

UNDERSTANDING YOUR REPORTS

The manual "Understanding How to Make Pennsylvania **DHIA Reports Work For You"** was designed and written to provide dairymen, consultants, and DHIA employees with a detailed explanation of the management information services and programs provided by the Pennsylvania Dairy Herd Improvement Association.

The manual is divided into 10 sections, generously illustrated for easy reference. Each section can be ordered separately if you want information on a particular report, or you may order the entire manual. The information in this manual can be ordered by packages dairymen are currently enrolled in or by what dairymen would like to enroll in such as: Basic Report, Advanced Level I, II, or III. An individual contemplating to go on a particular option might decide to receive information prior to actually going on the option. All the dairyman would need to do is check the box on the barn sheet to receive information with the test reports that month or call the state DHIA office. Updates will be distributed periodically to ensure that members have the most current information on PA DHIA ser-

The Pennsylvania Dairy Herd Improvement Association at State College, Pennsylvania has an extensive computer system that services the dairy producers, with programs meeting the diverse needs of the dairy industry. The accuracy of information supplied to the computer system is the joint responsibility of the herd owner, manager or herdsman, and the technician. Accurate and complete reports increase the reliability of the information as a tool for herd management decisions and eliminates delays in processing reports.

Using and understanding of DHIA records make achieving goals such as higher levels of milk production and continued genetic improvement of dairy cattle and increased efficiency of herd management possible. Individual member dairy farmers are the primary group that profit from the DHIA records.

This manual is free to the members, county extension and DHIAtechnicians. The manual can be ordered through a technician, or by selecting the information box on the barn sheet on test day, or by calling the PA DHIA state office. A nonmember can also obtain the information through the PA DHIA office in State College, Pa or by calling 800-325-2720.



How Does Your Herd Compare?

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — This data is pulled from Pennsylvania DHIA's mainframe computer each week. It is a one-week summary representing approximately one-fourth of the herds on test, as they are tested monthly.

These data are valuable from a business management standpoint and can be used for comparing your operations to the averages from almost 1,400 herds across the state.

DHIA Averages for all herds processed between 5/01/93 and 5/08/93

Number of Herds Processed	1,132
Number of Cows Processed	66,070
Number of Cows Per Herd	58.3
Milk Per Cow (Lbs)	18,439
%-Fat	3.69
Fat Per Cow (Lbs)	680
%-Protein	3.19
Protein Per Cow (Lbs)	588
Average Days in Milk Per Cow	316
*Value for CWT Milk(\$)	13.00
*Value for CWT Grain(\$)	7.92
*Value for CWT Hay(\$)	4.23
*Value for CWT Silage(\$)	1.54
*Value for Pasture Per Day(\$)	.30
*Value for Milk Per Cow Per	
Year(\$)	2,397
*Feed Consumed Per Cow Per	_,_,
Year(Lbs)	
A: Grain	7,308
B: Hay	2,353
C: Silage	15,237
D: Day Pasture	63
*Feed Cost Per Cow Per Year(\$)	
A: Grain	579
B: Hay	99
C: Silage	235
D: Pasture	19
*Total Feed Cost Per Cow Per	
Year(\$)	934
*Income Over Feed Costs Per	,,,
Year(\$)	1,463
*Grain to Milk Ratio	1:2.5
*Feed Cost Per CWT Milk(\$)	5.07
Avg Level For 991 SCC Herds	335,402
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*Member generated figures

PA DHIA **Calendar of Events**

MAY

- 17-19 Field Svc. Training Seminar.
- State College Memorial Day (observed)
- DHIA Service Ctr. closed JULY
- State Board Meeting., Erie 23,24 Technician Summer
- Conference, Danville **AUGUST**

AgProgress Days,

Rock Spring SEPTEMBER

29,30 State Board Mtg.

- State College **NOVEMBER**
- SE District Mtg., Berks Ag Center
- SW District Mtg., Ramada
- C District Mtg, FamilyHous Restaurant, Mifflintown
- NE District Mtg., Pink Apple
- Restaurant, Tunkhannock NW District Mtg , Bonanza
- Restaurant, Franklin
- State Board Mtg.
- State College 9,10 NE Caucus, Ithaca, NY
- **FEBRUARY**
- 18,19 PA DHIA Annual Mtg, State College

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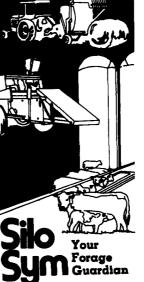


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