

SOW MORTALITY PROJECT-WEEK 37 UPDATE 9-21-18

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Overview: Calendar Year 2018 Week 37. Seventy-five sow farms representing an inventory of 301,902 sows, have submitted mortality records indicating 656 sow deaths. The following figures summarize the distribution and variation of sow deaths across reporting sow farms.

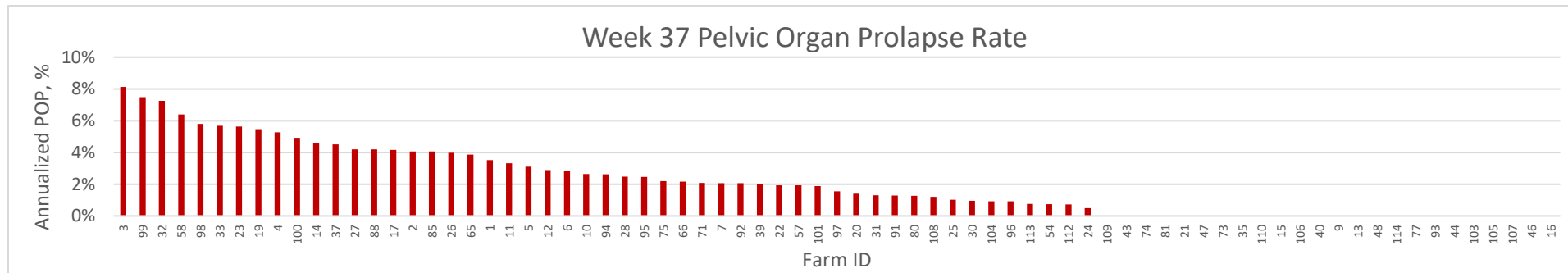


Figure 1 (Above). Annualized rate of pelvic organ prolapse (POP) varied across sow farms during Week 37 from over 8% to 0%.

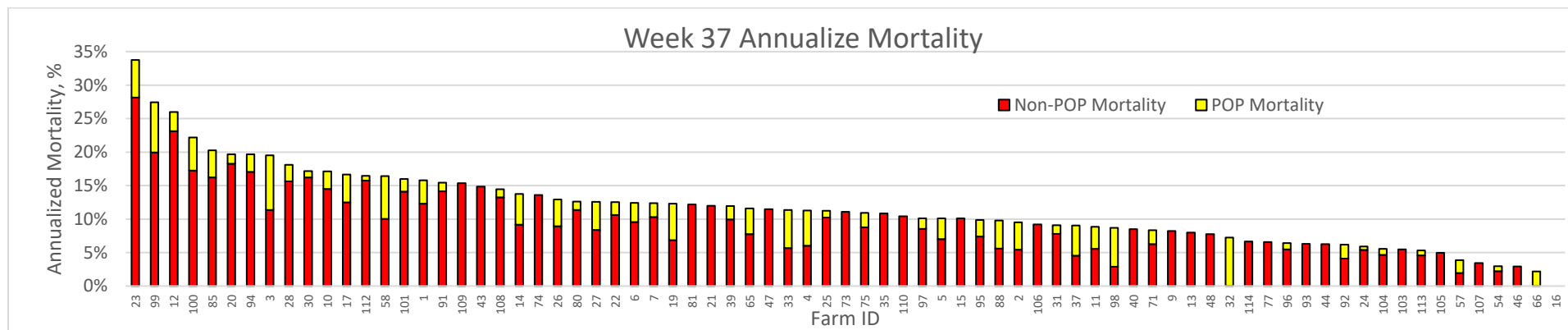


Figure 2 (Above). Annualized total mortality for reporting sow farms for Week 37. The red portion of the bars represent the proportion of the sow mortalities that occurred that were not due to prolapse while the yellow portion of the bars indicates the proportion occurring due to prolapse.

Figure 3 (Right). Breakdown of all mortalities reported for Week 37. A total of 18% of sow mortalities were the result of some form prolapse. Approximately 32% died due to lameness and related causes and 41% died due to other or unknown causes.

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