kg	Others	JR & DJ Hollingworth, Ockbrook
£1833.88	722kg	Stab	D Harrison, Oakamoor
£1790.56	722kg	B Blue x	RM Hadfield Ltd, Castleton

81 Black & White and ex dairy cows ave 217.1p

Down 6 pence today

3 clean heifers 278-377p

Best fed cows 250-276p

Big Holstein cows 220-240p

Leaner smaller cows 200-220p

Plainest end under 190p

The best today:

311p/kg	£2052	Holst, 27 mnths	Rusty Farming, Flagg
291p/kg	£1827	Fries, 27 mnths	Rusty Farming, Flagg
278p/kg	£1790	Fries, 32 mnths	FJ Gould & Son, Longnor
276p/kg	£2566	Fleck, 7 yrs	FM Ottewell & Son, Shottle
265p/kg	£2045	Fleck, 5 yrs	FM Ottewell & Son, Shottle
259p/kg	£1797	Fries, 9 yrs	JA Bryer & Son, Turnditch
256p/kg	£1745	Fries, 8 yrs	JA Bryer & Son, Turnditch
255p/kg	£1779	Fries, 12 yrs	D & LA Critchlow, Sheen
253p/kg	£2003	Holst, 5 yrs	J Shirt & Sons, Tideswell
248p/kg	£1835	Holst, 4 yrs	J Shirt & Sons, Tideswell
248p/kg	£1686	Fries, 12 yrs	WB & DE Gyte, Barmoor Clough
246p/kg	£1913	Holst, 8 yrs	Rowland Partners, Kirk Ireton
246p/kg	£1392	Norw, 34 mnths	Gilmans Ltd, Thorpe

2 OTM Bulls

264p/kg	£2550	S Horn, 5 ½ yrs	P Southwell, Uttoxeter
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2 OTM Steers

300p/kg	£1632	Hfd, 30 mnths	JR Barker & Sons
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95 FINISHED CATTLE ave 353.2p/kg
(Auctioneer Oliver Hiles)

Similar numbers to the same week last year. Trade good throughout with the handy weight shop heifers looking better sold on the week.

37 Young Bulls ave 335.6p/kg

Trade strong for all shapes and sizes. John Ottewell had a special B Blue at 440p with David Goddard at 430 and 409p. 15 B/W's sold to 340p for a Friesian.

Results:

440p/kg	730kg	B Blue x	JT Ottewell, Calow
430p/kg	748kg	Lim	S & D Fearn, Wardlow Mires
409p/kg	722kg	Lim	S & D Fearn, Wardlow Mires
409p/kg	700kg	Lim	GN & SM Seals & Sons, South Wingfield
394p/kg	700kg	Lim	GN & SM Seals & Sons, South Wingfield
386p/kg	742kg	Lim	JT Ottewell, Calow
378p/kg	734kg	B Blue x	WH Hall & Sons, Draycott
371p/kg	634kg	S Horn	B Langton, Horsley Woodhouse
364p/kg	694kg	Sim	BE & TR Robinson, Abney
364p/kg	716kg	Parth	AB Massie & Son, Ockbrook

Gross Prices:

£3216.40	748kg	Lim	S & D Fearn, Wardlow Mires
£3212.00	730kg	B Blue x	JT Ottewell, Calow
£2952.98	722kg	Lim	S & D Fearn, Wardlow Mires
£2864.12	742kg	Lim	JT Ottewell, Calow
£2863.00	700kg	Lim	GN & SM Seals & Sons, South Wingfield
£2774.52	734kg	B Blue x	WT Hall & Sons, Draycott
£2758.00	700kg	Lim	GN & SM Seals & Sons, South Wingfield
£2591.92	716kg	Parth	AB Massie & Son, Ockbrook
£2526.16	694kg	Sim	BE & TR Robinson, Abney
£2511.60	690kg	Sim	BE & TR Robinson, Abney

26 Steers ave 346.8p

Only small numbers but a strong price that goes against all reports. Redgate Farms called the top price at 407 for a smart B Blue with the Watson Family team at 400p.

Results:

407p/kg	580kg	Lim	Redgate Farms, Brinsley
400p/kg	574kg	Lim	P & E Watson, Ashover
382p/kg	682kg	Lim	D Hadfield & Daughter, Tideswell
370p/kg	628kg	B Blue x	Easom & Sons, Oakerthorpe
366p/kg	596kg	B Blue x	Easom & Sons, Oakerthorpe
366p/kg	604kg	B Blue x	Easom & Sons, Oakerthorpe
362p/kg	616kg	Lim	JP & A Wardman, Warslow

Gross Prices:

£2605.24	682kg	Lim	D Hadfield & Daughter, Tideswell
£2547.36	732kg	Lim	LR & MJ Lowe, Hulme End
£2532.16	772kg	AA	RW Ardern & Sons, Topley Pike
£2465.28	768kg	AA	RW Ardern & Sons, Topley Pike
£2463.04	716kg	B Blue x	Green Dales Farm, Alderwasley
£2450.88	736kg	Sim	W, REA & WD Sessions, Trusley
£2415.08	698kg	Sim	C & J Southwell, Gt Heywood
£2414.88	774kg	Hfd	RW Ardern & Sons, Topley Pike

32 Heifers ave 379.2p/kg

A smashing trade for the shop heifers today with prices actually better on the week. Messrs Woolley, Codnor had the top at 448p with Charlotte Hadfield at 440 and 420p and Phil & Emma Watson at 435 and 424p. 10 Natives had Angus to 394 and Herefords to 370p.

Results:

448p/kg	554kg	B Blue x	JC Woolley, Codnor
440p/kg	556kg	Lim	D Hadfield & Daughter, Tideswell
435p/kg	544kg	Lim	P & E Watson, Ashover
424p/kg	526kg	B Blue x	P & E Watson, Ashover
420p/kg	602kg	Lim	D Hadfield & Daughter, Tideswell
414p/kg	636kg	Lim	D Lownds, Reapsmoor
406p/kg	552kg	B Blue x	P & E Watson, Ashover
400p/kg	654kg	Lim	RG Bacon, Wadshelf
400p/kg	672kg	Lim	Moor Farmers, Flagg
400p/kg	732kg	Lim	D Lownds, Reapsmoor
400p/kg	686kg	Lim	GW Smith, Aldwark
400p/kg	684kg	Lim	Moor Farmers, Flagg

Gross Prices:

£2928.00	732kg	Lim	D Lownds, Reapsmoor
£2878.60	778kg	B Blue x	RG Bacon, Wadshelf
£2833.92	738kg	B Blue x	RG Bacon, Wadshelf
£2778.08	716kg	AA	BD & JH Ponsonby, Tideswell Moor
£2744.00	686kg	Lim	GW Smith, Aldwark
£2736.00	684kg	Lim	Moor Farmers, Flagg
£2688.00	672kg	Lim	Moor Farmers, Flagg
£2633.04	636kg	Lim	D Lownds, Reapsmoor
£2616.00	654kg	Lim	RG Bacon, Wadshelf
£2528.40	602kg	Lim	D Hadfield & Daughter, Tideswell
£2497.96	634kg	AA	BD & JH Ponsonby, Tideswell Moor

STORE & BREEDING CATTLE – (Auctioneers Alastair Sneddon & Meg Elliott)

An outstanding total of 375 store & breeding cattle were on offer selling to a full line up of buyers at prices very similar to last week.

The sale commenced with a few breeding stock which included:

£1750	Holst Hfr, 26 mnths & Bull Calf	A & B Simpson, Bradwell
£1860	Luining Cow, 79 mnths & Hfr Calf	NH Denniff, Holmesfield

£1550	Mont Hfr, 27 mnths & Hfr Calf	AF Ball, Marston
£2500	Lim Stock Bull, 56 mnths	A & B Simpson, Bradwell
£1850	AA Cow, 66 mnths & Bull Calf	F Fox, Weaverham
£1600	AA Hfr, 24 mnths, i/c	F Fox, Weaverham

42 Feeding Bulls

Sample Results:

£1150	Lim x	6-7 mnths	RB Tabbenor, Youlgreave
£1080	Lim x	3 mnths	RJ & WJ Wigley, Middleton
£1800	B Blue x	13 mnths	A Brown & Son, Bonsall
£1500	Lim x	10 mnths	A Brown & Son, Bonsall
£1620	Lim x5	11-14 mnths	MD Key, Midhurst
£1660	Lim x	14 mnths	Garlick Partners, Kettleshulme
£1320	AA x	11 mnths	RL Taylor, Darley Dale
£1160	S Horn x	7-8 mnths	E Smith, Rushton Spencer
£1310	Hfd x	12 mnths	JG & AM Spendlove, Belper

160 Steers ave £1477

A mixed lot with some fine specimens on offer and also some of the other sort. There were, however, buyers present operating at all price levels and all found a new home.

Sample Results:

£1420	Lim x	8 mnths	RJ & WJ Wigley, Middleton
£840	Hfd x	5 mnths	L Hibberd, Denstone
£1620	Lim x3	8 mnths	FG & JR Critchlow, Sheen
£1300	Sim x	11 mnths	DP Smithem, Pilsley
£1210	Mont x	10-12 mnths	DP Smithem, Pilsley
£1240	Lim x	7-10 mnths	DR Gould, Grange Mill
£1210	AA x	8-11 mnths	PE & J Simcock, Potts Shrigley
£1060	B Blue x	11-12 mnths	DJ Metcalfe & Co, Muggington
£1560	AA x	14 mnths	GHW Dakin, Matlock
£1280	B Blue x	12 mnths	B Ainley, Mercaston
£1740	S Horn x	10 mnths	B Ainley, Mercaston
£1140	B Blue x3	10-11 mnths	Hobson Farms, Flagg
£930	Lim x8	6-8 mnths	GRP Cotterell, Fenny Bentley
£2100	Holst	20 mnths	H Young, Peak Forest
£1960	Cont x	17 mnths	Miss J Bonsall, Atlow
£1860	AA x3	20 mnths	S Galtrey, Wirksworth
£1580	AA x	17 mnths	RJC Agric, Wheston
£1440	Fries	20 mnths	RHH Parnell, Littleover
£2070	B Blue x	19 mnths	Conway & Mellor, Pike Hall
£1770	AA x	17 mnths	IG Boyd, Tapton
£1700	Lim x	16 mnths	C & M Wainwright, Denstone
£1500	AA x	17 mnths	O Brayne, Derwent
£1780	AA x	20 mnths	Cubley Cottage Farm
£1730	B Blue x	16-18 mnths	J & J Walton, Tideswell
£2100	Lim x	17-18 mnths	RA Frith, Thorpe
£2200	Lim x5	18-19 mnths	A & J Bowler, Ashleyhay
£2180	Lim x5	18-19 mnths	A & J Bowler, Ashleyhay
£2070	AA x	18-19 mnths	Shirley & Boam, Longnor
£2180	Lim x	18 mnths	AG Tomkinson, Thorpe

£1480	Hfd x7	17-18 mnths	G & C & O Kirkham, Hartington
£1850	Char x	18 mnths	D Smith, Sheffield
£2240	Lim x3	20 mnths	Bagshaws Caxterway, Chelmorton
£2200	B Blue x	20 mnths	G & M Limer, Taddington
£1900	Fries 4	19-20 mnths	G & M Limer, Taddington
£1890	Lim x	22 mnths	RW Valle, Summerley

142 Heifers ave £1331

A good selection with trade very brisk. Well matched bunches definitely attracted a premium.

Sample Results:

£1020	Lim x	4-7 mnths	RJ & WJ Wigley, Middleton
£840	Hfd x	5 mnths	L Hibberd, Denstone
£1100	Lim x	6-7 mnths	RB Tabbenor, Youlgreave
£1720	Lim x	12 mnths	DB Smithem, Pilsley
£1480	Lim x	8-9 mnths	DB Smithem, Pilsley
£1240	B Blue x5	10-11 mnths	DB Smithem, Pilsley
£1300	Lim x	8-16 mnths	DR Gould, Grange Mill
£900	AA x6	10-12 mnths	PE & J Simcock, Potts Shrigley
£860	Hfd x	12-13 mnths	DJ Metcalfe & Co, Muggington
£1460	AA x	13 mnths	GHW Dakin, Matlock
£1200	Lim x	15 mnths	S Bowler, Idridgehay
£1890	Lim x	26 mnths	C & M Wainwright, Denstone
£1640	B Blue x	20 mnths	Cubley Cottage Farm
£1440	Sim x	19-20 mnths	Cubley Cottage Farm
£1520	AA x7	17-21 mnths	J & J Walton, Tideswell
£1980	Hfd x	19-23 mnths	VH Mellor, Chelmorton
£2260	Lim x	18 mnths	AG Tomkinson, Thorpe
£1960	Lim x	19-21 mnths	AG Tomkinson, Thorpe
£1370	Hfd x5	17 mnths	G & C & O Kirkham, Hartington
£2160	AA x	22-23 mnths	AF Ball, Marston
£2080	Lim x4	18-19 mnths	MI Mosley & Co, Stannington
£2000	B Blue x	22-23 mnths	PJ Harrison, Taddington
£1800	Sim x	22 mnths	PJ Harrison, Taddington
£1780	AA x4	23-24 mnths	Leasows Partners, Uttoxeter
£1830	B Blue x	31 mnths	RB Tabbenor, Youlgreave

33 CALVES (Auctioneer Natasha Hall)

An uplift in trade today with better quality on offer with only 33 calves.

Bulls and heifers to top at £570 for some Limousins.

B/W's to £92

A 3 month old Dexter bull at £440 from David M Harrison.

Bulls

B Blue	£565	TW Kent & Co
B Blue	£430	Pidcock & Matkin
B Blue	£405	Pidcock & Matkin
Hfd	£395	DJ Metcalfe & Co
B Blue	£385	SG Salt & Son

Hfrs

B Blue	£470	DJ Metcalfe & Co
B Blue	£355	TW Kent & Co
B Blue	£305	JM & D Shepherd & Sons
AA	£270	JW Brandrick & Son

1071 LAMBS & 821 EWES & RAMS (Auctioneer Peter Oven)

Another excellent entry of 1592 sheep included 1071 lambs. Demand very brisk throughout with prices up for all types. Best butchers lambs to 389p/kg (twice) with 15 pens 375p+. Overall average 346.04p/kg.

Leading Prices:

30.0kg	340p/kg	L Wright
33.3kg	350p/kg	B Elkin
34.8kg	376p/kg	M & C Hambleton
36.7kg	380p/kg	K Bradbury
40.6kg	388p/kg	R Brough & Son
42.8kg	380p/kg	K Bradbury
43.5kg	389p/kg	R Brough & Son
44.8kg	384p/kg	JB Drabble
45.3kg	380p/kg	R Swift & Sons
47.1kg	374p/kg	L Hadfield & Sons
48.5kg	389p/kg	AG Tomkinson
50.0kg	374p/kg	AG Tomkinson
53.0kg	340p/kg	Hazlewood Hall
55.0kg	342p/kg	M Hambleton

Averages

32.1-39.0kg	To 380p/kg	Average 339.64p/kg
39.1-45.5kg	To 389p/kg	Average 349.06p/kg
45.6-52kg	To 389p/kg	Average 344.57p/kg
52kg+	To 342p/kg	Average 312.3p/kg

521 Ewes and Rams (Auctioneers Mark Elliott & Holly Swift)

A large show for the mid December week with vendors very well rewarded and trade strong in all categories.

Generally, there were not as many top end and continentals when compared to last week, but those that were entered sold very well. Some strong heavy well fleshed Mules a very good trade.

Top price today £267 for long Texels from the Hadfields at Chamber Farm. The best 10 pens averaged a very pleasing £239.70.

In the crossbreds, good strong ewes £170 and above with plenty £185 plus. Mules to £190 with a run of sheep from the South well fed and presented having a storming trade.

Horned ewes past £106 for the best but they needed to have good flesh.

Still men out for feeding ewes with these faring well.

In the rams a very diverse entry totalling 29 head topped at £238 for a Texel from the Burton family. Other continental tups to £230 and £216.

492 ewes 100% clearance ave £135.10

29 rams 100% clearance ave £167.28