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1. FINISHED CATTLE (pence per kg deadweight)

Average deadweight prices from meat plants for EU price reporting purposes.

Week ending: 04 Jul 26

% change from					% change from				
Steers	No.	Price	27 Jun 26	05 Jul 25	Young Bulls	No.	Price	27 Jun 26	05 Jul 25
U2	53	592.90	+0.4%	-6.6%	U2	83	587.40	+1.0%	-5.4%
U3	94	598.30	+0.3%	-6.7%	U3	84	590.70	+0.6%	-5.7%
U4	16	589.20	-0.5%	-7.5%	R2	125	580.80	+1.1%	-5.6%
R3	431	594.40	+0.6%	-6.3%	R3	163	581.10	+0.0%	-6.2%
R4	181	594.80	-0.2%	-6.4%	O2	170	563.50	+0.6%	-5.5%
O3	540	584.90	+0.1%	-6.9%	O3	133	570.40	+0.2%	-6.2%
O4	166	606.70	-3.9%	-6.2%	All Grades	886	576.20	+0.4%	-5.9%
All Grades	1,957	588.00	-0.4%	-6.5%					
Heifers					Cows				
U2	30	596.20	+0.2%	-5.0%	R3	29	533.50	+1.4%	-2.6%
U3	120	597.50	+0.3%	-5.9%	R4	27	533.40	+2.5%	-4.3%
U4	42	595.80	+1.2%	-6.2%	O2	33	504.20	+1.9%	-4.1%
R2	41	585.30	+0.0%	-6.2%	O3	122	502.80	+0.4%	-5.7%
R3	418	593.20	+0.7%	-6.3%	O4	62	506.60	+0.9%	-5.2%
R4	276	595.00	+0.9%	-5.8%	P2	314	467.00	-0.1%	-5.2%
O2	44	571.80	+0.8%	-6.5%	P3	165	484.00	+0.5%	-5.9%
O3	372	583.30	-0.0%	-7.2%	All Grades	1,215	469.80	+0.9%	-5.5%
O4	288	595.20	+0.5%	-6.0%					
All Grades	1,774	589.00	+0.3%	-6.3%					

2. FINISHED CLEAN SHEEP (pence per kg deadweight)	Week ending:	04 Jul 26			
Average deadweight prices from both liveweight & deadweight centres.	Lambs	8,061	716.56	-4.0%	+9.9%
	Hoggets	-	-	-	-
		8,061	716.56	-4.0%	+9.9%

3. FINISHED CLEAN PIGS (pence per kg deadweight)	Week ending:	04 Jul 26			
Estimated average deadweight prices.			179.06	-0.8%	-12.8%

4. BROILER CHICKENS (pence per kg liveweight)	Week ending:	04 Jul 26			
Average liveweight producer prices from poultry slaughterers (All bird types).			-	-	-

5. HAY, STRAW & SILAGE (£ per bale)		Month:		May 26			
		% change from		% change from			
	Price	Apr 26	May 25		Price	Apr 26	May 25
Hay (small square)	3.65	+0.0%	+5.3%	Straw (large square 8x4x3)	90.00	-18.2%	-18.2%
Silage	27.50	-0.9%	-0.6%	Straw (large round)	25.00	-3.8%	-9.6%

6. POTATOES (£ per tonne)

Month: Apr 26

	Price	% change from	
		Mar 26	Apr 25
Average ex-farm producer prices, including potatoes sold <u>under contract</u> , from a survey of processors & merchants.			
First earlies	-	-	-
Washing Sample	209.06	-28.1%	-30.8%
Processing	194.61	+13.5%	-5.0%
Merchant trade	-	-	-

7. CEREALS (£ per tonne)

Week ending: 04 Jul 26

% change from
27 Jun 26 05 Jul 25

Delivered price as quoted in AHDB NI Market Report.			
Wheat	200.50	+0.0%	-
Barley	189.50	-1.0%	-

8. BREEDING AND STORE LIVESTOCK (£ per head)

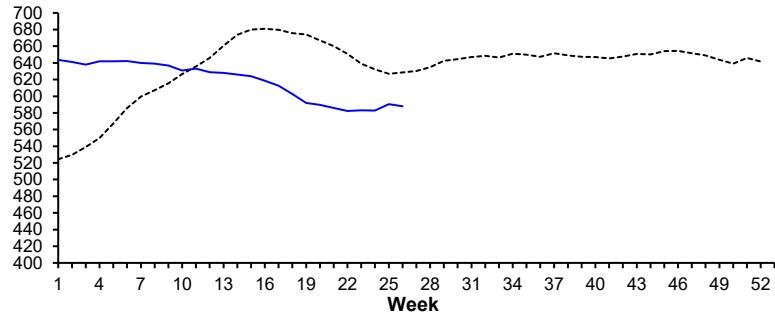
Week ending: 04 Jul 26

Average producer prices from a panel of livestock marts.				Price	Av.	% change from	
			Number	Range	Price	27 Jun 26	05 Jul 25
STORE CATTLE	Steers:	150-300 kg	21	950-1600	1,366	+10.2%	+16.4%
		300-400 kg	116	960-1960	1,541	+6.5%	+1.6%
		400-500 kg	148	1310-2400	1,792	+5.6%	+7.3%
		Over 500 kg	176	1540-2990	2,075	+2.2%	-1.8%
	Heifers:	150-300 kg	22	820-1580	1,276	+5.1%	+29.2%
		300-400 kg	45	1100-1860	1,492	+12.7%	+4.7%
		400-500 kg	90	1300-2050	1,667	+5.9%	+0.9%
		Over 500 kg	89	1460-2680	1,910	+0.7%	-9.0%
SUCKLED CALVES	Steers:	Under 200 kg	14	700-1110	961	+43.4%	-
		Over 200 kg	287	760-2260	1,514	+7.1%	+8.6%
	Heifers:	Under 200 kg	-	-	-	-	-
		Over 200 kg	209	600-2620	1,423	-0.9%	+9.2%
BREEDING CATTLE	Dairy:	Cows/heifers in milk	6	1800-2700	2,300	-7.7%	+4.5%
		Cows in calf	-	-	-	-	-
		Springing heifers	-	-	-	-	-
	Sucklers:	Cows/heifers & calf at foot	40	1900-5650	3,053	+17.8%	-2.1%
		Cows in calf	-	-	-	-	-
		Springing heifers	22	1820-3700	2,430	+12.7%	-
OTHER CATTLE	Cull cows for slaughter		239	136-3794	1,797	-0.9%	+5.4%
	Dropped calves for rearing		814	75-1320	613	+2.4%	+26.4%
BREEDING SHEEP	Ewes/Hoggets:	Blackface/Blackface cross	-	-	-	-	-
		Other Breeds	-	-	-	-	-
	Ewe Lambs:	Blackface/Blackface cross	-	-	-	-	-
		Other Breeds	-	-	-	-	-
	Ewes/Hoggets with Lamb(s) at Foot:	Blackface/Blackface cross	-	-	-	-	-
		Other Breeds	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER SHEEP	Cull Ewes:	Blackface/Blackface cross	387	36-288	151.06	+9.4%	+27.4%
		Other Breeds	405	11-258	167.47	+9.0%	+9.9%
	Cull rams	6	150-220	176.33	-	+14.2%	
	Store lambs	-	-	-	-	-	

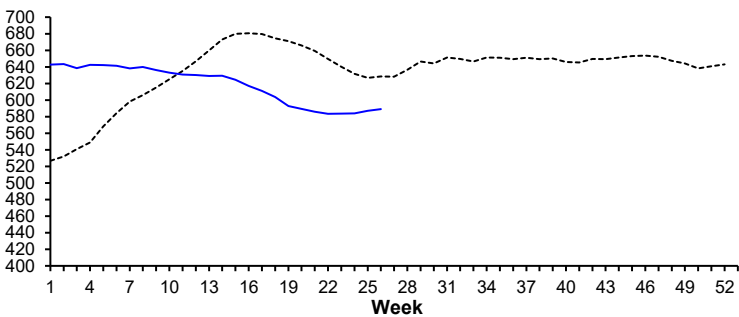
PRICE TRENDS 2025-2026

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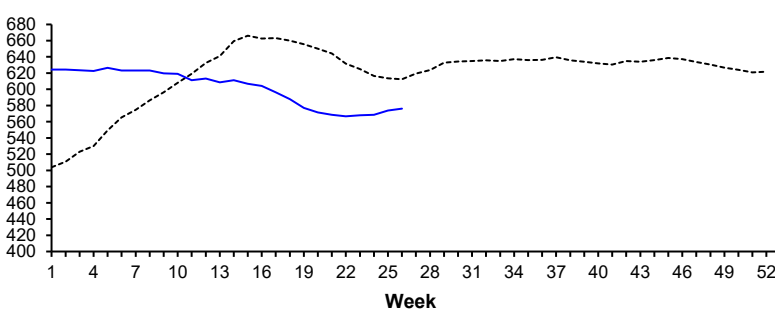
FINISHED STEERS - Deadweight prices (pence/kg)



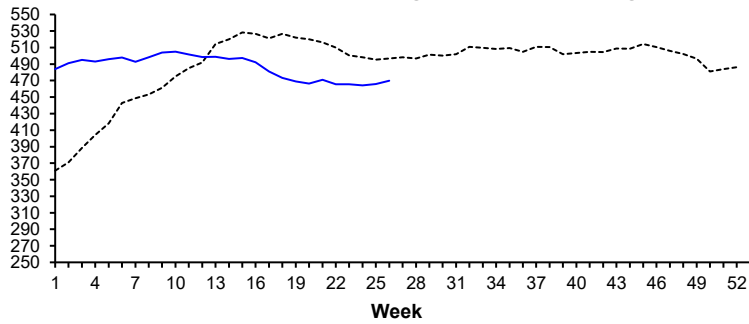
FINISHED HEIFERS-Deadweight prices (pence/kg)



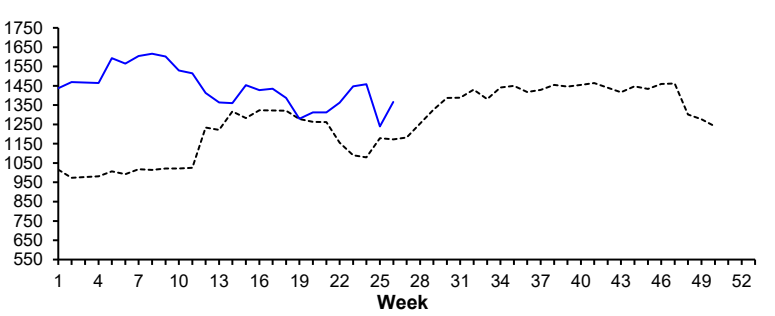
FINISHED YOUNG BULLS - Deadweight prices (pence/kg)



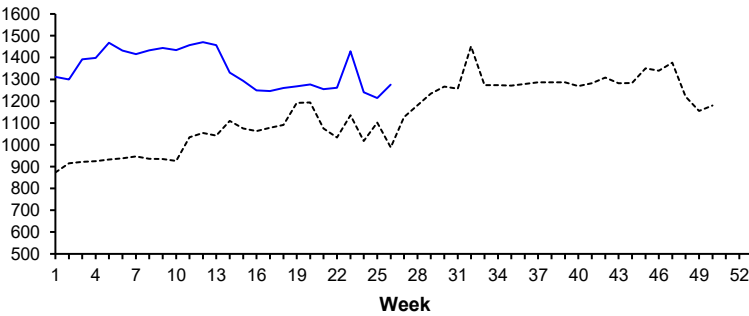
FINISHED COWS - Deadweight prices (pence/kg)



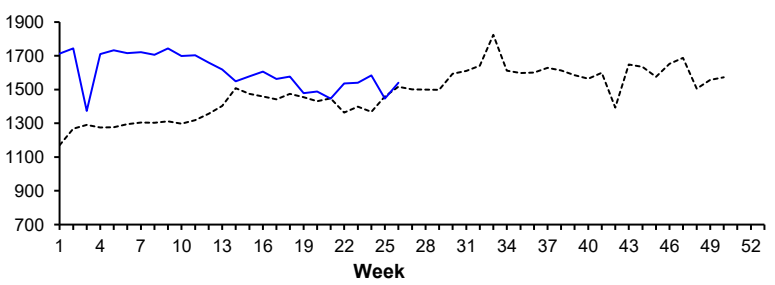
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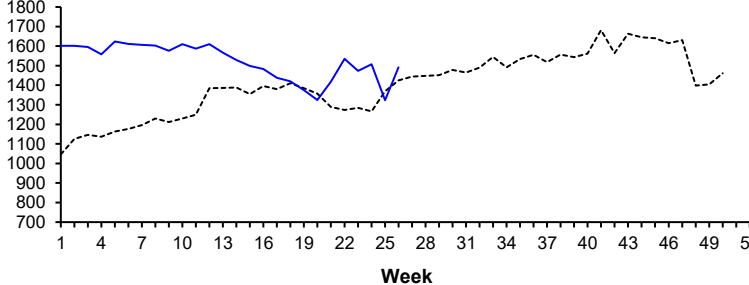
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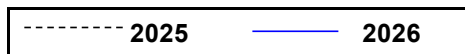


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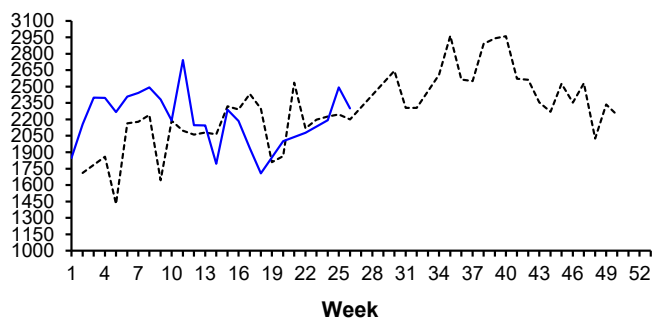


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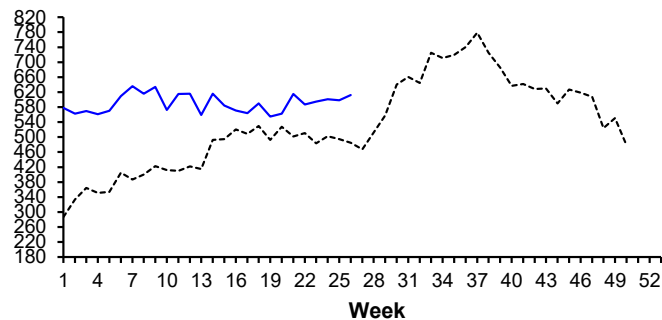




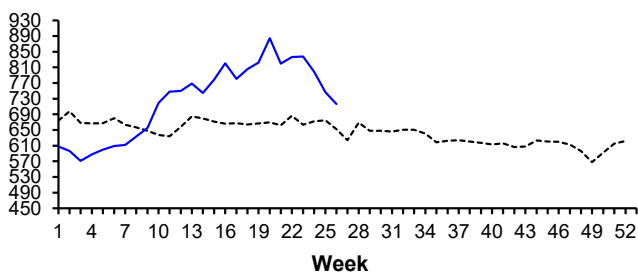
DAIRY COWS & HEIFERS IN MILK (£/head)



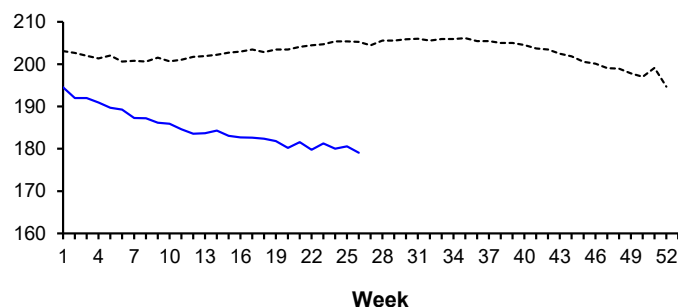
DROPPED CALVES (£/head)



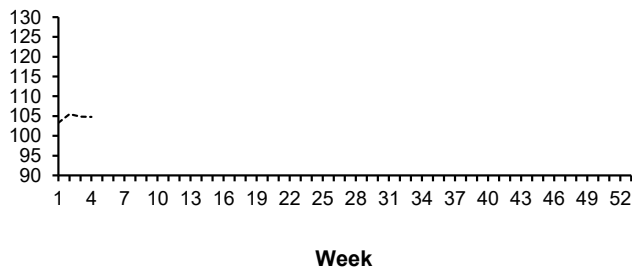
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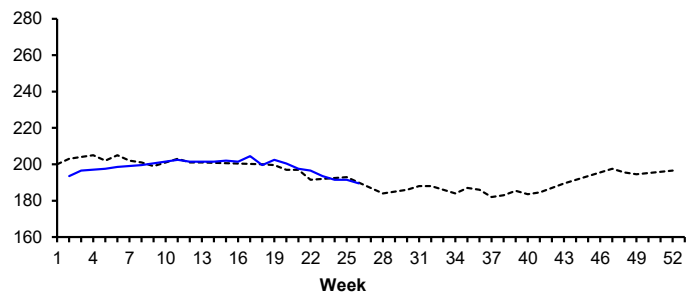
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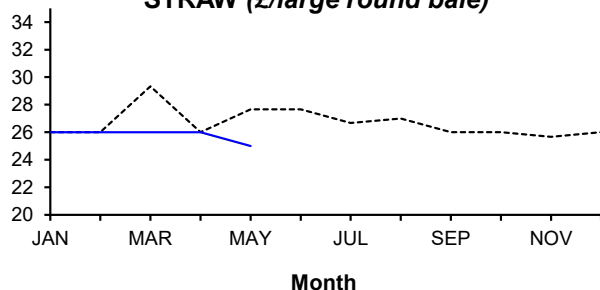
BROILER CHICKENS - Liveweight price (pence/kg)



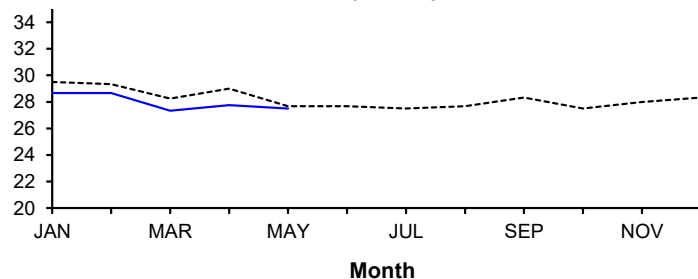
BARLEY - Delivered price (£/tonne)



STRAW (£/large round bale)



SILAGE (£/bale)



Notes : All graphs are based on average prices published in DAERA's weekly Agricultural Market Report.
All week numbers are based on a calendar year.