

THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 2nd May 2024) Sold 3278 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

New Season Prime Lambs (65) averaged 427.1p per kg (+17.9p) and sold to 441.9p per kg for 43kg Texel Crosses from Drum Farm, Keith and £200 gross for 50kg Texel Crosses also from Drum Farm, Keith.

Old Season Prime Lambs (2685) averaged 380.6p per kg (-8p) and sold to 464p per kg for 43kg Beltexs from Culhay, Forbes and £230 gross for 67kg Texels from Newton of Greeness, Turriff.

New Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (1376) averaged 384.1p per kg (-10.1p).

Feeding Ewes & Rams (528) averaged £132.73 and sold to £244.50 for Suffolks from Cranna Bridge, Aberchirder.

“New season lambs in very keen demand. Prime Hoggs saw all well finished sorts continue at excellent rates, however lean and mixed types dragged the average down slightly. Feeding Ewes & Rams sold at very similar rates, many more could have been sold.”

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

New Season Prime Lambs: Tex – Drum Farm £194, 440.9p; **SufX** – Drum Farm £192, 426.7p; **Cha** – Blackpool Farm, Millbrex £191; **TexX** – Drum Farm £190, 400p;

Old Season Prime Lambs: Pure Tex – Newton of Greeness £225, Easter Bogieside, Rhynie 413.5p; **Cont** – Templefold, Skene £217.50, Backley, Pitcaple 410p; **SufX** – Southbank, Skene £215.50, Auchaber, Corse 417.4p; **Tex** – Easter Bogieside £215, Pitgersie, Ellon 416.7p; **TexX** – Newton of Greeness £214.50, South Crichtie, St Katherines 412.8p; **ContX** – Corfeidly, Glassel £211.50, Overton of Bruxie, Maud 401.1p; **Pure Suf** – Newburgh Farm, Memsie £205.50, Doonby, Glassel 414.8p; **Suf** – Templefold £203.50, Backley 412.2p; **Cross** – Corfeidly £201.50, 411.2p; **Bel** – Drumnahive, Kildrummy £200, Muirfield 441.9p; **Down** – Broadwater, Skene £200, Pitgersie 401.1p; **DownX** – Berefold, Ellon £199.50; Wester Badentyre, Turriff 399p; **BelX** - Culhay, Forbes £199.50, Drumnahive, Kildrummy 434.8p; **Char** – Ankerville, Nigg Station £195.50, Mains of Leslie 421.6p; **ChvX** – Easter Bogieside, Rhynie £191.50, Pitgersie, Ellon 425.6; **BDM** – North Fornet, South Auchronie £191.50, 407.4p; **CharX** – Corfeidly £189.50, 412.5p; **Chv** - Corfeidly, Glassel £189.50, Auchaber, Corse 413.4p; **Oxf** – Dykeneuk, Netherley £187.50, Blackhills Farm, Collieston 370.7p; **Mule** - Nether Balfour Farms, Drumoak £185.50, Cairnbeathie, Lumphanan 368.6p; **BF** – Mains of Bogfountain, Ythanwells £176.50, Freefield House, Old Rayne 381.5p.

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Feeding Ewes: Pure Suf – 6 Hillside Place, Peterculter £237.50; **Pure Tex** – Mid Haddo, Fyvie, Backley, Pitcaple £234.50; **Black** – Chapel of Seggat, Auchterless £229.50; **Tex** – Honeyneuk, Maud £227.50; **TexX** – Trondheim Farm, Rendall, Birkenbower, Lumsden £224.50; **Cont** – Uppermill Farm, Tarves, Mid Haddo, £219.50; **Char** – Chapel of Seggat, Auchterless £214.50; **ContX** – Craigmancy,

Bridge of Marnoch £211.50; **Suf** – Honeyneuk £209.50; **SufX** – East Thunderton, Longside £202.50; **Cross** – Drum Farm £201.50; **Down** – Bridges, Kinnoir £197.50; **CharX** – Drum Farm, Keith £196.50; **Chv** – Townhead of Gight £191.50; **DownX** – Honeyneuk £189.50; **Zwa** – Dalbraidie, Monymusk £171.50; **BluTex** – Odmoston, Laurencekirk £169.50; **ChvMul** – Pitkerrie, Fearn £167.50; **ChvX** – Townhead of Gight £167.50; **Mule** – Tillyorn, Corse £163.50; **GF** – Blackhole, Finzean £158.50; **BluTex** – Peattie, Inverbervie £147.50; **BDM** – Cranna Bridge, Aberchirder £141.50; **BF** – Standingstones, Durriss, Pitglassie, Dufftown £133.50.

Feeding Rams: **Bel** – Cranna Bridge £209.50; **Zwa** – Muirfield, Everton of Auchry £189.50; **Cont** – Gladhill, Garmouth £184.50; **Char** – Culbirnie, Boyndie £164.50; **Black** – Odmoston £159.50.