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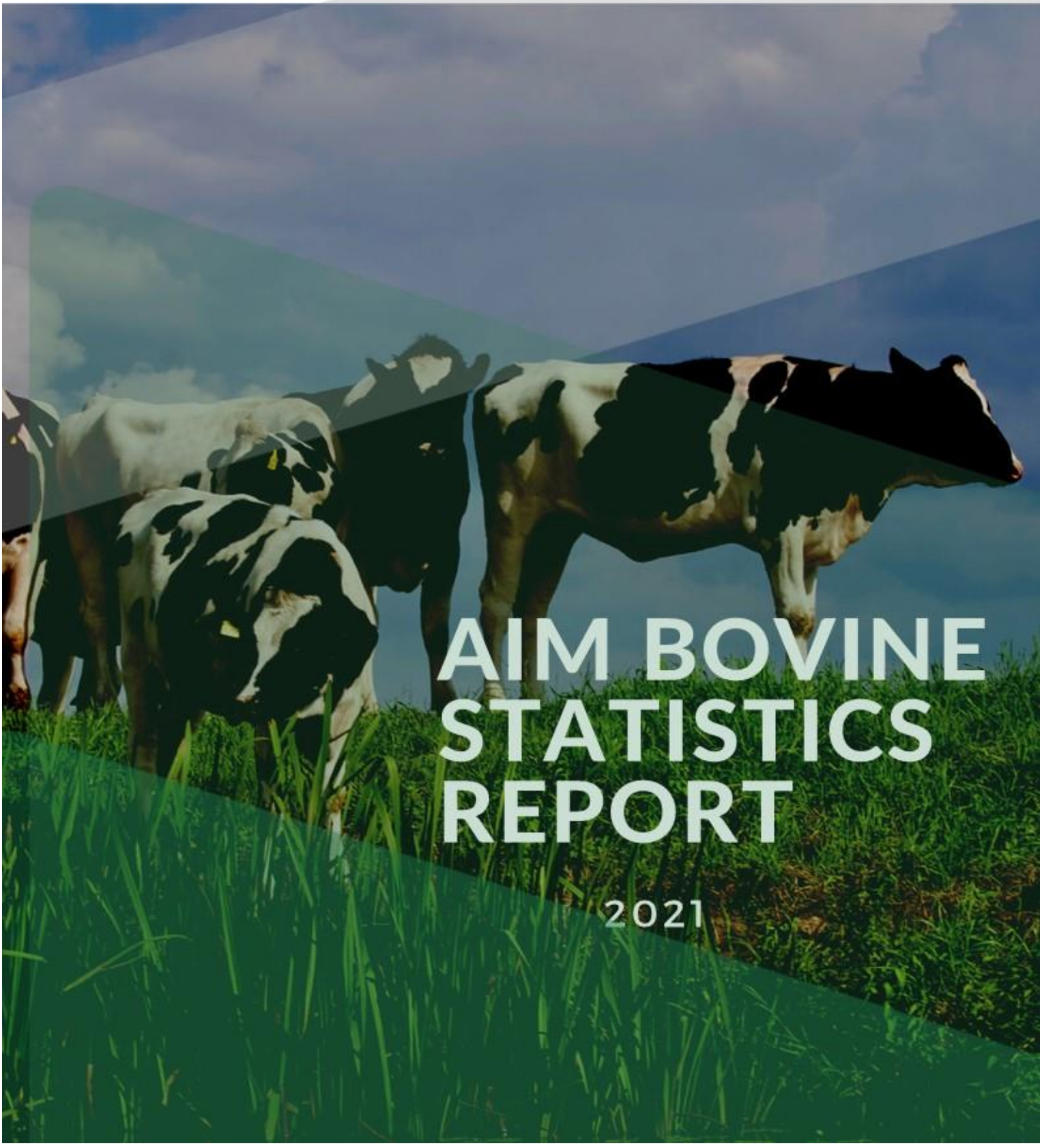

AIM BOVINE STATISTICS REPORT

2021

Animal Identification and Movement (AIM) System

The Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine maintains cattle traceability records on a central database known as the Animal Identification and Movement System (AIM). The AIM system records all births, movements and disposals in accordance with EU requirements and therefore traces all bovines from birth to slaughter. The traceability system provides assurances to customers and consumers at home and abroad about the origin and traceability of beef, protects animal and human health and secures and maintains markets for Irish cattle and beef.

The AIM Bovine Statistics Report 2021 provides comprehensive data on calf births, farm-to-farm and mart movements as well as details of cattle slaughtered in Department approved and Local Authority approved slaughter plants, live exports and on-farm bovine deaths. The Report is compiled on an annual basis from data provided by farmers, livestock marts, Department approved and Local Authority approved slaughter plants and export locations to the AIM database.

The Report contains valuable statistical information for use by interested stakeholders to monitor trends in the beef and dairy sectors. Data and reports generated from the AIM system are provided by the Department to a range of organisations including Bord Bia, Central Statistics Office (CSO), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Irish Cattle Breeding Federation (ICBF), Teagasc as well as breed societies, farming organisations and Meat Industry Ireland (MII).

The Report is available on the Department's website, www.gov.ie/agriculture, search 'AIM Bovine Statistics Reports'. Updated reports are provided on the website each month on calf registrations, slaughterings, live exports and an age profile of the national herd.

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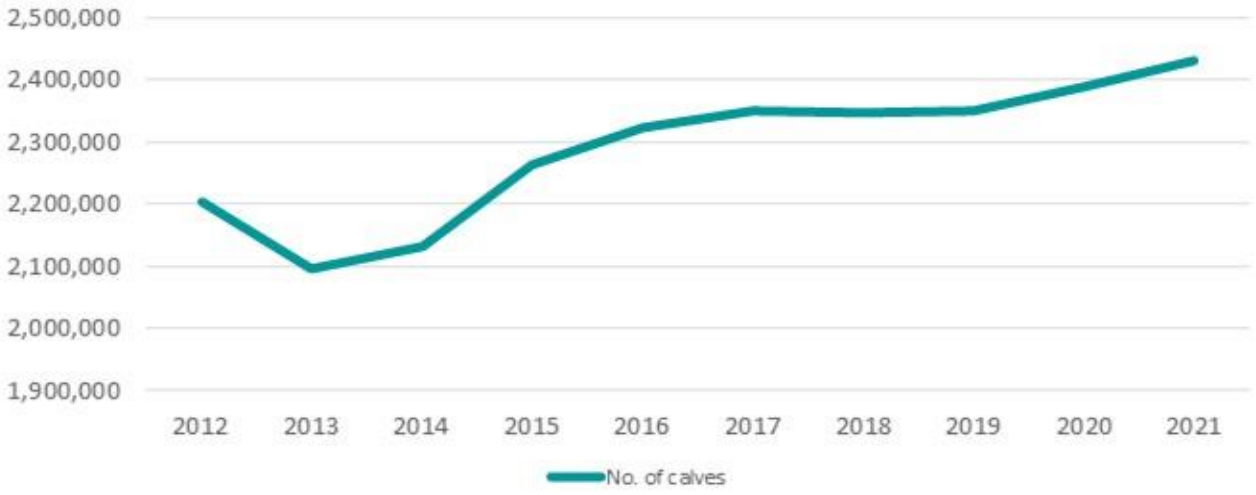
Trends 2011 - 2021

BIRTHS

Calf Births 2011- 2021



since 2011

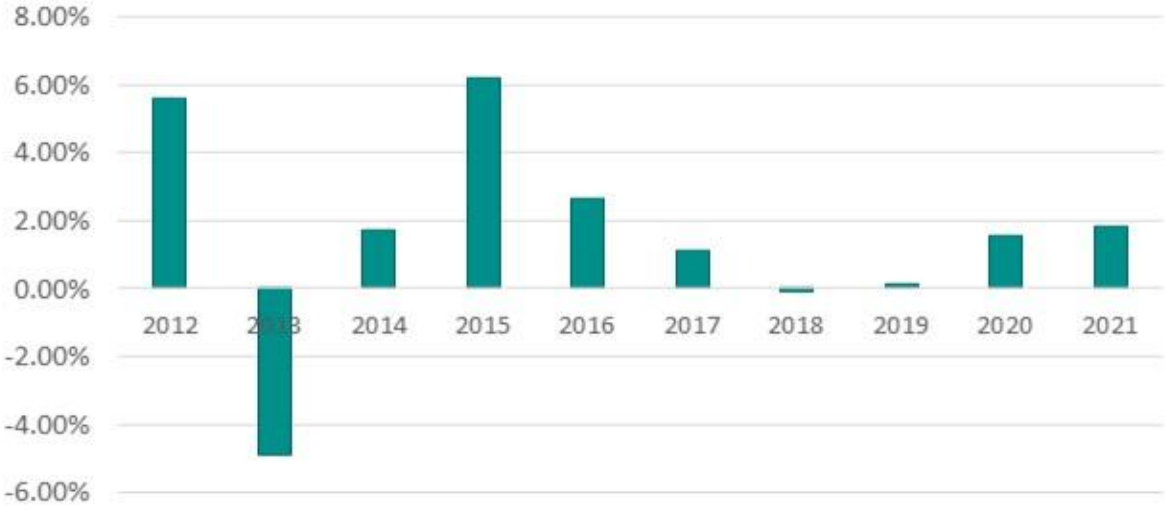
16.6%

since 2016

4.6%

Annual calf births have increased by 16.6% since 2011. The biggest year on year change was in 2015 when 6.23% more calves were born compared to 2014. Growth has been slowing down. In the last 5 years the growth has been 4.6% The graph below shows fluctuation year on year is smaller in the second half of the decade.

Calf Births - Year on year change



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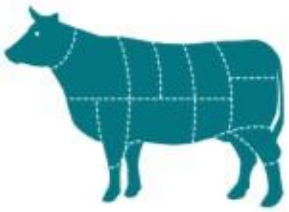
Beef



17% 2011 - 2017

-0.25% since 2017

Calves born to beef bulls increased by 17% from 2011 to 2017 but since then have been decreasing, reducing by 0.25% since the high in 2017.

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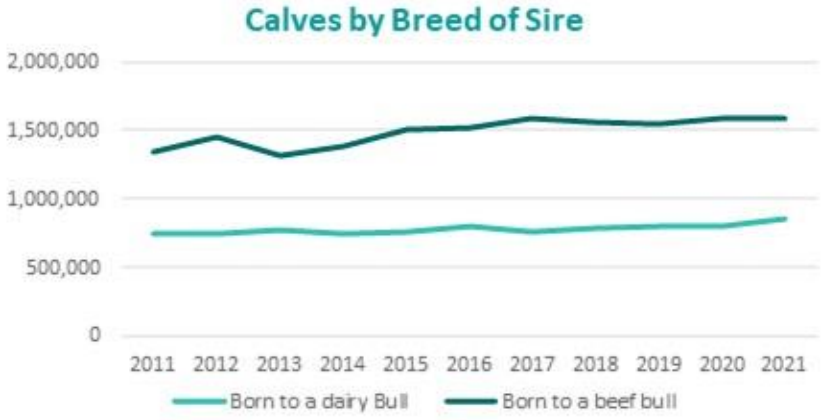
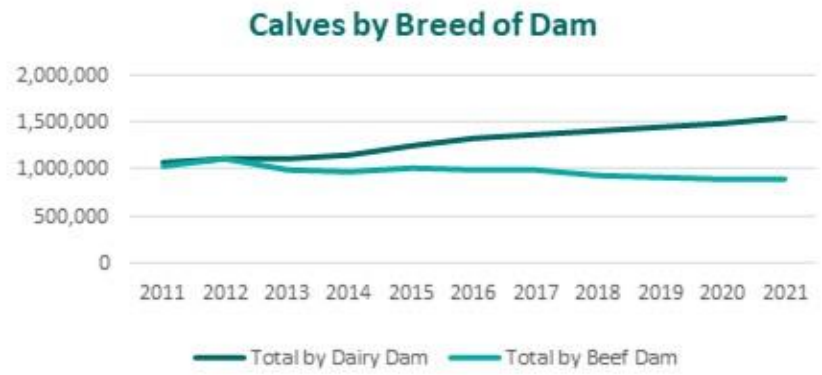
Dairy

8.7% 2011 - 2016

5.8% since 2016

Calves born to dairy bulls have increased by 15 % since 2011.





46% more calves born to dairy dams since 2011

The decrease in the national beef herd is most evident in the choice of dam.
144,000 less calves are being born to beef dams, a reduction of 14% since 2011.

By contrast, there are nearly half a million more calves being born to dairy dams, an increase of 46% since 2011.

BIRTHS - Trends in Breeds

Fresian

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Most popular sire

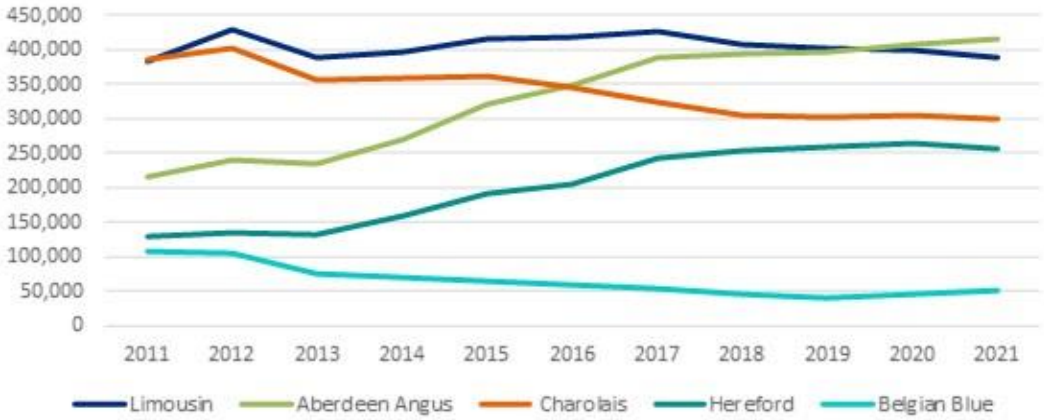
Fresian has been the most popular sire breed over the past 10 years, siring on average 33% of the annual calf crop. In 2021, 33% of the calves born were sired by a fresian bull. The peak year for fresian bulls was in 2013 when they sired 35% of calves born in that year

but

Low year on year growth

There has not been significant growth in the use of Fresian sires since 2011. Average year on year growth has been just 1.65%. 2021 saw the largest increase in FR births since 2017 with an increase of 6.3%

Trends in Beef Breeds



Aberdeen Angus and Herefords

The number of Aberdeen Angus calves have increased by 93% since 2011 and it is now the most popular beef sire. In 2021 AA account for 17% of all calves.

The number of Hereford calves have nearly doubled from 129,500 in 2011 to 257k in 2021. Hereford now account for nearly 11% of calves born in 2021 compared to just over 6% in 2011

Charolais and Belgian Blue

By contrast Charolais have decreased by 22% and BB by more than 50%. In 2011 Charolais bulls sired 18.5% of all calves. In 2021 they sired 12.3%. Belgian blues sired 5% of calves in 2011 and now sire just 2%

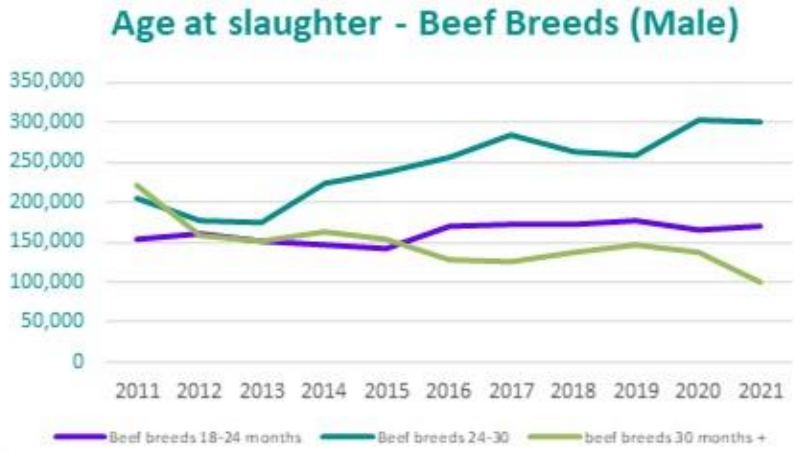
Disposals

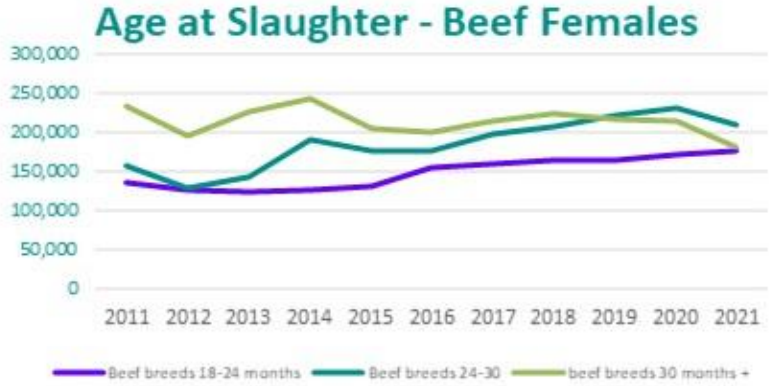
Age at slaughter reducing ↘

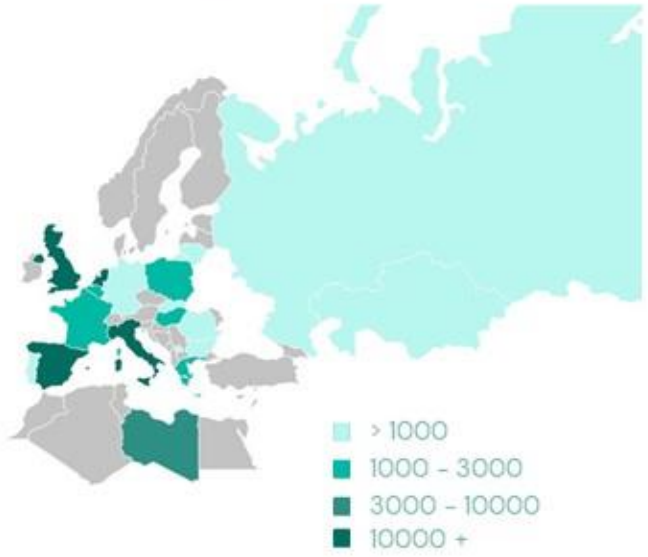
In 2011, the largest proportion of beef animals were slaughtered at greater than 30 months. Across males and females, 39% of beef animals slaughtered in DAFM plants were in this category.

Looking at male animals, since 2011, the 30 mths + category has gone from the largest to the smallest. Just 16% of male beef animals were slaughtered at greater than 30 months in 2021, compared to 35% in 2011.

The trend is repeated in females. Last year 31% of beef females slaughtered were greater than 30 months compared to 43% in 2011







2011

2021

11%

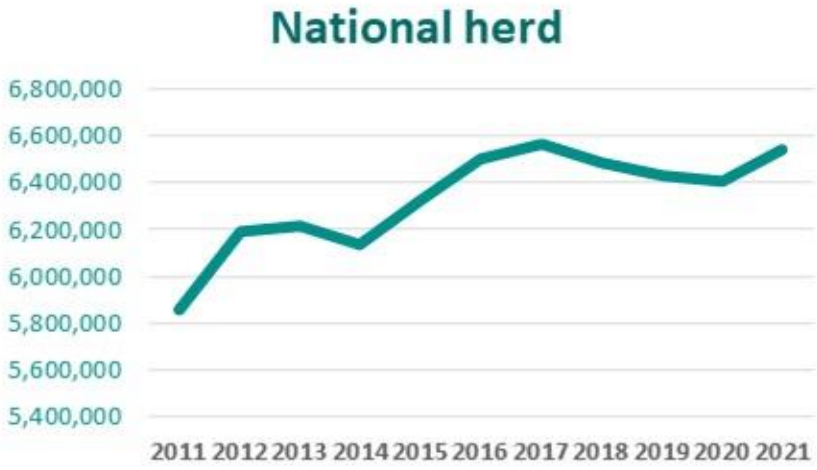
LIVE EXPORTS HAVE GROWN BY 11% SINCE 2011.

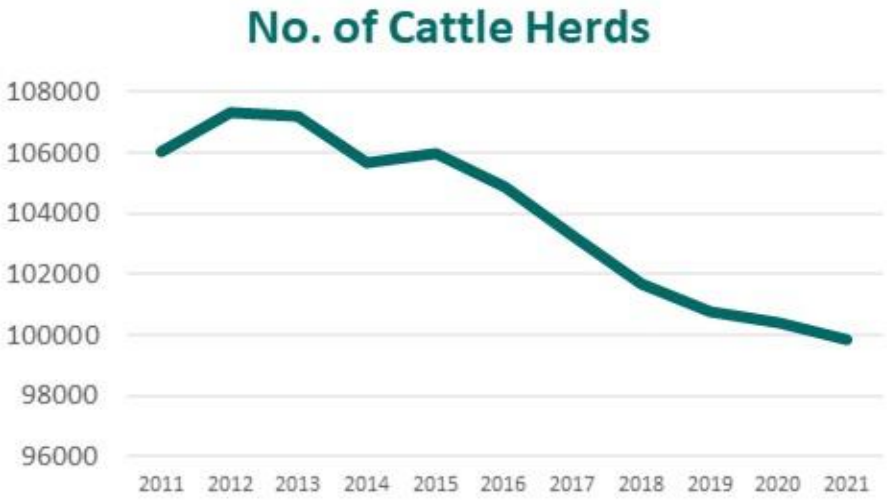
SPAIN HAS BEEN THE LARGEST IMPORTER OF LIVE CATTLE OVER THE LAST 10 YEARS AND HAS BEEN IMPORTING MORE THAN ANY OTHER COUNTRY SINCE 2016.

National Herd 2011-2021

Numbers stable in last 5 years

The national herd is nearly 12% bigger than in 2011 but all of this growth took place in the years 2011 to 2017%. Numbers have been largely stable since then. 2021 saw the first year on year increase in the national herd since 2017 with a growth of 2%.





Herds down by nearly 6%

There are 6,000 less herds now compared to 2011, 3,400 of those leaving in the last 5 years. Herd numbers have dropped below 100,000 for the first time since the first bovine stats report was published in 2002.

The reduction has been in small farms. In 2011, 44k herds had less than 25 animals. There are now 38,000 in that category.

Average herd size increasing

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Chapter 1

Calf Birth Registration Data

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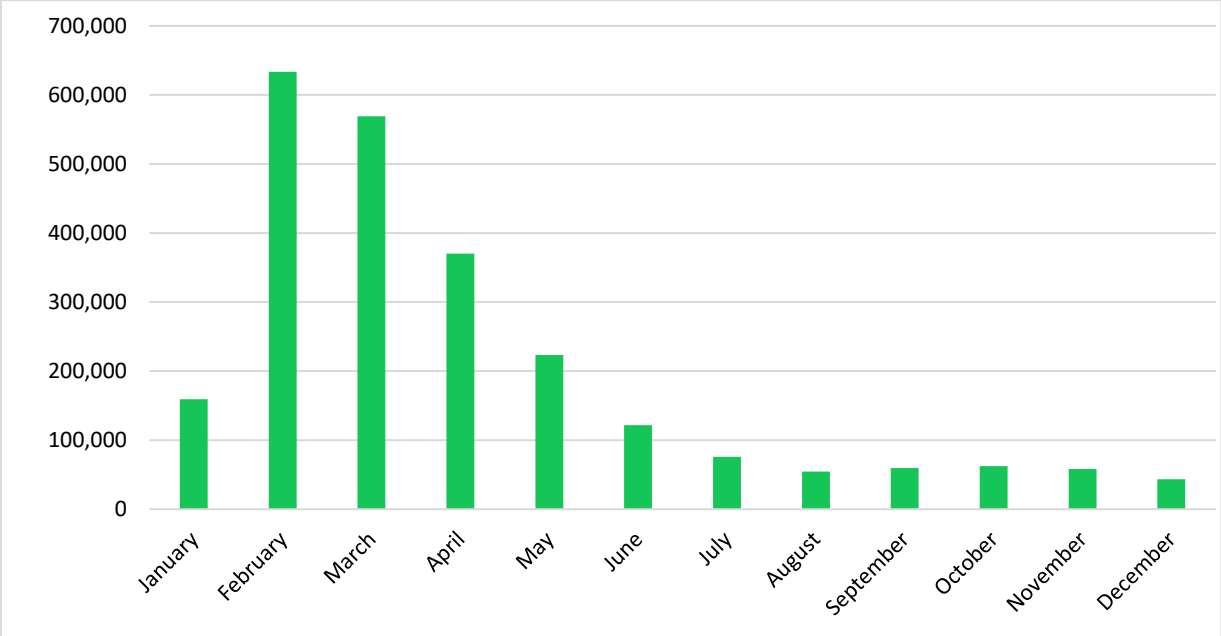
Calf Births by Month of Registration



Calf Births by Month of Registration and by Gender

Month	Male	Female	Total
January	75,644	83,638	**159,282**
February	317,821	315,800	**633,621**
March	294,850	274,167	**569,017**
April	192,820	177,611	**370,431**
May	116,291	107,150	**223,441**
June	62,999	58,782	**121,781**
July	39,059	36,789	**75,848**
August	27,644	26,835	**54,479**
September	29,722	29,973	**59,695**
October	30,829	31,591	**62,420**
November	29,180	29,177	**58,357**
December	21,747	21,564	**43,311**
Total	1,238,606	1,193,077	2,431,683

Calf Births by County, Gender and Sire Type

County	Calves born to Beef Bull			Calves born to Dairy Bull			Overall Total	% of Total
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total		
Carlow	10,891	10,206	21,097	5,449	5,697	11,146	32,243	1.3%
Cavan	31,530	28,920	60,450	9,542	10,213	19,755	80,205	3.3%
Clare	43,604	41,284	84,888	8,184	8,089	16,273	101,161	4.2%
Cork	126,151	114,947	241,098	103,861	105,971	209,832	450,930	18.5%
Donegal	23,961	22,536	46,497	5,668	6,508	12,176	58,673	2.4%
Dublin	2,150	1,992	4,142	508	530	1,038	5,180	0.2%
Galway	57,250	53,878	111,128	10,467	10,945	21,412	132,540	5.5%
Kerry	48,218	44,498	92,716	24,964	26,173	51,137	143,853	5.9%
Kildare	11,857	10,905	22,762	5,934	6,326	12,260	35,022	1.4%
Kilkenny	37,060	34,251	71,311	28,685	29,196	57,881	129,192	5.3%
Laois	24,691	22,598	47,289	15,994	16,228	32,222	79,511	3.3%
Leitrim	13,048	12,238	25,286	508	502	1,010	26,296	1.1%
Limerick	47,434	43,280	90,714	29,938	30,333	60,271	150,985	6.2%
Longford	14,301	13,363	27,664	3,027	3,027	6,054	33,718	1.4%
Louth	7,988	7,408	15,396	6,580	7,471	14,051	29,447	1.2%
Mayo	39,174	37,074	76,248	3,965	4,424	8,389	84,637	3.5%
Meath	26,183	23,824	50,007	18,935	20,694	39,629	89,636	3.7%
Monaghan	23,085	21,669	44,754	10,034	11,138	21,172	65,926	2.7%
Offaly	22,199	20,704	42,903	9,832	10,343	20,175	63,078	2.6%
Roscommo	25,717	24,186	49,903	2,425	2,508	4,933	54,836	2.3%
Sligo	16,906	15,981	32,887	1,878	1,799	3,677	36,564	1.5%
Tipperary	66,819	61,441	128,260	48,559	49,273	97,832	226,092	9.3%
Waterford	27,901	25,548	53,449	25,700	26,011	51,711	105,160	4.3%
Westmeath	22,701	21,180	43,881	8,273	8,982	17,255	61,136	2.5%
Wexford	34,260	32,008	66,268	21,831	22,592	44,423	110,691	4.6%
Wicklow	15,675	14,768	30,443	7,111	7,417	14,528	44,971	1.8%
Totals	820,754	760,687	1,581,441	417,852	432,390	850,242	2,431,683	100%

Number of Calves per Breeding Herd

County	Number of Breeding Herds	% of Total Breeding Herds	Number of calves born per breeding herd and % of total													
			1 - 10	%	11 - 24	%	25-49	%	50-74	%	75-149	%	150-249	%	250+	%
Carlow	790	1.1%	205	25.9%	215	27.2%	169	21.4%	67	8.5%	108	13.7%	17	2.2%	9	1.1%
Cavan	3,171	4.5%	1,153	36.4%	992	31.3%	620	19.6%	184	5.8%	187	5.9%	30	0.9%	5	0.2%
Clare	4,316	6.2%	1,468	34.0%	1,533	35.5%	861	19.9%	247	5.7%	181	4.2%	24	0.6%	2	0.0%
Cork	7,258	10.4%	1,481	20.4%	1,343	18.5%	1,250	17.2%	940	13.0%	1,589	21.9%	486	6.7%	169	2.3%
Donegal	3,667	5.3%	2,274	62.0%	913	24.9%	283	7.7%	71	1.9%	76	2.1%	34	0.9%	16	0.4%
Dublin	188	0.3%	85	45.2%	41	21.8%	29	15.4%	16	8.5%	14	7.4%	2	1.1%	1	0.5%
Galway	7,104	10.2%	3,466	48.8%	2,136	30.1%	1,020	14.4%	238	3.4%	178	2.5%	53	0.7%	13	0.2%
Kerry	4,190	6.0%	1,426	34.0%	1,072	25.6%	729	17.4%	401	9.6%	462	11.0%	78	1.9%	22	0.5%
Kildare	921	1.3%	316	34.3%	233	25.3%	173	18.8%	68	7.4%	90	9.8%	24	2.6%	17	1.8%
Kilkenny	1,859	2.7%	280	15.1%	312	16.8%	365	19.6%	265	14.3%	442	23.8%	132	7.1%	63	3.4%
Laois	1,582	2.3%	382	24.1%	362	22.9%	329	20.8%	181	11.4%	210	13.3%	95	6.0%	23	1.5%
Leitrim	2,299	3.3%	1,391	60.5%	709	30.8%	164	7.1%	23	1.0%	12	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Limerick	3,045	4.4%	776	25.5%	627	20.6%	583	19.1%	350	11.5%	523	17.2%	141	4.6%	45	1.5%
Longford	1,470	2.1%	569	38.7%	496	33.7%	256	17.4%	66	4.5%	66	4.5%	15	1.0%	2	0.1%
Louth	615	0.9%	219	35.6%	146	23.7%	88	14.3%	48	7.8%	68	11.1%	25	4.1%	21	3.4%
Mayo	6,079	8.7%	3,367	55.4%	1,908	31.4%	627	10.3%	85	1.4%	77	1.3%	12	0.2%	3	0.0%
Meath	1,821	2.6%	563	30.9%	417	22.9%	338	18.6%	177	9.7%	196	10.8%	69	3.8%	61	3.3%
Monaghan	2,403	3.4%	841	35.0%	759	31.6%	414	17.2%	188	7.8%	173	7.2%	23	1.0%	5	0.2%
Offaly	1,566	2.2%	469	29.9%	356	22.7%	338	21.6%	147	9.4%	190	12.1%	45	2.9%	21	1.3%
Roscommon	3,305	4.7%	1,555	47.0%	1,143	34.6%	472	14.3%	87	2.6%	35	1.1%	9	0.3%	4	0.1%
Sligo	2,358	3.4%	1,194	50.6%	816	34.6%	245	10.4%	62	2.6%	37	1.6%	1	0.0%	3	0.1%
Tipperary	3,708	5.3%	745	20.1%	677	18.3%	750	20.2%	451	12.2%	759	20.5%	231	6.2%	95	2.6%
Waterford	1,337	1.9%	203	15.2%	187	14.0%	225	16.8%	187	14.0%	339	25.4%	148	11.1%	48	3.6%
Westmeath	1,705	2.4%	512	30.0%	485	28.4%	372	21.8%	139	8.2%	134	7.9%	43	2.5%	20	1.2%
Wexford	1,864	2.7%	364	19.5%	372	20.0%	347	18.6%	231	12.4%	400	21.5%	110	5.9%	40	2.1%
Wicklow	1,075	1.5%	313	29.1%	284	26.4%	211	19.6%	96	8.9%	113	10.5%	38	3.5%	20	1.9%
Totals	**69,696**	**100%**	**25,617**	**36.8%**	**18,534**	**26.6%**	**11,258**	**16.2%**	**5,015**	**7.2%**	**6,659**	**9.6%**	**1,885**	**2.7%**	**728**	**1.0%**

Total Number of Beef and Dairy Calves by County

For the purposes of this table, Beef and Dairy calves are defined by breed of dam

County	Beef Calves	% Beef	Dairy Calves	% Dairy	Total Calves
Carlow	13,283	41.2%	18,960	58.8%	**32,243**
Cavan	39,991	49.9%	40,214	50.1%	**80,205**
Clare	67,042	66.3%	34,119	33.7%	**101,161**
Cork	64,058	14.2%	386,872	85.8%	**450,930**
Donegal	36,401	62.0%	22,272	38.0%	**58,673**
Dublin	2,996	57.8%	2,184	42.2%	**5,180**
Galway	91,314	68.9%	41,226	31.1%	**132,540**
Kerry	41,736	29.0%	102,117	71.0%	**143,853**
Kildare	14,983	42.8%	20,039	57.2%	**35,022**
Kilkenny	26,773	20.7%	102,419	79.3%	**129,192**
Laois	27,425	34.5%	52,086	65.5%	**79,511**
Leitrim	24,138	91.8%	2,158	8.2%	**26,296**
Limerick	30,630	20.3%	120,355	79.7%	**150,985**
Longford	22,578	67.0%	11,140	33.0%	**33,718**
Louth	9,819	33.3%	19,628	66.7%	**29,447**
Mayo	67,179	79.4%	17,458	20.6%	**84,637**
Meath	27,657	30.9%	61,979	69.1%	**89,636**
Monaghan	27,931	42.4%	37,995	57.6%	**65,926**
Offaly	25,725	40.8%	37,353	59.2%	**63,078**
Roscommon	46,079	84.0%	8,757	16.0%	**54,836**
Sligo	28,369	77.6%	8,195	22.4%	**36,564**
Tipperary	46,466	20.6%	179,626	79.4%	**226,092**
Waterford	16,277	15.5%	88,883	84.5%	**105,160**
Westmeath	30,728	50.3%	30,408	49.7%	**61,136**
Wexford	26,296	23.8%	84,395	76.2%	**110,691**
Wicklow	19,289	42.9%	25,682	57.1%	**44,971**
Totals	875,163	36.0%	1,556,520	64.0%	2,431,683

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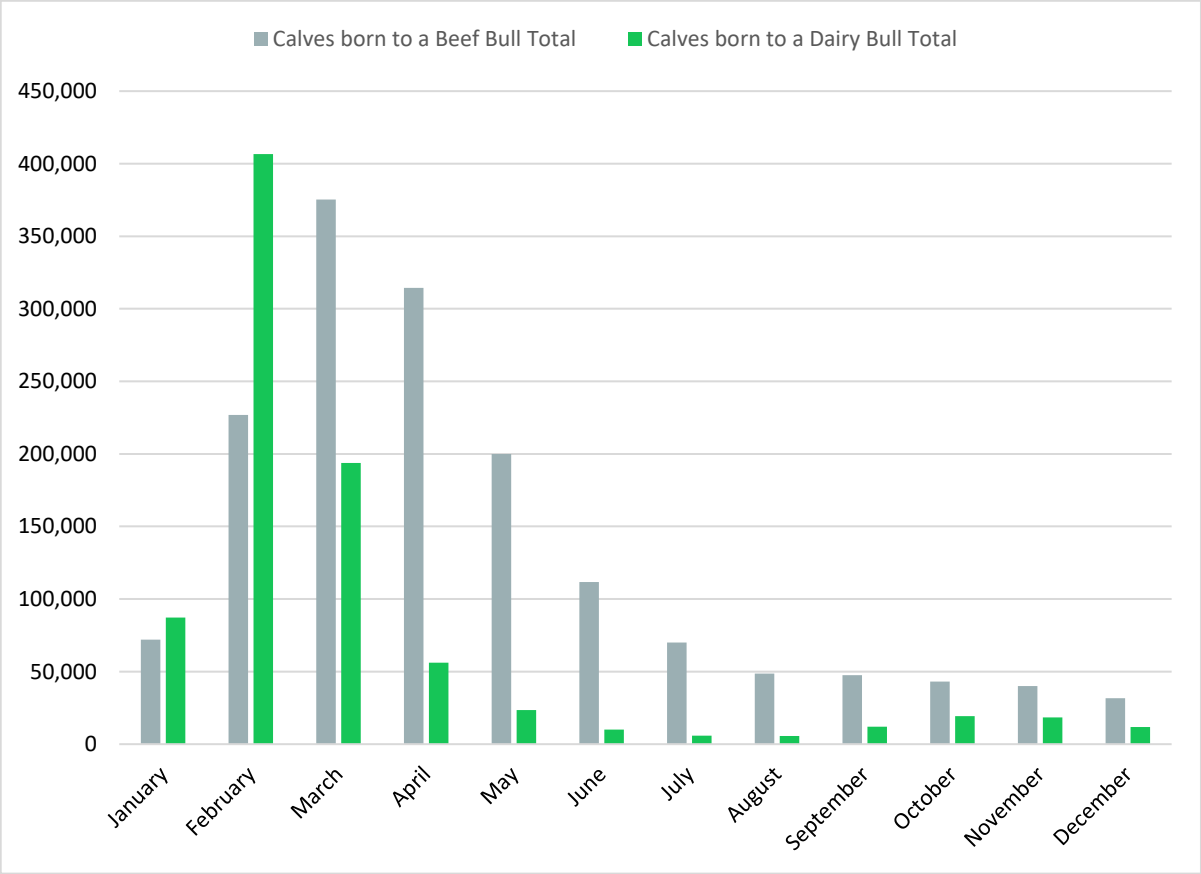
Calf Births by Month of Registration, Gender and Sire Type



Calf Births by Month of Registration, Gender and Sire Type

Month	Calves born to a Beef Bull			Calves born to a Dairy Bull			Overall Total
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
January	36,300	35,646	71,946	39,344	47,992	87,336	**159,282**
February	117,116	109,829	226,945	200,705	205,971	406,676	**633,621**
March	195,681	179,664	375,345	99,169	94,503	193,672	**569,017**
April	164,398	149,990	314,388	28,422	27,621	56,043	**370,431**
May	104,681	95,249	199,930	11,610	11,901	23,511	**223,441**
June	58,078	53,663	111,741	4,921	5,119	10,040	**121,781**
July	36,265	33,804	70,069	2,794	2,985	5,779	**75,848**
August	25,016	23,724	48,740	2,628	3,111	5,739	**54,479**
September	24,353	23,297	47,650	5,369	6,676	12,045	**59,695**
October	21,940	21,174	43,114	8,889	10,417	19,306	**62,420**
November	20,604	19,360	39,964	8,576	9,817	18,393	**58,357**
December	16,322	15,287	31,609	5,425	6,277	11,702	**43,311**
Total	**820,754**	**760,687**	**1,581,441**	**417,852**	**432,390**	**850,242**	**2,431,683**

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Calf Births by Month of Registration and by Breed of Sire

Month	FR	AA	LM	CH	HE	SI	BB	JE	AU	SH	SA	BA	MO	PT	Other	Total
January	85,182	16,022	19,792	16,352	8,346	4,490	2,728	1,578	1011	819	848	297	365	234	1,218	**159,282**
February	383,579	78,022	37,883	27,499	46,438	13,206	10,052	20,307	4,199	2,069	1,648	548	2,035	571	5,565	**633,621**
March	183,232	117,633	72,340	54,406	78,932	16,755	12,875	8,523	7,315	3,874	3,090	1,174	1,782	1,091	5,995	**569,017**
April	53,506	84,650	75,774	60,616	54,422	12,403	8,160	1,965	5,336	3,448	3,027	1,477	878	1,061	3,708	**370,431**
May	22,796	45,601	55,767	45,308	29,057	8,233	4,262	486	2,729	2,581	2,035	1,129	452	654	2,351	**223,441**
June	9,818	20,945	36,228	28,635	12,173	4,884	2,346	150	1,214	1,578	1,088	701	133	488	1,400	**121,781**
July	5,639	12,738	23,147	18,212	6,989	2,794	1,637	73	803	1085	995	413	104	290	929	**75,848**
August	5,593	9,052	16,487	11,665	4,728	2,376	1,355	67	593	669	583	325	86	216	684	**54,479**
September	11,846	8,479	15,916	11,735	4,229	2,222	1,738	106	727	631	566	315	134	291	760	**59,695**
October	18,957	8,387	13,487	9,494	4,078	2,616	1,717	214	853	622	554	251	131	272	787	**62,420**
November	18,157	8,109	11,668	8,564	4,426	2,639	1,840	135	588	520	488	220	185	163	655	**58,357**
December	11,543	5,800	9,884	7,025	3,210	2,330	1,323	55	513	502	313	176	93	129	415	**43,311**
Total	809,848	415,438	388,373	299,511	257,028	74,948	50,033	33,659	25,881	18,398	15,235	7,026	6,378	5,460	24,467	2,431,683

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SI: Simmental **BB**: Belgian Blue **JE**: Jersey **AU**: Aubrac **SH**: Shorthorn

SA: Salers **MO**: Montbelliarde **PT**: Parthenaise **BA**: Blonde D'Aquitaine

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Calf Births by Month of Registration and by Breed of Dam

Month	FR	LM	CH	AA	SI	HE	JE	BB	SH	SA	NR	MO	AU	BA	Other	Total
January	108,758	15,300	8,183	5,125	5,817	4,234	3,271	2,046	1,454	1,091	885	701	452	325	1,640	**159,282**
February	514,884	22,738	11,900	10,273	10,112	7,465	32,917	3,099	3,201	2,043	5,585	3,205	755	484	4,960	**633,621**
March	390,467	48,461	25,210	19,878	17,438	15,165	20,107	5,629	5,699	4,142	4,212	3,403	1,220	1,069	6,917	**569,017**
April	190,722	57,743	29,994	21,960	16,727	16,756	7,774	6,210	6,068	4,231	1,972	2,407	1,239	1,182	5,446	**370,431**
May	91,482	44,310	24,338	16,738	11,412	12,954	2,346	4,525	4,693	2,917	757	1,316	927	926	3,800	**223,441**
June	35,505	29,083	16,455	11,381	7,292	8,666	805	3,124	2,990	1,859	262	599	578	693	2,489	**121,781**
July	19,875	18,480	10,541	7,409	4,774	5,756	508	2,182	1,821	1,429	122	408	414	429	1,700	**75,848**
August	14,737	13,261	6,681	5,612	3,746	4,127	511	1,506	1216	917	115	228	381	287	1,154	**54,479**
September	20,339	13,205	6,569	5,189	3,780	4,180	600	1,573	1,097	960	153	215	468	283	1,084	**59,695**
October	29,152	11,216	5,382	3,888	3,654	3,123	807	1,312	842	748	132	337	375	318	1,134	**62,420**
November	30,013	9,536	4,682	3,086	3,312	2,580	601	1,074	726	728	159	337	269	282	972	**58,357**
December	19,554	7,921	3,979	2,691	3,011	2,093	353	946	660	545	96	312	278	189	683	**43,311**
Total	1,465,488	291,254	153,914	113,230	91,075	87,099	70,600	33,226	30,467	21,610	14,450	13,468	7,356	6,467	31,979	2,431,683

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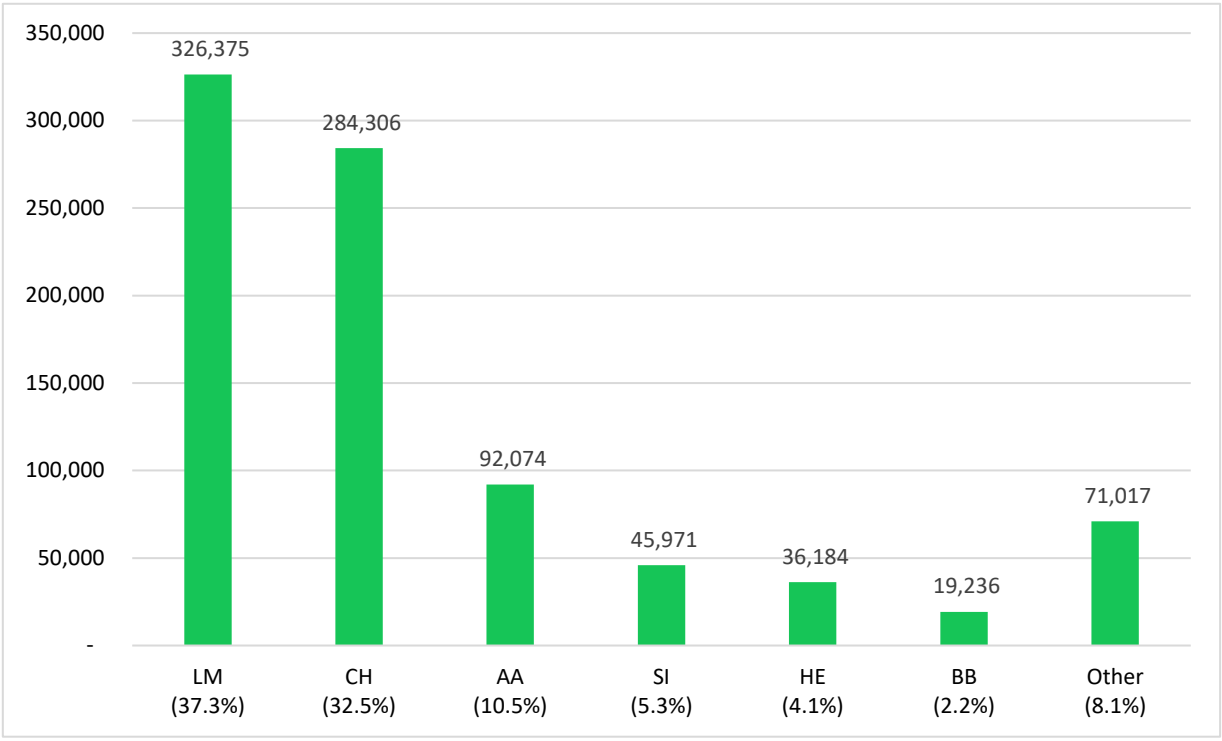
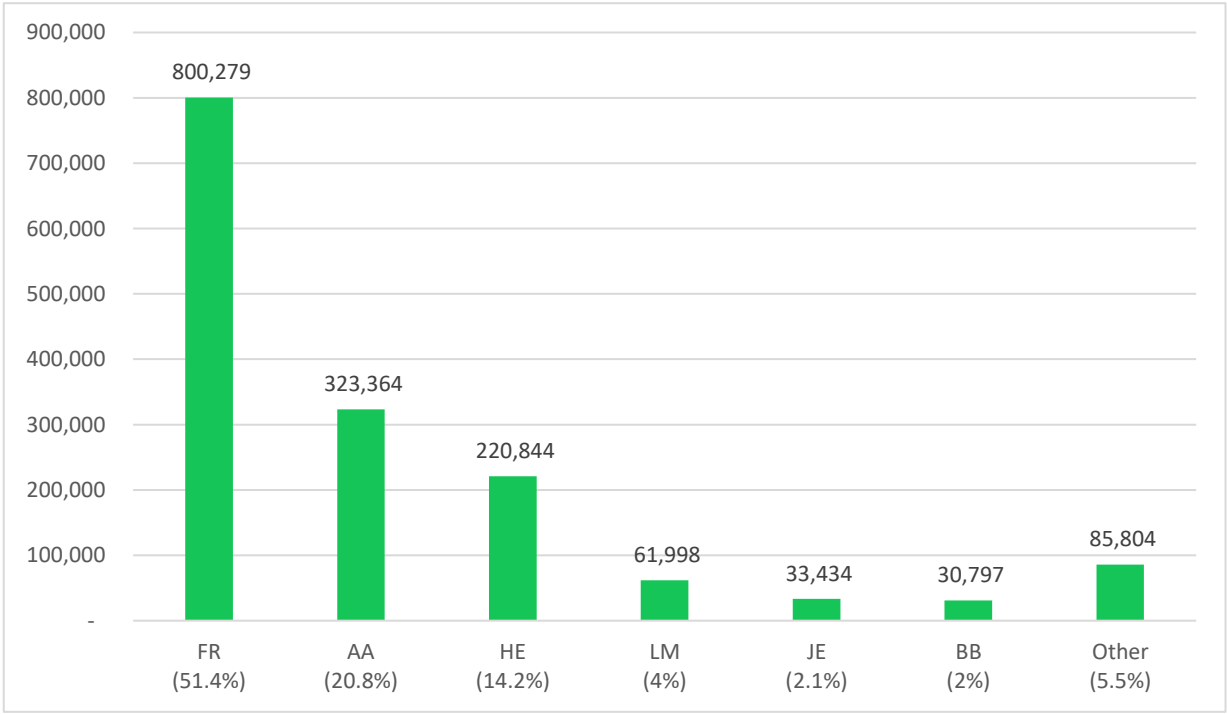
SECTION 4

Sire Selection for Beef Dams



Sire Selection for Dairy Dams



Breed Composition of 2021 Born Calves

Breed of Sire	Breed of Dam															Total
Breed	AA	AU	BA	BB	CH	FR	HE	JE	LM	MO	PT	SA	SH	SI	Other	
AA	44,160	460	255	2,504	6,676	310,171	8,671	9,186	14,265	2,164	277	1,196	3,560	5,416	6,477	**415,438**
AU	995	3,449	95	299	831	14,925	628	554	1,639	291	157	301	234	907	576	**25,881**
BA	517	50	1,401	540	769	693	320	16	1,631	108	129	124	102	521	105	**7,026**
BB	1,762	98	444	2,555	1,296	29,302	1,373	1067	7,916	585	563	398	479	1,366	829	**50,033**
CH	23,933	1,280	1,586	9,008	90,972	14,504	23,553	370	85,321	502	1231	9,166	7,661	28,333	2,091	**299,511**
FR	1,893	35	7	249	94	753,866	1003	38,910	480	2,098	13	30	1,125	929	9,116	**809,848**
HE	4,577	63	125	719	1,852	211,182	17,989	6,851	3,706	1,541	78	311	1,823	2,032	4,179	**257,028**
JE	51	1	0	5	2	22,891	24	9,924	9	26	0	0	58	31	637	**33,659**
LM	29,013	1,489	2,075	15,067	43,856	59,676	27,679	1,330	161,133	1,850	1882	5,489	6,788	27,542	3,504	**388,373**
MO	44	2	2	13	15	3,096	24	50	34	2,795	0	1	25	85	192	**6,378**
PT	363	60	136	233	352	646	281	27	1361	23	1365	95	81	363	74	**5,460**
SA	989	108	54	330	1,595	3,090	823	132	2,696	86	94	3,403	344	1,138	353	**15,235**
SH	1,115	48	37	331	808	4,860	988	274	1,489	144	34	228	6,614	667	761	**18,398**
SI	2,959	152	206	1,168	4,449	27,305	3,237	884	8,577	1013	158	750	1,150	21,206	1,734	**74,948**
Other	859	61	44	205	347	9,281	506	1025	997	242	43	118	423	539	9,777	**24,467**
Total	113,230	7,356	6,467	33,226	153,914	1,465,488	87,099	70,600	291,254	13,468	6,024	21,610	30,467	91,075	40,405	**2,431,683**

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SI: Simmental **SH: Shorthorn** **JE**: Jersey **SA**: Salers **SH**: Shorthorn **PT: Partenaise**

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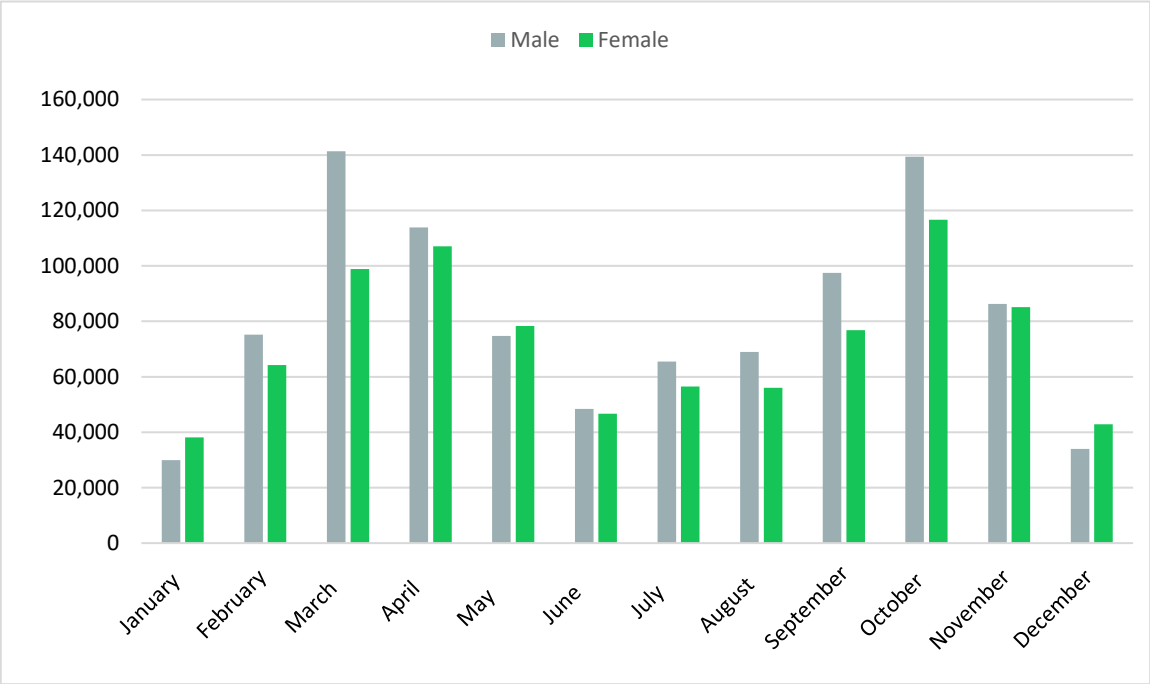
Chapter 2

Movement Data

Section 1

Mart Movements by Month and by Gender



Month	Male	Female	Total
January	29,893	38,183	**68,076**
February	75,168	64,194	**139,362**
March	141,379	98,861	**240,240**
April	113,841	107,052	**220,893**
May	74,781	78,254	**153,035**
June	48,407	46,631	**95,038**
July	65,529	56,463	**121,992**
August	68,927	55,985	**124,912**
September	97,433	76,823	**174,256**
October	139,438	116,668	**256,106**
November	86,224	85,158	**171,382**
December	33,962	42,844	**76,806**
Total	974,982	867,116	1,842,098

These figures include 118,454 unsold movements

Mart Movements by Breed

LM	CH	FR	AA	HE	SI	BB	SH	Other
409,818	344,623	338,888	307,792	239,542	67,084	47,400	17,731	69,220

For Breed Codes, please see appendix

Age Profile of Mart Movements for Beef Cattle by Month and by Gender

For the purposes of this table, Beef Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a beef breed

Month	0 - 6 wks		6 wks - 6 Mts		6 - 12 Mts		12 - 18 Mts		18 - 24 Mts		24 - 30 Mts		30 + Mts		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
January	890	799	837	641	9,413	6,507	1,794	1,786	8,471	9,785	903	1,231	1,127	8,333	**52,517**
February	7,003	6,068	1,128	832	18,774	13,390	4,833	4,349	11,875	13,335	1,987	2,482	1,437	10,772	**98,265**
March	22,121	18,972	1984	1528	24,565	16,883	16,184	13,742	17,511	14,965	7,589	6,666	1,467	10,983	**175,160**
April	20,168	17,379	4,179	3,883	17,654	12,508	22,515	20,593	11,642	11,071	10,791	10,238	1797	12,844	**177,262**
May	13,507	11,465	6,113	5,675	9,160	6,289	17,113	15,688	5,122	4,941	7,939	8,065	1,531	13,909	**126,517**
June	4,489	3,548	4,099	3,733	4,950	3,342	13,756	12,060	2,598	2,498	7,426	6,865	1,082	8,817	**79,263**
July	1,914	1,538	3,504	2,925	6,053	3,542	23,365	18,524	3,887	3,554	11,075	8,869	1,846	10,567	**101,163**
August	1238	1073	4,149	2,984	8,705	4,526	22,956	18,503	7,079	5,851	9,571	7,349	2,053	9,628	**105,665**
September	911	820	7,025	4,339	18,253	10,092	24,624	19,257	19,153	15,418	8,143	6,662	2,781	12,225	**149,703**
October	1141	986	12,130	7,044	41,289	24,593	20,421	16,646	33,787	28,460	6,762	5,986	4,008	19,531	**222,784**
November	1249	932	6,025	4,002	26,001	17,237	9,443	7,266	23,893	20,325	2,994	3,014	3,133	18,129	**143,643**
December	896	640	1,962	1,381	9,623	6,925	3,039	2,397	9,390	9,409	988	1,186	1,385	10,180	**59,401**
Total	**75,527**	**64,220**	**53,135**	**38,967**	**194,440**	**125,834**	**180,043**	**150,811**	**154,408**	**139,612**	**76,168**	**68,613**	**23,647**	**145,918**	**1,491,343**

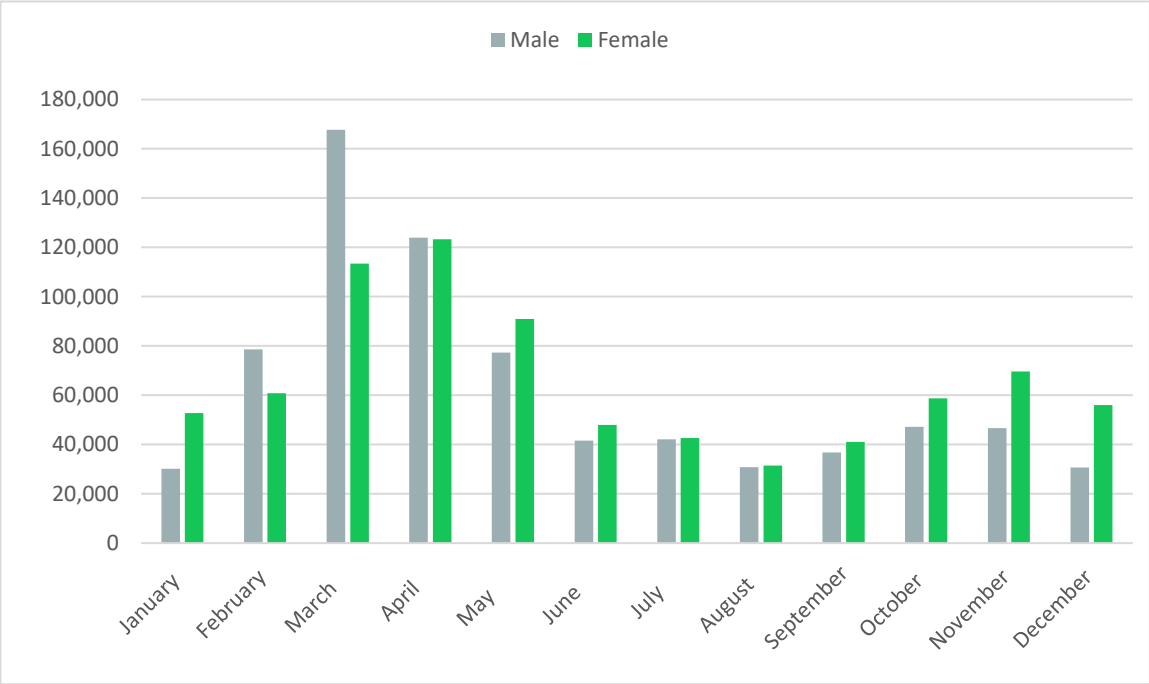
Age Profile of Mart Movements for Dairy Cattle by Month and by Gender

For the purposes of this table, Dairy Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a dairy breed

Month	0 - 6 wks		6 wks - 6 Mts		6 - 12 Mts		12 - 18 Mts		18 - 24 Mts		24 - 30 Mts		30 + Mts		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
January	1,284	30	486	61	1,582	81	361	15	2,322	733	210	226	213	7,955	**15,559**
February	20,939	346	545	25	1,842	191	1,687	105	1,857	1007	972	979	289	10,313	**41,097**
March	34,284	889	2276	203	1157	156	6,669	624	1241	558	4,118	2,332	213	10,360	**65,080**
April	8,209	793	3,981	621	772	160	7,130	1458	663	333	4,092	2633	248	12,538	**43,631**
May	3,094	492	2,897	490	252	89	4,832	700	533	135	2,491	1401	197	8,915	**26,518**
June	799	148	1,399	319	276	77	4,635	243	429	39	2,248	660	221	4,282	**15,775**
July	474	55	1,544	139	600	70	7,167	373	1026	86	2,727	727	347	5,494	**20,829**
August	230	44	832	145	1,360	76	3,978	302	4,672	319	1,278	406	826	4,779	**19,247**
September	346	42	312	35	3,001	200	1,809	162	9,486	1072	545	278	1,044	6,221	**24,553**
October	949	80	259	59	5,148	421	1077	167	11,052	1,996	417	272	998	10,427	**33,322**
November	1363	45	270	42	3,969	311	552	68	6,546	1630	263	177	523	11,980	**27,739**
December	850	27	256	19	2,023	105	230	24	2,911	914	103	156	306	9,481	**17,405**
Total	**72,821**	**2,991**	**15,057**	**2,158**	**21,982**	**1,937**	**40,127**	**4,241**	**42,738**	**8,822**	**19,464**	**10,247**	**5,425**	**102,745**	**350,755**

Section 2

Farm to Farm Movements by Month and by Gender



Month	Male	Female	Total
January	30,108	52,815	**82,923**
February	78,553	60,815	**139,368**
March	167,731	113,455	**281,186**
April	123,914	123,277	**247,191**
May	77,380	90,946	**168,326**
June	41,599	47,994	**89,593**
July	42,071	42,583	**84,654**
August	30,810	31,488	**62,298**
September	36,833	41,112	**77,945**
October	47,161	58,695	**105,856**
November	46,681	69,691	**116,372**
December	30,658	55,992	**86,650**
Total	753,499	788,863	1,542,362

Farm to Farm Movements by Breed

FR	AA	HE	LM	CH	SI	JE	BB	Other
604,280	268,519	184,372	178,878	122,002	43,593	39,445	33,257	68,016

For Breed Codes, please see appendix

Age Profile of Farm to Farm Movements for Beef Cattle by Month and by Gender

For the purposes of this table, Beef Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a beef breed

Month	0 - 6 wks		6 wks - 6 Mts		6 - 12 Mts		12 - 18 Mts		18 - 24 Mts		24 - 30 Mts		30 + Mts		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
January	2,186	1,874	1,564	1,252	9,130	6,959	1,731	1,546	4,115	5,022	309	641	677	5,725	**42,731**
February	12,229	10,782	1,216	1129	10,411	8,107	2,790	2,363	4,074	4,232	486	967	616	4,950	**64,352**
March	38,818	33,268	3,284	3,084	12,539	10,213	9,929	8,874	4,802	4,347	1,938	2,075	885	6,234	**140,290**
April	31,152	27,479	9,997	9,745	10,643	8,399	16,239	15,204	5,054	3,680	3,937	3,470	1,290	6,981	**153,270**
May	15,119	13,556	13,234	13,292	5,396	4,065	12,198	11,285	2,974	2,020	3,506	3,112	1,526	6,753	**108,036**
June	4,235	3,900	9,807	9,589	2,792	2,043	8,577	7,847	1,190	1,028	1,848	2,075	1,290	3,937	**60,158**
July	1,861	1,823	8,711	7,934	3,301	2,399	11,259	9,921	1,280	1,257	2,410	2,535	1,089	3,578	**59,358**
August	1,157	1,163	4,805	4,168	3,403	2,612	7,783	6,371	1,817	1,582	1,373	1,700	961	2,955	**41,850**
September	1,413	1265	3,703	3,346	6,455	4,252	6,916	5,240	4,484	4,080	1,349	1,556	898	3,325	**48,282**
October	2,139	1,916	4,387	3,631	12,095	9,960	5,224	4,157	7,315	6,792	954	1,476	922	5,118	**66,086**
November	2,817	2,534	2,746	2,151	12,314	10,339	3,366	2,698	7,920	6,964	667	1,244	1,102	6,746	**63,608**
December	2,327	1,968	1,547	1,410	8,772	7,462	1,724	1,577	5,358	5,332	390	691	703	5,114	**44,375**
Total	**115,453**	**101,528**	**65,001**	**60,731**	**97,251**	**76,810**	**87,736**	**77,083**	**50,383**	**46,336**	**19,167**	**21,542**	**11,959**	**61,416**	**892,396**

Age Profile of Farm to Farm Movements for Dairy Cattle by Month and by Gender

For the purposes of this table, Dairy Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a dairy breed

Month	0 - 6 wks		6 wks - 6 Mts		6 - 12 Mts		12 - 18 Mts		18 - 24 Mts		24 - 30 Mts		30 + Mts		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
January	3,114	130	1,735	340	2,878	3,802	614	341	1,794	11,270	97	794	164	13,119	**40,192**
February	40,512	4,897	1,013	286	1,759	2,410	1,858	2,161	975	4,828	505	2,899	109	10,804	**75,016**
March	77,918	12,625	7,310	2,858	1,190	1,096	7,047	8,601	516	1,250	1,460	4,853	95	14,077	**140,896**
April	17,415	5,106	14,670	9,250	922	686	9,851	13,756	470	830	2,054	4,122	220	14,569	**93,921**
May	4,681	1,987	10,664	14,335	440	565	5,824	7,273	336	459	1,277	2,536	205	9,708	**60,290**
June	1,536	382	4,836	6,215	477	445	3,746	2,478	349	273	741	1,424	175	6,358	**29,435**
July	523	150	3,788	3,661	760	394	5,604	2,551	494	358	833	1,140	158	4,882	**25,296**
August	427	82	1,718	1,285	2,201	1,132	2,333	1,311	2,219	1,709	300	741	313	4,677	**20,448**
September	1,085	88	564	488	4,412	2,930	923	731	4,110	6,177	130	496	391	7,138	**29,663**
October	3,018	225	424	133	4,776	3,583	504	353	5,068	11,189	98	467	237	9,695	**39,770**
November	4,532	307	684	107	5,576	6,088	571	563	3,997	15,779	131	568	258	13,603	**52,764**
December	2,385	238	772	141	3,434	5,740	421	442	2,593	11,441	90	554	142	13,882	**42,275**
Total	**157,146**	**26,217**	**48,178**	**39,099**	**28,825**	**28,871**	**39,296**	**40,561**	**22,921**	**65,563**	**7,716**	**20,594**	**2,467**	**122,512**	**649,966**

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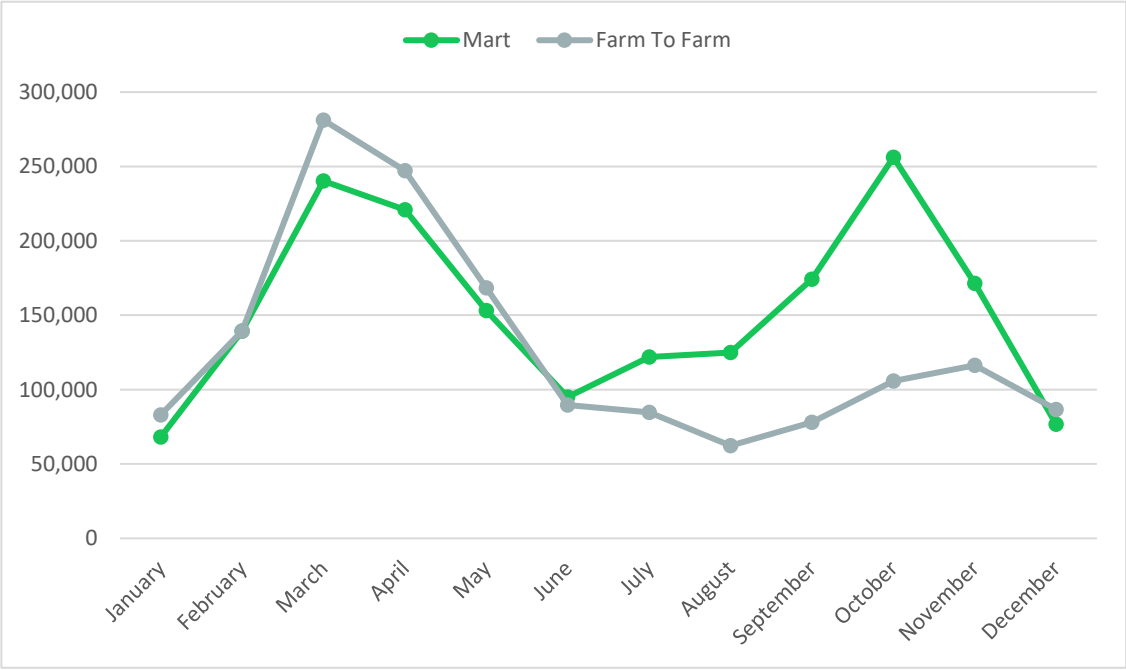
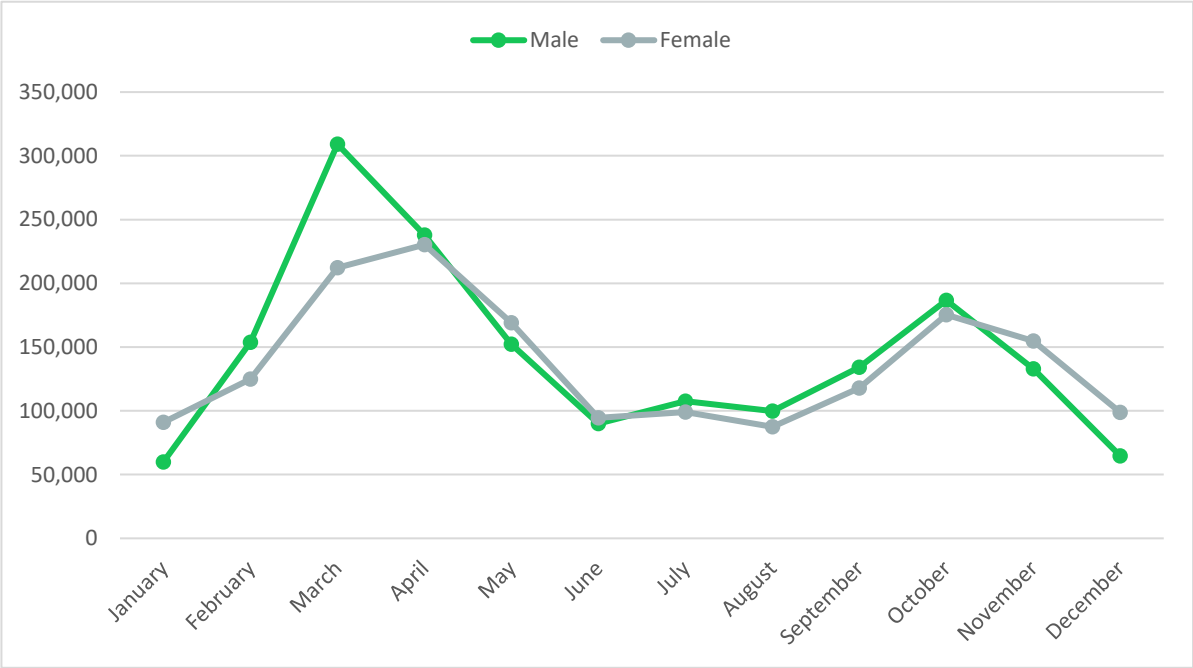
All Cattle Movements by Month and by Type



Month	Mart	Farm To Farm	Total Moves
January	68,076	82,923	**150,999**
February	139,362	139,368	**278,730**
March	240,240	281,186	**521,426**
April	220,893	247,191	**468,084**
May	153,035	168,326	**321,361**
June	95,038	89,593	**184,631**
July	121,992	84,654	**206,646**
August	124,912	62,298	**187,210**
September	174,256	77,945	**252,201**
October	256,106	105,856	**361,962**
November	171,382	116,372	**287,754**
December	76,806	86,650	**163,456**
Total	1,842,098	1,542,362	3,384,460

All Cattle Movements by Month and by Gender



Month	Male	Female	Total
January	60,001	90,998	**150,999**
February	153,721	125,009	**278,730**
March	309,110	212,316	**521,426**
April	237,755	230,329	**468,084**
May	152,161	169,200	**321,361**
June	90,006	94,625	**184,631**
July	107,600	99,046	**206,646**
August	99,737	87,473	**187,210**
September	134,266	117,935	**252,201**
October	186,599	175,363	**361,962**
November	132,905	154,849	**287,754**
December	64,620	98,836	**163,456**
Total	1,728,481	1,655,979	3,384,460

Section 4

Cattle Imports by Country of Origin and Gender

	Male	Female	Total
Northern Ireland	633	3,335	**3,968**
Great Britain	28	320	**348**
Austria	72	1,466	**1,538**
Germany	5	953	**958**
Netherlands	2	487	**489**
France	33	243	**276**
Denmark	5	144	**149**
Slovakia	0	86	**86**
Italy	0	26	**26**
Belgium	8	9	**17**
Switzerland	0	1	**1**
Total	**786**	**7,070**	**7,856**

* Of the cattle imported from NI 2,610 went for immediate slaughter

Age Profile of Cattle Imports from NI which went for Immediate Slaughter

0 - 6 wks	6 wks - 6 Mts	6 - 12 Mts	12 - 18 Mts	18 - 24 Mts	24 - 30 Mts	30 + Mts
0	0	45	10	54	137	2,364

Cattle Imports for further breeding and production by Country of Origin and Age **

	0 - 6 wks	6 wks - 6 Mts	6 - 12 Mts	12 - 18 Mts	18 - 24 Mts	24 - 30 Mts	30 + Mts	Total
Northern Ireland	5	102	202	211	144	195	499	**1,358**
Great Britain	2	18	51	48	72	39	118	**348**
Denmark	0	2	50	1	68	25	3	**149**
Austria	1	126	206	546	307	284	68	**1,538**
Germany	0	262	149	298	104	135	10	**958**
France	0	3	31	29	84	106	23	**276**
Belgium	0	2	4	8	2	0	1	**17**
Slovakia	0	86	0	0	0	0	0	**86**
Switzerland	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	**1**
Netherlands	0	337	75	34	22	16	5	**489**
Italy	0	0	0	0	0	15	11	**26**
Total	**8**	**938**	**769**	**1175**	**803**	**815**	**738**	**5,246**

** Figures exclude cattle imported from the NI which went for immediate slaughter

Cattle Imports from NI which went for Immediate Slaughter by Breed

FR	CH	LM	SI	SH	MO	JE	AA	Other
2,050	121	116	57	33	33	30	28	142

For Breed Codes, please see Appendix.

Cattle Imports for further breeding and production by Country and Breed *

Country	SI	FR	LM	CH	JE	HI	BB	BS	Other	Total
Northern Ireland	65	304	313	225	3	23	76	3	346	**1,358**
Great Britain	8	71	12	1	45	93	8	1	109	**348**
Austria	1481	7	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	**1,538**
Germany	259	647	0	0	0	0	0	35	17	**958**
Netherlands	88	329	0	0	70	0	1	0	1	**489**
France	0	108	0	46	0	0	0	0	122	**276**
Denmark	8	111	0	0	0	0	0	5	25	**149**
Slovakia	0	86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**86**
Italy	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**26**
Belgium	0	5	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	**17**
Switzerland	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**1**
Total	**1,935**	**1,669**	**325**	**272**	**118**	**116**	**97**	**94**	**620**	**5,246**

* Figure excludes cattle imported from the NI which went for immediate slaughter

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Chapter 3

Disposal of Cattle

Section 1

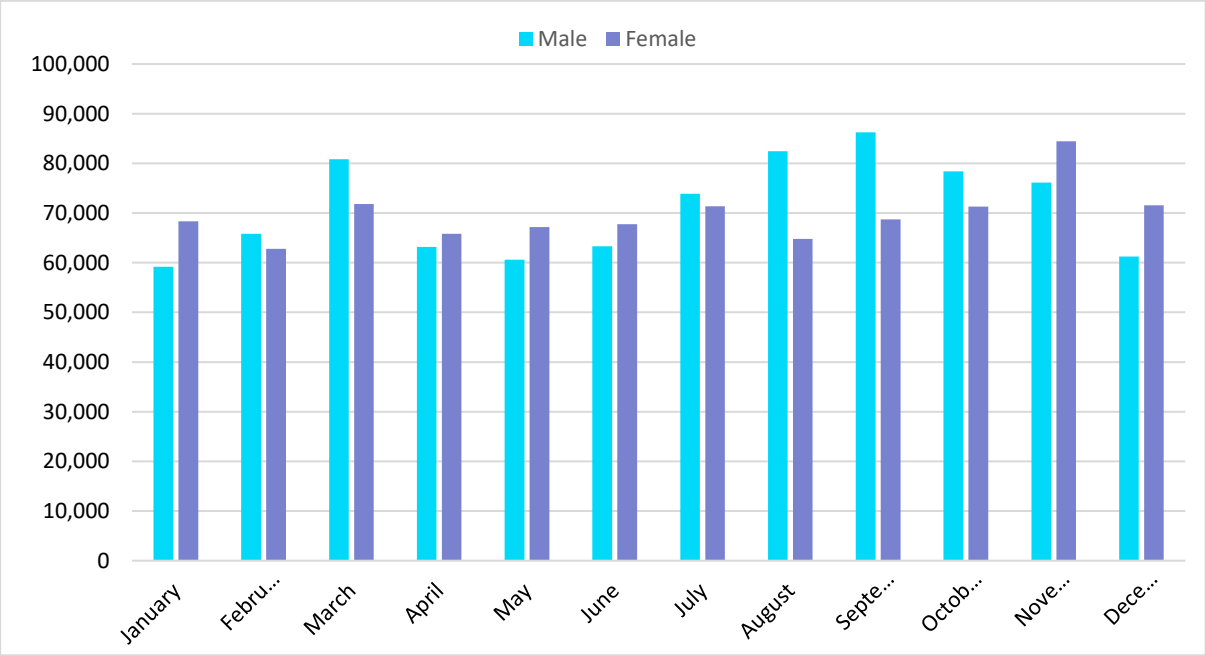
Overall Summary of Slaughtering, Exports and On Farm Deaths

Month	Department Approved Slaughter Plants	Live Exports	Local Authority Approved Slaughter Plants (Abattoir)	On Farm Deaths*	Stillborn	Total
January	127,560	5,928	7,024	14,003	5,272	**159,787**
February	128,610	19,585	8,041	23,262	12,852	**192,350**
March	152,616	65,787	11,476	34,400	8,919	**273,198**
April	129,000	45,704	8,225	31,617	4,543	**219,089**
May	127,755	30,924	8,493	24,170	1,831	**193,173**
June	131,079	18,657	8,169	16,611	739	**175,255**
July	145,246	11,498	8,411	13,507	452	**179,114**
August	147,285	9,892	8,658	12,509	498	**178,842**
September	155,000	9,972	8,288	12,819	691	**186,770**
October	149,708	11,495	9,073	14,143	922	**185,341**
November	160,590	11,567	10,906	15,812	928	**199,803**
December	132,786	6,603	8,310	15,473	1,084	**164,256**
Total	**1,687,235**	**247,612**	**105,074**	**228,326**	**38,731**	**2,306,978**

* Excluding stillborn animals

Section 2

Cattle Disposals in Department Approved Slaughter Plants by Month and by Gender



Month	Male	Female	Total
January	59,208	68,352	127,560
February	65,849	62,761	128,610
March	80,819	71,797	152,616
April	63,169	65,831	129,000
May	60,575	67,180	127,755
June	63,298	67,781	131,079
July	73,880	71,366	145,246
August	82,468	64,817	147,285
September	86,251	68,749	155,000
October	78,396	71,312	149,708
November	76,154	84,436	160,590
December	61,234	71,552	132,786
Total	851,301	835,934	1,687,235

Cattle Disposals in Department Approved Slaughter Plants by Breed

FR	LM	AA	CH	HE	SI	BB	JE	Other
450,344	315,788	289,201	250,644	208,141	56,034	29,867	18,474	68,742

For Breed Codes, please see Appendix

Age Profile of Slaughterings in Department Approved Slaughter Plants for Beef Cattle by Month and by Gender

For the purposes of this table Beef Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a beef breed

Month	0 - 6 wks		6 wks - 6 Mts		6 - 12 Mts		12 - 18 Mts		18 - 24 Mts		24 - 30 Mts		30 + Mts		Total		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
January	0	0	3	1	115	74	2,581	783	25,178	28,500	6,167	6,124	7,885	15,439	41,929	50,921	**92,850**
February	68	10	7	0	156	90	2,884	726	24,251	23,085	8,175	7,458	6,254	12,012	41,795	43,381	**85,176**
March	198	64	2	1	130	85	3,928	756	22,506	19,845	18,760	16,518	6,341	11,714	51,865	48,983	**100,848**
April	130	63	3	2	157	73	4,786	833	12,846	10,563	23,462	21,086	4,548	10,797	45,932	43,417	**89,349**
May	0	0	5	9	94	46	8,150	1,009	8,421	6,176	26,000	22,892	4,465	12,228	47,135	42,360	**89,495**
June	0	0	6	2	146	64	9,793	1,582	5,570	4,537	29,689	25,938	3,978	12,606	49,182	44,729	**93,911**
July	0	0	5	5	116	49	7,294	1,987	4,399	4,298	39,440	27,598	5,201	14,386	56,455	48,323	**104,778**
August	0	0	19	7	67	42	4,715	2,431	4,837	4,961	47,385	25,868	7,841	13,607	64,864	46,916	**111,780**
September	0	0	18	20	89	76	4,206	2,906	7,646	9,763	44,695	22,998	12,078	15,856	68,732	51,619	**120,351**
October	0	0	7	5	116	101	2,954	1,906	12,271	15,423	29,989	15,708	15,558	20,133	60,895	53,276	**114,171**
November	0	0	14	7	128	114	2,822	1,500	19,874	24,576	17,635	10,358	16,425	24,245	56,898	60,800	**117,698**
December	0	0	2	1	110	59	2,490	806	22,943	24,608	7,756	6,084	9,980	17,337	43,281	48,895	**92,176**
Total	**396**	**137**	**91**	**60**	**1,424**	**873**	**56,603**	**17,225**	**170,742**	**176,335**	**299,153**	**208,630**	**100,554**	**180,360**	**628,963**	**583,620**	**1,212,583**

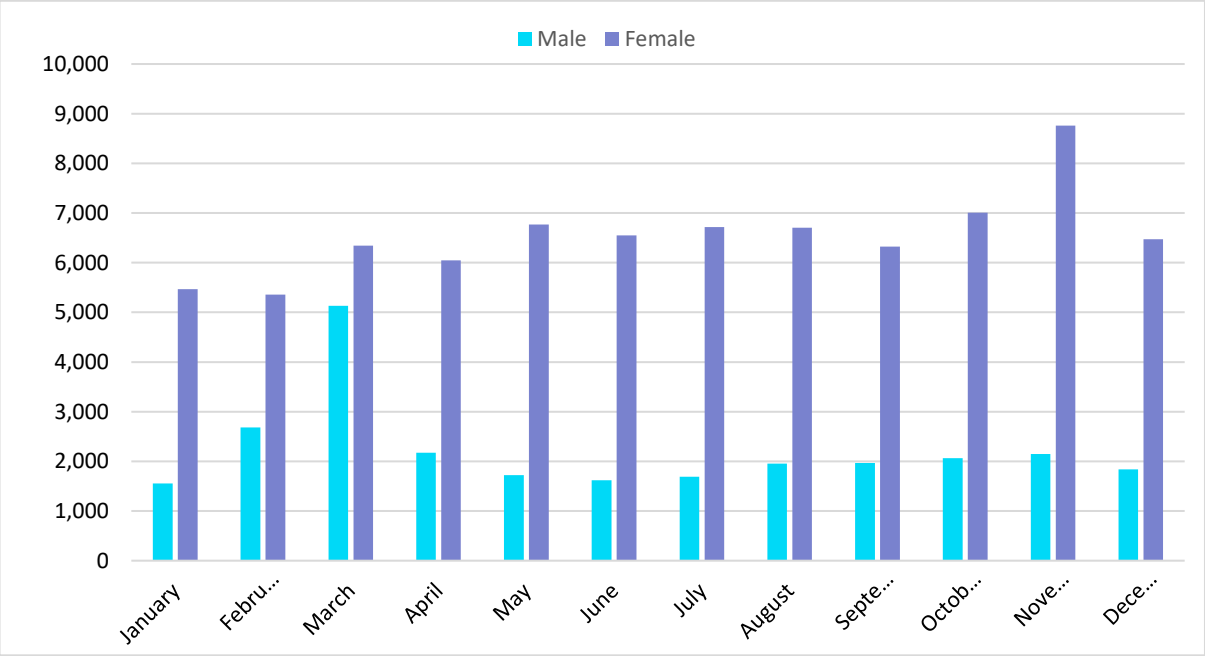
Age Profile of Slaughterings in Department Approved Slaughter Plants for Dairy Cattle by Month and by Gender

For the purposes of this table Dairy Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a dairy breed

Month	0 - 6 wks		6 wks - 6 Mts		6 - 12 Mts		12 - 18 Mts		18 - 24 Mts		24 - 30 Mts		30 + Mts		Total		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
January	0	0	0	0	34	18	111	16	13,274	1,293	1,603	292	2,257	15,812	17,279	17,431	**34,710**
February	7,253	161	17	0	25	11	112	24	8,946	719	6,158	846	1,543	17,619	24,054	19,380	**43,434**
March	9,802	251	32	13	11	10	409	42	3,151	326	14,232	1,780	1,317	20,392	28,954	22,814	**51,768**
April	1,862	134	106	12	33	16	622	95	1,271	135	12,360	1,946	983	20,076	17,237	22,414	**39,651**
May	0	0	0	0	8	1	1,290	106	1,065	82	10,230	1,990	847	22,641	13,440	24,820	**38,260**
June	0	0	0	0	5	13	1,832	103	1,125	57	10,005	1,700	1,149	21,179	14,116	23,052	**37,168**
July	0	0	0	1	4	3	1,842	155	1,064	72	12,973	1,921	1,542	20,891	17,425	23,043	**40,468**
August	0	0	0	0	4	1	855	70	2,599	165	8,994	1,065	5,152	16,600	17,604	17,901	**35,505**
September	0	0	0	0	4	17	444	55	5,149	463	3,439	487	8,483	16,108	17,519	17,130	**34,649**
October	0	0	0	1	30	37	194	36	6,930	672	1,834	294	8,513	16,996	17,501	18,036	**35,537**
November	0	0	0	0	14	11	160	19	11,821	1,151	1,444	240	5,817	22,215	19,256	23,636	**42,892**
December	0	0	0	0	25	33	132	17	13,691	1,293	1,224	186	2,881	21,128	17,953	22,657	**40,610**
Total	**18,917**	**546**	**155**	**27**	**197**	**171**	**8,003**	**738**	**70,086**	**6,428**	**84,496**	**12,747**	**40,484**	**231,657**	**222,338**	**252,314**	**474,652**

Section 3

Cattle Disposals in Local Authority Approved Slaughter Plants by Month and by Gender



Month	Male	Female	Total
January	1,557	5,467	7,024
February	2,682	5,359	8,041
March	5,133	6,343	11,476
April	2,176	6,049	8,225
May	1,725	6,768	8,493
June	1,617	6,552	8,169
July	1,693	6,718	8,411
August	1,956	6,702	8,658
September	1,964	6,324	8,288
October	2,064	7,009	9,073
November	2,148	8,758	10,906
December	1,835	6,475	8,310
Total	26,550	78,524	105,074

Cattle Disposals in Local Authority Approved Slaughter Plants by Breed

LM	HE	CH	AA	FR	SI	BB	SH	Other
25,280	18,135	16,269	16,224	14,724	4,871	2,290	1,315	5,966

For Breed Codes, please see Appendix

Age Profile of Slaughterings in Local Authority Approved Slaughter Plants for Beef Cattle by Month and by Gender

For the purposes of this table Beef Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a beef breed

Month	0 - 6 wks		6 wks - 6 Mts		6 - 12 Mts		12 - 18 Mts		18 - 24 Mts		24 - 30 Mts		30 + Mts		Total		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
January	0	1	1	0	42	29	88	152	534	2,573	110	335	392	2,073	1,167	5,163	**6,330**
February	6	0	0	0	22	35	110	146	597	2,289	161	529	379	1,920	1,275	4,919	**6,194**
March	30	2	0	3	24	39	118	235	467	1,974	293	1,289	452	2,186	1,384	5,728	**7,112**
April	12	3	7	2	18	39	117	282	482	1,044	427	1,603	336	2,293	1,399	5,266	**6,665**
May	13	7	4	2	26	39	128	377	351	758	443	2,046	305	2,745	1,270	5,974	**7,244**
June	0	0	8	3	17	30	163	525	279	501	558	2,090	329	2,622	1,354	5,771	**7,125**
July	0	0	4	1	12	22	200	582	198	402	581	1,925	380	3,016	1,375	5,948	**7,323**
August	0	0	6	4	12	37	171	721	250	647	704	1,910	564	2,937	1,707	6,256	**7,963**
September	0	0	1	4	18	35	105	586	170	1,169	673	1,404	685	2,730	1,652	5,928	**7,580**
October	0	0	4	4	23	58	108	417	242	1,795	510	1,080	805	3,395	1,692	6,749	**8,441**
November	0	0	1	3	26	58	83	277	436	2,489	333	746	871	4,328	1,750	7,901	**9,651**
December	0	0	0	3	17	34	64	171	575	2,156	212	365	584	3,283	1,452	6,012	**7,464**
Total	**61**	**13**	**36**	**29**	**257**	**455**	**1,455**	**4,471**	**4,581**	**17,797**	**5,005**	**15,322**	**6,082**	**33,528**	**17,477**	**71,615**	**89,092**

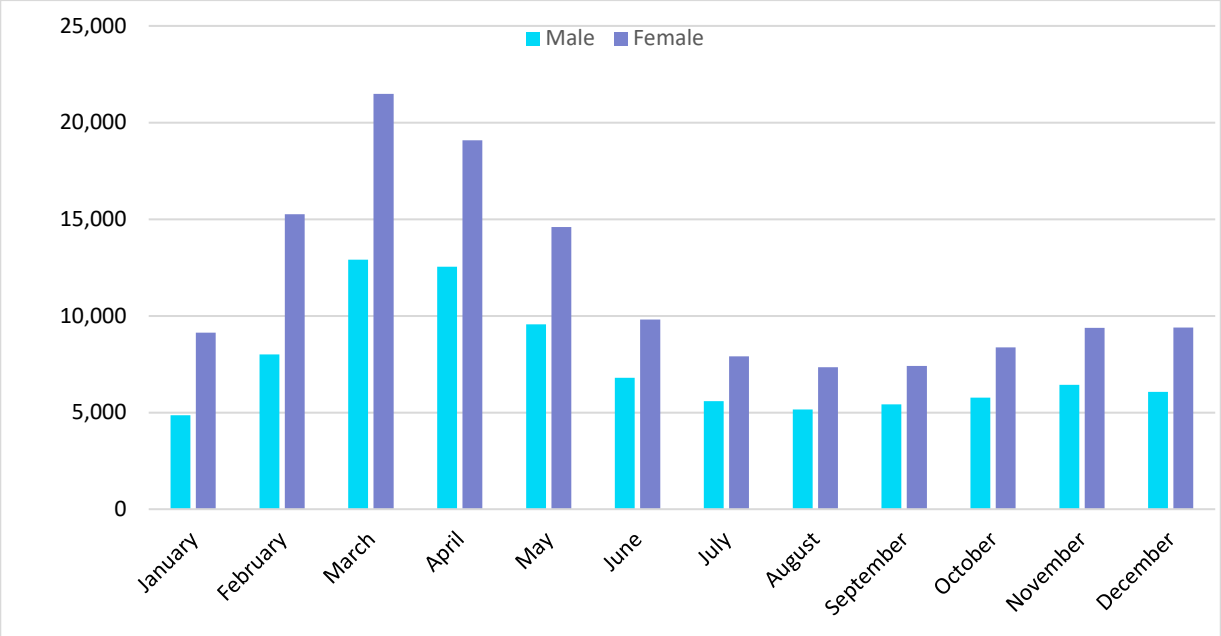
Age Profile of Slaughterings in Local Authority Approved Slaughter Plants for Dairy Cattle by Month and by Gender

For the purposes of this table Dairy Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a dairy breed

Month	0 - 6 wks		6 wks - 6 Mts		6 - 12 Mts		12 - 18 Mts		18 - 24 Mts		24 - 30 Mts		30 + Mts		Total		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
January	52	1	0	0	9	0	8	3	252	72	30	16	39	212	390	304	**694**
February	1,031	13	4	0	14	1	8	4	160	40	145	39	45	343	1,407	440	**1,847**
March	3,012	46	396	12	6	2	16	3	54	23	212	88	53	441	3,749	615	**4,364**
April	334	11	175	14	9	2	29	11	24	21	175	129	31	595	777	783	**1,560**
May	175	26	48	21	5	1	40	13	61	8	109	117	17	608	455	794	**1,249**
June	3	0	2	0	7	1	71	12	43	9	104	114	33	645	263	781	**1,044**
July	0	0	2	0	4	0	96	18	35	4	138	111	43	637	318	770	**1,088**
August	0	0	1	0	7	1	20	4	62	17	59	58	100	366	249	446	**695**
September	0	0	1	0	10	0	4	7	75	36	26	25	196	328	312	396	**708**
October	0	0	3	0	7	1	2	1	140	45	33	11	187	202	372	260	**632**
November	0	0	0	1	10	0	2	0	258	94	10	9	118	753	398	857	**1,255**
December	0	0	0	0	5	1	5	1	286	55	20	8	67	398	383	463	**846**
Total	**4,607**	**97**	**632**	**48**	**93**	**10**	**301**	**77**	**1,450**	**424**	**1,061**	**725**	**929**	**5,528**	**9,073**	**6,909**	**15,982**

Section 4

On Farm Deaths by Month and by Gender*



* Excludes stillborn animals

Month	Male	Female	Total
January	4,866	9,137	**14,003**
February	8,006	15,256	**23,262**
March	12,913	21,487	**34,400**
April	12,537	19,080	**31,617**
May	9,570	14,600	**24,170**
June	6,795	9,816	**16,611**
July	5,595	7,912	**13,507**
August	5,164	7,345	**12,509**
September	5,415	7,404	**12,819**
October	5,769	8,374	**14,143**
November	6,435	9,377	**15,812**
December	6,069	9,404	**15,473**
Total	89,134	139,192	228,326

Age Profile of On Farm Deaths for Male Beef Cattle by Month

For the purposes of this table Beef Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a beef breed

Month	0 - 6 wks	6 wks - 6 Mts	6 - 12 Mts	12 - 18 Mts	18 - 24 Mts	24 - 30 Mts	30 - 48 Mts	48 + Mts	Total
January	590	424	1,160	158	304	59	134	58	**2,887**
February	1,781	345	857	175	271	82	116	88	**3,715**
March	4,373	659	767	340	264	121	133	90	**6,747**
April	4,495	1,461	522	518	194	137	139	85	**7,551**
May	2,580	2,165	323	597	117	182	102	101	**6,167**
June	988	2,239	268	490	67	146	84	87	**4,369**
July	463	2,078	205	475	75	168	69	96	**3,629**
August	312	1,677	416	457	102	125	59	76	**3,224**
September	275	1,357	844	399	190	108	92	66	**3,331**
October	287	937	1,410	308	286	96	84	66	**3,474**
November	333	773	1,922	275	369	84	128	88	**3,972**
December	369	687	1,894	221	453	63	133	77	**3,897**
Total	**16,846**	**14,802**	**10,588**	**4,413**	**2,692**	**1,371**	**1,273**	**978**	**52,963**

Age Profile of On Farm Deaths for Female Beef Cattle by Month

For the purposes of this table Beef Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a beef breed

Month	0 - 6 wks	6 wks - 6 Mts	6 - 12 Mts	12 - 18 Mts	18 - 24 Mts	24 - 30 Mts	30 - 48 Mts	48 + Mts	Total
January	409	325	750	80	229	61	367	1,250	**3,471**
February	1,398	263	586	127	219	96	355	1,700	**4,744**
March	3,285	502	476	232	226	196	556	2,642	**8,115**
April	3,455	1,174	332	330	184	253	506	2,587	**8,821**
May	2,055	1,799	225	441	151	246	416	2,022	**7,355**
June	755	1,847	161	379	98	265	283	1,332	**5,120**
July	343	1,771	141	324	87	181	197	1,013	**4,057**
August	204	1,462	331	309	89	154	195	995	**3,739**
September	208	1,029	657	262	155	157	249	1,091	**3,808**
October	230	679	1,108	204	255	115	323	1,383	**4,297**
November	289	589	1,467	164	297	85	363	1,402	**4,656**
December	320	504	1,258	127	309	71	307	1,156	**4,052**
Total	**12,951**	**11,944**	**7,492**	**2,979**	**2,299**	**1,880**	**4,117**	**18,573**	**62,235**

Age Profile of On Farm Deaths for Male Beef Dairy by Month

For the purposes of this table Dairy Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a dairy breed

Month	0 - 6 wks	6 wks - 6 Mts	6 - 12 Mts	12 - 18 Mts	18 - 24 Mts	24 - 30 Mts	30 - 48 Mts	48 + Mts	Total
January	680	292	692	51	189	20	44	11	**1,979**
February	3,143	271	385	239	101	83	56	13	**4,291**
March	4,032	1,206	238	442	46	133	59	10	**6,166**
April	1,780	2,528	116	370	28	106	44	14	**4,986**
May	683	2,107	101	347	28	88	35	14	**3,403**
June	229	1,731	113	218	20	76	28	11	**2,426**
July	66	1,441	171	168	31	52	23	14	**1,966**
August	72	871	687	111	119	36	35	9	**1,940**
September	112	359	1312	63	163	17	52	6	**2,084**
October	229	268	1,481	55	189	13	55	5	**2,295**
November	290	287	1,486	69	268	9	49	5	**2,463**
December	275	319	1,226	60	221	12	49	10	**2,172**
Total	**11,591**	**11,680**	**8,008**	**2,193**	**1,403**	**645**	**529**	**122**	**36,171**

Age Profile of On Farm Deaths for Female Cattle by Month

For the purposes of this table Dairy Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a dairy breed

Month	0 - 6 wks	6 wks - 6 Mts	6 - 12 Mts	12 - 18 Mts	18 - 24 Mts	24 - 30 Mts	30 - 48 Mts	48 + Mts	Total
January	583	151	438	42	301	96	940	3,115	**5,666**
February	2,565	167	243	150	363	408	1,064	5,552	**10,512**
March	3,147	738	134	263	187	856	1,128	6,919	**13,372**
April	1,337	1,362	84	237	75	682	842	5,640	**10,259**
May	492	1,316	78	233	38	476	646	3,966	**7,245**
June	146	1,203	55	194	26	340	386	2,346	**4,696**
July	72	1,169	104	141	26	246	338	1,759	**3,855**
August	46	723	438	66	80	120	434	1,699	**3,606**
September	91	340	771	44	130	42	516	1,662	**3,596**
October	163	213	945	44	178	66	578	1,890	**4,077**
November	218	178	1,077	45	213	66	641	2,283	**4,721**
December	244	213	903	45	321	90	851	2,685	**5,352**
Total	**9,104**	**7,773**	**5,270**	**1,504**	**1,938**	**3,488**	**8,364**	**39,516**	**76,957**

Section 5

Stillborn Calves by Month and by Gender

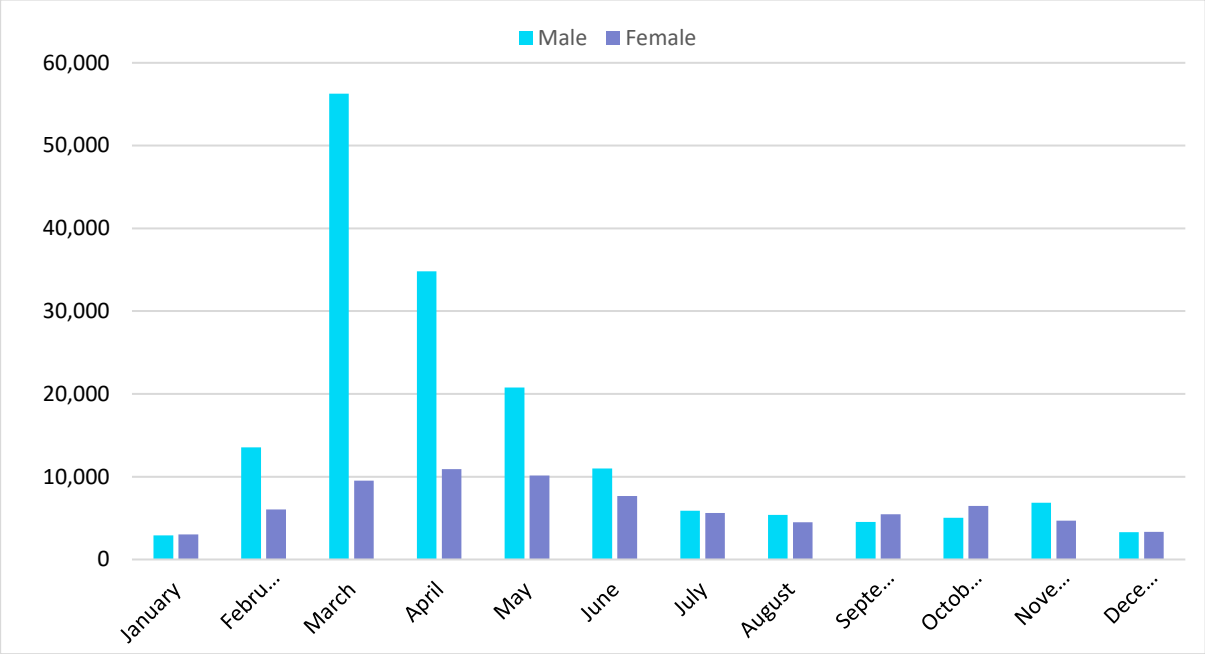
Month	Male	Female	Total
January	2,757	2,515	5,272
February	7,033	5,819	12,852
March	5,206	3,713	8,919
April	2,658	1,885	4,543
May	1,098	733	1,831
June	437	302	739
July	282	170	452
August	296	202	498
September	406	285	691
October	530	392	922
November	549	379	928
December	600	484	1,084
Total	21,852	16,879	38,731

Stillborn Calves by Month, Gender and Sire Type

Month	Calves born to a Beef Bull			Calves born to a Dairy Bull			Overall Total
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
January	1,044	755	1,799	1,713	1,760	3,473	**5,272**
February	3,026	2,103	5,129	4,007	3,716	7,723	**12,852**
March	3,669	2,548	6,217	1,537	1,165	2,702	**8,919**
April	2,225	1,555	3,780	433	330	763	**4,543**
May	972	623	1,595	126	110	236	**1,831**
June	395	253	648	42	49	91	**739**
July	249	144	393	33	26	59	**452**
August	252	157	409	44	45	89	**498**
September	266	154	420	140	131	271	**691**
October	319	185	504	211	207	418	**922**
November	340	187	527	209	192	401	**928**
December	337	228	565	263	256	519	**1,084**
Total	**13,094**	**8,892**	**21,986**	**8,758**	**7,987**	**16,745**	**38,731**

Section 6

Live Exports by Month and by Gender



Month	Male	Female	Total
January	2,915	3,013	**5,928**
February	13,526	6,059	**19,585**
March	56,279	9,508	**65,787**
April	34,810	10,894	**45,704**
May	20,782	10,142	**30,924**
June	10,976	7,681	**18,657**
July	5,889	5,609	**11,498**
August	5,390	4,502	**9,892**
September	4,521	5,451	**9,972**
October	5,032	6,463	**11,495**
November	6,863	4,704	**11,567**
December	3,279	3,324	**6,603**
Total	170,262	77,350	247,612

Age Profile of Live Exports for Beef Cattle by Month and by Gender

For the purposes of this table, Beef Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a beef breed

Month	0 - 6 wks		6 wks - 6 Mts		6 - 12 Mts		12 - 18 Mts		18 - 24 Mts		24 - 30 Mts		30 + Mts		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
January	81	70	32	28	1,029	474	249	179	416	660	124	144	246	694	**4,426**
February	963	930	87	55	1,488	708	435	407	765	1,489	212	346	270	1,116	**9,271**
March	5,460	3,256	216	123	1,417	569	1,271	886	1,091	1,390	563	651	368	974	**18,235**
April	9,793	4,393	936	572	939	355	1,131	1,308	680	863	748	895	335	918	**23,866**
May	8,263	4,667	1,944	1,068	546	199	1,089	1,107	306	380	514	711	191	695	**21,680**
June	3,321	2,055	1,805	1,056	606	130	966	1,177	211	325	825	1,011	291	854	**14,633**
July	939	534	730	419	417	149	952	1,633	276	415	1,213	914	253	776	**9,620**
August	339	184	289	131	408	82	1,114	1,021	480	426	1,438	881	350	727	**7,870**
September	124	86	104	87	931	210	827	1,122	616	990	849	787	347	1,009	**8,089**
October	33	92	137	79	1,149	570	624	946	941	1,946	630	650	494	1,060	**9,351**
November	34	10	66	33	1,392	311	358	410	689	1,524	393	397	685	1,143	**7,445**
December	16	52	32	32	781	184	220	280	363	857	159	168	313	798	**4,255**
Total	**29,366**	**16,329**	**6,378**	**3,683**	**11,103**	**3,941**	**9,236**	**10,476**	**6,834**	**11,265**	**7,668**	**7,555**	**4,143**	**10,764**	**138,741**

Age Profile of Live Exports for Dairy Cattle by Month and by Gender

For the purposes of this table, Dairy Cattle are defined as the progeny of bulls of a dairy breed

Month	0 - 6 wks		6 wks - 6 Mts		6 - 12 Mts		12 - 18 Mts		18 - 24 Mts		24 - 30 Mts		30 + Mts		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
January	391	10	164	97	56	70	6	27	65	87	19	92	37	381	**1,502**
February	8,944	95	104	26	122	144	60	6	27	148	31	175	18	414	**10,314**
March	41,333	477	1,855	67	254	25	2,205	167	90	121	151	334	5	468	**47,552**
April	14,127	342	4,120	146	89	29	1,705	282	66	59	138	278	3	454	**21,838**
May	5,418	179	2,318	191	20	106	82	162	4	18	84	208	3	451	**9,244**
June	1,782	65	922	199	4	12	50	155	8	9	165	236	20	397	**4,024**
July	543	11	308	69	9	37	60	25	23	30	148	246	18	351	**1,878**
August	280	9	223	17	36	22	116	107	135	97	125	140	57	658	**2,022**
September	249	3	107	15	149	43	13	34	79	156	50	97	76	812	**1,883**
October	298	4	82	8	541	74	9	74	49	225	14	93	31	642	**2,144**
November	932	16	163	15	715	99	260	9	1,114	107	20	33	42	597	**4,122**
December	766	11	343	23	242	35	6	6	18	296	1	73	19	509	**2,348**
Total	**75,063**	**1,222**	**10,709**	**873**	**2,237**	**696**	**4,572**	**1,054**	**1,678**	**1,353**	**946**	**2,005**	**329**	**6,134**	**108,871**

Destination of Live Exports

EU			
Country	Male	Female	Total
Spain	56,254	17,284	**73,538**
Netherlands	44,515	4,664	**49,179**
Italy	23,794	6,017	**29,811**
France	2,528	100	**2,628**
Greece	2,041	204	**2,245**
Belgium	1,945	99	**2,044**
Hungary	1,305	558	**1,863**
Poland	1,532	12	**1,544**
Portugal	161	29	**190**
Slovakia	0	121	**121**
Lithuania	120	0	**120**
Bulgaria	5	114	**119**
Romania	0	100	**100**
Luxembourg	22	27	**49**
Germany	3	0	**3**
Total EU	134,225	29,329	163,554

Non - EU			
Country	Male	Female	Total
Northern Ireland	29,191	43,591	**72,782**
Great Britain	365	3,656	**4,021**
Russia	14	230	**244**
Kosovo	0	44	**44**
Libya	6,467	0	**6,467**
Kazakhstan	0	500	**500**
Total Non - EU	36,037	48,021	84,058

	Male	Female	Total
Total	**170,262**	**77,350**	247,612

Age Profile of Live Exports by Breed

Breed	0 - 6 wks	6 wks - 6 Mts	6 - 12 Mts	12 - 18 Mts	18 - 24 Mts	24 - 30 Mts	30 + Mts	Total
AA	33,190	6,868	3,264	9,837	5,085	1,224	938	**60,406**
SI	553	203	369	555	660	779	1,071	**4,190**
CH	99	199	2,314	2,796	5,113	5,037	3,878	**19,436**
FR	75,048	11,223	2,805	5,459	2,824	2,828	5,963	**106,150**
LM	1,502	601	5569	3684	4858	5,626	6,408	**28,248**
BB	1071	446	2,351	1,185	706	617	789	**7,165**
HE	7728	1,282	361	834	970	1218	750	**13,143**
JE	854	286	120	137	159	99	413	**2,068**
Other	1,935	535	824	851	755	746	1,160	**6,806**
Total	**121,980**	**21,643**	**17,977**	**25,338**	**21,130**	**18,174**	**21,370**	**247,612**

FR: Friesian **HE:** Hereford **LM:** Limousin **AA:** Aberdeen Angus
CH: Charolais **BB:** Belgian Blue **SI:** Simmental **JE:** Jersey

For full list of breed codes please see Appendix.

Destination of Live Exports by Age

EU								
Country	0 - 6 wks	6 wks - 6 Mts	6 - 12 Mts	12 - 18 Mts	18 - 24 Mts	24 - 30 Mts	30 + Mts	Total
Belgium	1,804	144	2	10	3	5	76	**2,044**
Bulgaria	0	0	62	34	19	4	0	**119**
France	2,340	48	25	43	80	63	29	**2,628**
Germany	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	**3**
Greece	0	63	1709	432	38	1	2	**2,245**
Hungary	737	619	54	252	182	18	1	**1,863**
Italy	13759	3,408	6,032	4,978	1448	125	61	**29,811**
Lithuania	0	1	60	59	0	0	0	**120**
Luxembourg	0	0	2	7	31	7	2	**49**
Netherlands	46026	2,484	456	77	47	36	53	**49,179**
Poland	1125	286	127	6	0	0	0	**1,544**
Portugal	0	5	107	52	21	1	4	**190**
Romania	0	0	0	75	25	0	0	**100**
Slovakia	0	0	31	83	7	0	0	**121**
Spain	48,135	12,185	3,323	6,252	3,096	453	94	**73,538**
Total EU	**113,926**	**19,243**	**11,990**	**12,360**	**4,999**	**713**	**323**	**163,554**

NON-EU								
Country	0 - 6 wks	6 wks - 6 Mts	6 - 12 Mts	12 - 18 Mts	18 - 24 Mts	24 - 30 Mts	30 + Mts	Total
Northern Ireland	8,053	2,371	5,298	7,525	13,861	16,510	19,164	**72,782**
Great Britain	1	21	108	558	646	813	1,874	**4,021**
Kazakhstan	0	2	45	427	15	11	0	**500**
Kosovo	0	0	0	0	37	0	7	**44**
Libya	0	6	536	4,410	1421	94	0	**6,467**
Russia	0	0	0	58	151	33	2	**244**
Total Non - EU	**8,054**	**2,400**	**5,987**	**12,978**	**16,131**	**17,461**	**21,047**	**84,058**

	0 - 6 wks	6 wks - 6 Mts	6 - 12 Mts	12 - 18 Mts	18 - 24 Mts	24 - 30 Mts	30 + Mts	Total
Total	121,980	21,643	17,977	25,338	21,130	18,174	21,370	**247,612**

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Chapter 4

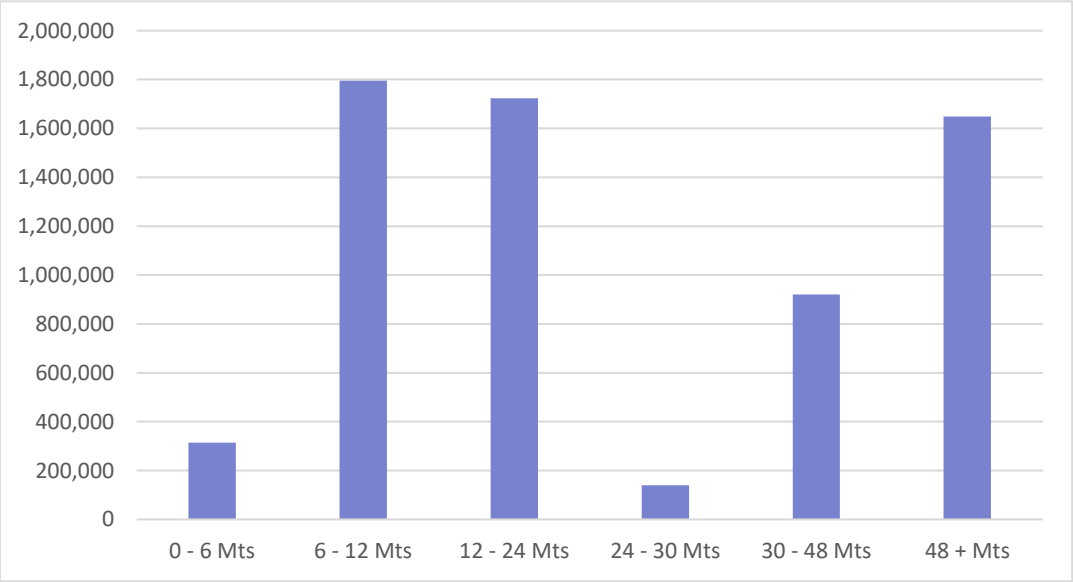
National Herd Data

Section 1

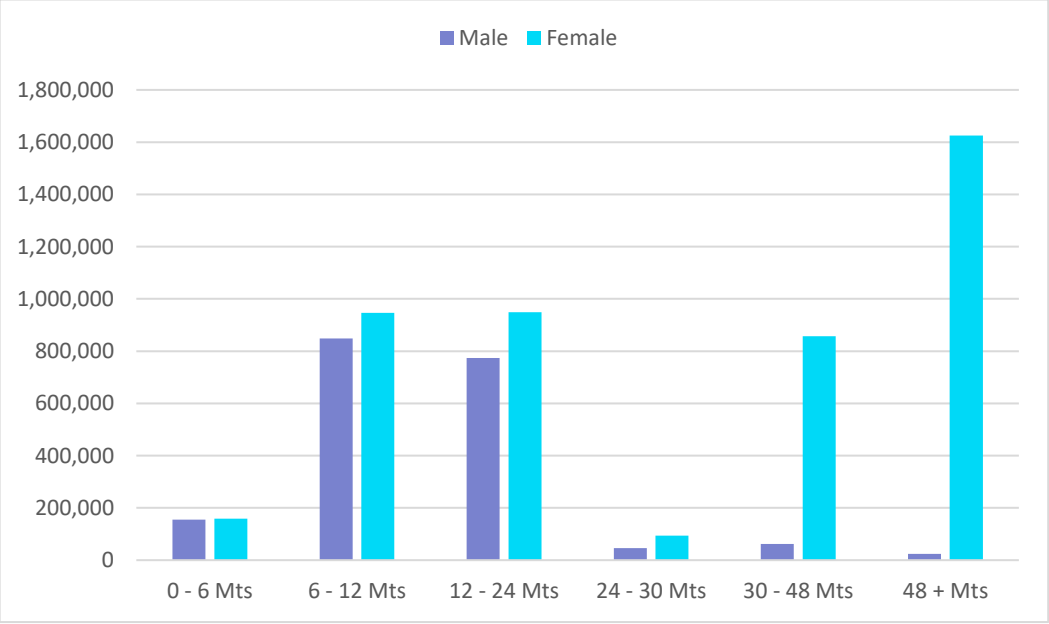
Age Profile of Live Herd at 31/12/2021 by Gender

Breed	0 - 6 Mts	6 - 12 Mts	12 - 24 Mts	24 - 30 Mts	30 - 48 Mts	48 + Mts	Total
Male	155,317	848,511	773,358	46,100	62,367	23,932	**1,909,585**
Female	159,049	946,952	949,514	93,413	857,628	1,625,300	**4,631,856**
Total	**314,366**	**1,795,463**	**1,722,872**	**139,513**	**919,995**	**1,649,232**	**6,541,441**

Cattle Population by Age



Cattle Population by Age and Gender



Section 2

Age Profile of Live Herd at 31/12/2021 by County

	0 - 6 Mts	6 - 12 Mts	12 - 24 Mts	24 - 30 Mts	30 - 48 Mts	48 + Mts	Total	% of Total
Carlow	5,492	26,787	30,178	3,028	12,488	21,733	**99,706**	1.52%
Cavan	13,550	58,661	56,508	6,000	30,903	57,308	**222,930**	3.41%
Clare	14,515	73,049	58,563	5,135	33,969	75,821	**261,052**	3.99%
Cork	37,432	263,635	217,423	13,877	161,762	288,336	**982,465**	15.02%
Donegal	12,407	48,775	44,790	4,565	21,906	42,899	**175,342**	2.68%
Dublin	1,609	4,906	6,499	889	2,464	3,983	**20,350**	0.31%
Galway	22,170	115,632	109,589	9,476	48,512	98,414	**403,793**	6.17%
Kerry	14,242	80,203	63,793	4,876	51,410	95,734	**310,258**	4.74%
Kildare	5,970	31,658	44,980	4,581	15,789	23,457	**126,435**	1.93%
Kilkenny	11,359	99,317	90,538	5,147	49,066	81,786	**337,213**	5.16%
Laois	13,063	67,049	75,411	5,804	32,312	51,948	**245,587**	3.75%
Leitrim	5,763	17,051	12,817	1,722	8,633	22,324	**68,310**	1.04%
Limerick	13,084	113,896	97,099	4,876	57,910	99,069	**385,934**	5.90%
Longford	5,758	30,368	31,098	2,916	13,686	24,651	**108,477**	1.66%
Louth	5,272	18,860	30,142	3,243	12,643	19,485	**89,645**	1.37%
Mayo	12,953	67,921	60,372	5,139	30,565	65,143	**242,093**	3.70%
Meath	17,405	66,342	84,848	10,568	38,474	59,847	**277,484**	4.24%
Monaghan	13,242	52,484	59,974	6,700	27,301	46,162	**205,863**	3.15%
Offaly	10,708	70,047	75,584	5,425	26,542	41,844	**230,150**	3.52%
Roscommon	9,992	51,876	56,192	5,192	21,885	43,715	**188,852**	2.89%
Sligo	6,570	28,290	23,156	2,354	12,689	27,531	**100,590**	1.54%
Tipperary	18,781	190,523	171,664	8,158	86,737	143,642	**619,505**	9.47%
Waterford	8,929	64,120	57,412	3,387	38,727	67,416	**239,991**	3.67%
Westmeath	10,830	51,489	61,848	5,976	26,192	42,121	**198,456**	3.03%
Wexford	13,852	75,210	74,182	6,437	41,383	73,553	**284,617**	4.35%
Wicklow	9,418	27,314	28,212	4,042	16,047	31,310	**116,343**	1.78%
Total	**314,366**	**1,795,463**	**1,722,872**	**139,513**	**919,995**	**1,649,232**	**6,541,441**	**100%**

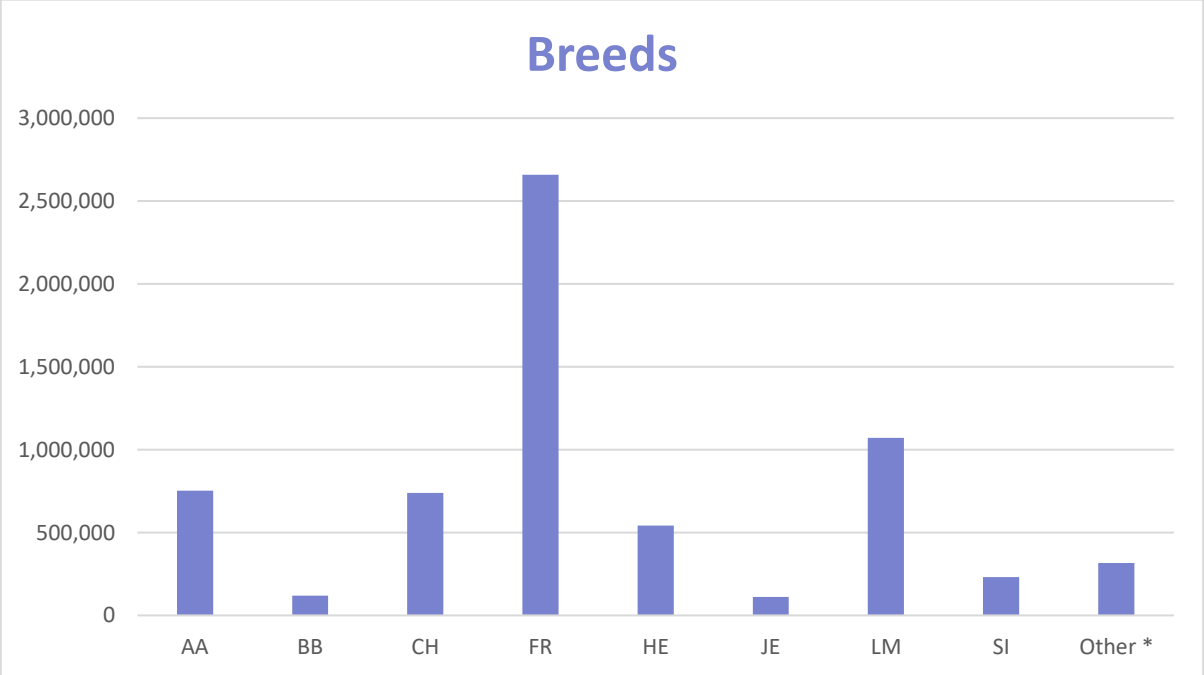
Section 3

Age Profile of Live Herd at 31/12/2021 by Breed

	0 - 6 Mts	6 - 12 Mts	12 - 24 Mts	24 - 30 Mts	30 - 48 Mts	48 + Mts	Total	% of Total
AA	45,289	301,490	259,727	12,999	45,830	88,075	**753,410**	11.52%
BB	9,109	36,149	32,603	2,794	10,487	27,123	**118,265**	1.81%
CH	58,288	229,359	240,630	23,767	59,229	127,845	**739,118**	11.30%
FR	65,455	580,353	520,837	36,937	545,144	909,084	**2,657,810**	40.63%
HE	23,760	206,760	197,402	9,257	38,542	66,932	**542,653**	8.30%
JE	482	20,819	19,900	430	33,645	35,748	**111,024**	1.70%
LM	80,412	287,285	320,268	37,305	110,485	235,316	**1,071,071**	16.37%
SI	13,958	56,401	56,013	7,626	32,765	64,425	**231,188**	3.53%
Other *	17,613	76,847	75,492	8,398	43,868	94,684	**316,902**	4.84%
Total	**314,366**	**1,795,463**	**1,722,872**	**139,513**	**919,995**	**1,649,232**	**6,541,441**	**100%**

FR: Friesian **LM**: Limousin **AA:** Aberdeen Angus **HE**: Hereford

SI: Simmental **CH**: Charolais **BB:** Belgian Blue **JE:** Jersey



* For full list of breed codes see Appendix.

Section 4

Age Profile of Live Herd at 31/12/2021 by County and by Breed

	FR	LM	CH	AA	HE	SI	BB	JE	Other	Total
Carlow	36,688	22,262	8,967	10,117	8,402	4,330	2,634	1,049	5,257	**99,706**
Cavan	69,588	43,726	20,388	41,829	20,197	7,864	4,772	3,503	11,063	**222,930**
Clare	55,775	89,167	16,292	46,417	23,824	8,189	6,276	1,863	13,249	**261,052**
Cork	603,838	57,742	120,631	32,590	79,363	21,000	8,307	23,991	35,003	**982,465**
Donegal	44,908	31,499	16,542	41,840	8,203	14,805	4,959	227	12,359	**175,342**
Dublin	5,284	3,435	2,302	3,077	2,434	1,533	543	174	1,568	**20,350**
Galway	72,943	127,025	43,515	72,582	33,512	16,485	11,870	5,646	20,215	**403,793**
Kerry	158,553	38,087	30,999	24,115	26,971	7,737	4,714	3,706	15,376	**310,258**
Kildare	41,026	25,867	12,399	17,136	11,278	6,373	2,541	2,692	7,123	**126,435**
Kilkenny	178,347	41,959	37,112	22,314	24,026	10,549	4,339	4,978	13,589	**337,213**
Laois	100,741	45,727	23,994	23,550	19,603	9,726	4,600	3,911	13,735	**245,587**
Leitrim	4,668	19,890	7,260	21,845	3,722	3,607	1,771	226	5,321	**68,310**
Limerick	204,630	35,154	54,750	13,295	46,271	7,085	4,065	6,218	14,466	**385,934**
Longford	20,694	24,505	13,837	29,291	7,734	3,675	2,264	1,245	5,232	**108,477**
Louth	35,542	12,226	11,254	10,167	5,489	5,242	1,740	1,984	6,001	**89,645**
Mayo	30,868	64,509	41,383	57,328	12,380	12,056	5,993	2,076	15,500	**242,093**
Meath	115,423	37,958	31,565	34,964	23,410	10,199	4,933	6,452	12,580	**277,484**
Monaghan	70,960	34,870	17,562	33,056	18,401	12,010	4,645	3,310	11,049	**205,863**
Offaly	75,647	40,235	28,872	27,033	28,461	10,736	5,116	3,663	10,387	**230,150**
Roscommon	19,497	54,739	28,651	48,359	11,821	8,899	5,527	1,933	9,426	**188,852**
Sligo	13,712	24,668	17,270	22,671	5,005	5,931	2,546	1,018	7,769	**100,590**
Tipperary	316,513	68,024	76,034	35,658	62,818	14,281	6,860	12,811	26,506	**619,505**
Waterford	141,634	18,185	30,412	9,019	17,395	4,913	2,271	7,989	8,173	**239,991**
Westmeath	54,596	40,753	26,833	32,503	17,271	8,156	4,139	3,649	10,556	**198,456**
Wexford	141,849	47,079	25,253	15,787	16,461	9,765	7,771	4,807	15,845	**284,617**
Wicklow	43,886	21,780	9,333	12,575	8,201	6,042	3,069	1,903	9,554	**116,343**
Total	**2,657,810**	**1,071,071**	**753,410**	**739,118**	**542,653**	**231,188**	**118,265**	**111,024**	**316,902**	**6,541,441**

Section 5

Profile of Herd Size at 31/12/2021

				Distribution of Herd Size					
	Cattle	Herds	Av. Herd Size	< 25	25 - 49	50 - 74	75 - 99	100 -149	150 +
Carlow	99,706	1,163	85.7	310	259	152	114	137	191
Cavan	222,930	4,361	51.1	1,661	1,196	603	324	317	260
Clare	261,052	5,559	47.0	2,244	1,532	744	422	368	249
Cork	982,465	10,327	95.1	2,646	1,852	1,290	1,011	1,400	2128
Donegal	175,342	4,742	37.0	2,883	973	375	170	160	181
Dublin	20,350	308	66.1	125	67	35	21	21	39
Galway	403,793	9,978	40.5	4,774	2,642	1,168	576	483	335
Kerry	310,258	5,777	53.7	2,514	1,291	666	403	466	437
Kildare	126,435	1,572	80.4	514	332	211	123	159	233
Kilkenny	337,213	2,734	123.3	456	425	324	296	406	827
Laois	245,587	2,518	97.5	598	503	345	231	340	501
Leitrim	68,310	2,662	25.7	1,714	647	170	62	55	14
Limerick	385,934	4,770	80.9	1,434	1,016	563	452	553	752
Longford	108,477	2,148	50.5	854	599	286	142	156	111
Louth	89,645	1,046	85.7	400	207	104	75	108	152
Mayo	242,093	7,918	30.6	4,610	2,024	682	290	198	114
Meath	277,484	3,143	88.3	1,010	636	380	263	334	520
Monaghan	205,863	3,819	53.9	1,453	975	535	292	307	257
Offaly	230,150	2,718	84.7	713	548	411	260	358	428
Roscommon	188,852	4,813	39.2	2,201	1,419	623	269	197	104
Sligo	100,590	3,033	33.2	1,681	821	257	118	95	61
Tipperary	619,505	5,903	104.9	1,299	1,024	797	579	807	1397
Waterford	239,991	1,907	125.8	384	259	214	194	271	585
Westmeath	198,456	2,736	72.5	862	650	387	229	273	335
Wexford	284,617	2,761	103.1	571	496	381	283	406	624
Wicklow	116,343	1,408	82.6	449	293	184	112	143	227
Total	**6,541,441**	**99,824**	**65.5**	**38,360**	**22,686**	**11,887**	**7,311**	**8,518**	**11062**

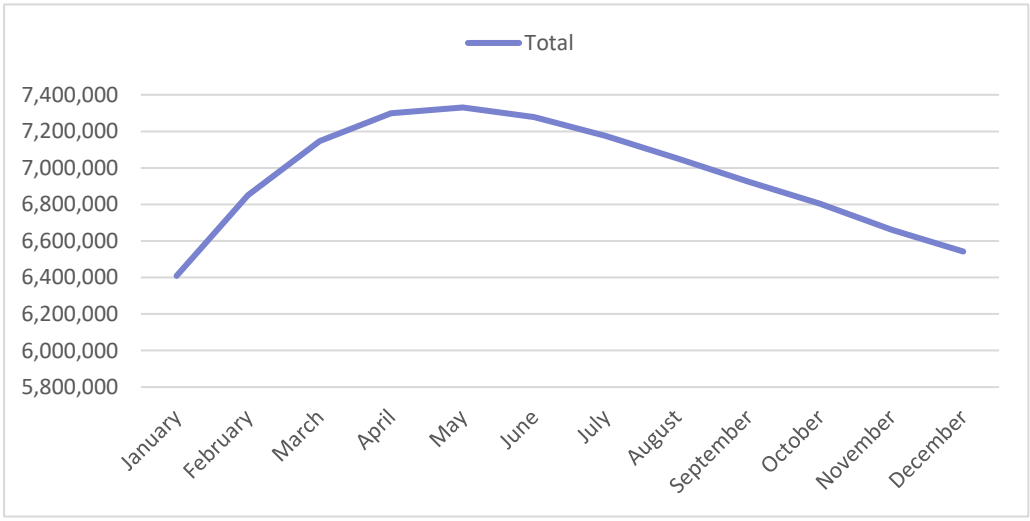
Imported Animals in the Live Herd at 31/12/2021

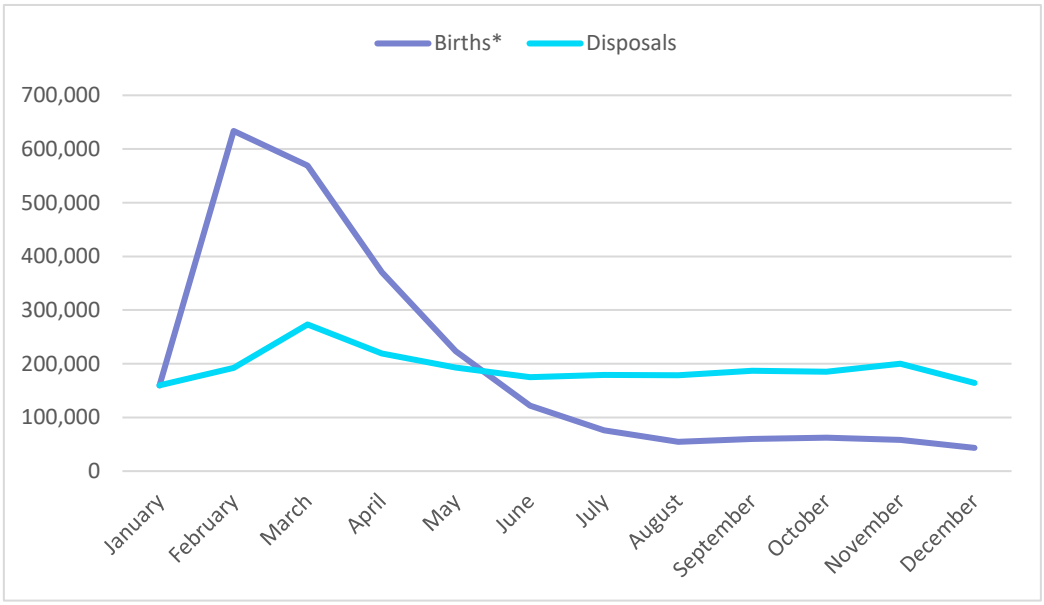
Country	Male	Female	Total
Northern Ireland	381	1,898	**2,279**
Great Britain	192	2,339	**2,531**
Austria	125	2,792	**2,917**
Germany	20	2,838	**2,858**
Netherlands	4	1,239	**1,243**
Denmark	11	1,058	**1,069**
France	115	641	**756**
Romania	0	151	**151**
Italy	5	115	**120**
Slovakia	0	80	**80**
Belgium	23	48	**71**
Luxembourg	2	1	**3**
Lithuania	0	2	**2**
Sweden	0	1	**1**
Spain	1	0	**1**
Total	**879**	**13,203**	**14,082**

Bovine Population 2021 by Month

	Population	Births*	Imports	Disposals	Total	
Start Jan	6,414,693	159,282	502	159,787	6,408,854	End Jan
Start Feb	6,408,854	633,621	375	192,350	6,850,500	End Feb
Start Mar	6,850,500	569,017	953	273,198	7,147,272	End Mar
Start Apr	7,147,272	370,431	1,053	219,089	7,299,667	End Apr
Start May	7,299,667	223,441	811	193,173	7,330,746	End May
Start Jun	7,330,746	121,781	493	175,255	7,277,765	End Jun
Start Jul	7,277,765	75,848	431	179,114	7,174,930	End Jul
Start Aug	7,174,930	54,479	600	178,842	7,051,167	End Aug
Start Sep	7,051,167	59,695	645	186,770	6,924,737	End Sep
Start Oct	6,924,737	62,420	666	185,341	6,802,482	End Oct
Start Nov	6,802,482	58,357	654	199,803	6,661,690	End Nov
Start Dec	6,661,690	43,311	673	164,233	6,541,441	End Dec
Totals		2,431,683	7,856	2,306,955		

* Births are represented by date of registration





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Chapter 5

Suppliers of Data in 2021

LIVESTOCK MARTS

No.	Livestock Mart	County
1	Leinster Coop Marts Ltd	Carlow
2	Tullow Mart	Carlow
3	Ballyjamesduff Coop Mart Ltd	Cavan
4	Binnacle Ltd	Cavan
5	Dowra Marts Ltd	Cavan
6	Kingscourt Marts Ltd	Cavan
7	Windrise Renewables Ltd	Cavan
8	Clare Marts Ltd	Clare
9	Clare Marts Ltd (Kilrush)	Clare
10	Clare Marts Ltd (Scarriff)	Clare
11	Clare Marts Ltd Kilfenora	Clare
12	Six Mile Bridge Co-Op Mart	Clare
13	Bandon Mart	Cork
14	Fermoy Mart	Cork
15	Kanturk Co Op Mart Ltd	Cork
16	Macroom Mart	Cork
17	Skibbereen Mart	Cork
18	Ballybofey Stranorlar Mart	Donegal
19	Ballyshannon Mart	Donegal
20	Donegal Coop Lstock Mart Ltd	Donegal
21	East Donegal Co Op Mart	Donegal
22	Inishowen Co Op Society Ltd	Donegal
23	Milford Co-Op Livestock Mart	Donegal
24	Athenry Co Op Mart Ltd	Galway
25	Ballinasloe Co Op Mart Ltd	Galway
26	Burke Livestock Mart Ltd	Galway
27	Clifden Mart	Galway
28	Gort Co-Op Lstock Mart Ltd	Galway
29	Headford Mart	Galway
30	Loughrea Mart	Galway
31	Mountbellew Regional Mart	Galway
32	Portumna Mart	Galway
33	Tuam Mart	Galway
34	Castleisland Co Op Mart Ltd	Kerry
35	Gortatlea Mart	Kerry
36	Iveragh Coop Farmers Mart	Kerry
37	Kenmare Livestock Mart Coop	Kerry
38	Kingdom Coop Livestock Mart	Kerry
39	Listowel L'Stock Market Ltd	Kerry
40	Marglann An Daingean Teo	Kerry
41	Mid Kerry Co Op Mart Ltd	Kerry
42	Kilcullen Mart	Kildare
43	Kilkenny Mart	Kilkenny
44	Ballinakill Mart	Laois
45	Drumshanbo Mart Plc	Leitrim
46	Golden Vale Mart	Leitrim
47	Manorhamilton Mart	Leitrim
48	Mohill Mart	Leitrim
49	Golden Vale Co-Op Mart Ltd	Limerick
50	Golden Vale Mart	Limerick
51	Kilmallcok Mart	Limerick
52	Granard Farmers Mart Ltd	Longford
53	Longford/Wmeath Farmers Mart	Longford
54	Ardee Livestock Sales	Louth
55	Balla Mart	Mayo
56	Ballina Mart	Mayo
57	Carnaross Mart	Meath
58	Ballybay Livestock Sales	Monaghan
59	Clones Lvstock Coop Mart Ltd	Monaghan
60	Central Auctions	Offaly
61	Edenderry Livestock Mart Ltd	Offaly
62	Tullamore Mart	Offaly
63	Castlerea Livestock Mart	Roscommon
64	Elphin Coop Lvstock Mart Ltd	Roscommon
65	Midland & Western Livestock	Roscommon
66	Roscommon Co Op Mart Ltd	Roscommon
67	Ballymote Mart	Sligo
68	Connacht Gold Co-Op	Sligo
69	Cahir Mart	Tipperary
70	Cashel Livstk Prop Sales Ltd	Tipperary
71	Central Auctions	Tipperary
72	Central Auctions	Tipperary
73	Mid Tipperary Mart	Tipperary
74	Newport Mart	Tipperary
75	Templemore Co Op Mart Ltd	Tipperary
76	Tipperary Cattle Market Ltd	Tipperary
77	Cork Cooperative Marts Ltd	Waterford
78	T E Potterton Ltd	Westmeath
79	Enniscorthy Mart	Wexford
80	Waterford & Newross Mart Ltd	Wexford
81	Carnew Mart	Wicklow
82	J.P & M Doyle Ltd	Wicklow
83	Kinsella Auctioneers Ltd	Wicklow

LOCAL AUTHORITY APPROVED SLAUGHTER PLANTS (ABATTOIRS)

No.	Local Authority Abattoir	County
1	Butcher's Best Abattoir Ltd	Carlow
2	Clonmore Meats Ltd	Carlow
3	Laurence J Murphy	Carlow
4	Fergal Harford	Cavan
5	John Donnelly	Cavan
6	Kevin Heery	Cavan
7	Leonard Lynch	Cavan
8	Marin Matijasic	Cavan
9	Patrick Gaynor	Cavan
10	Tavan Meats Limited	Cavan
11	Thomas Argue	Cavan
12	Thomas Gaynor & Sons	Cavan
13	Denis Corcoran	Clare
14	Eddie Joyce	Clare
15	Joseph Kelly	Clare
16	Sean Haugh	Clare
17	Christopher & Trevor Collins	Cork
18	Cornelius Cronin	Cork
19	Criostoir O'Crualaoi	Cork
20	Dan Moloney	Cork
21	Eddie Fitzgerald	Cork
22	Edmond Clifford	Cork
23	Jerry Nolan	Cork
24	John Finn	Cork
25	John Mccarthy	Cork
26	Malachy O'Sullivan	Cork
27	Michael Bresnan	Cork
28	Michael J O'Neill	Cork
29	Michael Spillane	Cork
30	Patrick J Collins	Cork
31	Patrick O'Donoghue	Cork
32	Thomas Walsh	Cork
33	Tim Murphy	Cork
34	Timothy Considine	Cork
35	William F Murphy	Cork
36	William Walsh	Cork
37	Anthony Mcgettigan	Donegal
38	Charlie Gallagher	Donegal
39	Kathleen Walsh	Donegal
40	Mark Robinson	Donegal
41	Sean Rooney	Donegal
42	Stephen Kerr	Donegal
43	Brian Carroll	Galway
44	Burkes Meats (Kinvara) Ltd	Galway
45	Enda Hayes	Galway
46	Eugene Mcentee	Galway
47	Hugh O'Donnell	Galway
48	John Joe Brady	Galway
49	Justin Flannery	Galway
50	Tom Conroy	Galway
51	Cahillane Speciality Butcher	Kerry
52	Iveragh Meats Ltd	Kerry
53	John Burke	Kerry
54	Kieran Burns	Kerry
55	Michael O'Shea	Kerry
56	Patrick B Mcdonnell	Kerry
57	Richard Behan	Kerry
58	Roger O'Sullivan	Kerry
59	Sneem Meats Ltd	Kerry
60	Thomas Kelly	Kerry
61	Derek Nolan	Kildare
62	James Nolan	Kildare
63	Niall & James O'Gorman	Kildare
64	Gerry O'Brien	Kilkenny
65	June Prendergast	Kilkenny
66	Neil Tynan	Kilkenny
67	Patrick Kenna	Kilkenny
68	John Cahill Jnr	Laois
69	Mark Delaney	Laois
70	Michael Keegan	Laois
71	Pius Hennessy	Laois
72	Tomas Kenna	Laois
73	Damien Thornton	Leitrim
74	Hugh Joseph Logan	Leitrim
75	John O'Malley	Leitrim
76	Ashgrove Wholesale Ltd	Limerick
77	Denis Greaney	Limerick
78	Denis O'Sullivan	Limerick
79	Edmund O'Connor	Limerick
80	Sean Fitzgerald	Limerick
81	Kevin Stone	Longford
82	Ronald Rawle	Longford
83	Sean Campbell	Longford
84	Desmond Savage	Louth
85	Martin Commins Butchers	Louth
86	Gerard & Val Mcgreal	Mayo
87	Heneghan Butchers Ltd.	Mayo
88	James Duffy	Mayo
89	James Molloy	Mayo
90	Liam Jennings Butchers Ltd	Mayo

LOCAL AUTHORITY APPROVED SLAUGHTER PLANTS (ABATTOIRS)

No.	Local Authority Abattoir	County
91	Patrick Phillips	Mayo
92	Patrick Reilly	Mayo
93	Sean F Kelly	Mayo
94	Tony Carolan	Mayo
95	Coogan Meats Limited	Meath
96	Eimear Hanlon & Brian Gibney	Meath
97	Michael & Niall Brogan	Meath
98	Michael Coogan	Meath
99	Traditional Meat Co Ire Ltd	Meath
100	William Donnelly & Son Ltd	Meath
101	Charley Meats Ltd	Monaghan
102	Gerard & Martin Quinn	Monaghan
103	James Shortt	Monaghan
104	Michael Healy	Offaly
105	Paul Boyd	Offaly
106	William Browne	Offaly
107	Benedict Morris	Roscommon
108	Boyle Country Meats	Roscommon
109	Cyril Mc Hugh	Roscommon
110	Gilligan Farm Fresh Meats Lt	Roscommon
111	Ignatius Gannon	Roscommon
112	John Webb	Roscommon
113	Michael Webb	Roscommon
114	Oliver Harte	Roscommon
115	Oliver Mccabe	Roscommon
116	Padraig Gilligan	Roscommon
117	Stanley Taylor	Roscommon
118	Gerald P Burns	Sligo
119	Noel Wynne	Sligo

No.	Local Authority Abattoir	County
120	Andrew English	Tipperary
121	Charles Williams	Tipperary
122	David O'Malley	Tipperary
123	Edward Lacey	Tipperary
124	J W B Retail Sales	Tipperary
125	John O'Dwyer	Tipperary
126	Joseph Hammersley	Tipperary
127	Martin O'Dwyer	Tipperary
128	Michael & Maurice Whelan	Tipperary
129	Patrick Walsh	Tipperary
130	Robert C Lewis	Tipperary
131	Thomas Myles	Tipperary
132	William Gahan	Tipperary
133	Donald O'Reilly	Waterford
134	Michael Mcgrath	Waterford
135	Robert Flynn	Waterford
136	Bernard Troy	Westmeath
137	Camillus Cleary	Westmeath
138	Cannon & Cole	Westmeath
139	Hugh Murray	Westmeath
140	Joe Tynan	Westmeath
141	John Coll Butchers Limited	Westmeath
142	Peter Mcguinness	Westmeath
143	Sean Dunning	Westmeath
144	Shane Maher	Westmeath
145	Christopher Byrne	Wexford
146	Richard Doyle	Wexford
147	Anthony & Padraig Farrelly	Wicklow
148	Damien Murphy	Wicklow

APPROVED LIVE EXPORT POINTS

No.	Approved Export Point	County
1	J.F.K. Livestock Limited	Carlow
2	Ballyjamesduff Coop Mart Ltd	Cavan
3	Dowra Marts Ltd	Cavan
4	Kingscourt Marts Ltd	Cavan
5	Windrise Renewables Ltd	Cavan
6	Bandon Mart	Cork
7	Fermoy Mart	Cork
8	Hunter Int Livestock Ltd	Cork
9	O'Keeffe International Ltd	Cork
10	Patrick Kelleher	Cork
11	Ballybofey Stranorlar Mart	Donegal
12	Donegal Coop Lstock Mart Ltd	Donegal
13	East Donegal Co Op Mart	Donegal
14	Inishowen Co Op Society Ltd	Donegal
15	Frank Lenihan	Dublin
16	Purcell Brothers	Dublin
17	Gort Co-Op Lstock Mart Ltd	Galway
18	Tuam Mart	Galway
19	Mark Hallissey	Kerry
20	Exports From Private Holding	Kildare
21	Hennessy Calf Farm	Kilkenny
22	Joseph P Hennessy	Kilkenny
23	Kilkenny Mart	Kilkenny
24	Drumshanbo Mart Plc	Leitrim
25	Golden Vale Mart	Leitrim
26	Manorhamilton Mart	Leitrim
27	Mohill Mart	Leitrim

No.	Approved Export Point	County
28	Bothar	Limerick
29	Jerry Casey	Limerick
30	Jh Livestock	Limerick
31	Granard Farmers Mart Ltd	Longford
32	Longford/Wmeath Farmers Mart	Longford
33	Patrick Fox	Longford
34	Ardee Livestock Sales	Louth
35	Laragh Livestock Group Ltd	Louth
36	Ballina Mart	Mayo
37	Henry Dixon	Mayo
38	Carnaross Mart	Meath
39	Viastar Ltd	Meath
40	Ballybay Livestock Sales	Monaghan
41	Tullamore Mart	Offaly
42	Castlerea Livestock Mart	Roscommon
43	Elphin Coop Lvstock Mart Ltd	Roscommon
44	Midland & Western Livestock	Roscommon
45	Roscommon Co Op Mart Ltd	Roscommon
46	Ballymote Mart	Sligo
47	Central Auctions	Tipperary
48	Central Auctions	Tipperary
49	Anglo East Ltd	Westmeath
50	Quinn International	Westmeath
51	Sandro Garavelli	Westmeath
52	Enniscorthy Mart	Wexford
53	Waterford & Newross Mart Ltd	Wexford
54	The Wicklow Calf Company	Wicklow

LICENSED KNACKERIES

No.	Licensed Knackery	County
1	Fallen Animal Coll Service	Carlow
2	Moyle Animal Collection Ltd	Carlow
3	Harefort Ltd	Cavan
4	James Lambe	Cavan
5	Kevin Mulvaney	Cavan
6	Vincent Coffey Sons Limited	Clare
7	Barrett Animal Col Serv Ltd	Cork
8	Bartlemy Road Ltd	Cork
9	Collins Brothers	Cork
10	Cork Regional Vet Lab	Cork
11	Goggins Hill Knackery	Cork
12	W Fitzgerald T/A Bride View	Cork
13	Faculty Of Vet Medicine	Dublin
14	J & K Greene Ahascragh Ltd	Galway
15	Madden Animal Collect Serv	Galway
16	Central Vet Research Lab	Kildare
17	Kildare Hunt Club	Kildare
18	Kilkenny Regional Vet Lab	Kilkenny
19	John Styles	Laois
20	County Limerick Hunt Club	Limerick
21	Limerick Regional Vet Lab	Limerick
22	Ward Waste Products Ltd	Limerick
23	John Mcguinness	Longford

No.	Licensed Knackery	County
24	Lks Disposals	Louth
25	Finbar & Kevin Donohue Ltd	Meath
26	Gerard Bernard&John O Rourke	Meath
27	Nugentstown Coll Serv Mth Ht	Meath
28	Ward Union Hunt	Meath
29	John Costelloe	Offaly
30	Midland Animalcollection Ltd	Roscommon
31	Maloney & Matthews	Sligo
32	Sligo Regional Vet Lab	Sligo
33	Beechfield Products Ltd	Tipperary
34	David Flanagan	Tipperary
35	Golden Vale Hunt	Tipperary
36	John Marsh	Tipperary
37	Michael Duggan	Tipperary
38	Patrick Morrissey Ltd	Tipperary
39	Richard Keane	Tipperary
40	Suir Vale Harriers	Tipperary
41	Tipperary Foxhounds	Tipperary
42	K.F.S.C.S. Ltd	Waterford
43	Nicholas Hannigan	Waterford
44	Athlone Regional Vet Lab	Westmeath
45	Westmeath Hunt Kennels	Westmeath
46	Lawrence Earle	Wexford

DEPARTMENT APPROVED SLAUGHTER PLANTS

No.	Factory	County
1	Ballon Meats	Carlow
2	Liffey Meats Ltd	Carlow
3	Liffey Meats Ltd	Cavan
4	Asba Meats Ltd	Clare
5	Anglo Beef Processors Irl	Cork
6	Dawn Meats Ireland Uc	Cork
7	Kepak Group	Cork
8	C & J Meats Ireland Ltd	Donegal
9	Donegal Meat Processors Ltd	Donegal
10	Kildare Chilling Co	Kildare
11	Moyvalley Meats (Irl)	Kildare
12	Dawn Meats Ireland	Laois
13	Anglo Beef Processors Irl	Limerick
14	Eire Comida Exports	Limerick
15	Dawn Ballyhaunis	Mayo
16	Dunleavy Meats	Mayo

No.	Factory	County
28	Martin Jennings Wholesale	Mayo
29	Dawn Meats Ireland U.C.	Meath
30	Euro Farm Foods	Meath
31	Kepak Clonee U C	Meath
32	Anglo Beef Processors Irl	Monaghan
33	Ballaghaderreen Bacon Ltd	Roscommon
34	Kepak Athleague U C	Roscommon
35	Liffey Meats Limited	Roscommon
36	Anglo Beef Processors Irl	Tipperary
37	Anglo Beef Processors Irl	Tipperary
38	Ashbourne Meats Roscrea	Tipperary
39	Anglo Beef Processors Irl	Waterford
40	Dawn Grannagh	Waterford
41	Kepak Kilbeggan U C	Westmeath
42	Kavanagh Meats	Wexford
43	Slaney Foods Intl Ltd	Wexford

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BEEF BREEDS			
Angus	AA	Longhorn	LH
Ankole	AK	Luing	LU
Aubrac	AU	Maine Anjou	MA
Australian Lowline	AL	Marchigiana	MH
Baltata Romaneasca	BT	Montbeliarde	MO
Bazadais	BZ	Mri/Mry	MY
Beefalo	BE	Murray Grey	GS
Beefmaster	BM	Old English	OE
Belgian Blue	BB	Partenaise	PT
Belted Galloway	BY	Piedmontese	PI
Bison	BI	Pinzgauer	PZ
Blonde D'Aquitane	BA	Pustertaler Sprinzen	PS
Blue Grey	BG	Red Poll	RP
Brahman	BR	Romagnola	RM
British White	BW	Rotbunte	RB
Canadian Black	CB	Salers	SA
Charolais	CH	Shetland	SL
Chianina	CI	Shorthorn	SH
Chillingham	CL	Simmental	SI
Devon	DE	South Devon	SD
Dexter	DX	Speckle Park	SP
Droimeann	DN	Stabiliser	ST
Dwarf Zebu	DZ	Sussex	SU
East Finnish Brown	EF	Swiss Grey	SG
English Park	EP	Tarantaise-Tarina	TT
Galloway	GA	Tyrone Black	TY
Gasconne	GC	Vaynol	VA
Gayal	GY	Verbeterd Roodbont Vleesras	VB
Gelbvieh	GV	Vosgienne	VO
Gloucester	GL	Wagyu	WA
Hereford	HE	Water Buffalo	BF
Highland	HI	Welsh Black	WB
Irish Maol	IM	Welsh White	WW
Inra 95	IN	White Galloway	WG
Kerry	KE	White Park	WP
Lakenvelder	LV	Yak	YK
Limousin	LM	Zebu	ZE
Lincoln Red	LR		

DAIRY BREEDS			
Angler	AN	Holstein/Freisian	FR
Armoricaine	AM	Jersey	JE
Ayrshire	AY	Lithuanian Black and White	L J
Blue Albion	BL	Malkekorthorn	MK
Bretonne Pie-Noire	BP	Blended Milking Shorthorn	MS
Brown Swiss	BS	Normande	NO
Danish Red	RD	Norwegian Red	NR
Frisona Espagnola	FE	Reggiana	RE
Groninger Blaarkop	GB	Swedish Red	SR
Guernsey	GU	Valdostana Nera	VN

In the case of a crossbreed dam or sire, add an 'X' to the code.