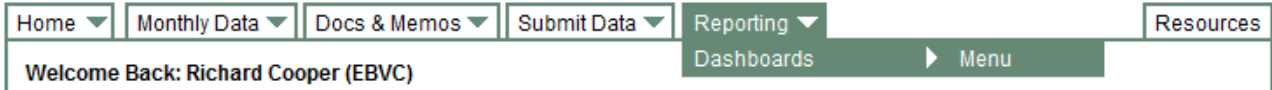


Performance Interpretation

To get to reporting and benchmarking in DairyMet, select 'Reporting', then 'Dashboards'. There may be several options available depending on the organisations you are affiliated with: click to view one.



You will then be given a choice of available 'Dashboards'. These are summary pages of figures and benchmarking that can be used to track herd performance in particular areas. Click on one to go to that page.

Dashboard Menu (Apr 2009 - Oct 2010)

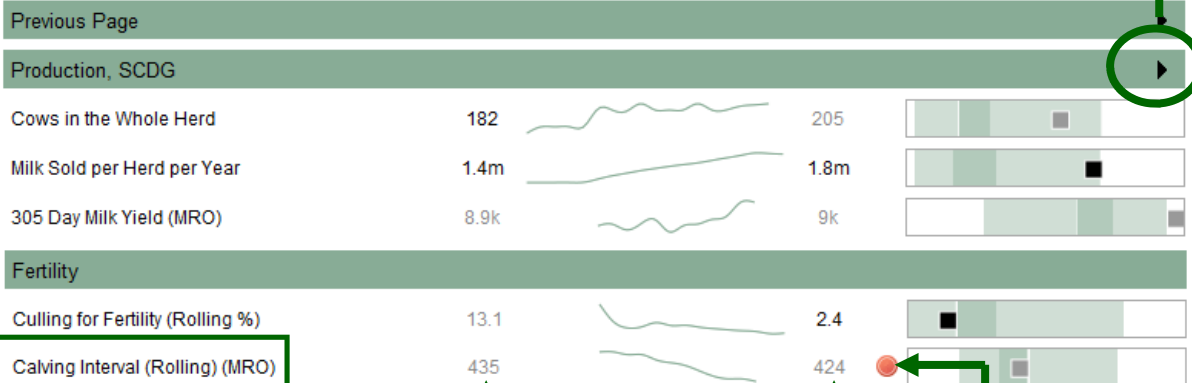
- Herd Overview Dashboard ▶
- Production Dashboard ▶
- Culling & Losses Dashboard ▶
- Vet Assessment & Disease Dashboard ▶
- Milk recording Data Dashboard ▶

The Dashboard Page

The heading bar tells you over what period the information is from and to. As default the last 18 months' data is shown

Clicking on headings with an arrow takes you to other dashboards that contain a more detailed breakdown of that category.

Herd Overview (Apr 2009 - Oct 2010)



Hovering the mouse over the subject headings makes a rollover box appear which explains the definition of each herd performance area. Clicking on the text takes you to the more detailed performance and benchmarking graph (see overleaf for more explanation)

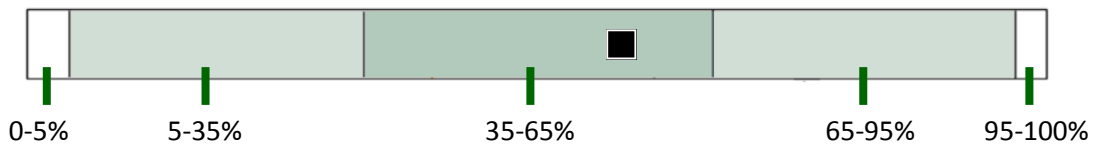
The figure on the left of the line graph is where you were 18 months ago; the figure to the right is the latest figure for the farm. If a number is grey, it indicates that there is data missing and that the system has used the most recent figure available.

A red marker will appear next to any measurement that is above your provider's recommended standard. Hovering the mouse over the dot displays what that standard is.

If there are gaps in the farm's data (e.g. if milk recording did not take place for a couple of months) then a faint line appears to indicate that the line is a 'best guess' of what happened in that period.

The Benchmarking Bars

The benchmarking bars show your position within the group. The bar is divided into lower, upper and middle thirds, with the extreme upper and lower 5% of group members shown in white. The black square is your position within the group.



Note that benchmarking simply shows your position within the group; it doesn't necessarily mean that you are doing badly or doing well, regardless of where you are. The bars are spread to reflect how the data is skewed, e.g. the group average for LDA

The Detailed Graphs

These can be viewed by clicking on any of the measurement headings on the left hand side of the page (e.g. calving interval). To return to the dashboard, click the cross at the top right hand corner of the graph. If some data is missing for your farm, the black line will stop and then restart at the next useable figure.

Where relevant, a target line is shown. If the target is being met, it is green. If not, it is red. The suggested target is displayed under the graph title if the target isn't being met.

Clicking on the left button will print out the graph. The right button allows you to save the graph as an image file; this can then be included in farm reports etc.



The black line shows your performance over time. Hovering the mouse over the line displays the date and value.

The grey line shows the group mean average. Hovering the mouse over shows how many farms contributed to that average.

The different coloured bars show where the lower third, middle third and higher third of the benchmarking group.