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1. FINISHED CATTLE (pence per kg deadweight)

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

Week ending: 26 Sep 26

% change from					% change from				
Steers	No.	Price	19 Sep 26	27 Sep 25	Young Bulls	No.	Price	19 Sep 26	27 Sep 25
U2	122	614.00	+1.1%	-5.9%	U2	125	608.70	+0.8%	-5.6%
U3	136	617.60	+1.2%	-5.9%	U3	60	608.40	+0.7%	-6.2%
U4	22	615.90	+1.2%	-5.6%	R2	157	601.50	+1.0%	-5.5%
R3	529	614.10	+0.9%	-6.4%	R3	115	605.50	+1.2%	-6.1%
R4	178	615.00	+1.2%	-6.7%	O2	127	585.30	+1.3%	-5.6%
O3	657	606.50	+0.8%	-6.4%	O3	102	592.70	+0.6%	-6.0%
O4	150	623.20	+2.3%	-5.4%	All Grades	786	598.80	+1.0%	-5.8%
All Grades	2,461	609.50	+1.1%	-6.1%					
Heifers					Cows				
U2	55	618.20	+1.5%	-5.7%	R3	20	552.40	+2.7%	-4.4%
U3	173	620.30	+1.1%	-5.6%	R4	34	538.90	+1.9%	-7.5%
U4	65	616.60	+0.7%	-5.6%	O2	48	510.50	+1.0%	-6.6%
R2	72	609.20	+0.6%	-6.1%	O3	90	510.90	+1.1%	-7.2%
R3	474	614.90	+0.9%	-6.1%	O4	70	507.30	-0.2%	-8.1%
R4	298	618.70	+1.1%	-5.9%	P2	341	472.20	-0.2%	-8.7%
O2	65	595.00	+0.1%	-6.6%	P3	134	488.40	+0.7%	-8.5%
O3	493	608.00	+1.1%	-5.9%	All Grades	1,409	467.70	-0.1%	-8.4%
O4	345	616.40	+1.5%	-5.6%					
All Grades	2,211	612.20	+1.2%	-5.7%					

2. FINISHED CLEAN SHEEP (pence per kg deadweight)	Week ending:	26 Sep 26			
Average deadweight prices from both liveweight & deadweight centres.	Lambs	10,249	651.39	+0.2%	+5.0%
	Hoggets	-	-	-	-
		10,249	651.39	+0.2%	+5.0%

3. FINISHED CLEAN PIGS (pence per kg deadweight)	Week ending:	26 Sep 26			
Estimated average deadweight prices.			182.06	+0.0%	-11.2%

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

5. HAY, STRAW & SILAGE (£ per bale)		Month:		Aug 26			
		% change from		% change from			
	Price	Jul 26	Aug 25		Price	Jul 26	Aug 25
Hay (small square)	3.70	+2.8%	+2.8%	Straw (large square 8x4x3)	97.50	+2.6%	-11.4%
Silage	30.00	+2.3%	+8.4%	Straw (large round)	27.33	+1.2%	+1.2%

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6. POTATOES (£ per tonne)

Month: Aug 26

			% change from	
		Price	Jul 26	Aug 25
Average ex-farm producer prices, including potatoes sold <u>under contract</u> , from a survey of processors & merchants.	First earlies	-	-	-
	Washing Sample	-	-	-
	Processing	-	-	-
	Merchant trade	-	-	-

7. CEREALS (£ per tonne)

Week ending: 26 Sep 26

% change from
19 Sep 26 27 Sep 25

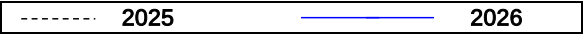
Delivered price as quoted in AHDB NI Market Report.	Wheat	-	-	-
	Barley	-	-	-

8. BREEDING AND STORE LIVESTOCK (£ per head)

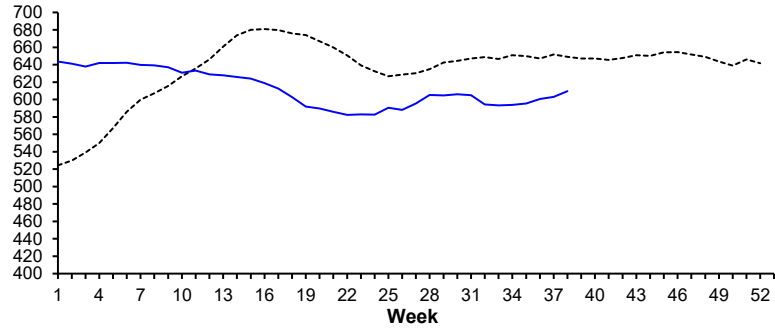
Week ending: 26 Sep 26

					% change from	
			Number	Price Range	Av. Price	19 Sep 26 27 Sep 25
STORE CATTLE	Steers:	150-300 kg	62	910-1780	1,460	- +0.4%
		300-400 kg	137	320-2300	1,551	+0.3% -3.9%
		400-500 kg	211	900-2320	1,755	+4.8% -8.3%
		Over 500 kg	418	800-2820	2,142	+3.0% -5.1%
	Heifers:	150-300 kg	51	810-1800	1,550	+10.9% +20.5%
		300-400 kg	97	800-2080	1,346	-2.3% -13.5%
		400-500 kg	221	1130-2120	1,659	-0.3% -10.0%
		Over 500 kg	249	1450-2560	1,968	+2.4% -9.5%
SUCKLED CALVES	Steers:	Under 200 kg	11	680-1220	1,093	+10.4% -2.2%
		Over 200 kg	674	610-2620	1,679	+23.8% -6.7%
	Heifers:	Under 200 kg	12	870-1790	1,098	+4.7% +3.5%
		Over 200 kg	468	680-9100	1,709	+46.9% -4.4%
BREEDING CATTLE	Dairy:	Cows/heifers in milk	32	1050-3700	2,112	-19.6% -27.0%
		Cows in calf	-	-	-	- -
		Springing heifers	-	-	-	- -
	Sucklers:	Cows/heifers & calf at foot	33	1450-5100	2,409	-10.1% -16.4%
		Cows in calf	-	-	-	- -
		Springing heifers	10	1680-3050	2,514	-2.7% -21.1%
OTHER CATTLE	Cull cows for slaughter		139	30-3474	1,539	-4.5% -10.1%
	Dropped calves for rearing		482	60-1140	667	+5.1% -8.0%
BREEDING SHEEP	Ewes/Hoggets:	Blackface/Blackface cross	2794	38-2050	254.78	-18.5% +17.9%
		Other Breeds	688	80-320	203.24	-2.9% -6.9%
	Ewe Lambs:	Blackface/Blackface cross	1974	80-750	176.53	-4.3% +23.0%
		Other Breeds	558	80-182	132.89	-8.2% -5.4%
	Ewes/Hoggets with Lamb(s) at Foot:	Blackface/Blackface cross	-	-	-	- -
		Other Breeds	-	-	-	- -
OTHER SHEEP	Cull Ewes:	Blackface/Blackface cross	1678	1-215	143.00	+30.7% +52.3%
		Other Breeds	582	20-256	132.53	-11.5% +12.2%
	Cull rams		13	90-195	127.38	-11.5% +8.7%
	Store lambs		3929	13-138	111.52	-0.8% +1.3%

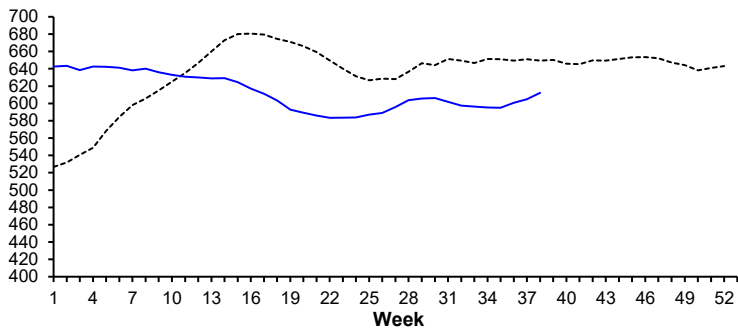
PRICE TRENDS 2025-2026



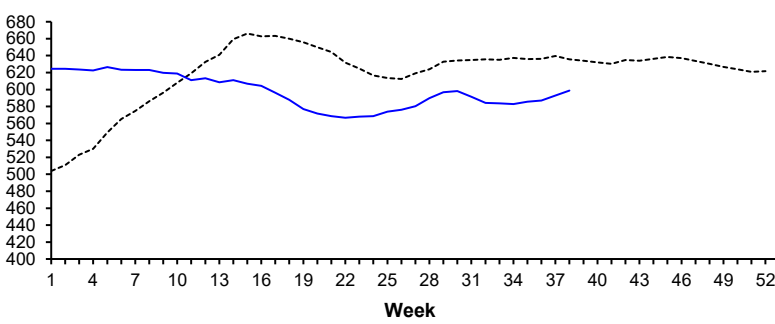
FINISHED STEERS - Deadweight prices (pence/kg)



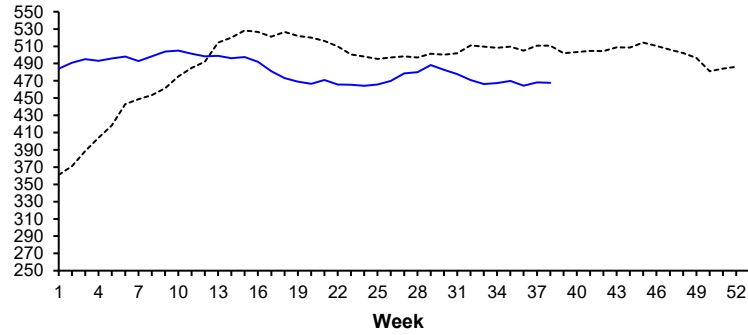
FINISHED HEIFERS-Deadweight prices (pence/kg)



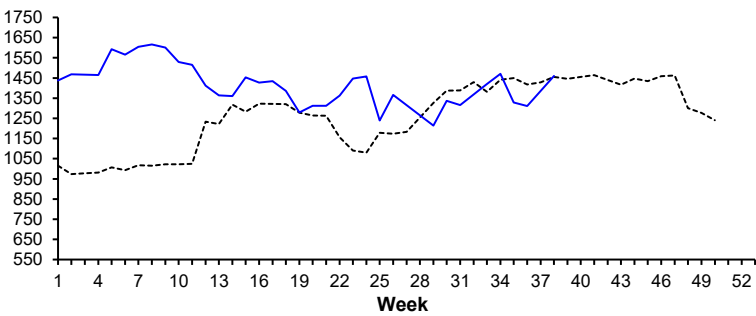
FINISHED YOUNG BULLS - Deadweight prices (pence/kg)



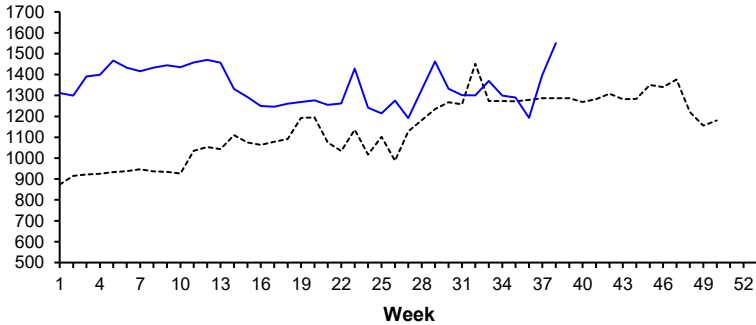
FINISHED COWS - Deadweight prices (pence/kg)



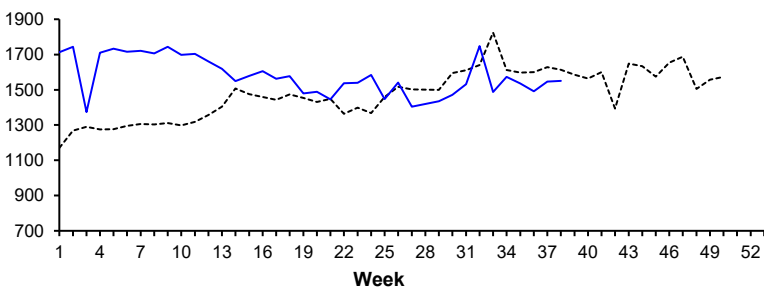
STORES - Av.price of steers 150-300 kg (£/head)



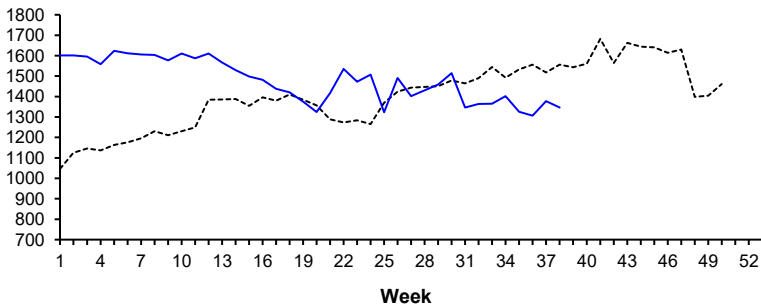
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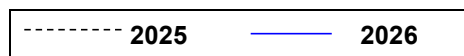


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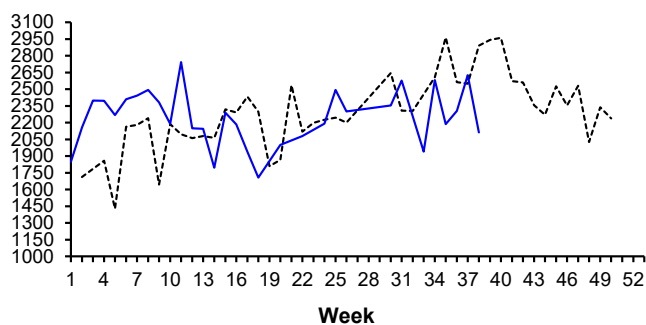


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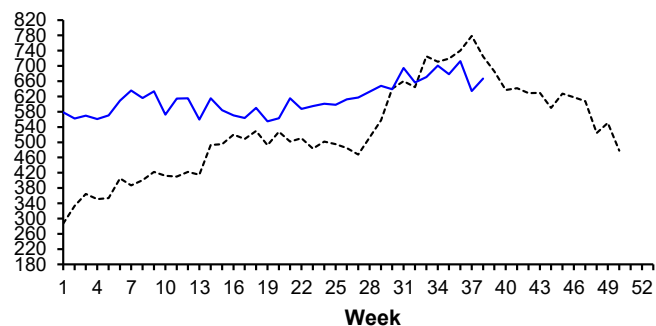




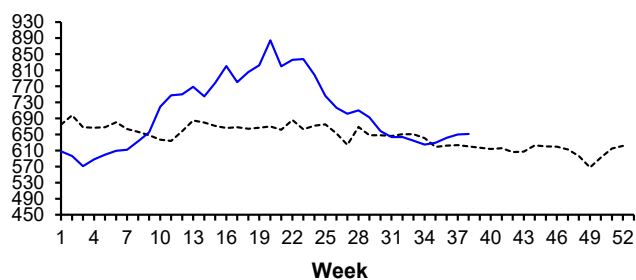
DAIRY COWS & HEIFERS IN MILK (£/head)



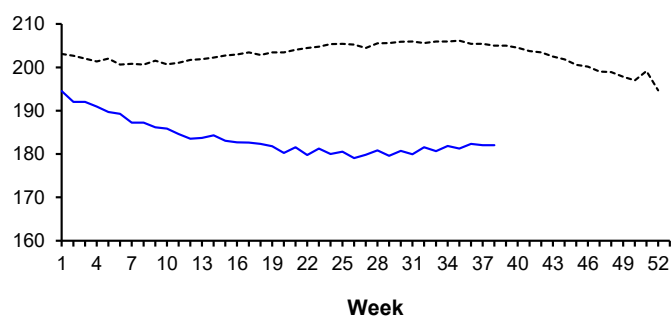
DROPPED CALVES (£/head)



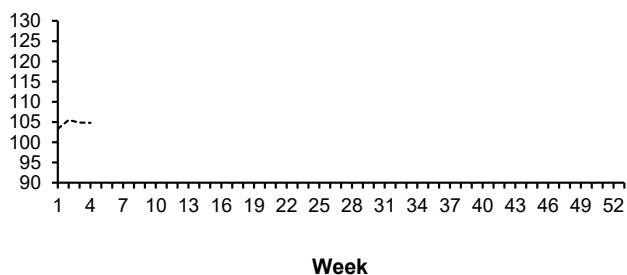
FINISHED SHEEP - Deadweight price (pence/kg)



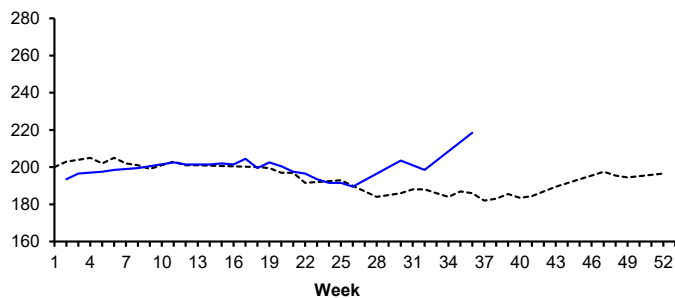
FINISHED PIGS - Deadweight price (pence/kg)



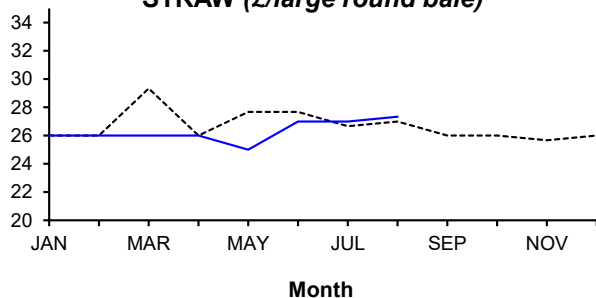
BROILER CHICKENS - Liveweight price (pence/kg)



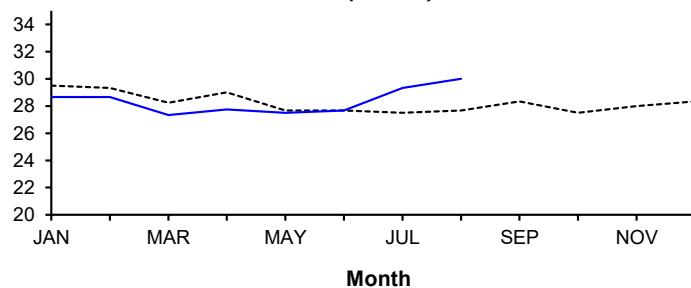
BARLEY - Delivered price (£/tonne)



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.