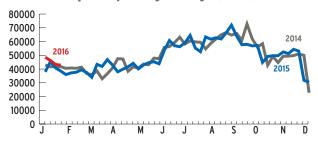


Weekly sheep slaughterings (head)



## Sheep slaughtering: Week ending

CATEGORY	2015		2014	
	Weekly	Cumulative	Weekly	Cumulative
Lambs/Hoggets	36,298	155,545	32,563	144,503
Spring Lambs	-	-	-	-
Ewes and Rams	6,918	26,942	3,819	17,476
Light Lambs	2	14	-	234
TOTAL	43,218	182,501	36,382	162,213

## Factory lamb: This week

		VAT incl	VAT exc
		c/kg	c/kg
Irish lamb in France		555	529
British lamb		575	548
ICM Navan	Ewes	290	276
	Lamb (+10c QA)	530	505
ICM Camolin	Ewes	290	276
	Lamb (+10c QA)	530	505
Butchers	Lamb	545	519
Kildare Chilling	Ewes (+10c)	290	276
-	Lamb (+10c QA)	540	514
Kepak Athleague	Ewes	290	276
	Lamb (+5c QA)	540	514
Dawn Ballyhaunis	Ewes	NQ	NA
-	Lamb	NQ	NA
Moyvalley	Lamb	530	505
Ballon Meats	Ewes	300	286
	Lamb	540	514
Northern Ireland		p/kg	c/kg
Dunbia Dungannon	Lamb 22kg	NQ	NÁ
Linden Foods	Lamb 22kg	390	517

Hogget trade: After hitting the heights last week, the hogget trade has eased back slightly with the plants at 390p or offering no quote. Prices have also come back in the marts as a slight weakening of the euro has blunted demand from southern buyers. Kilrea, Monday, had a show of 45 hoggets selling from 345p to 367p, down by 5p to 11p/kg across the weights. Massereene sold 946 head ranging from 355p to 384p/kg, down 10p/kg. In Saintfield, a show of 484 head sold from 350p to 395p, down 7r for lighter weights and there were more store weight lambs on offer. For well-fleshed hoggets, 24kg lots were making £87 and 25kg lots were making £88 a head. In Rathfriland a show of 836 head sold from 319p to 389p, and averaged 359p/kg, down by 2p/kg. First lots in Ballymena on Wednesday were back around £2 a head. Hoggets at 24kg made £87; 23kg made £83 and £84. But one pen of mixed hoggets at 22kg were bid up to £87. The prices for fat ewes have also eased back and top prices were Newtownstewart £85; Swatragh £90; Omagh £110; Kilrea £75; Massereene £86; Saintfield £92 and Rathfriland £107. In Ballymena, Monday evening, a big show of in-lamb Milford ewes solu from £118 to £145 with a top price of £148. Milfords are a crossbred sheep with Scottish Blackface and lowland breed ancestry. Other crossbred ewes made to £142 and £140 a head.