

BAKEWELL MARKET REPORT

26th January 2026

Not quite as busy as last week, but still a very respectable turnout with 773 cattle and 1,324 sheep on offer.

Finished cattle a shade easier, but store cattle and OTM's holding their price and the sheep trade rather better than expected.

There were 455 head of store & breeding cattle with plenty of highlights and fierce competition for the best.

In the breeding cattle section there was considerable excitement for the consignment of pedigree Simmentals with a 13 month old Simmental stock bull at £5,950 and an in calf heifer £2,820 and a 14 month old heifer at £2,550.

In the regular stores, steers sold to £2,700, heifers £2,240 and feeding bulls £1,950.

A total of 137 finished cattle sold on a solid trade with prices a shade easier as expected. Top figures 419p/kg and £3,720. The average for the 65 heifers was 358.7p/kg and £3,193 per head.

Another large show of 145 OTM cattle sold well with prices up on the week, top figures 350p and £3,657 per head.

The average looked good at 252.9 pence or £1,648 per head for an entry which included more ex dairy cows than usual.

Calf numbers steady at 36 with bulls selling to £540 and heifers £470.

Some reared calves topped at £780.

In the sheep shed there was a decent selection of 1,147 hoggs selling on a better trade than anticipated.

Top figures 390p and £189.74 per head.

The SQQ looked very healthy at 345.5p making a typical lamb in the 39-45kg range worth £147.83.

Cull sheep were in short supply with only 177 on offer.

Ewes sold to £250 to average £128.83 for a rather mixed selection.

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

Forthcoming Fixtures

Thursday 29th January – Thursday Lunchtime Sheep Sale & sale of Store Lambs

We have been asked to inform you
that the funeral for

**Mr B Sayles
of Hill Top Farm, Parkhead, Matlock**

will be held on
**Tuesday 3rd February
at 11am**
at St Mary's Church, Crich

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The family have asked us to inform you
The Funeral of

David Elliott

Formerly of Welbeck Estate
will be held on

**Friday 30th January
at 12 noon
at St Mary's Church
Cuckney, Nr Mansfield
NG20 9NQ (off A60)**

We have been asked to pass on the sad news that

Mick Lilley

Died on 27th December 2025

Funeral arrangements have not been finalised, but we will publicise the place
and time when it is known


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St Martins Farm

Coach Road, Overton, Ashover, S45 0JN

A fantastic opportunity to acquire a well presented small farm in an accessible location with good road links and rural outlooks. The property comprises a four bedroom dormer bungalow (subject to an Agricultural Occupancy Condition), a useful range of modern agricultural buildings and surrounding grassland in a desirable ring fence totalling approx. 44.03acres(17.82)ha.

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145 BARREN, OTM AND FEEDING COWS overall ave 252.9p/kg

(Auctioneer Oliver Hiles)

Good numbers again but not a record entry like last week with the trade a little stronger and the average up by 4 pence on the week.

There are a lot of B/W's and dairy cows in the market at present, for obvious reasons with these accounting for 60% of today's total entry. Best price today was 350p/kg (£2394) for a 4 year old cow from Messrs Kidd, with big cows up to £3,200 for Mark Shenton who had some stunners last week also. A lot of feeding farmers at ringside again today keeping the leaner cows at good money in the hope that they will improve with a changed diet.

Results:

350p/kg	684kg	Char, 4 yrs	S Kidd, Quarnford
340p/kg	586kg	B Blue x, 30 mnths	PW & M Locker, Boylestone
339p/kg	944kg	Blond x, 8 yrs	CW Shenton, Handforth
336p/kg	544kg	B Blue x, 34 mnths	E Clare, Dunham Massey
336p/kg	590kg	Others	M & L Agriculture, Kedleston
335p/kg	696kg	Char, 30 mnths	IP Carrington, Kniveton
332p/kg	864kg	Blond x, 4 yrs	CW Shenton, Handforth
324p/kg	732kg	Lim, 4 yrs	MJ Wells & Son, Monyash
320p/kg	610kg	B Blue x, 34 mnths	E Clare, Dunham Massey
320p/kg	630kg	B Blue x, 30 mnths	PW & M Locker, Boylestone
320p/kg	768kg	Blond x, 13 yrs	CW Shenton, Handforth
314p/kg	908kg	Char, 10 yrs	TW Cox, Gt Longstone
310p/kg	810kg	Blond, 6 yrs	CA Potter, Bonsall

Gross Prices:

£3200.16	944kg	Blond x	CW Shenton, Handforth
£2868.48	864kg	Blond x	CW Shenton, Handforth
£2851.12	908kg	Char	TW Cox, Gt Longstone
£2532.00	844kg	Lim	D Hadfield & Daughter, Tideswell
£2523.56	844kg	Lim	Cox Bros, Gt Longstone
£2511.00	810kg	Blond x	CA Potter, Bonsall
£2457.60	768kg	Blond x	CW Shenton, Handforth
£2447.50	890kg	Hfd	JE & JM Salmon, Marchington
£2394.00	684kg	Char	S Kidd, Quarnford
£2371.68	732kg	Lim	MJ Wells & Son, Monyash
£2331.60	696kg	Char	IP Carrington, Kniveton

85 Black & White and ex dairy cows ave 231.4p

Certainly dearer and plenty of demand.

1 OTM heifer 300p

Best fed cows 255-284p

Big Holsteins 240-250p

Leaner cows 220-240p

Plainest end under 210p

The best today:

300p/kg	£1992	Holst, 30 mnths	GE Brookes & Partners, Uttoxeter
284p/kg	£2618	Norw, 6 yrs	RW Ardern & Sons, Buxton
276p/kg	£1711	Ayr, 3 yrs	A Coutts & Son, Ollerton

266p/kg	£1803	Holst, 3 yrs	GE Brookes & Partners, Uttoxeter
264p/kg	£2085	Fries, 5 yrs	C Beever, Alport
263p/kg	£1809	Fries, 7 yrs	PG & JH Cantrell, Haddon Grove
263p/kg	£1951	Fries, 5 yrs	D Fotherby & Sons, Tunstead
260p/kg	£2080	Holst, 10 yrs	JR Johnson & Sons, Ipstones
257p/kg	£2025	Fries, 11 yrs	FJ Gould & Son, Longnor
257p/kg	£1634	Norw, 7 yrs	TJL & M Blore, Newark
255p/kg	£1846	Holst, 6 yrs	E Cooper, Taddington
255p/kg	£1805	Holst, 10 yrs	AJ & ME Minshall, Tean
254p/kg	£1955	Holst, 5 yrs	JP & SL Hotchin, Parwich

3 OTM Bulls

351p/kg	£3657	Blond, 3 yrs	CW Shenton, Handforth
296p/kg	£2735	Lim, 3 ½ yrs	JR Hallam, Hayfield

5 OTM Steers

328p/kg	£1640	B Blue, 33 mnths	JR Barker & Sons, Findern
314p/kg	£2267	Lim, 43 mnths	DG Allen, Smalley

137 FINISHED CATTLE ave 355.3p/kg (Auctioneer Oliver Hiles)

Exactly the same numbers as last week but the January blues in the meat industry finally reared their ugly heads. They do appear to be a lot of clean cattle about nationally and talks of waiting lists at abattoirs locally and nationally. We at Bakewell are well placed to deal with the problems and a fast trade throughout, although at slightly reduced levels.

32 Young Bulls ave 347.1p/kg

Big, small, good and plain, we had them all and found customers with the bulls fairing better than the clean overall. Steven & Steff Wells had a corker at 426p with David Goddard at 418p, the youngest vendor of the day Hayden Hulme selling a big blue at 408p or £3720.

Results:

426p/kg	646kg	Lim	MJ Wells & Son, Monyash
418p/kg	686kg	Lim	S & D Fearn, Wardlow Mires
408p/kg	912kg	B Blue	DW & P Hulme, Basford
407p/kg	800kg	Lim	JT Ottewell, Calow
400p/kg	746kg	Lim	S & D Fearn, Wardlow Mires
398p/kg	658kg	Lim	PJ Bailey, Leek
389p/kg	842kg	Char	Boden & Davies Ltd, Mellor
384p/kg	832kg	Lim	S & D Fearn, Wardlow Mires
380p/kg	756kg	B Blue x	JT Ottewell, Calow

Gross Prices:

£3720.96	912kg	B Blue x	DW & P Hulme, Basford
£3404.94	938kg	Char	Boden & Davies Ltd, Mellor
£3275.38	842kg	Char	Boden & Davies Ltd, Mellor
£3256.00	800kg	Lim	JT Ottewell, Calow
£3194.88	832kg	Lim	S & D Fearn, Wardlow Mires
£2894.00	746kg	Lim	S & D Fearn, Wardlow Mires
£2873.60	898kg	Sim	Mosley & Co, Chelmorton
£2872.80	756kg	B Blue x	JT Ottewell, Calow

£2867.48	686kg	Lim	S & D Fearn, Wardlow Mires
£2754.00	810kg	Char	G Goodwin, Wetley Rocks

40 Steers ave 356.8p/kg

Not a vintage show of steers today with all grades and breeds represented. Messrs Swinson had a big Limmy at 404p (£2957). Angus to 395p, Hereford to 352p, Lincoln Reds to 332p and Murray Greys to 322p.

Results:

404p/kg	732kg	Lim	RH & DT Swinson, Denstone
397p/kg	700kg	Char	D Hadfield & Daughter, Tideswell
396p/kg	664kg	B Blue x	K Harrop, Alport
395p/kg	622kg	AA	K Harrop, Alport
382p/kg	608kg	Lim	GW Johnson & KG Shuttlewood, Burnaston
378p/kg	766kg	Lim	D Hadfield & Daughter, Tideswell
374p/kg	734kg	Lim	RH & DT Swinson, Denstone
374p/kg	704kg	Char	DG Allen, Smalley
370p/kg	624kg	AA	R Walker, Ashgate
370p/kg	686kg	B Blue x	TD & PD Hardy, Grange Mill

Gross Prices

£2957.28	732kg	Lim	RH & DT Swinson, Denstone
£2895.48	766kg	Lim	D Hadfield & Daughter, Tideswell
£2779.00	700kg	Char	D Hadfield & Daughter, Tideswell
£2745.16	734kg	Lim	RH & DT Swinson, Denstone
£2690.90	758kg	Char	DFE Holland, Glutton
£2632.96	704kg	Char	DG Allen, Smalley
£2629.44	664kg	B Blue x	K Harrop, Alport
£2619.26	742kg	Char	DFE Holland, Glutton
£2582.16	742kg	Lim	AD Holland, Glutton

65 Heifers ave 356.8p/kg

Just like the steers with a good mix of natives alongside the suckler bred continentals. Don Lownds won the day at 419p with others at 413p and 410p. 23 natives today had Angus to 368p and Hereford to 350p.

Results:

419p/kg	622kg	Lim	D Lownds, Reapsmoor
416p/kg	688kg	Lim	K Harrop, Alport
413p/kg	692kg	Lim	D Lownds, Reapsmoor
413p/kg	532kg	Lim	P & E Watson, Ashover
410p/kg	636kg	Lim	D Lownds, Reapsmoor
406p/kg	688kg	Lim	H & G Hollinshead, Lichfield
404p/kg	562kg	Lim	GW Johnson & KG Shuttlewood, Burnaston
402p/kg	512kg	Lim	P & E Watson, Ashover
392p/kg	634kg	Blond x	CW Shenton, Handforth
392p/kg	664kg	Blond x	DG Mycock, Bonsall
390p/kg	670kg	Lim	H & G Hollinshead, Lichfield
390p/kg	688kg	B Blue x	H & G Hollinshead, Lichfield

Gross Prices:

£2862.08	688kg	Lim	K Harrop, Alport
£2857.96	692kg	Lim	D Lownds, Reapsmoor
£2812.48	748kg	Char	AO Taylor, Brinsley
£2793.28	688kg	Lim	H & G Hollinshead, Lichfield
£2764.08	792kg	B Blue x	RM Ward, Ridgeway
£2762.12	796kg	Char	IP Carrington, Kniveton
£2718.72	708kg	Blond x	CW Shenton, Handforth
£2683.20	688kg	B Blue x	H & G Hollinshead, Lichfield
£2627.00	710kg	B Blue x	K Harrop, Alport
£2620.56	716kg	B Blue x	TD & PD Hardy, Grange Mill
£2613.00	670kg	Lim	H & G Hollinshead, Lichfield

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

A decent entry for the time of year with a total of 455 head on offer.

Plenty of interest in all types with buyers present operating at all price levels. Quality not up to last week's standard, but trade holding very well in the light of reduced deadweight prices for finished cattle.

The sale commenced with a nice sample of 31 breeding cattle which included:

£2820	Ped Sim Hfr, 27 mnths i/c for May	Storersmith Simmentals, Uttoxeter
£2550	Ped Sim Hfr, 14 mnths	Storersmith Simmentals, Uttoxeter
£5950	Ped Sim Bull, 13 mnths	Storersmith Simmentals, Uttoxeter

The 13 month old bull created a great deal of interest a fierce bidding before the hammer fell.

Other breeding stock included:

8 Beef Shorthorn in calf Cows from I & P Hogg of Bretby, these sold from £1,380 to £1,560

£2850	Pure Sim Bull, 17 mnths	CE Dronfield, Stonedge
£2700	Pure Sim Bull, 17 mnths	CE Dronfield, Stonedge
£2950	Pure Sim Cow, 45 mnths & Bull Calf	R Wilson, Markeaton

There was interest too in the feeding cows with a level lot of 7 mainly Angus x cows selling at £1340 on behalf of SW Frith, Thorpe.

48 Feeding Bulls

Sample Prices:

£1360	Hfd x	11 mnths	Ingram Bros, Atherstone
£820	Hfd x	5 mnths	TG Adams, Calwich
£1380	Lim x	6-8 mnths	Garlick Partners, Kettleshulme
£1850	Lim x	18 mnths	D Sims & Son, Fenny Bentley
£1430	Sim x	9-13 mnths	JP Webster, Foolow
£1120	B Blue x	8 mnths	JE Fletcher, Sutton in Ashfield
£1880	AA x	20 mnths	AW Gilman, Wetton
£1950	Hfd x	20 mnths	AW Gilman, Wetton

194 Steers ave £1572

A very mixed sample this week with quite a number of small, young weathered cattle selling chiefly in the £500-£800 bracket. All found a new home at appropriate prices, but took their toll on the overall average.

Quality cattle were still in very strong demand as these sample prices demonstrate.

Sample Results:

£1180	Lim x	5 mnths	RJ & WJ Wigley, Middleton
£800	Devon x	8 mnths	GH & PG Mallott, Ashover
£1190	B Blue x	9 mnths	B Galtrey & S Hinchley, Holloway
£1550	Hfd x	14 mnths	J Nickisson, Stockport
£1220	L Horn x	11 mnths	MD Shimwell, Youlgreave
£1500	AA	14 mnths	J Nickisson, Stockport
£1080	Holst	14-15 mnths	RC Brough, Pike Hall
£1310	AA x	13 mnths	DJ Metcalfe & Co, Muggington
£1890	Lim x	11-14 mnths	WS Hudson & Son, Ilam
£1000	B Blue x	13 mnths	DJ Metcalfe & Co, Muggington
£1540	Char x	13-14 mnths	J & CJ Hammersley, Offcote
£1100	Hfd x	13-14 mnths	AP Critchlow, Tideswell
£1800	Lim x3	10 mnths	RTF & P Marshall & Son, Tansley
£1500	B Blue x	18 mnths	C Wild, Marple
£1820	B Blue x	14 mnths	Furness & Taylor, Wormhill
£1850	B Blue x	16 mnths	Miss RJ Stubbs, Hoar Cross
£1360	B Blue x	11 mnths	S Goring, Hoar Cross
£1620	Hfd x5	14-16 mnths	P Furness, Monyash
£1640	B Blue x	15-16 mnths	H Young, Peak Forest
£1860	AA x	17-18 mnths	N & S Pearson, Peak Forest
£1290	Holst 8	14-19 mnths	W Johnson & Son, Longnor
£2000	Sim x	18 mnths	Mosley & Co, Chelmorton
£1960	B Blue x	18 mnths	A & B Simpson, Bradwell
£2120	Lim x	18 mnths	A & B Simpson, Bradwell
£1460	AA x	16-17 mnths	Mrs M Sellors, Grange Mill
£2000	Sim x	16-18 mnths	RA Tatlow, Offcote
£2050	Lim x	19 mnths	NA Birch, Monyash
£1360	Hfd x	16-18 mnths	D & L Wain, Ilam
£2020	B Blue x	17-18 mnths	Philip Brittain Cartledge, Buxton
£2080	Lim x	17 mnths	H Hodgkinson, Earl Sterndale
£2360	Lim x3	15-18 mnths	F Potter & Son, Yeaveley
£1890	AA x	22 mnths	PJ Bailey, Grindon
£2560	Lim x	20-21 mnths	J & J Mellor, Kniveton
£2440	Lim x	20 mnths	JP Austin, Parwich
£1980	AA x	16-23 mnths	CC Etches & Son, Tissington
£2000	Lim x	19-20 mnths	KCR Lomas, Brassington
£1910	Sim x	20 mnths	Ivy Farm, Alfreton
£1860	AA x	21 mnths	JW & J Pearson, Brackenfield
£1560	AA x5	14-15 mnths	JP & SL Hotchin, Parwich
£1400	Holst 6	15-23 mnths	JP & SL Hotchin, Parwich
£2240	Lim x5	19-20 mnths	AP Pugh, Pilsley
£2080	Char x	21-22 mnths	C Hensby, Wakefield
£1940	Hfd x	20 mnths	C Hensby, Wakefield
£1960	Blond x	28 mnths	RF & JP Critchlow, Hartington

£2070	AA x	23-25 mnths	JG & JM Belfield, Sheen
£2000	Lim x	19 mnths	TC & CC Eades, Alstonefield

182 Heifers ave £1350

A great trade from start to finish. Plenty of small cattle in the early part of the sale. Some showing signs of the weather, but keenly bid for and off to new homes.

Stronger cattle looking dear with prices indicative of confidence in the future.

Sample Results:

£520	Char/Hfd x	3-4 mnths	C Wholey, Palterton
£1180	Lim x	5 mnths	RJ & WJ Wigley, Middleton
£840	Dev x	7 mnths	GH & PG Mallot, Ashover
£1440	Lim x	8-10 mnths	B Chadwick, Onecote
£1380	B Blue x	14 mnths	J Nickisson, Stockport
£1780	Lim x	11 mnths	WS Hudson & Son, Ilam
£880	AA x	13-14 mnths	Quixhill Farm, Denstone
£730	Hfd	11-12 mnths	DJ Metcalfe, Muggington
£1520	Lim x	12 mnths	RTF & P Marshall & Son, Tansley
£1500	B Blue x	15-16 mnths	MJ Turner, Grindon
£1520	AA x	13-15 mnths	Furness & Taylor, Wormhill
£1200	Lim x5	15-16 mnths	GE Willmot, Ashover
£1600	B Blue x	14 mnths	Miss RJ Stubbs, Hoar Cross
£1570	B Blue x	16 mnths	H Young, Peak Forest
£2000	Sim x	18 mnths	Mosley & Co, Chelmorton
£1800	Stab	21-22 mnths	SJ Buckley, Doveholes
£2080	Lim x	20 mnths	RA Frith, Thorpe
£1730	Sim x	21 mnths	RHH Parnell, Littleover
£1980	Lim x5	18-21 mnths	NA Birch, Monyash
£1730	B Blue x	20 mnths	C Mathews, Castleton
£1710	B Blue x	17 mnths	P Brittain Cartledge, Buxton
£2180	Lim x	21 mnths	H Hodgkinson, Earl Sterndale
£1790	S Horn x	22 mnths	H Hodgkinson, Earl Sterndale
£2240	Lim x	18-22 mnths	F Potter & Son, Yeaveley
£1580	Char x	18-20 mnths	D Smith, High Green
£1940	AA x	23 mnths	CC Etches, Tissington
£1870	Lim x	18-20 mnths	KCR Lomas, Brassington
£1620	Char x	21 mnths	JW & J Pearson, Brackenfield
£1470	S Horn x	23 mnths	JG & AM Spendlove, Belper
£1740	Blond x	27 mnths	RF & JP Critchlow, Hartington
£1560	W Blk	25 mnths	L Webster & Co, Tissington
£1570	Lim x	18-21 mnths	TJ & CC Eades, Alstonefield

35 CALVES (Auctioneer Natasha Hall)

An entry of 35 calves with bulls topping at £540 for a Lim from JE Seals & Son. Heifers topped at £470 for an AA from JW Brandrick & Son, closely followed behind with a B Blue at £440 from JE Seals & Son.

B/W's topped at £188.

A small entry of reared steer calves of 5-6 months with a Longhorn topping at £580.

Bulls

Lim	£540	JE Seals & Son
B Blue	£475	JE Seals & Son
AA	£465	GW & WL Neville
B Blue	£455	TN Palfreyman & Son
B Blue	£445	GW & WL Neville

Hfrs

AA	£470	JW Brandrick & Son
B Blue	£440	JE Seals & Son
Blond x	£430	SG Potter
Lim	£415	TN Palfreyman & Son
Lim	£405	TN Palfreyman & Son

1147 LAMBS AND 174 EWES, RAMS & GOATS**(Auctioneer Peter Oven)**

A slightly small entry of 1321 included a good show of 1147 lambs. Best fed sorts still very much in demand with a top of 390p/kg with a further 7 pens over 382p/kg and a top gross of £190/head. Overall average 245.59p/kg.

Leading Prices

35.6kg	355p/kg	JM & CE Shardlow
37.0kg	360p/kg	R Henshall
38.0kg	360p/kg	RJ & JA Hancock & Son
38.5kg	370p/kg	S Bradbury
40.6kg	370p/kg	JW Blackshaw
41.0kg	390p/kg	JP Clulow
41.2kg	382p/kg	RS Torr
42.5kg	370p/kg	L Johnson
43.5kg	372p/kg	S Bradbury
44.3kg	374p/kg	G Whitehouse
45.0kg	389p/kg	RP Hall
45.5kg	382p/kg	RP Hall
46.0kg	384p/kg	RP Hall
47.5kg	358p/kg	G Whitehouse
48.8kg	387p/kg	G Ford
52.7kg	353p/kg	RS Torr
53.0kg	358p/kg	G Ford

Averages

32.1-39.0kg	To 370p/kg	Average 340.09p/kg
39.1-45.5kg	To 390p/kg	Average 346.52p/kg
45.6-52kg	To 387p/kg	Average 329.66p/kg
52kg+	To 358p/kg	Average 292.2p/kg

177 Ewes and Rams**(Auctioneer Mark Elliott)**

With most sectors harder to move in line with all other auction in the Midlands the best at Bakewell were still pretty good to sell.

Plenty of good meat and shape £180 plus and the best £223 and £250 with John Spillane taking top spot this week.

Generally, bigger end Mules in the £140 to £150 region and several runs of crossbred ewes £140 to £159.

Plain ewes and horned types harder to sell than recent weeks.

Again, the best of the slaughter rams good to sell with John Salmon of Marchington averaging £226 for his Texel/Beltex stock tups with a top of £230.

4 Goats forward to average £133 per head.

Ewes to £250 ave £128.83

Rams to £230 ave £136.47