

Johne's Disease Questionnaire

In order to help the dairy industry work effectively at controlling Johne's disease we intend to provide more education to Colorado dairymen about the disease, and the means available to limit its spread and minimize its impact. We will be conducting a number of producer seminars in the coming year to help accomplish this goal. In order to target our efforts, we'd like to ask your cooperation in completing and returning this brief questionnaire. It is designed to assess some specific needs for education, and the answers will be used in organizing the seminars. Results of the survey will be published in an upcoming issue of the Colorado Dairy News. After completing the educational seminars we will again perform a survey to assess further educational needs.

Please take the time to help us in these efforts. Your responses are very important.

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Please circle a response or fill in the blank. Where the responses are numbers 1 through 5, please give a graded response using #1 - not at all or very little, 3 - medium level, or #5 - very much or high level.

1. How big of a problem do you perceive Johne's Disease is to the dairy industry?
1 2 3 4 5

2. Did you read the article on Johne's Disease in the September 1997 issue of Colorado Dairy News? Yes No

3. Did the article improve your knowledge or heighten your concern about the disease?
1 2 3 4 5

4. What is your role in the dairy industry? (circle one) Producer/Owner; Herdsman; Veterinarian; Consultant; Industry Representative, Other _____

5. How long (years) has your dairy operation been in business in Colorado?

6. What is your herd size? Number of milking cows: _____

7. What was your herd's number of milking cows 1 year ago at this time:

8. What is your herd production? _____ Milk/cow/day OR _____ milk/cow/year.

9. Do you raise replacement heifers? Yes No

10. Do you contract out replacement heifer rearing? Yes No

11. Do you purchase replacement heifers? Yes No
12. Has Johne's Disease been diagnosed on your dairy in the last 10 years? (by testing or veterinary diagnosis) Yes No
13. How familiar are you with the organism that causes Johne's disease, its effects on cows and its method of spread? 1 2 3 4 5
14. How familiar are you with management practices used to control Johne's disease? 1 2 3 4 5
15. Do you currently employ management strategies to control Johne's disease in your herd? 1 2 3 4 5
16. How familiar are you with tests used to detect Johne's Disease in dairy cows?
1 2 3 4 5
17. Have you used any specific diagnostic tests to detect Johne's disease in your herd in the last 2 years? Yes No
18. Are you concerned about introducing Johne's disease into your herd? 1 2 3 4 5
19. Do you employ strategies to prevent introduction of Johne's Disease into your herd?
Yes No
20. Do you use the services of a private veterinarian or herd health and disease management. 1 2 3 4 5