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"A larger show of 4,044 prime and cast sheep were forward at the weekly sale. 2,886 prime old season lambs met a buoyant demand once again selling to £119 per head for Beltex crosses from Messrs Lawson, Huntly Lodge, Huntly and to 285.7p for Beltex's from S Wood, Woolhillock, Skene.

Overall averages levelled at 208p per kg or £95.17 per head.

In keeping with the national trend cast ewes and rams sold slightly easier on the week topping at £183 for Texel's from Dow Livestock Ltd, Upper Sauchen, and for Texel's from Home Farm of Auchry, Cuminstown. 1,158 ewes achieved a respectable average of £78.28 per head.

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

**Old Season Lambs:** Tex – Little Whitefield, Forglan £117, Leary, Marwick 259.7p; Bel – Corfeidly, Glassel £114, Woolhillock 253.5p; SufX – Feurdies, Fraserburgh £113, Standingstones, Dyce 222.2p; Suf – Clayfords, Strichen £112, Standingstones 292.2p; TexX – Smiddyburn, Rothienorman £111, Kylieford, Inch 245.8p; Chv – Harestone, Banchory £110, Standingstones 222.9p; BelX – Woolhillock £109, Goval, Dyce 245p; Cha – Uppermill, Kintore £108, Honeyneuk, Maud 218.2p Cont – Newburgh, Memsie £106, Dorsell, Alford 242.2p; ContX – West Balhagardy, Inverurie £104.50, Hallhill, Kinneff 241.5p; Mule – Beinn Alvinn, Midmar £104, Newton of Crathie, Ballater 219.7p; ChvX – Beinn Alvinn £102, Templeford, Skene 214.8p; BF – Harestone £99, Pittenkerrie, Glassel 209p; HB – Hallhill £96, 210.2p.

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**Feeding Ewes:** Pure Tex- Dorsell £181; Tex- Feurdies, Cairnmuir £179; TexX- Meikle Whiterashes, Turriff £169; Cont- 11 Raemoir Road, Banchory £163.50; ContX- Rowland, Holm £158.50; Suf- Tillydesk, Ellon £139; SufX- Cairnton, Techmuir £133.50; Down- Home Farm of Auchry £118.50; Chv- Rhynie, Fearn £115.50; ChvX- Harestone, Crathes £115; DownX- Honeyneuk, Maud £115; BFL-

Home Farm Auchry £111; Cha- Mains of Leask, Slains £108.50; Zwa- Lachlanstrype, New Pitsligo £100; Mule- Wellheads, Huntly £97; GF- Skiehill, Aberchider £94.50; BF- Blackriggs, Strichen £74.50.

**Feeding Rams:** TexX- Feolquot, Evie £135.50; Cont- Little Whitefield, Forglen £127.50; Chv- Harestone £119.50; Leic- East Lediken, Inch £112.50; Suf- Exnaboe, Virkie £104.50.