

MARKET REPORTS

WEDNESDAY

12th FEBRUARY 2020

PRIME HOGGS - 1549

Auctioneer - Matthew Nicholls

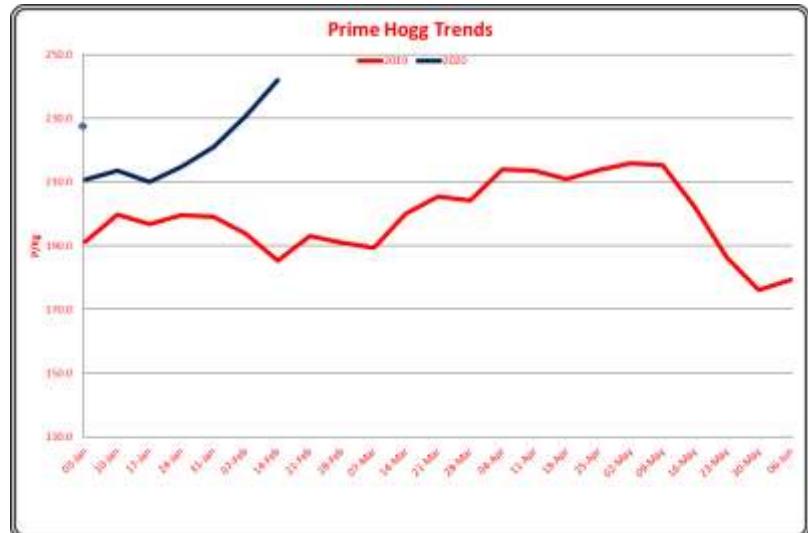
A fantastic trade especially considering the number of leaner hoggs forward. All those quality types were 250p/kg, in fact the top 20 recorded prices were all over 251p/kg up to 269p/kg for 38.5kg hoggs from M/s Price, Sheephause that soared to £103.50. All weights in excellent demand and many more could have easily been sold especially the quality types. The heavy weights were a serious demand, with those 50kg plus hoggs all over £120/head up to £124/head for a pen fo 63kg from M/s Stephens, The Riddox. The top 20 prices all over £120/head. Every hogg sold in the market has averaged a staggering £104.40/head. An overall SQQ of 243p achieved, miles in front of any deadweight quotations!

	TOTAL NO.s	LIGHT		STANDARD		MEDIUM		HEAVY		+ HEAVY						
		25.5	-	32.0	32.1	-	39.0	39.1	-	45.5	45.6	-	52.0	52.1	-	>
PRIME HOGGS	1549	260		240	269		239	260		243	248		237	230		218

PRIME HOGGS SQQ

Average - 242.0p/kg

Top Price/Head £124.00
for hoggs grading 63kg



**A Designated STORE/FAT MARKET
GREEN MARKET STATUS**

WEDNESDAY 19th FEBRUARY

7,500 SHEEP

2000 PRIME HOGGS - 9.30am

2000 CULL EWES - 11.00am

150 EWES & LAMBS - 11.30am

750 IN-LAMB EWES - 11.45am

2400 STORE HOGGS - 12 noon

Please note new timings

REARING/WEANED CALVES - 10.45am

Sheep/calf entries close Monday 17th February at 5.00pm

THURSDAY 20th FEBRUARY

At 11.00am

500 STORE CATTLE

CONTINENTAL & NATIVE BREEDS

To include

15 BEEF TYPE COWS/HEIFERS

IN OR WITH CALVES

60 STOCK/FEEDING BULLS

35 BARREN COWS

Entries for catalogue by Wednesday 12th February at 12 noon

And at 10.30am sale of

PIGS

WEANERS, STORES, CUTTERS,

BREEDING & CULL STOCK

Pig entries to the office by Tuesday 18th February at 2.00pm

COUPLES - 86 EWES & 129 LAMBS

Auctioneer - Robert Meadmore

The couple trade really came to life today, with probably some better articles on offer, several more purchasers in attendance feeling that spring can only be around the corner. Best outfits all over £200 to top at £238 for Texel full mouth ewes with double Beltex lambs. Next and from the same home at £231, a bunch of 4 Suffolk full mouth ewes with 8 lambs. A good bunch of 10 Texel x ewes with 20 lambs made £222. Several lots of various ewes with either a good single or a couple of extra lambs from £150 to £200. In all an average of £182 per head and £72.89 per life.

IN-LAMB EWES - 672

Auctioneer - Robert Meadmore

Another substantial entry with no less enthusiasm amongst the excellent crowd of purchasers present. Some lovely runs of Welsh Mule yearlings forward, scanned to both Suffolk and Texel lambing end of March and beginning of April, easily selling over £150 and topping at £163, £154 and £151, with 3 and 4 year Welsh Mules to £142 and £138. Suffolk ewes - 2's/4's scanned triplets sold well at £150 (two pens), with similar age scanned 170% at £138 and £125. North Country Mules - 2's/4's scanned triplets to £130 and again at £128. North Country ewes scanning 170% at £140. Texel ewes - 3's/4's scanned (nearly all doubles) to £120, with yearling and 2 years at £110. Older Texel ewes in the £80's. Welsh ewes - 4's scanned twins to £94 and again at £85 and £83. Total clearance effected at an average of £120/head to include several drafts of Welsh ewes.

In all the top 16 pens from £134 to £163. On a different level, a Toggenburg nanny goat with two kids sold for £190.

REARING/WEANED CALVES - 17

Auctioneer - Matthew Nicholls

A fantastic trade on the calves, a ring full of buyers ensuring a buoyant trade throughout with a lovely Blue x baby calf selling to £350/head. Younger, colder types £200 to £300/head. Those weaned types, 5 months old from M/s Clay were also very well sold up to £460/head with others at £420 and £350. An average of £245/head overall. More calves urgently required every week, the trade is here, we just need more calves.

BABY REARING CALVES

Can purchasers of young calves please make certain that they are removed from the market by
3.00pm on the day of sale at the very latest.

**MORE CALVES, BOTH REARING & WEANED CAN BE SOLD EACH WEEK. VENDORS - PLEASE LET THE
OFFICE KNOW BY 5.00pm ON MONDAY PRIOR TO THE SALE IF YOU ARE BRINGING CALVES**

*Calves born 8th January 2020 or since can be sold from farms that are TB clear without needing to be tested at our
next sale on 19th February 2020*

Please telephone Matthew Nicholls on 07811 521267 or Rob Meadmore on 07774 763791

STORE & EWE HOGGS - 2058

Auctioneer - Greg Christopher

Another reduced entry with just over 2000 hoggs when 5000 could have been sold. A huge crowd of purchasers with several men walking away without getting on the score sheets!! Hoggs the dearest this season and exceptional throughout - strongest stores to £116, with several trading £100 to £111. Still a good show of farming hoggs for mid February, however these animated and look very well sold with most £90 to £99.50 and plainer types £85 to £92. Plenty of the larger bunches £92 to £96, with numbers no problem and more needed to meet demand. Medium keeping sorts all £77 to £85, plenty of the well bred types £80 to £85, with some harder bred types trading in the £70's and look some of the dearest sold. Many longer term sorts, which included several bunches of Welsh x hoggs and smaller clear up types. The stronger smaller Welsh hoggs from £58 to £67, with several of these £62 to £65. Plainer types £50 to £58 with very little under £50.

Ram hoggs to £102 for stronger Welsh Mules, Texels to £101 for a bunch and Welsh to £100. All strength with condition £90 to £98, farming types £80 to £88, small Welsh types trading £55 to £70 and some of the dearest sold.

Another good entry will be needed for next week, with exceptional demand for all shapes and sizes.

Overall average - £80.42/head

	MIXED HOGGS (£/head)	RAM HOGGS (£/head)	EWE HOGGS (£/head)
TEXEL	108.00	101.00	-
CHAROLLAIS	116.00	97.00	-
SUFFOLK	111.00	92.50	102.00
WELSH MULE	94.00	102.00	95.00
WELSH/CHEVIOT	78.00	100.00	81.50
SPECKLE	87.00	-	-

CULL EWES - 1780

Auctioneer - Matthew Nicholls

A superb trade throughout with a similar number forward and a greater proportion of smaller hill ewes, but a trade and overall average that would be £5/head dearer levelling at £78/head. The very best ewes to £155.50 from M/s M R Jones, Glanyrafon and a cull tup to a staggering £170/head. The top 20 prices all over £123/head with plenty £130/head plus. Any amount of Speckle and Welsh ewes £80 to £90, Mules to £100 and those best Suffolk ewes to £130/head. The smaller and plainer they were the dearer they were. Strong competition from start to finish.

Average £78/head

Continental	£155.50, £149, £148, £136, £135.50
Suffolk	£130, £125, £124
North Country Mule	£108
Welsh Mules	£99
Speckles	£86
Welsh	£89
Cull Rams	£170, £126
Wethers	£90

Cull ewe cartags - All cull ewes and rams must have FULL EID TAGS to be sold in Hereford

**Staff wanted for our busy sheep scanning team,
based at Hereford Livestock Market.
Every Wednesday, some Tuesdays in the autumn.
Computer knowledge helpful.**

Please apply in the first instance to:

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Robert Meadmore - 07774 763971
or telephone the market office on 01432 761882***

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