

Blue Texel Breed Benchmark 2025 – National Terminal Sire Evaluation

Estimated Breeding Value	Attribute	Bottom 5%	Bottom 10%	Bottom 25%	Average	Top 25%	Top 10%	Top 5%
Birth Weight	Birth Weight	0.18	0.14	0.07	0.00	-0.07	-0.14	-0.18
Lambing Ease	Lamb's Ease of Birth	-1.66	-1.32	-0.74	-0.11	0.52	1.10	1.44
Lamb Survival	Survival to Sale	-0.08	-0.06	-0.02	0.02	0.06	0.10	0.12
Eight Week Weight	Early Growth	-0.70	-0.55	-0.29	-0.01	0.27	0.53	0.68
Shearling Weight	Ewe Efficiency	-2.01	-1.38	-0.32	0.85	2.02	3.08	3.71
Litter Size	Prolificacy	-0.09	-0.07	-0.05	-0.02	0.01	0.03	0.05
Litter Size Reared	Prolificacy/Care	-0.04	-0.04	-0.02	-0.01	0.00	0.02	0.02
Maternal Ability	Milk/Care	-0.38	-0.29	-0.16	0.00	0.16	0.29	0.38
Scan Weight	Growth	-1.14	-0.57	0.38	1.44	2.50	3.45	4.02
Muscle Depth	Muscling	-0.95	-0.64	-0.12	0.45	1.02	1.54	1.85
Fat Depth	Finish	-0.40	-0.30	-0.13	0.06	0.25	0.42	0.52
CT Lean Weight	Muscling	-0.14	-0.10	-0.03	0.04	0.11	0.18	0.22
CT Fat Weight	Finish	-0.22	-0.16	-0.05	0.06	0.17	0.28	0.34
CT muscularity	Carcase Shape	-0.30	-0.19	-0.01	0.19	0.39	0.57	0.68
Total Spine Length	Carcase Length	-0.36	-0.31	-0.22	-0.13	-0.04	0.05	0.10
Total Spine Number	Number Of Chops	-0.03	-0.02	-0.02	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01
Predicted IMF %	Meat Quality	-0.07	-0.05	-0.02	0.01	0.04	0.07	0.09
Days to Slaughter	Speed of Finish	2.63	1.45	-0.53	-2.72	-4.91	-6.89	-8.07
Carcase Weight	Carcase Weight	-0.23	-0.12	0.06	0.26	0.46	0.64	0.75
Carcase Conformation	Conformation	-0.40	-0.26	-0.02	0.24	0.50	0.74	0.88
Fat Class	Finish	-0.36	-0.26	-0.11	0.07	0.25	0.40	0.50
Terminal Sire Index	Profitable Slaughter Lambs	78	92	115	141	167	191	204
Maternal Index	Profitable Ewes	60	69	85	104	122	138	147

Rebasing - EBVs and indexes have been rebased and are expressed relative to the average animal in 2010.

Weight adjusted traits

Please note that all traits marked * are now weight adjusted. This means that EBVs are a better prediction of carcase composition at a fixed weight.

Example: A ram with a muscle depth EBV of +2mm is estimated to produce lambs with loin depths 1mm deeper at a fixed weight than a ram with an EBV of 0