Tip Tuesday!

Dart 8.7 is Here!

What's New in Version 8.7:

The latest Dart release Version 8.7 introduces a variety of updates designed to improve accuracy and efficiency and provide deeper insight into herd performance. Improved gestation length calculations and Fetal Sex Recording paired with expanded DBIs for User Reports provide increased accuracy and functionality.

Input Desk: Fetal Sex Recording

Fetal sex information can now be recorded during P6 Vet Check using the P, PW, P*, V, or VW codes. Use PW or VW when entering data for twins. This update supports more complete and accurate reproductive records.

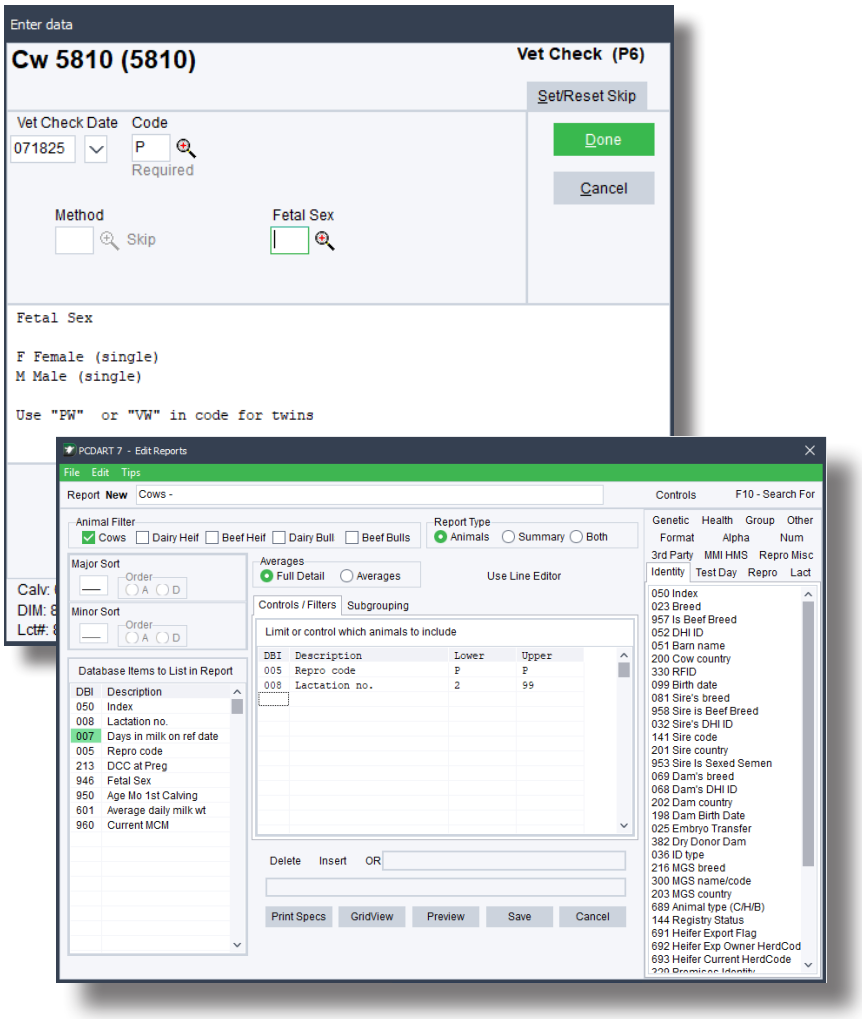
Expanded DBIs for User Reports

User Reports now support seven new Data-Based Items (DBIs), allowing for more customized and insightful data analysis:

- Calendar Months until Due (DBI 944)
- Fetal Sex (DBI 946)
- Last Chore Done (DBI 947)
- Calendar Months Since Calved (DBI 948)
- Previous Lactation Last Test Day Milk (DBI 949)
- Age in Months at First Calving (DBI 950)
- Predicted Age at Calving (DBI 951)

Beef Animal Totals Now Displayed

Beef animal totals, specifically beef bulls and heifers, are now visible in the "Herd Statistics Today" section of the Overview screen. This addition enables quick access to current beef inventory data without extra filtering.



Improved Gestation Length Calculations

Gestation length predictions have been refined for greater accuracy. The updated calculation method now predicts calving within ±4 days in 71.4% of cases, compared to 65.5% previously. These improved projections enhance decision-making related to dry-off timing and herd inventory.

Interface Enhancements

Numerous updates and enhancements have been integrated from DelPro™ Farm Manager, CowManager, Merck SenseHub, and AFi HMS.