THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 13th March) Sold 4,687 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

Old Season Prime Lambs (4071) averaged 309.4p per kg and sold to 379.3p per kg for 41kg Blue Texels from Guildyden, Monikie and £184 gross for 63kg Beltex's from Blackhouse, Methlick.

Store Lambs (16)

Old Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (1442) averaged 330p per kg.

Feeding Ewes & Rams (600) averaged £142.52 and sold to £284.50 for Texel's from Home Farm of Auchry, Cuminestown.

"Prime lambs were easier on the week with a mixed show forward. Feeding Ewes & Rams sold similar on the week with all classes in great demand."

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

Old Season Prime Lambs: Bel – Blackhouse £182, 4 Largue Cottages, Forgue 371.6p; TexX – 35 Mains Street, New Deer £180, Netherthird, Rothienorman 354.9p; Pure Tex – Mains of Leask, Slains Clashendamer, Fordyce, £175.50, Hillhead, Newmachar 372p; Cont – Nether Blairmaud, Cornhill £175, Blackhouse 351.2p; Cross – Kincairn House, Kirkton of Rayne £174.50, Nether Drumallochie, Glenkindie 368p; Suf – Newton of Leask, Old Rayne £174, Caiesmill, Kinellar 343p; ContX – Boganlea, New Byth £173.50, Langadale, Kirbister 354.7p; Tex – Boganlea, 4 Drimmies, Pitcaple, 35 Main Street, Dipplebrae, Crimond £168, Newbigging, Insch, Netherton, Clatt, Burnside of Whitefield, Forglen 340.7p; SufX – Mains of Leask £168, Hillhead 347.7p; Chv – 35 Main Street £167, Newbigging 356p; Char – Woodside of Litterty £165.50, Westerton 346.6p; BluTex – Guildyden £164.50.

Leading Prices per Head

Feeding Ewes: Pure Char – Muce, Birsay £281.50; Pure Suf – Muce £279.50; Pure Tex – Home Farm of Auchry £279.50; Suf – Home Farm of Auchry, Davishill, Udny £269.50; Tex – Wester Biffie, Maud £264.50; Char – Muce £254.50; TexX – Home Farm of Auchry £254.50; Cont – Mid Haddo £250; SufX – Davishill £249.50; ContX – North Quilcox £244.50; Cross – Gallaton, Stonehaven £237.50; Down – Middlehill, Rothienorman £231.50; CharX – Mid Haddo £231.50; Mule – Upper Drakemyres, Forgie £224.50; Pure Bel – 14 Balloch, Keith £219.50; DownX – Upper Drakemyres £217.50; ChvMul – Inchbruich, Cornhill £199.50; GF – Newmill, Crathes £197.50; Bel – Tillyboy £194.50; Chv – Karma, Durno £191.50; BelX – Newmill £179.50; ChvX – Newton, Tullynessle £177.50.

Feeding Rams: Cont – Corriegarth Estate £257.50; Suf – Netherton, Tarland £231.50; Tex – Newton £209.50; SufX – Netherton £184.50; Bel – Bush of Muldearie £177.50.