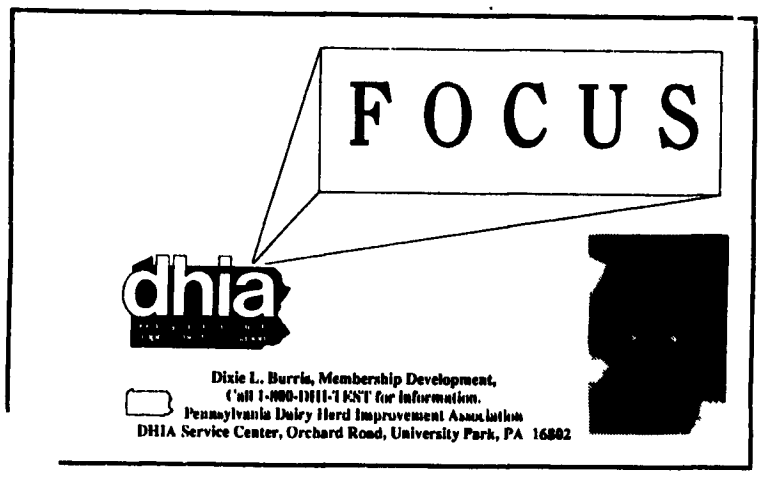
Pa.DHIA Announces Report Enhancements



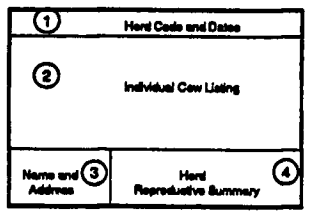
Announcement - Pa DHIA Report Enhancements

The PaDHIA's Processing Center Advisory Committee has approved a number of enhancements to your reports. These include body condition scoring, printing the Dam's Barn Name and Index number on the Individual Cow Page, and major modifications to the reproductive management summary. These changes are effective with your current processing.

The enhancements are summarized below by data item location on the various reports. If you have additional questions please contact your DHIA technician or Dixie Burris, Membership Development Manager at 1-800-DHI-TEST.

I. Reproductive Management Report

A detailed explanation of this report may be found on the back of page 1 of your regular monthly Reproductive Management Report.



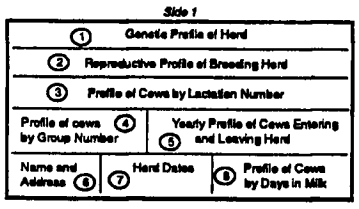
(2) Individual Cow Listing

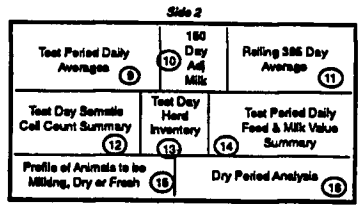
- A dairyman may now choose the number of days after calving that cows in his herd may be bred for the first time, referred to as the voluntary waiting period (default 60 days), and the number of days after breeding to pregnancy check (default 45 days). If you would like to change either of these, ask your DHIA technician to make the necessary changes using his lap-top computer.
- *Service Sire Name* will print when the reported service sire can be cross-referenced to the USDA Sire Summary.
- A cow's *Barn Name* and *Visible ID* will print, and the Calving Ease Score (*Calv Ease*) for the most recent calving will print (if reported).
- A 280 day gestation will used in the following calculations (previously, 282 days was used)
  - *Projected Calving Interval*
  - *Dry Off date* (60 days before projected due date)
  - *Due Date*
- Services that occur within a three day period for the same cow will be considered a single service.

(4) Herd Reproductive Summary

- Category 1 (*Cows Culled Previous 12 Months*) is new. It summarizes reproductive data for cows removed during the past 12 months for any reason, as well as cows identified as reproductive culls.
- Category 6 (*Average Including Cull Cows*) was added. It summarizes data for pregnant cows, cows bred not yet determined pregnant, cows open over 60 days not serviced, and cows culled during the previous 12 months.
- *No. of Intervals Between Breedings and the Average* will show the distribution of all intervals, and the average days between all intervals.
- Two new methods of calculating services per cow were added;
  - *Services per Cow Including Pregnant Cows and Cows not Confirmed Pregnant*
  - *Services Per Cow Including Cull Cows*

II. Herd Summary II





(1) Genetic Profile of Herd

- The area that summarizes the *heifer* herd was shaded to improve readability.

(2) Reproductive Profile of Breeding Herd and Cows Culled During Previous 12 Months

- The *Cull Cows* line was added and summarizes cows removed during the past 12 months for any reason as well as cows identified as reproductive culls.

(3) Profile of Cows by Lactation Number

- Body Condition was added to the far right. For each *Age Category* this shows:
  - *Cows Scored* - the number of cows that had Body Condition Scores reported for the current test
  - *Avg. Score* - the average Body Score of the scored cows.

(4) Profile of Cows by Group Number

- Body Condition was added to the far right and shows for each *Group Number*:
  - *Cows Scored* - the number of cows that had Body Condition Scores reported for the current test.
  - *Avg. Score* - the average Body Score of the scored cows.

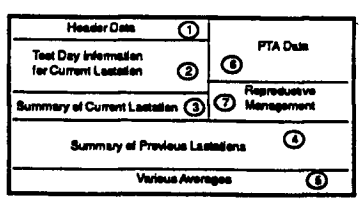
(8) Profile of Cows by Days in Milk

- Body Condition was added to the *Days in Milk Category* for each lactation.
  - *Body Cond* - the average Body Score of the scored cows.

(15) Profile of Animals to be Milking, Dry, or Fresh

- A 280 day gestation period replaces the 282 day period used in projecting due and dry-off dates.

III. Individual Cow Page



(6) PTA Data

- The dam's barn name and index number will print (when available) under Dam.

(2) Testday Information for Current Lactation

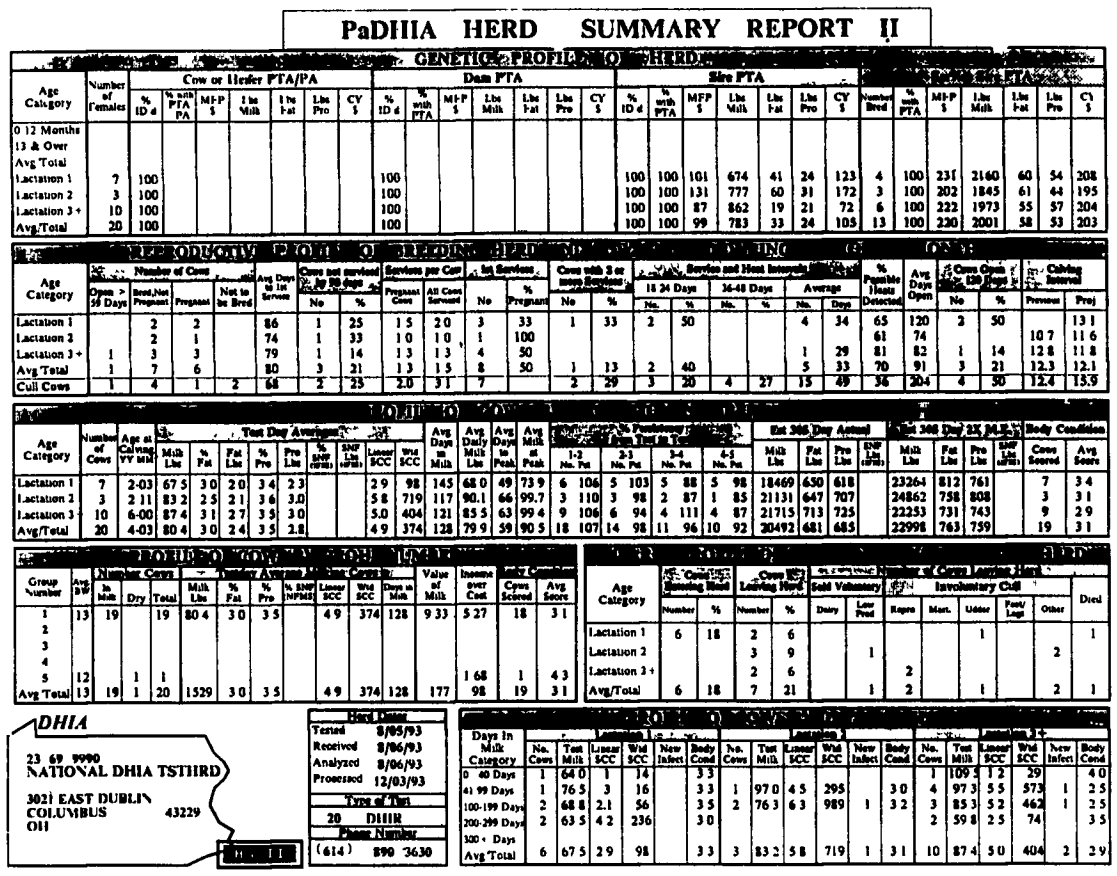
- Each reported Body Condition Score will appear to the right of this section.

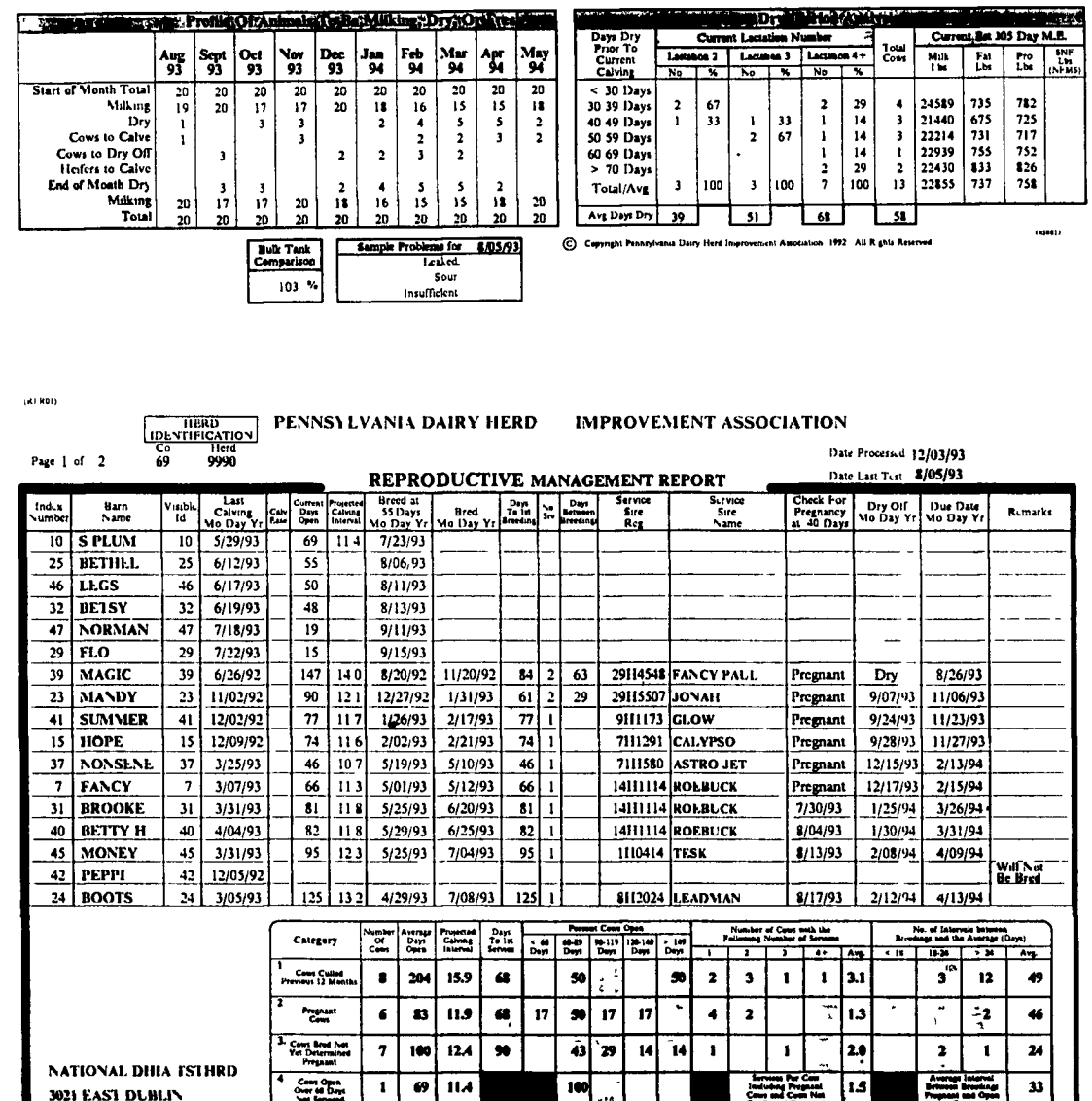
(3) & (4) Summary of Current & Summary of Previous Lactations

- SNF pounds and % SNF were added to the 305-day, 365-day, lactation to date, and complete lactation records.

(7) Reproductive Management

- The interval used to calculate *To Breed* and *Date to Preg Check* dates may be set by the dairyman. If you would like to change these from the defaults (60 and 45 days, respectively), ask your DHIA technician to make the changes using his lap-top computer.
- *Date to Dry Off* and *Date Due to Calve* will use a 280 day gestation (was 282).
- *X bred* - Services that occur within a three day period will be considered a single service.





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