



EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

MARKET REPORT JANUARY 2026

Friday 16th January – Store Stock Market



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487 STORE CATTLE AND STIRKS- 10:00 AM

Auctioneer: Simon Alford 07789 980203

Store Steers to £2500 – Store Heifers to £2320

Decent numbers forward here at Exeter again on Friday, no doubt partly drawn by the new blistering 2026 trade with another quality entry keenly sought after and every as much wanted as last week. Steers topped out at a massive £2500 given for the better of a fine run of Charolais bullocks (21m) from Paul Pincombe in from Lapford with his next best still reaching £2310. Further top notch Charolais (21m) from John Ridd and Family of Alverdiscott, Barnstaple eased to a creditable £2420 and £2300 followed by a younger (18m) trio of the same stature and breed from Dan and Emma Kirk of Ashwater which saw £2290 a life. Dan and Emma Kirk were straight back in when selling sublime British Blue steers (20m) for £2300 with other Blues worthy of a mention (22m) rising to £2220 and £2190 for Jesse White of Sandford and John Ridd and Family respectively. Also, a lovely pen of seven younger Blue steers (16m) from David Burrough and Family of Chardstock realised £1760 apiece. More tremendous store steers saw Limousins (19m) sell readily and to £2280 for Gordon Elliott of Ashburton and £2200 for a standout one from Anne Quiney and Simon Spears of Moretonhampstead. Best of the rest saw Simmental steers (21m) reach £2180 for Jesse White, British Blondes (22m) make £2100 for Jon Vincent of Staddiscombe, Plymouth whilst young (17m) South Devon steers sold on behalf of John and Andrew Ball of Stoke Gabriel came back at £2050. Plenty of well bred and fed store heifers on offer this week with the very best coming from Sue, Geoff and Sean Cleave of Moretonhampstead who sold well turned out Charolais (25m) to £2320 and £2260 with John Ridd and Family also seeing well kept Charolais females (25m) fetching £2290. Also, much later born Charolais heifers of the highest order (14m) returned an impressive £2110 for Phillip and Tom Cleave of Holne with their best pair. Sue, Geoff and Sean Cleave were back when parting with a delightful Limousin heifer (22m) for £2300 as were Anne Quiney and Simon Spears who saw their pair of eye catching Limousins pick up a deserved £2060 each. Derek Arnold in from Morchard Road brought a couple of his tidy British Blonde heifers (20m) which eased to £2230 and £2200 followed by more smart sorts in the way of five trim South Devon females (24m) from Phillip and Richard Coaker in from Postbridge which drew £1880 a life. Also, a trio of Holstein Friesians (24m) from Evershot Farms of Abbotsbury eased to £1860 apiece and three quarter grown British Blues (21m) ran to £1840 for Allison Clack of Kenn. Several grazing type cows about this week too with those reaching a top of £2280 for Charles Mudge of Tavistock with a South Devon cross followed by Andrew and Jayne Lawrence up from Mullion who sold well farmed British Blue cows to £1990 x3 and Limousin cull bulls (33m) to a notable £2420.

If you are considering selling at this time please do come into the market to check on the latest prices or why not view live online via the Marteye App. We are also always available for on farm visits to give impartial advice.

Please could we remind all customers of the need to clean and disinfect their vehicles and to complete the Vendor Declaration on the back of the entry forms.
Thank you

127 STIRKS & SUCKLED CALVES

Auctioneer: Ian Caunter 07813 068935

Steers to £1560

Heifers to £1160

Trade continuing at pace with all types looking very well sold. Greg Hutchings of Launceston presented Limousin cross steers (8m) which topped out at £1560 with other Angus steers to £1280. Brittan & Co of South Brent sold South Devon steers (10m) to £1490 with their second pen to £1390 whilst Melanie Forward of Talaton sold Hereford cross steers (9m) to £1420. Team Abel of Tavistock sold Montbéliarde steers (9m) to £1300 whilst EL Smith & Son of Bridport sold further Hereford cross steers (9m) to £1290. Best of the dairy bred types saw Jasper Love of Closworth presenting Blues (10m) selling well at £1260 with other younger Blues (7m) from H Burrow of Yeoford levelling out at an impressive £1200. CT Squire of Crediton sold Angus steers (7m) to £1240 whilst further dairy bred Blue steers from RN Giles & Son of Plymouth (11m) realised £1040. No real strength within the small show of heifers forward saw Greg Hutchings top out at £1160 for Limousin crosses (11m). Hereford heifers from Melaine Forward achieved £1040 with other Hereford heifers from EL Smith & Sons levelling out at £1000 (10m). South Devon heifers from Brittan & Co also achieved £1000 (8m) whilst the best of the dairy bred Blue heifers from H Burrow (6m) topped out at £980. RN Giles & Son sold similar Blue heifers to £970 with Baulch Partnership of North Tawton sold their Blue heifers (11m) to £960. Baulch Partnership also sold useful pens of Angus heifers (12m) to £950 with others a little younger to £840.

109 CALVES 10.15 AM

Auctioneer: Mark Davis 07773 371774

A larger entry of Calves sold to a phenomenal trade with a packed ringside of buyers with all calves averaging £430!!

Top of the day was £700 x 2 for weaned Aberdeen Angus bulls from Waterford Farm Partnership of Axminster who sold others to £600. Staying on the natives we had younger Aberdeen Angus bull got £575 for Luke Timewell of Somerset, £530 for Bradley & Hayley Foss of Totnes, £530 for Messrs Broom & Son of Cullompton, £505 & £495 for Messrs CJ Radford & Son of Tiverton & £500 for Messrs RH & MJ Hurford of Axminster. Hereford bulls to £680 for the best of an outstanding run of month old sorts from Charles Mudge of Tavistock who sold to £595, £580, £540 & £490. Longhorn bulls to £600 for JRB Farm Ltd of Umberleigh with others to £490 for Phil

CALVES	Bulls			Heifers		
Breed		TOP	AVE		TOP	AVE
British Blue	23	630	489	16	620	501
Charolais				1	470	470
Limousin	7	600	553	7	600	553
Aberdeen Angus	12	700	476	16	680	371
Hereford	8	680	538	3	320	315
Longhorn	7	445	376	7	445	376
Friesians	11	255	175			
Shorthorns	2	265	240			

Humphrey of Axminster. Best of the British Blue bulls topped at £630, £610 & £595 for Gerald Emmett of Cullompton with others to £590 for Roy & Katherine Emmett of South Molton, £575, £568, £538 & £530 for Ray Middleton & Family of Woodbury, £550 for Mr RAP Grant of Tiverton. Heifers topped at £680 x 2 for Waterford Farm Partnership who sold others to £550. Other Angus heifers to £475 & £422 for Evershot Farms Ltd and £422 for Rob & Jack Chapple of Axminster. Hereford heifers to £320 for Ray Middleton & Family. Longhorn heifers a super trade to £445, £440, £410 & £400 for Phil Humphrey & £410 for JRB Farm Ltd. British Blue Heifers a flying trade topping at £620 for Mr RAP Grant with others to £610, ££560 x 3, £540 & £525 for Ray Middleton & Family, £600 for Gerald Emmett, £510 for Evershot Farms Ltd & £505 & £490 for Roy & Katherine Emmett. A cracking show of Limousin heifers to £600 x 4 for month old heifers from Bradley & Hayley Foss with others young sorts to £535, £500 & £440 for Phil Humphrey. Charolais heifers to £470 for Rob & Jack Chapple. Dairy Bulls saw Friesians to a strong trade topping at £255 x2 & £245 x 2 for Ian Pincombe of Crediton with others to £200 x 2 for Waterford Farm Partnership. Shorthorn bulls to £265 & £215 for H & M Dunn of Drewsteighon

98 DAIRY CATTLE
Auctioneer: Mark Davis 07773 371774

Flying trade at Exeter!

£3000 three times! 43 over £2000!

A tremendous quality entry of 100 Dairy Cows to start our Dairy Sales at Exeter saw a huge crowd of buyers ringside and online to witness a tremendous trade from start to finish and far exceeding all expectations!

A super entry of Fresh milk ahead of the dispersal sold to very strong demand and two outstanding cows from the Chettiscombe herd of Ian, Caroline & Jess Tapp of Tiverton sold to £3,000 twice and £2,700. Fresh Heifers topped at £3,000 for the best of a cracking run of 13 heifers from the Pemberlan herd of Messrs SA & BM Bennett of St Austell who sold others to £2,750, £2,700, £2,600 & £2,500 x 2 to average £2,409 inc one three quartered heifer! Chris Partridge of Broadclyst sold 5 British Friesian heifers to top at £2550 & £2,200 to average £2,100. A consignment of 20 grazing type In Calf heifers from PDM Farming Ltd of Hampshire sold to a top of £1450 with others to £1300.

The dispersal sale of the milking portion of the "Glebwin" herd on behalf of Michael & Caroline Smale of Launceston sold an excellent trade from start to finish topping at 2,600gns for a sweet Red & White heifer "Glebwin Robin Grey VG85" due in July to sexed Troy. Close behind at 2,500gns was "Glebwin Cosmo May" another July calving heifer by Wiltor Cosmo. A September calved heifer "Glebwin Distefano Almira VG85" sold at 2,400gns. Other cows sold to 2,380gns, 2,300gns twice, 2,250gns & 2,200gns three times. In Calf Heifers sold to a cracking trade topping at 2,050gns for "Glebwin Hatchet Violet" due in April to Angus with others to 2,000gns & 1,950gns. The herd including all faulted cows averaged £1978!

PIGS

Auctioneer: Andrew Varney

Cull sows (16) met another mixed trade selling to a top price of £50 x3 for Messrs Bray & Sons of Bude and Mr HC Emmett of Porthscatho. Others to £40 again for Messrs Bray & Sons.

Prime pigs (20) sold to a better trade with bacon pigs to £158 & £142 for Bicton College. Pork pigs to £102 & £98 for J Bowden down from Chulmleigh.

Store pigs (23) met a slow trade selling to a top price of £60 & £40 for J Parry of Silverton.

Next Pig Sale here at Exeter will be held on Friday 30th January, it is vital that you let us know of your potential entries in plenty of time so we can advise vendors together with prospective purchasers of expected numbers forward.



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3500 SHEEP – 10.45 AM
Auctioneer: Russell Steer 07788 318701

**Orphan Lambs to £65
Breeding Ewes to £280**

**Store Hogs to £154 Grazing Ewes to £168
Double Couples to £380 & Singles to £265**

30 ORPHAN LAMBS

30 Orphan lambs saw half reared sorts from Tom & Helen Garland of Budleigh Salterton sell in pens at £65, £61 & £41 whilst Charlotte Radley of Tiverton sold the bets of the setting on lambs at £35 and Richard & Angela Smaridge of East Allington claimed 330 of all three of theirs with an overall average of £48.

2844 STORE HOGGS

A much larger entry of 2844 store hogs weren't the quality or the trade of last week with more bottom end sorts forward and trade generally back £4-£6 on everything resulting in an overall average of £115, which is £17 less than last week but very similar to the average of two weeks ago. Best hogs to £154 & £145 for SD & HA Hooper of Brentor whilst John Thorn of Buckfastleigh made £150 of his ram hogg and David & Lynda Pellow of Sourton sold their pens of large Suffolk x Mules at £150, £149 & £148. Raymond & Sheila Palmer of Lustleigh reached £148.50 closely followed by Andrew Bond of South Milton at £148 and both Steve Parish of Chawleigh and Steve Bonner of Meshaw reached £147. Forward hogs generally £130 to £145 with medium term farming hogs from £120 up and the smaller end usually all £95 and above unless hill bred, backwards or sold with a fault, of which there seemed many today.

GRAZING EWES

Grazers to £168 for John Thorn who sold others at £156 as John Bond of East Allington made £162 and Richard and Angela Smaridge reached £160. Other genuine grazers to £148 for a large pen from Richard & Felicity Luscombe of Shaugh Prior and a lot of sheep sold in the £130's and £140's.

244 BREEDING EWES

244 breeding ewes met a straight but sometimes selective trade with Evershot Farms of Dorchester selling their best two pens of Suffolk x Mules and a pen of coloured Welsh Mules at £280 followed by three pens of NC Mules and a pen of White faced Welsh Mules at £270. Elsewhere Graham Hill of Wiggaton made £205 and Richards Bros of Newquay claimed £185 twice of their best.

61 EWES & 93 LAMBS (154 LIVES)

61 Ewes with 93 lambs at foot met a similar trade on the week with Chris & Sue Popham of Trull topping the section with a pen of 5 FM Dorset Mule doubles at £380, Tracey Stoneman of Chudleigh with her best double at £320 whilst the Burrough family of Axminster sold two lots of doubles at £310 and Brian & Clare Westcott of Exford reached £305 twice. Single also to £265 from Brian and Clare with the overall average back slightly at £261 per outfit and £102 per life.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL SHEEP VENDORS:

- Please ensure all sheep are tagged in the approved (EID) manner before arrival at the livestock market and checked before you leave.
- Please ensure all VAN numbers are available when booking in your sheep, VAN numbers are only valid for 12 months from date of issue, ensure yours is up-to-date.
- Please complete the market entry form as well as the sheep licence making sure you have completed the number of sheep you have bought to market.

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Invitation to the Venture Dairy Services Dairy Farmer Meeting at 7pm on Wednesday 28th January 2026 at Honiton RFC.

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7pm to 9pm

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FORTHCOMING SALES

FRIDAY 23RD JANUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Market to include Monthly Catalogued Sale of Beef Breeding Stock plus Show & Sale of Suckled Calves

MONDAY 26TH JANUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

TUESDAY 27TH JANUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Monthly Sale of TB Restricted (Orange Market) Cattle

FRIDAY 30TH JANUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Market to include Monthly Sale of Organic Cattle & Sheep plus Fortnightly Pig Sale

MONDAY 2ND FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 6TH FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Market to include Special February Sale of In Lamb Ewes

MONDAY 9TH FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market to include the Opening Sale of Spring Lambs

FRIDAY 13TH FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Market to include St Valentines Fair of Store Cattle, Sale of Dairy Cattle plus Fortnightly Pig Sale

MONDAY 16TH FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 20TH FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Market to include Monthly Catalogued Sale of Beef Breeding Stock

MONDAY 23RD FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

TUESDAY 24TH FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Monthly Sale of TB Restricted (Orange Market) Cattle

FRIDAY 27TH FEBRUARY – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Store Market to include Monthly Sale of Organic Cattle & Sheep, Sale of Dairy plus Fortnightly Pig Sale

MONDAY 2ND MARCH – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market

FRIDAY 6TH MARCH – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

*Weekly Store Market to include 1st Spring Judged Sale of Continental and Continental X Store Cattle
Special March Sale of In Lamb Ewes and Ewe Hogs*

MONDAY 9TH MARCH – EXETER LIVESTOCK CENTRE

Weekly Prime Stock Market