



Tip

# Tuesday!

## Net Merit (NM\$) in Dart

Lifetime Net Merit is the primary genetic selection index in the United States. Net Merit ranks dairy animals on their combined genetic merit for more than 40 economically important traits (CDCB). This week is the final of three triannual official genetic evaluations for 2023. The Council on Dairy Cattle Breeding will be releasing updated genetic data to DRMS, which will be available to download into Dart.

### To get the latest genetic data in Dart:

1. Navigate to the menu bar and select **Tasks**
2. Select **Download Genetic Update**

*Note: This may be done after every cross-reference to access the latest data instead of waiting until the next test day. Otherwise, it will be updated following the next test day.*

### To add NM\$ to User Reports:

3. From the **Reports** tab, select a **User Report**
4. Click **Edit**
5. Add **DBI 827 Net Merit \$** and **DBI 860 Type of Proof** to the database list
  - **P - Parent average** (parent contribution only, no performance or genomic data)
  - **C - Conventional** (parent contribution only, no performance or genomic data)
  - **GC - animal is genomic tested plus performance data**
  - **G1 - animal is genomic tested, no performance data**
  - **G2 - dam is genomic tested, no performance data**
  - **G3 - offspring is genomic tested, no performance data**

6. Select **Preview** to view the report
7. Click **Save**

