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## **New Tools and Concepts in Production Medicine**

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Presentation notes follow -

## BaseCOW



A Tool for the Dairy Production  
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## What is BaseCow

- Basecow is an Excel Add-in that can be used by consultants of animal production systems so help solve problems.

## Spreadsheets

- Stethoscope for the production consultant
- Increasing complexity of problems
- Numerical and Epidemiological attributes
- Specific applications spreadsheets
- Tools for general problem solving



## Typical Questions/Problems ?

- How many cows have to test negative, to be assured that the prevalence of a disease is below 5% at a 95% confidence interval.
- If the variation (STD) in milk production is 5 lbs, how many cows should be measured, to be certain (95%) that the mean production is within 2 lbs of the "real" value?

## Typical Questions/Problems

- A corn silage trench is 12 feet high and 15 feet long. If 20 lbs of dry matter are fed, how many inches/day will be removed from the trench?
- 30 cows for tested negative for Johne's disease, what is the probability that 1 or more are infected?

## BaseCOW

- Has "functions" that can answer these questions and 75 others.
- New functions are added on a routine basis.



## Functions

- Current Functions (Arithmetic, Statistical... average(), Min()),.....
- BaseCow Functions (Production, Epidemiological, Nutrition, Reproduction)

## General Function Features

↓ Excel Function    ↓ Basecow Functions

- Call name: Average, DMI, Predpos, GRpos  
.... 75 functions
- Arguments of function  
Average (range of cells)  
DMI (body weight, Milk production, Status)  
PredPOS (Sensitivity, Specificity, prevalence)

## Function Categories

- Epidemiological
- Statistical
- Production
- Nutrition
- Reproduction
- Heifer rearing

Function Name	Description
AFMUT	Nutrition (AC feed nutrient Density, Dry matter percent)
FUNMATE	Nutrition (WIDTH, HEIGHT, LENGTH) (tons (2000 lbs))
FOCUS	Nutrition (WIDTH, HEIGHT, LENGTH) (tons (2000 lbs))
GRDGR	Nutrition (Grain ton, Grain name) (oats, gnc, shcm, barley, wheat, sorg, mil, sds)
CAD	Nutrition (Godum's, costassum's, Chloride's, sulfur's)
DMI	Nutrition (Body WEIGHT, Milk pos, CLASS L=lactating, D = Dry, H = HEFER)
ENDURANCE	Nutrition (% Forage NDF)
DMUT	Nutrition (Dry matter nutrient Density, Dry matter percent)
ENDUREN	Nutrition (Lactation, weight, rdy in milk)
FEEDAP	Nutrition (Dry matter nutrient density, Dry matter percent)
FEEDPOST	Nutrition (SMB (oats, Shredded Corn, Cost, feed CP, feed NE, SBMCP, AA or AS)
FEEDDM	Nutrition (AS feed amount, Dry matter percent)
GRANRND	Nutrition (WIDTH, HEIGHT, LENGTH, GRAN name) (grain = oats, gnc, shcm) bushels
GRANSG	Nutrition (WIDTH, HEIGHT, LENGTH, GRAN name) (grain = oats, gnc, shcm) bushels
NE	Nutrition (WEIGHT, MILK, GAIN, CLASS)
NEM	Nutrition (WEIGHT, LACTATION)
NITRATEPPM	Nutrition (PPM OF NITRATE NITROGEN)
NITRATEPCT	Nutrition (PERCENT NITRATE ION)
PEARSONA	Nutrition (Feed A nutrient level, Feed E nutrient level, desired level)
PEARSONB	Nutrition (Feed B nutrient level, Feed E nutrient level, desired level)
POUNDS	Nutrition (Grain bushels, Grain name) (oats, gnc, shcm, barley, wheat, sorg, mil, sds)
PROTEIN	Nutrition (WEIGHT, MILK, FAT, GAIN, CLASS)
REMOVAL	Nutrition (ALF, PCT, dm, cow, number, sex, weight, height)
REMOVALCDS	Nutrition (CDS, PCT, dm, cow, number, sex, weight, height)
SOCLYDM	Nutrition (DM, WEIGHT, MILK)
SDM	Nutrition (WEIGHT, MILK, FAT, GAIN, LACT, DIM)
WATERS	Nutrition (WEIGHT, MILK, FAT PERCENT, CLASS)
WATERB	Production (MILK, FAT)

## Example Functions

### Function: DMI

Function Name    **Function Arguments**

↓                    ↓  
=DMI (Body weight, Milk)

=DMI (1400, 80) = 47.4 lbs

### Function: FeedCost

SBM 48 cost \$240/ton, Shelled Corn \$130/ton  
 A feed with 20% CP and NE = .78/lb cost \$167/ton  
 Should I buy it.

=FEEDCost(SBMS, Corn\$, CP, NE)  
 =FEEDCost(240,130,20,.78) = \$189

Yes, \$167 ( the cost of the feed) is less then what a mix  
 of soybean meal and corn would be.

### Function: GroupPOS

A group of 30 animals test negative at a sale  
 (Prevalence of Johnes.05) for Johnes's (Elisa, Sensitivity 45,  
 Specificity 99).

What is the probability of at least one or more animals  
 being infected?

= GroupPOS (Sensitivity, Specificity, Prevalence, # test neg.)  
 = GroupPOS (.45,.99,.05,30) = 58%

### Function: Pregnant

What is the probability of a cow 80 days in milk  
 being pregnant given that she is exposed to a heat  
 detection rate of 50%, a conception rate f 50% and if  
 the voluntary waiting period was 50 days?

Pregnant(heat detection, conception, volun. Waite, Day in milk)

Pregnant(.5,.5,50,80) = 34%

### Power to Detect Disease

Function: PowerDetect

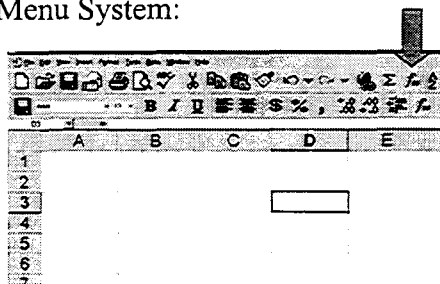
What is the sample size needed to be 95% confident of detecting  
 at least one animal if the prevalence of the disease is 5%?

PowerDetect(Population, Prevalence, Significance)

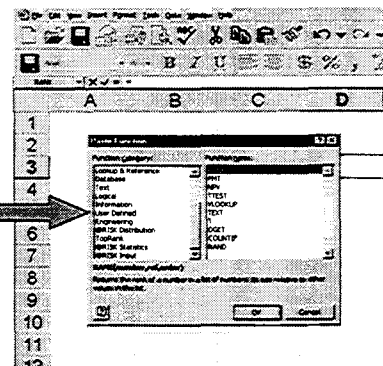
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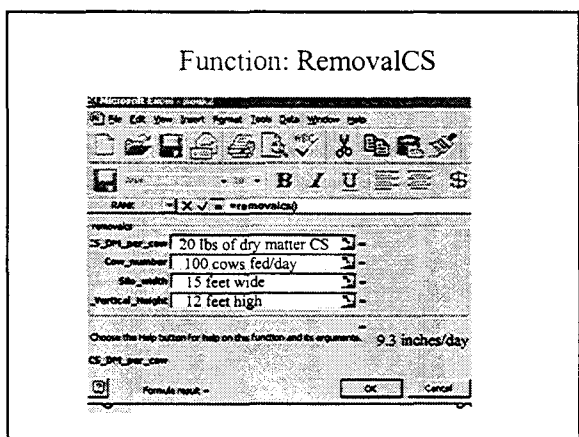
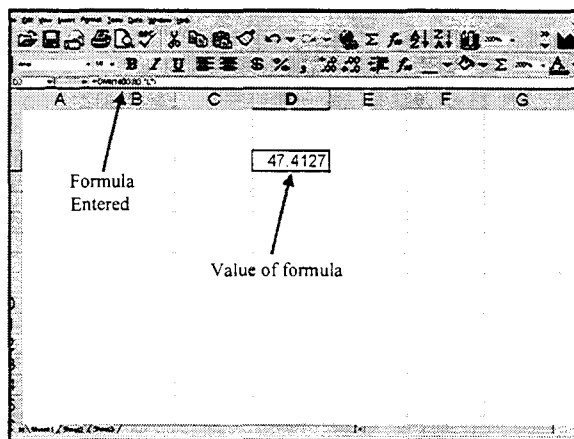
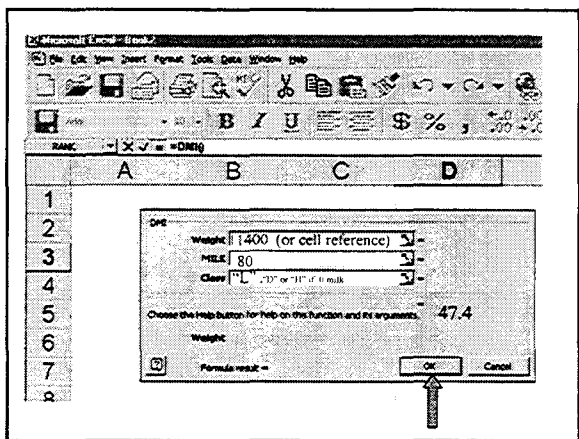
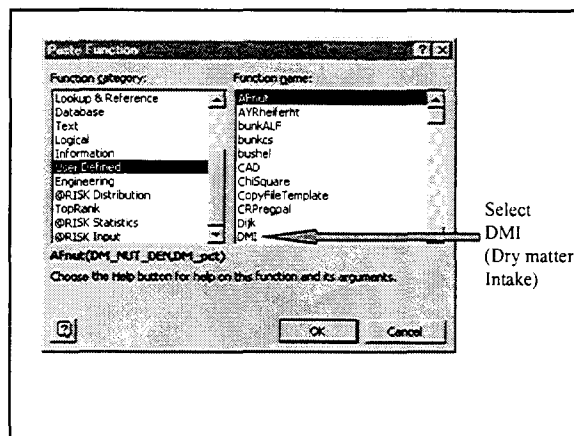
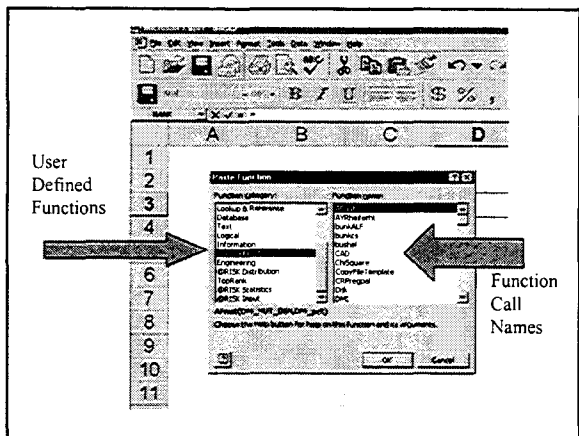
### Menu System:

To Access Functions




User  
 Defined  
 Functions





### Base Cow

- Nitrate toxicity (pct or ppm)
- Water intake
- Lactation curve
- NE, CP, DMI etc
- Percent pregnant on palpation

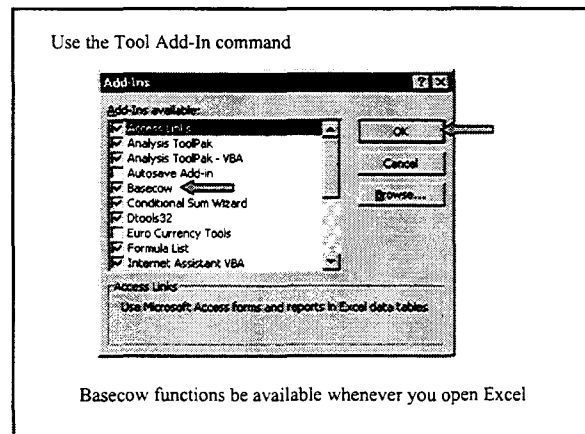
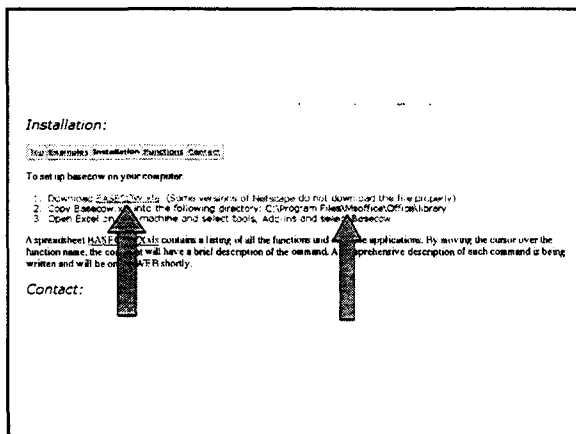
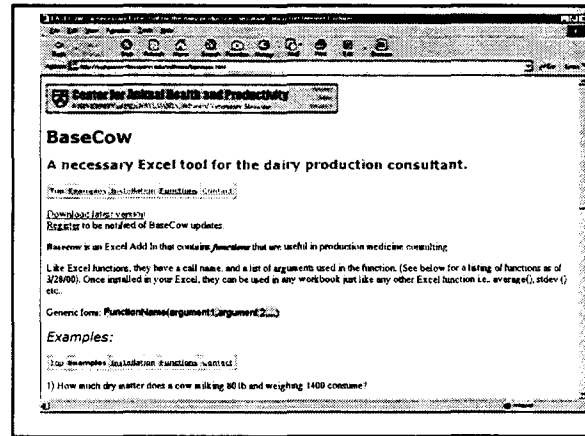
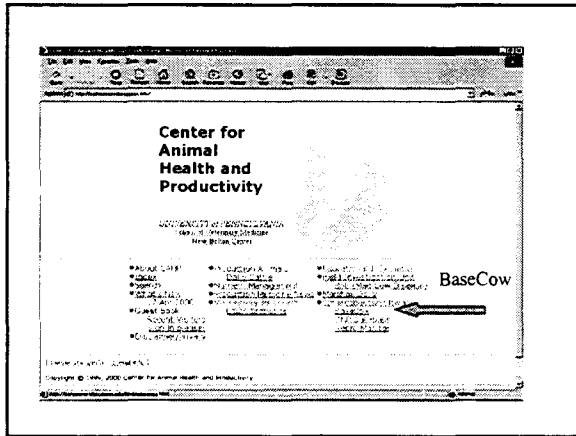


How do I get BASEcow?



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Thanks !



## Pivot Analysis of Dairy Data



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## Data Sets

### Reproduction

Cow Freshdate BRED1 BRED... Outcome TBRD DFH ...

### Milk Production

Cow Freshdate Milk 1 Milk 2... 305milk ME305...

### Event Data

Cow Event Eventdate remark

## Analysis of Production Variables

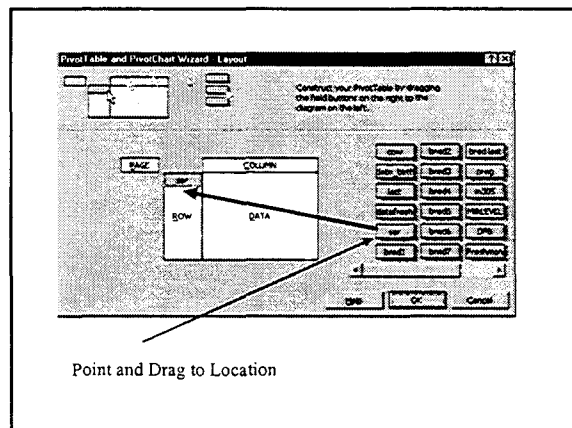
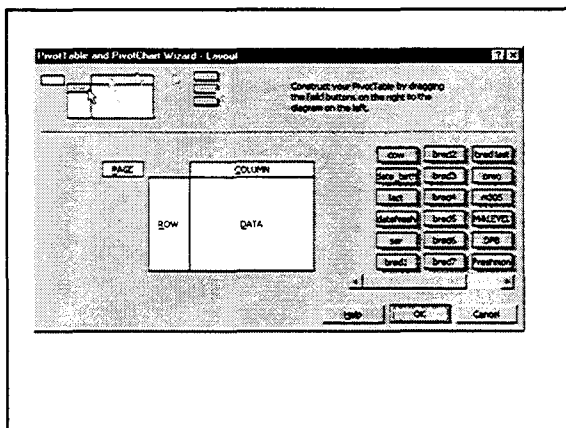
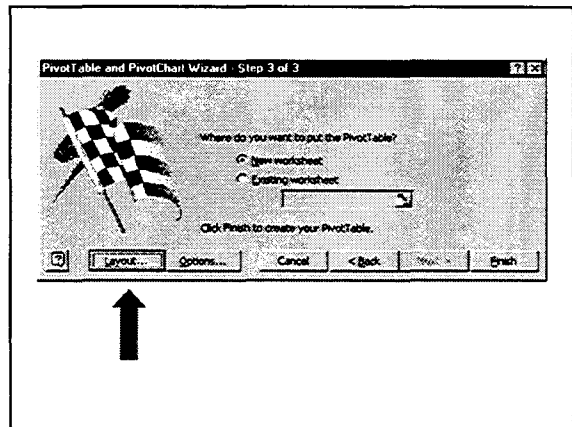
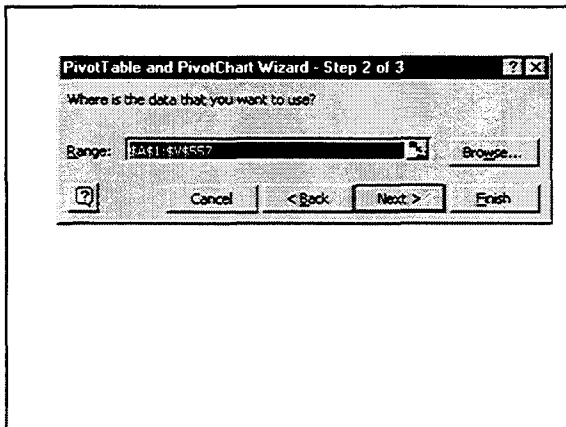
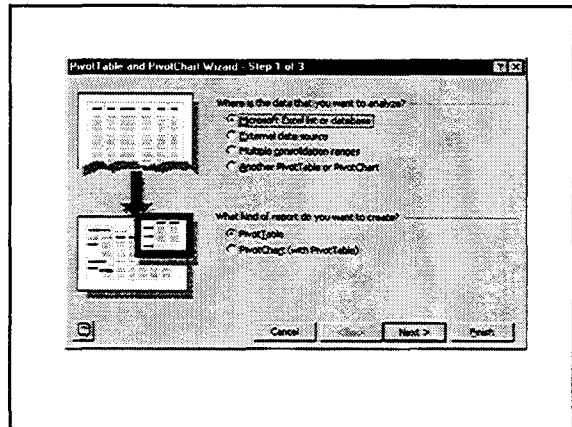
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- Manipulation (Average, Count, STD, Min ...)
- By Condition: Row, columns, pages

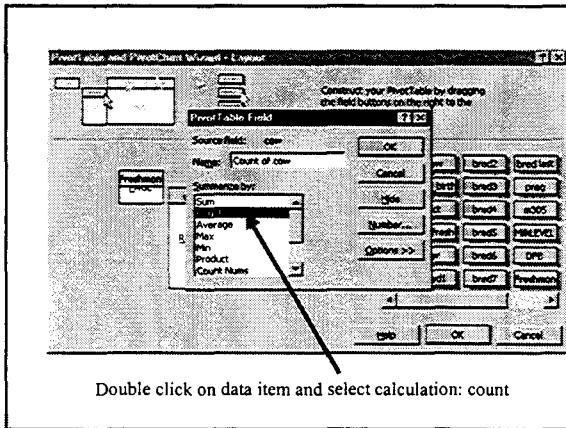
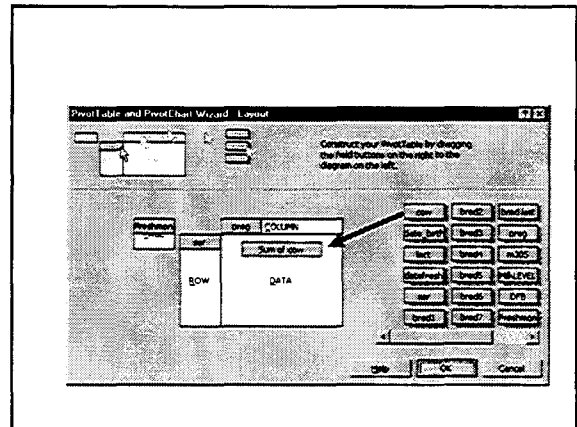
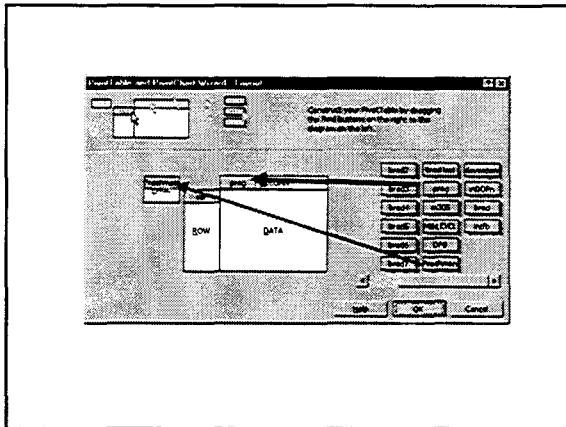
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152	1/1/88	4	1/22/94	3	3/21/94	9/5/94
175	7/29/90	3	3/24/94	3	6/8/94	9/26/94
185	3/19/91	2	6/3/94	3	8/8/94	8/29/94
187	7/20/91	2	6/6/94	3	8/10/94	9/27/94
199	7/4/92	1	6/9/94	3	8/8/94	10/13/94
181	1/26/91	2	6/22/94	3	8/9/94	9/25/94
570	10/15/88	3	7/2/94	3	8/23/94	10/10/94
197	2/1/92	1	7/6/94	3	8/22/94	10/5/94
189	8/10/91	2	7/30/94	2	10/10/94	11/22/94
202	8/28/92	1	8/24/94	2	10/31/94	11/20/94
180	1/24/91	2	10/2/94	4	11/21/94	1/8/95
169	1/6/90	4	11/14/94	3	1/13/95	6/2/95
907	10/12/89	1	11/22/94	1	1/21/95	
112	4/1/86	6	11/27/94	5	2/20/95	3/20/95

cow	bred7	bred last	preg	m305	MilkLEVEL	DFB	Fresh
157		9/26/94	FALSE	20400	low		52
152		11/15/94	TRUE	21710	low		58
175		11/14/94	TRUE	28210	High		76
185		11/14/94	TRUE	26370	High		66
187		11/11/94	TRUE	34550	High		65
199		12/5/94	TRUE	23920	low		60
181		11/15/94	TRUE	23630	low		48
570		11/25/94	TRUE	25580	High		52
197		11/13/94	TRUE	24100	low		47
189		11/22/94	TRUE	23190	low		72
202		11/20/94	TRUE	23470	low		68
180		2/24/95	TRUE	32740	High		50
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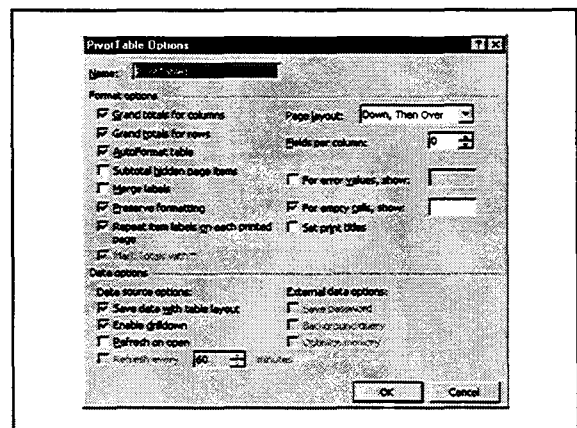
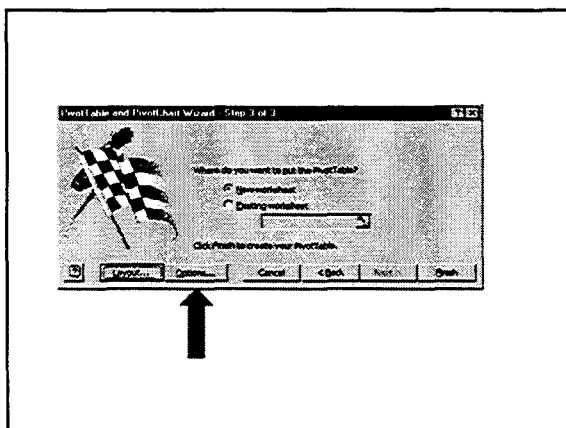
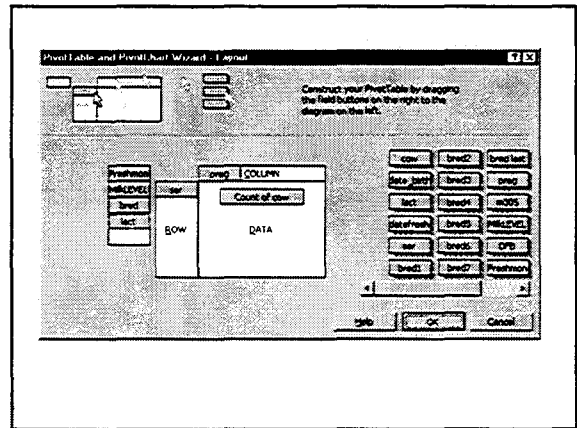
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152	58	1	297	12	1	1
175	76	3	235	9	1	2
185	66	6	164	6	1	1
187	65	6	158	6	1	1
199	60	6	179	7	1	1
181	48	6	146	5	1	0
570	52	7	146	5	1	1
197	47	7	130	4	1	0
189	72	7	115	4	1	2
202	68	8	88	2	1	1
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907	60	11	60	1	1	1
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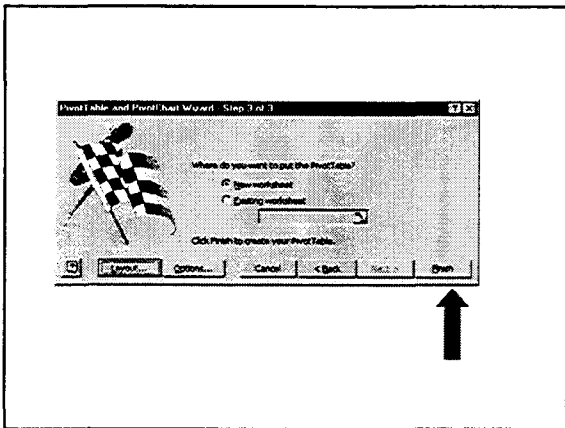
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152					3	3/21/94	9/5/94	11/11/94
175					3	6/8/94	9/26/94	11/11/94
185					3	8/8/94	8/29/94	11/11/94
187					3	8/10/94	9/27/94	11/11/94
199					3	8/8/94	10/13/94	12/11/94
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570					3	8/23/94	10/10/94	11/11/94
197					3	8/22/94	10/5/94	11/11/94
189					2	10/10/94	11/22/94	
202					2	10/31/94	11/20/94	
180	1/24/91		2	10/2/94	4	11/21/94	1/8/95	1/11/95
169	1/6/90		4	11/14/94	3	1/13/95	6/2/95	6/11/95
907	10/12/89		1	11/22/94	1	1/21/95		
112	4/1/86		6	11/27/94	5	2/20/95	3/20/95	4/11/95





Double click on data item and select calculation: count





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Columns

Count of ser preg

ser	FALSE	TRUE	Grand Total
1	39	67	106
2	43	56	99
3	31	58	89
4	26	23	49
5	31	17	48
6	8	8	16
7	12	7	19
8	6	5	11
9	3	6	9
10	4	1	5
11	5	1	6
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13	1	1	1
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Count of Cows

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2	43	56	99
3	31	58	89
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6	8	8	16
7	12	7	19
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Double Click On 9<sup>th</sup> service Pregnant Cows

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6 Cows that are pregnant on 9<sup>th</sup> service

cow	date	birth	lact	datefresh	ser	bred1	bred2	bred3	bred4	bred5	bred6	bred7
459	4/28/96	2	5/16/96	9	7/29/96	8/12/96	9/4/96	9/25/96	9/26/96	10/18/96	10/23/96	
478	1/13/96	2	2/18/96	9	4/24/96	5/15/96	6/5/96	6/19/96	8/5/96	8/8/96	8/11/96	
418	11/23/93	2	8/9/97	9	10/25/97	12/17/97	12/19/97	1/7/98	1/20/98	2/4/98	5/14/98	
465	5/13/96	1	5/21/97	9	7/17/97	9/10/97	9/29/97	12/3/97	12/23/97	1/13/98	1/16/98	
172	8/18/89	5	6/8/96	9	8/15/96	8/31/96	9/29/96	11/25/96	1/8/97	1/7/97	2/17/97	
167	12/24/89	5	12/5/95	9	2/9/96	3/1/96	3/24/96	5/10/96	5/12/96	5/28/96	6/18/96	

External Calculations

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Count of ser preg

ser	FALSE	TRUE	Grand Total	Conception Rate
1	39	67	106	15%
2	43	56	99	16%
3	31	58	89	23%
4	26	23	49	14%
5	31	17	48	14%
6	8	8	16	11%
7	12	7	19	13%
8	6	5	11	14%
9	3	6	9	
10	4	1	5	
11	5	1	6	
12	1	1	2	
13	1	1	1	
18		1	1	
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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>461</b>	

Total Bred 461

Page Changes

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Count of ser preg

ser	FALSE	TRUE	Grand Total	Conception Rate
1	11	7	18	14%
2	5	4	9	12%
3	1	10	11	42%
4	2	4	6	31%
5	2	2	4	0%
6	1	1	2	20%
7	1	1	2	0%
9	1	1	2	33%
13	1	1	1	
(blank)				
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>51</b>	

Total Bred 51

bred	(All)			Total Bred	227
Freshmon	(All)				
MilkLEVEL	(All)				
lact	1				

Count of ear preg	FALSE	TRUE	Grand Total	ConceptionRate
1	18	66	84	21%
2	17	37	54	23%
3	12	27	39	23%
4	7	15	22	22%
5	11	8	19	17%
6		1	1	4%
7	6	4	10	15%
8	3	1	4	6%
9	2	1	3	
10	3	0	3	
11	3	0	3	
12	1	0	1	
13	1	0	1	
18		1	1	
(blank)				
Grand Total	84	143	227	

Double click on table

Pivot Table Wizard will appear

Click and drag new fields into Row, column, or data

lact	(All)			
Freshmon	(All)			
bred	1			
MilkLEVEL	High			177 total Seen

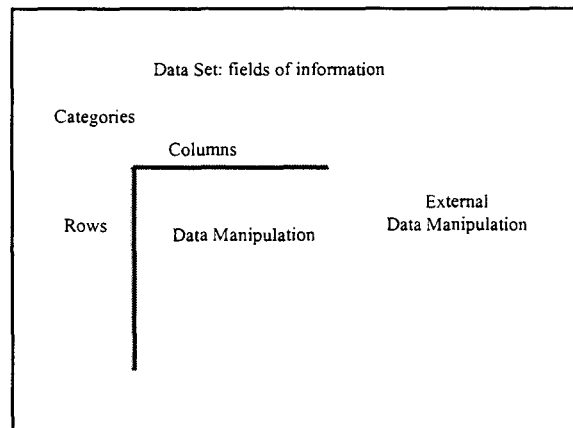
Count of cow	Total	Heat detection
0	17	10%
1	89	56%
2	48	68%
3	13	57%
4	5	50%
5	2	40%
6	1	33%
7	1	50%
15	1	
Grand Total	177	

Average of Peak Milk by Month Fresh

lact	(All)
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Average of peak	Total
1	106.9
2	100.2
3	108.0
4	91.7
5	95.0
6	85.2
7	97.7
8	105.1
9	111.2
10	99.0
11	107.7
12	109.7
Grand Total	103.6



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