THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 27th February 2025) Sold 3599 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

Old Season Prime Lambs (2785) averaged 328.5p per kg (+11.5p) and sold to 414.6p per kg for 41kg Beltex's from Cluseburn, Inverbervie and £200 gross for 58kg Beltex's from Arthurhouse, Brenan.

Old Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (1123) averaged 344.3p per kg (+6.2p).

Feeding Ewes & Rams (814) averaged £131.49 and sold to £350 for Texels from Mid Haddo, Fyvie.

"The prime lamb trade increased on the week with all classes at stronger rates. Top price was £200 for Beltex from Arthurhouse Livestock, Brenan. All classes of ewes and rams sold similar on the week with almost half the sale consisting of hill-bred sorts, a very respectable average of £131.49 was achieved. The sale topped at £350 for a Pure Texel from Mid Haddo, Fyvie, a joint centre record."

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

Old Season Prime Lambs: Pure Tex - Broadshade, Fordoun £190, Muir Farm, Alford 382.1p; Tex - South Mains Balgaveny, Rothienorman £186, Kinaldie, Logie Coldstone 375.6p; **Pure Bel –** Muir Farm £182, Brokenwynd, Newmachar 414.3p; Pure Suf – Netherton, Tarland £178.50, Gibston, Huntly 358.8p; Suf – South Craighead, Skelmuir £175, Essich Farm, Dores 357.3p; Bel - Brokenwynd £174, Nether Drumallochie 386.9p; **TexX –** Netherton, Tarland £173.50, Followsters Farm, Newmill 384.2p; Cont - South Craighead £172, Fawside, Kinneff 376.2p; SufX -South Craighead £171.50, Netherton, Garlogie 353.6p; **BelX –** Cluseburn, Broadshade £170, Belnaboth, Glenkindie 378.2p; ContX - Whitehills, Whitecairns £168.50, Nether Drumallochie 372.1p; BluTex - Anderwood, East Burrafirth £165, 375p; Char - Loanend, Lumphanan £164.50, Raefin, Keith 352.2p; Down - Largie. Kineff £163.50, Brokenwynd 350p; **DownX –** Berefold, Ellon £162, Aldie, Cruden Bay 345.6p; CharX - Ankerville £158.50, Loanend 350p; ChvMul - Loanend £158.50, Standingstones, Echt 348.9p; Black - Kinaldie £158, 359.1p; Chv - Upper Glasslaw, New Pitsligo £157.50, Kinaldie 365.9p; Mule - Blackhouse, Methlick £155.50, Fawside 348.8p

Leading Prices per Head

Feeding Ewes: PureTex – Veltigar, Tankerness £311.50; Tex – Milltown of Birness, Ellon £289.50; Cross - Milltown of Birness £279.50; Suf – Milltown of Birness, Netherton, Tarland £269.350; Cont – Mid Haddo £264.50; SufX – Milltown of Birness £264.50; TexX – Milltown of Birness £254.50; ContX – Boghead, Drumblade £249.50; ChvMul – Mapleview, Lumphanan £217.50; Chv - Midtown of Barras, Stonehaven £189.50; ChvX - The Haugh Farm, Ballindalloch £177.50; BFL – Mians of Auchmedden, Pennan £171.50; Mule – Mapleview £167.50; GF – Standingstones, Durris £160.50; Ker – Mains of Leask, Slains £155.50; BlueTex – East Gate, East Burrafirth £154.50; Black – Mains of Glenbuchat, Strathdon £169.50; Bel - Halley Farm, Deerness £149.50; EasyCare - Kincardine Estate £139.50; BF - Knowehead, Sinnahard £128.50

Feeding Rams: Cont - Newton, Glenbuchat £177.50; **Tex** - Boghead, Drumblade £117.50; **BFL** - Mains of Auchmedden £171.50; **Suf** - Milltown of Birness £149.50; **TexX** - Fjara, Gulberwick £149.50; **BluTex** - Mains of Auchmedden £149.50