

# Somatic Cell Counts

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free stalls, bedded areas, lots and pastures should be clean and dry. Fence off mud holes, swamps and ponds; fill holes at the gates and exits with gravel. Bed frequently to keep udders dry and clean.

- Avoid injury to udders especially teat ends.
- Reduce milk machine fall offs, squawks, and avoid machine stripping.
- Cull chronic problem cows that don't respond to treatment.
- Isolate high cell count cows in a hospital group, or milk high cell count cows last in stall barns. Alternatively, use a separate unit for infected cows.
- Identify the predominant organisms causing the herd problem by culturing a bulk tank sample and 10 or more problem cows (LS 7-9).

# Farm To Host Tour At World Dairy Expo

MADISON, Wis. — Vista Grande Farm of Fleetwood will again host an educational ag-related tour during the 2001 World Dairy Expo scheduled here Oct. 3-8.

Tour highlights include one and a half days at World Dairy Expo, a visit to Golden Oaks Farm; a presentation, dinner, and lodging at Sauder Village in Ohio; a tour of the Racine Tractor Plant; a visit to Reiman Publications Visitor Center and dinner at the Taste of Home Restaurant; a visit to the National Dairy Shrine; a cheese factory tour; a grill-your-own dinner at Steakfire; and a visit to Cabela's retail and educational showroom in Dundee, Michigan.

Numerous former Atlantic Dairy Cooperative Young Cooperators have expressed interest in this trip and would like to use it to renew their friendships with other participants.

For more information about the tour and a reservation form, contact Vista Grande Farm at (610) 944-0541.

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