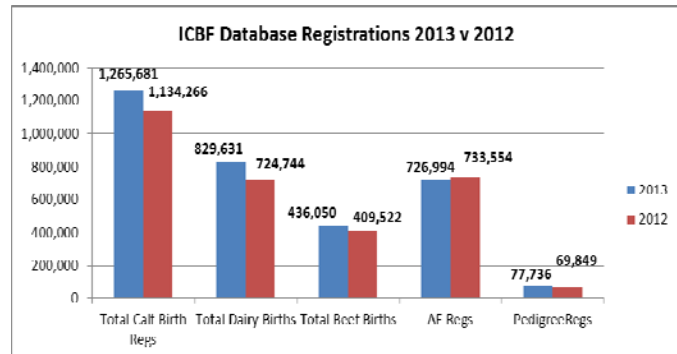
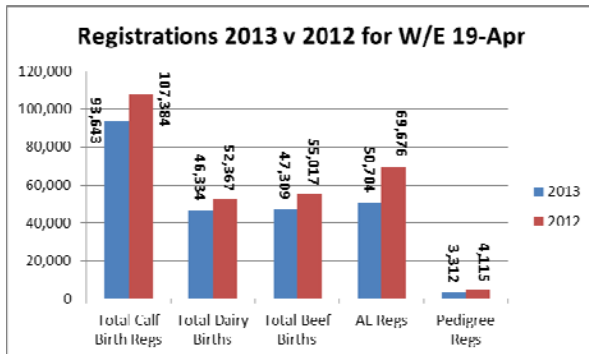


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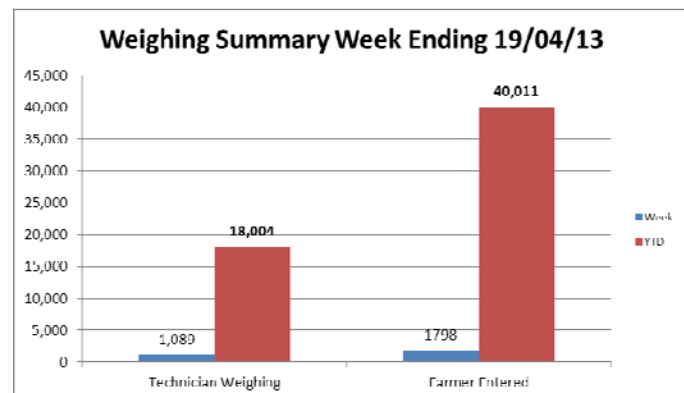
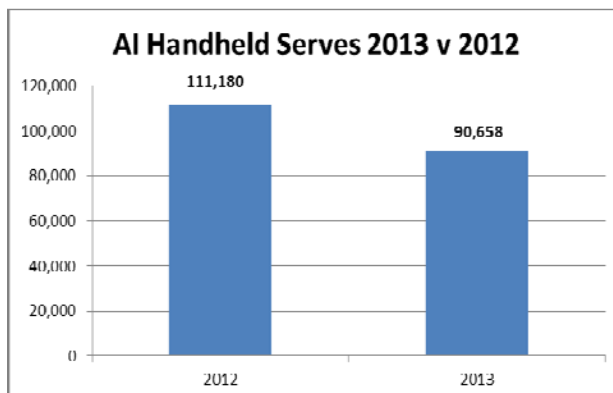
### 1 Important Dates

- ICBF Board Meeting** – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 10:00 to 12:30, Maldron Hotel, Portlaoise.
- ICBF AGM Meeting** – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 12:30 to 13:30, Maldron Hotel, Portlaoise.
- Sheep Ireland Board / AGM Meeting** – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 11:00 to 14:00, Highfield House, Bandon.

### 2 Database



- The stats above are compiled with the assistance of DAFM AIM systems.
- In the Suckler scheme, the number of 2012 born calves with meal introduced is 611,026 with the number of animals weaned at 534,872.
- BVD test results continue to be received at ICBF and are being processed accordingly. There have been 1,250,000 results received since January 1<sup>st</sup>, of which 88,000 have come in the last 7 days. Since the beginning of the voluntary phase in 2012 1.74 million results have now been received.
- The graph below shows Inseminations recorded on AI Handhelds in 2013 compared with 2012.
- This week there were 1089 weights received through the technician service and 1,798 weights recorded by farmers. The graph shows the week and year to date totals.



### 3 GENEIRELAND®

#### Beef

- ✚ Sign-ups are continuing for the GENEIRELAND spring program.
- ✚ 209 herds taking a total of 3828 straws have signed up so far.
- ✚ All orders received to date have been packed and dispatched.
- ✚ To learn more or to order straws please phone **1850 600 900** or **045 521573**.
- ✚ The approximate total straws ordered per bull so far are detailed in the table 1 & 2.

**Table 1. List of Maternal Bulls currently on-test**

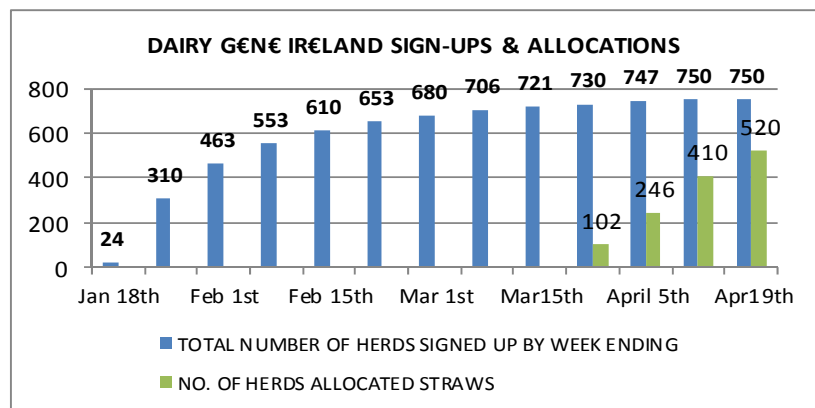
Code	Name of Bull	Breed	Straws
GJB	Goulding Jumbo King	AA	380
TQL	Templequain Lord Jake	AA	275
VMP	Villablues Empire ET	BB	385
RWM	Rosemount Emlyn	BB	240
FWO	Fleetwood	CH	360
FSZ	Fiston	CH	350
LZF	Cavelands Fenian	CH	500
FYB	Ballylannon Frankey ET	CH	480
GRF	Gerard	CH	200
GPD	Guepard	CH	70
GZS	Gouldingpoll Superduty	HE	210
WLZ	Wilodge Enrico	LM	500
FTH	Elite Fred ET	LM	500
CJH	Filou	LM	230
FQR	Ballygarvan Stud Fernando	LM	230
GWO	Castleview Gringo ET	LM	450
FTY	Lennon Frosty	LM	500
EBY	Elderberry Galahad	LM	55
PZB	Bonaparte	SA	230
QCD	Cloondroon Calling	SI	365

**Table 2. List of Terminal Bulls currently on-test**

Code	Name of Bull	Breed	Straws
ZSD	Serpentin	BB	100
FSN	Folon	BB	75
GLP	Galopeur	BB	50
FFK	Conval Frank	CH	180
FGG	Leagaun Figaro	CH	145
FZM	Lenagh Equaliser	LM	80

#### Dairy

- ✚ Allocations are on-going subject to availability, with completion of all packs expected within 2 weeks.
- ✚ The average EBI of the Holstein-Friesian panel is €275.
- ✚ There are currently only 3 Pure Friesian bulls available.



### 4 Genetic Evaluations

The April 2013 routine evaluation update has been uploaded to the ICBF database and results are now available on the website in the usual locations. The extra evaluation information which accompanies the indexes on the individual bull search is currently being processed and will be completed early next week.

## 5 HerdPlus®

- ✚ Breeding charts have been posted to all dairy farmers by now.
- ✚ Sign-ups for the Maternal Bull Breeder scheme are continuing to trickle in.
- ✚ There are now 115 herds signed up.
- ✚ Calls are continuing to come in for GENÉIRÉLAND beef straws.
- ✚ Sexed semen field trial has also kicked off in earnest.
- ✚ Updated evaluations are now available to be viewed online in the EBI and Euro-Star profiles.

## 6 Milk Recording

National Milk Recording Statistics - Herds, Cows & EDIY 19/04/13						
Milk Recording Organisation	Total Herds Recorded YTD 19/04/13	No. EDIY Herds YTD 19/04/13	% Herds EDIY	Total No. Cows Recorded YTD 19/04/13	No. EDIY Cows YTD 19/04/13	% Cows EDIY
Munster	2,707	515	19%	184,423	39,572	21%
Progressive	1,773	567	32%	139,116	45,987	33%
Tipperary	55	11	20%	3,898	792	20%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,535</b>	<b>1,093</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>327,437</b>	<b>86,351</b>	<b>26%</b>

Recorded Cows by Milk Recording Organisation - Year on Year Comparison			
Milk Recording Organisation	YTD 2012 Cows Recorded 01/01/12 - 19/04/12	YTD 2013 Cows Recorded 01/01/13 - 19/04/13	2013 vs. 2012 Year on Year Difference (%)
Munster	191,744	184,423	-4.0%
Progressive	141,058	139,116	-1.4%
Tipperary	5,214	3,898	-33.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>338,016</b>	<b>327,437</b>	<b>-3.2%</b>

*Please see milk recording stats attached*

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## National Milk Recording Results for the 10 day period, 10-APR-2013 To 19-APR-2013

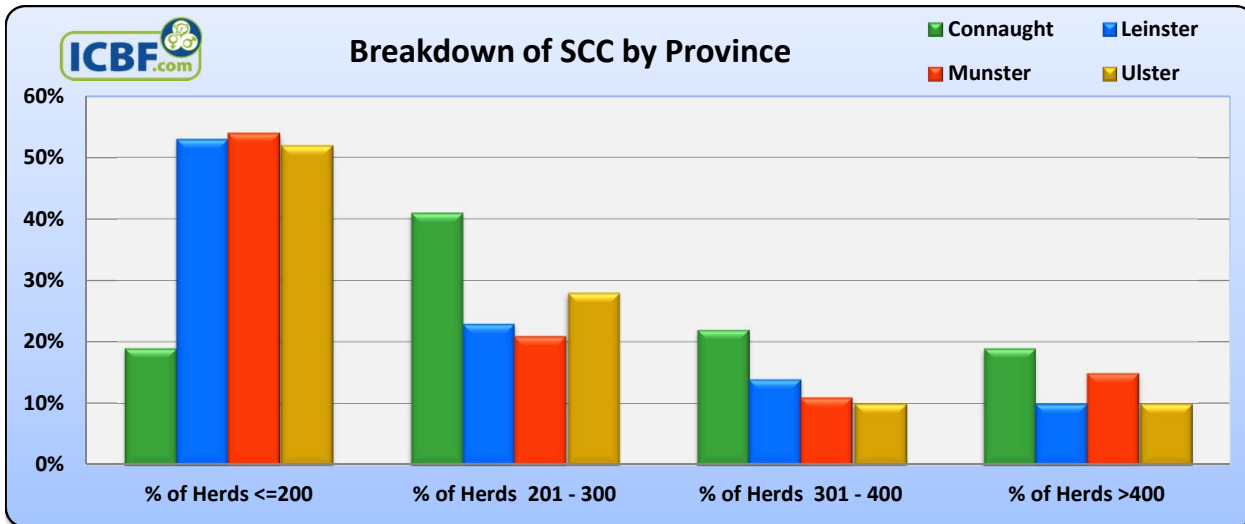
ICBF.com	No. Herds Recorded	No. Cows Recorded	Avg Herd Size	Avg Milk kg/Cow	Average Fat %	Average Protein %	Average F+P kg	Average SCC*
Connaught	32	2,187	68	26.0	3.92	3.21	1.85	284
Leinster	146	12,234	84	24.7	3.80	3.26	1.74	194
Munster	598	44,914	75	25.5	3.87	3.24	1.81	198
Ulster	29	1,942	67	25.9	3.69	3.18	1.77	179
<b>National Statistics</b>	<b>805</b>	<b>61,277</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>25.4</b>	<b>3.85</b>	<b>3.24</b>	<b>1.80</b>	<b>199</b>

\* Geometric Mean Herd SCC

## SCC Distribution for the 10 day period, 10-APR-2013 To 19-APR-2013

ICBF.com	No. Herds Recorded	No. Cows Recorded	Avg Herd Size	% of Herds <=200	% of Herds 201 - 300	% of Herds 301 - 400	% of Herds >400	Average SCC*
Connaught	32	2,187	68	19%	41%	22%	19%	284
Leinster	146	12,234	84	53%	23%	14%	10%	194
Munster	598	44,914	75	54%	21%	11%	15%	198
Ulster	29	1,942	67	52%	28%	10%	10%	179
<b>National Statistics</b>	<b>805</b>	<b>61,277</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>199</b>

\* Geometric Mean Herd SCC



## % Herd Breakdown for the 10 day period, 10-APR-2013 To 19-APR-2013

ICBF.com	No. Herds Recorded	No. Cows Recorded	Avg Herd Size	Best 20% SCC	Best 40% SCC	Average SCC**	Worst 40% SCC	Worst 20% SCC
Connaught	32	2,187	68	206	249	266	302	393
Leinster	146	12,234	84	119	175	191	219	334
Munster	598	44,914	75	114	164	190	225	346
Ulster	29	1,942	67	95	166	192	240	300
<b>National Statistics</b>	<b>805</b>	<b>61,277</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>338</b>

\*\* Percentile Herd SCC Rank (Median SCC)

