SOW MORTALITY PROJECT-WEEK 23 UPDATE 6-15-18
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Overview: Calendar Year 2018 Week 23. Ninety-two sow farms representing an inventory of 349,176 sows, have submitted mortality records indicating 749 sow deaths. The following figures summarize the distribution and variation of sow deaths across reporting sow farms.

Figure 1 (Above). Annualized rate of pelvic organ prolapse (POP) varied across sow farms during Week 23 from over 13% to 0%.

Figure 2 (Above). Annualized total mortality for reporting sow farms for Week 23. The red portion of the bars represent the proportion of the sow mortalities that occurred that were not due to prolapse while the yellow portion of the bars indicates the proportion occurring due to prolapse.

Figure 3 (Right). Breakdown of all mortalities reported for Week 23. A total of 21% of sow mortalities were the result of some form prolapse. Approximately 27% died due to lameness and related causes and 41% died due to other or unknown causes.

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