



Tip

Tuesday!

What you Gain with Inventory Tracker

Inventory Tracker, integrated within Dart, is a powerful tool designed for managing herd inventory efficiently. Users can set parameters across multiple variables, enabling quick analysis of specific metrics that influence future inventory. It facilitates detailed evaluations of lactation groups and different strings. Additionally, custom settings can be saved for easy and ongoing reference.

Evaluate the Impact of Culling Decisions, Death Loss, and Conception Rate on Inventory

What is the projected number of cows in milk by month in January? Specify parameters such as lactation group, cull rate, DOA percentage, female percentage, twins percentage, conception rate, pregnancy loss, and dry period to view and evaluate inventory projections.

Compare Different Lactation Groups

How many two-year-olds will be milking in November? Specify which lactations to include, whether to include pregnant and bred animals, string number, and exported heifers to obtain an accurate comparison.

Separate Inventory Analysis by String

Analysis can be filtered by string numbers to examine differences among breeds.

Examine Trends in Past Inventory

View and analyze historical inventory data by lactation group to monitor changes over time.

PREG Inventories: Projections Start 5/14/2025

	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25
Begin Milking	2934	2759	2778	2764	2702	2716	2676	2733
Lact = 1	840	838	902	956	1015	1103	1159	1231
Lact > 1	2094	1921	1876	1808	1687	1613	1517	1502
Begin Dry	342	471	426	415	458	462	515	426
Begin Milk and Dry	3276	3230	3204	3179	3160	3178	3191	3159
Cows to Calve	100	235	239	199	229	230	244	298
Heifers to Calve	31	74	73	77	112	107	60	0
Cows to Dry	229	190	228	242	233	283	155	0
Cows to Cull	77	101	99	96	95	93	92	90
End Milking	2759	2778	2764	2702	2716	2676	2733	2941
Lact = 1	838	902	956	1015	1103	1159	1231	1312
Lact > 1	1921	1876	1808	1687	1613	1517	1502	1629
End Dry	471	426	415	458	462	515	426	128
% First Lactation	30	32	34	36	39	42	43	44
% Milking	85	87	87	86	85	84	87	96
End Milk and Dry	3230	3204	3179	3160	3178	3191	3159	3069

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Setting Name: [dropdown] Save Load Delete

Date projections begin: 5/14/2025 About

Select Type of Projection: ☒ PREG Inventory ☐ PREG and BRED Inventory

Global Settings: Lact = 1 Lact > 1 Lact = 0 Purchased Animals

	Lact = 1	Lact > 1	Lact = 0
Annual Cull %	20	45	Wet Calf Death Loss % 5
DOA %	10	5	Post Wean Culls % 2
Female %	45	45	Conc. Rate 60
Twins %	1	8	Preg Loss % 15
Conc. Rate	54	40	
Preg Loss %	15	15	
Dry Period (days)	60	60	

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	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25
End Milking	2879	2889	2937	2946	2947	2956	2947	2996	2959	2978	2992	3005	2932
End Dry	357	374	317	317	323	344	387	359	373	351	308	277	342
% First Lactation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
% Milking	89	89	90	90	90	90	88	89	89	89	91	92	90
End Milk and Dry	3236	3263	3254	3263	3270	3300	3334	3355	3332	3329	3300	3282	3274
Heifers	3371	3380	3270	3388	3344	3408	3360	3365	3306	3216	3146	3111	3187

These are just a few applications of Inventory Tracker. The next tip will include specific steps to use the tool. You can also unlock the full power of this free Dart tool by signing up for Cooperative Education today at DRMS.org. Stay tuned for more Tracker updates.