THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 6th February 2025) Sold 4065 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

Old Season Prime Lambs (3172) averaged 329p per kg (+0.5p) and sold to 433p per kg and £182 gross for 42kg Beltex's from Westerton, Echt.

Store Lambs (82) sold to £146.

Old Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (1425) averaged 352.4p per kg (+8.1p).

Feeding Ewes & Rams (811) averaged £148.70 and sold to £300 for a Pure Texel from Mid Haddo, Fyvie.

"Prime old season lambs met a two-tier demand with export weights at top rates and heavies more reluctant. Topping the sale was a pen of 11 very smart Beltex Cross lambs from Messrs Youngson, Westerton, Echt which scaled 42kg selling at £182. A grand show of ewes forward sold dearer on the week with Messrs Knox, Mid Haddo topping the sale for the second week running at £300 for a Pure Texel ewe."

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

Old Season Prime Lambs: Pure Bel – Sheep Park, Bridge of Marnoch £181, Mosshead, Whitehouse 394p; Bel – Templefold, Skene £180, Ferniebrae, Meikle Wartle 385.9p; Pure Suf – Hawkden, Gamrie £176.50, Caiesmill, Kinellar 381.3p; BelX – Mosshead £172.50, Sheep Park 385.1p; Pure Tex – Hawkden £170, Netherthird, Rothienorman 384.1p; Tex – Mapleview, Lumphanan £168, Newbigging, Insch 377.9p; Cont – Upper Sauchen, Ordhead £166.50, Ferniebrae 379.2p; Chv – South Keithney, Burnhervie £166, Sebay, Tankerness 345p; TexX – Kirkton of Rayne, Inverurie, South Mains Balgaveny, Rothienorman £165.50, Mossneuk, Ellon 375p; ContX – Upper Braiklay, Methlick £165, Mosshead 375p; Suf - Upper Braiklay £161, Mossneuk 375p; ChvMul – South Craighead, Skelmuir, Hawkden £160, Sheep Park 375p; SufX – Nether Kinmundy, Longside £160, North Bethelnie, Oldmeldrum 372p; Down – Blackhills, Collieston £159.50, Govals, Kincaldrum 357p; Mule – Upper Sauchen £151.50, Greens of Gardyne, Forfar 330p; GF – Blackhills £150.50, Netherhill, St Fergus 329.1p; BF – Achdregnie, Glenlivet £150, 330p.

Leading Prices per Head

Feeding Ewes: TexX – Foggieley, Craigievar £274.50; Tex – Hawkden £264.50; Cont – Little Howes, Holm £259.50; SufX – South Blachrie, Fyvie, Muirton, Corse £244.50; Suf – Tillyeve, Udny £240; Down – Ruthven, Kirkmichael £239.50; Chv - South Blachrie £219.50; Cross – Beinn Alvinn, The Brae, Stonlea, Stenness, Birkenbog Home Farm, Cullen, Gladhill, Garmouth £219.50; Bel - Braigiewell, Echt, Loanend, Glenkindie £219.50; ChvX – Birkenbog Home Farm £204.50; ChvMul – North Garmond, Turriff £191.50; Mule – Cauldwells, Craigston £175.50; GF – Lower Cotburn, Turriff £173.50; BFL - Ruthven £167.50; Zwa - Mill of Whitehill, New Deer £139.50; BF - Whitestone, Echt £131.50

Feeding Rams: Suf – Ruthven £254.50; **Cont** – Collieston Farm, Fordoun £219.50; **SufX** – Craigley, Corvichen, Lower Cotburn £214.50; **Cross** – Tapiken, Tyrie

£211.50; **Chv** – Largie, Kinneff £211.50; **BFL** – Ruthven £197.50; **ChvX** – Tapiken £194.50; **Bel** – Mid Haddo £184.50; **Tex** – Mill of Alvah, Alvah £181.50; **ContX** – Gladhill £179.50