

THIRSK: Thurs 18/06/2009

Forward 1679 head of stock comprising 459 cattle inc 146 young bulls and 39 cows & OTM's, 1094 sheep inc 943 spring lambs & 125 ewes and 126 pigs inc 65 sows & boars.

Slightly smaller numbers of clean cattle met a firm trade with prices similar to last week. Top price of the day was 199.5p for a Limousin heifer from EP Woodhead & Son, Felixkirk, which was purchased by John Penny & Sons, Rawdon. Steers sold to 190.5p (twice), from R Bowman, Roecliffe to Keelham Hall Farm Shop, Bradford and Heptonstall Farms, Brearton to Woodhead Brothers, Colne.

Young bulls sold to a top price of 174.5p for a Limousin bull from GA & JC Verity, Ellingstring, bought by J & B Fitton, Oldham.

Cows and OTM's numbers were similar with OTM's selling to 148.5p and cows to 130.5p

A larger entry of lambs were forward with the top price being £80.00 and 181.3pp kg from P & S Lofthouse, Grewelthorpe to J Penny & Sons, Rawdon. Ewes sold to a top price of £87.

Good quality pigs were easy to sell with a top price of 129p while Sow trade attained a price of 72p.

Averages steers light to 168.5 (773.42) 146.9 ave, med to 186.5 (999.64 per head) 166.5 ave, heavy to 190.5 (1317.05 per head) 166.9 ave, hfrs med to 185.5 (858.78 per head) 163.5 ave, heavy to 199.5 (1281.55 per head) 166.5 ave, young bulls med to 174.5 (923.78 per head) 135.3 ave, heavy to 174.5 (1162.35 per head) 141.8 ave, OTM's to 148.5 (787.05 per head) 118.5 ave, cows 130.5 (840.42 per head) 98.0 ave, Lambs standard to 174.4 (68.00 per head) 157.6 ave, med to 181.3 (75.00 per head) 155.2 ave, heavy to 162.5 (80.00 per head) 155.9 ave, ewes light 60.00, 41.69 ave, heavy 87.00, ave 67.70, Cutters 129.0 (105.78 per head) ave 125.2, bacon to 125.0 (123.75 per head) ave 111.7, Overweight 118.0 (139.24 per head) ave 88.6, sows to 77.0 (241.63 per head) 72.0 ave, boars to 63.0 (225.54 per head) 63.00 ave.