Global 24-Hour Calculation Trends in Automatic Milking Systems





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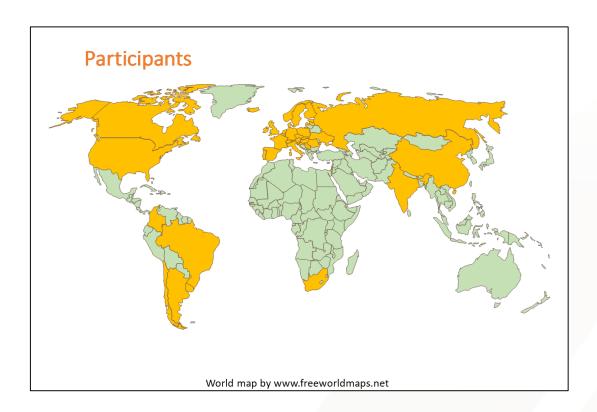








Materials and Methods







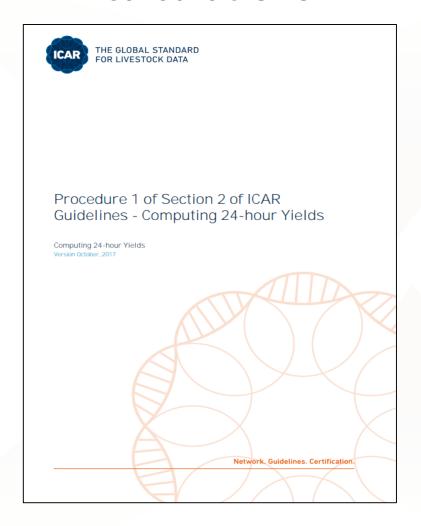
- Data were obtained from <u>52 organisations</u> from around the world
- Consisting of <u>90 questions</u>, the survey provides an analysis of all data, which were submitted between <u>December 2018 and</u> March 2019







Results – General aspects of 24-hour AMS calculations

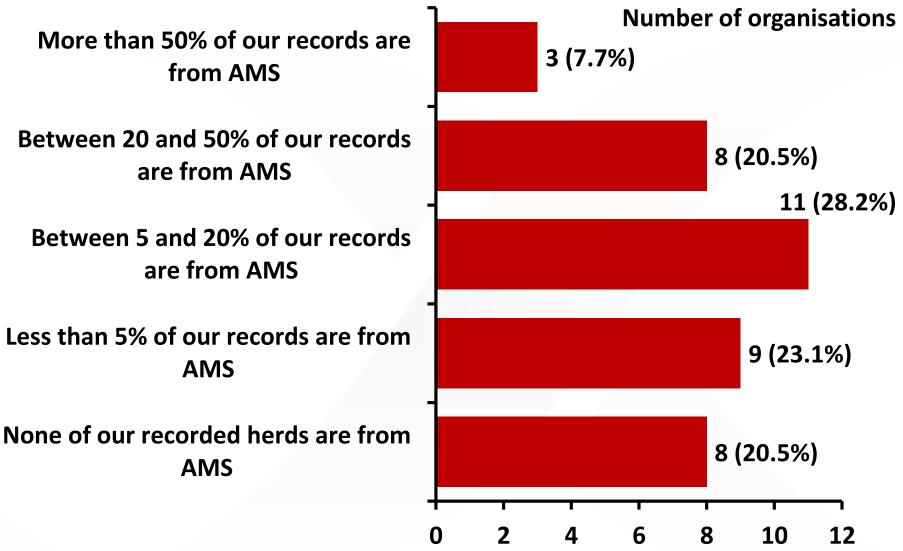








What is the importance of AMS within your organisation?









What recording methods do you use for AMS?

	Number of
Answer options	organisations
We use milking data from a multiple number of days,	
including the sample day	22
We use milking data from a multiple number of days, excluding the sample day	3
We use milking data from one day	7
We use an automatically calculated milk total based on	
robot software	4

 The majority of MROs take milking data from a multiple number of days, mostly including the sample day, with only some MROs excluding the sample day







Most MROs record between 4 and 7 days

- 2 days: 13.0% of organisations
- 3 days: 4.3% of organisations
- 4 days: 30.4% of organisations
- 5 days: 4.3% of organisations
- 6 days: 4.3% of organisations
- 7 days: 39.1% of organisations



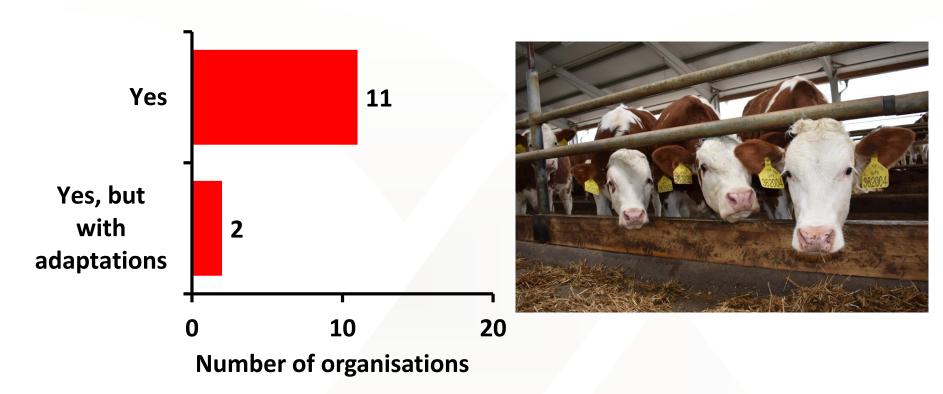








Do you use the LAZENBY (2002) METHOD described in the Guidelines



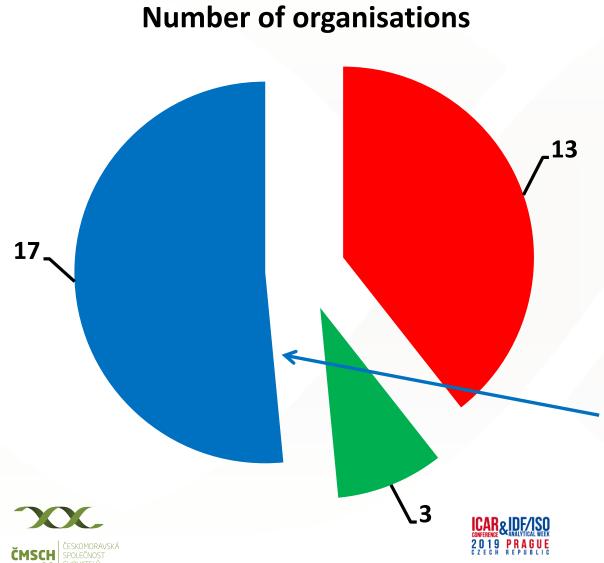
 This AMS method factors in different intervals to provide a more complex overall average, an important factor in AMS calculations





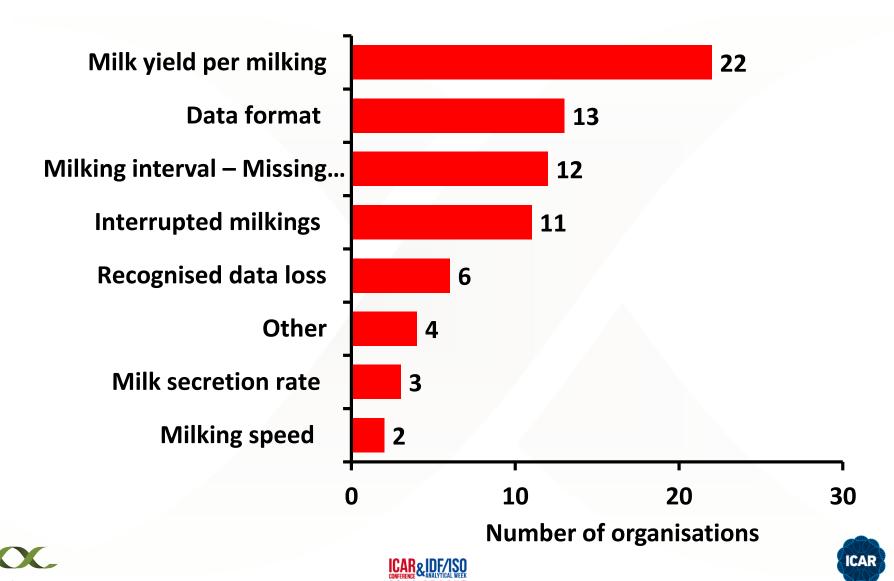


How do you calculate fat and protein yields using AMS?



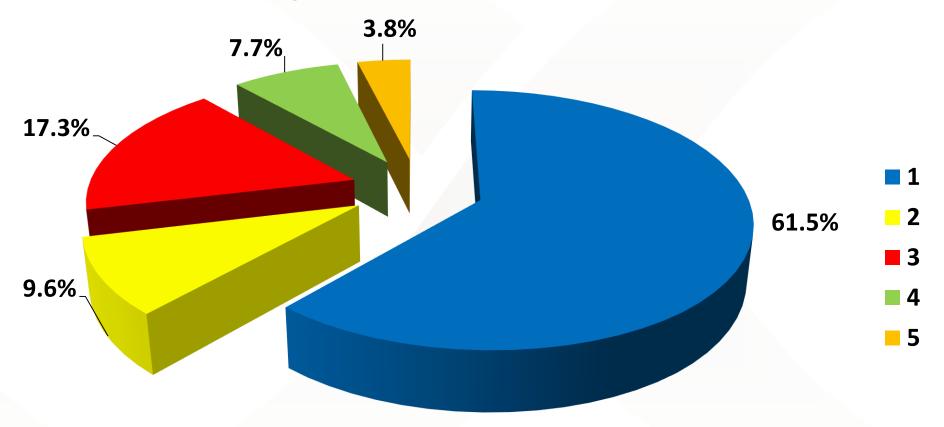
- We use milk yield from several days, including the sampling day, to calculate the fat and protein yields
- We use milk yield from several days, excluding the sampling day, to calculate the fat and protein yields
- We only use milk yield from the sampling day to calculate the fat and protein yields

What data quality indicators do you monitor when extracting data from the robot software?



What data quality indicators do you monitor when extracting data from the robot software? Number of combined indicators used by MROs

% of organisations that use combined indicators



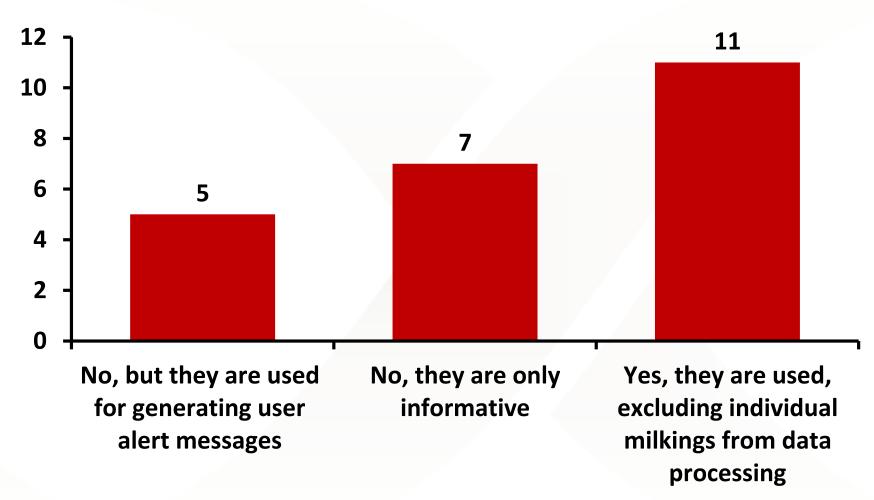






Do these indicators affect calculations?

Number of organisations









Do you use the BOULOC ET AL. (2002) method described in the guidelines

- This method is designed for calculating milk yield production over one day
- Implementation is low with only 5 MROs stating they use the method
- Most MROs calculate over a multiple number of days, with one MRO using an adaptation of the method











What sampling schemes do you use for AMS?

Answer options	Number of organisations
Scheme Z – sampling from one milking per cow and	
recording	27
Scheme M – separate samples from several milkings, all	
analysed separately	6
Scheme E – samples from several milkings joined in equal	
amounts for analysis	3
Scheme P – samples from several milkings joined	
proportionally for analysis	2

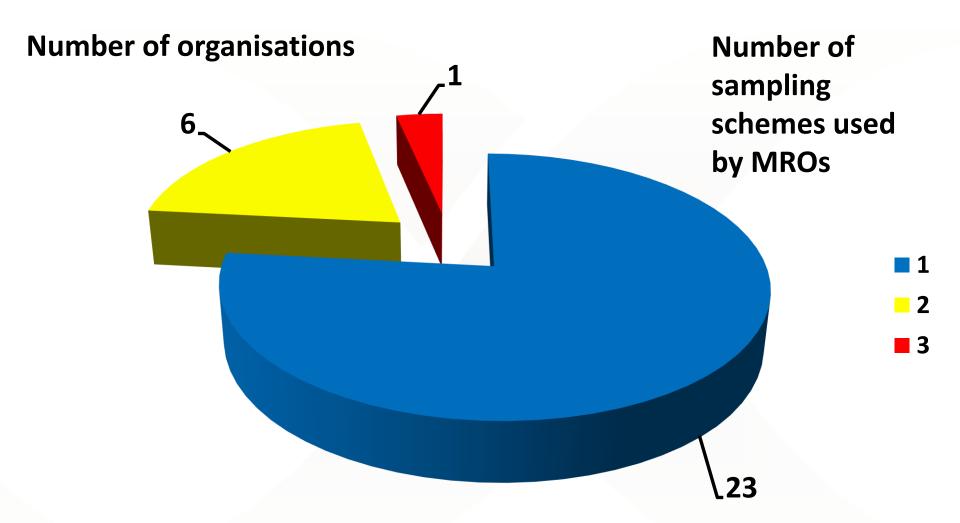
- The most common practice is to use scheme Z only (27 MROs), which involves sampling and recording from one milking per cow
- Prevalence of one-milking sampling has increased with an eye on reducing costs, an important area for future discussion







Number of sampling schemes used by MROs

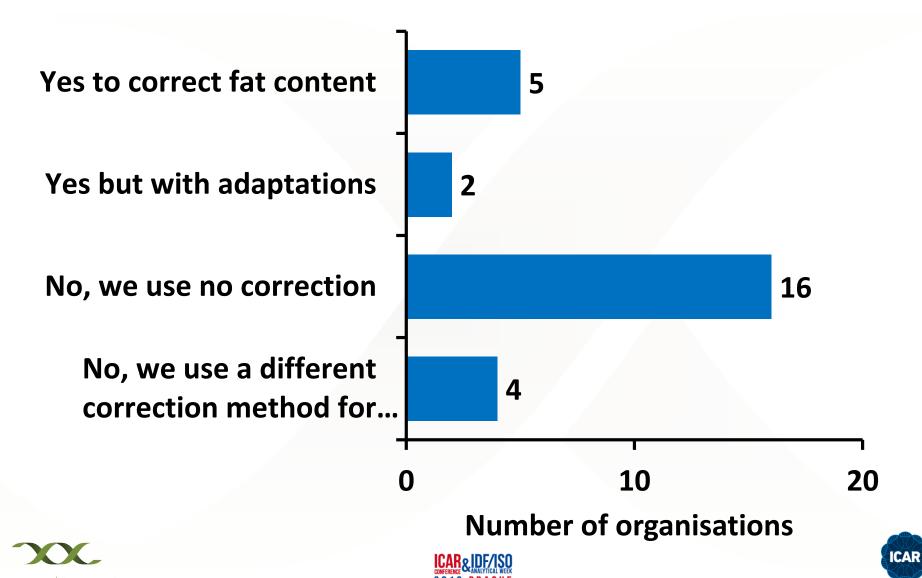




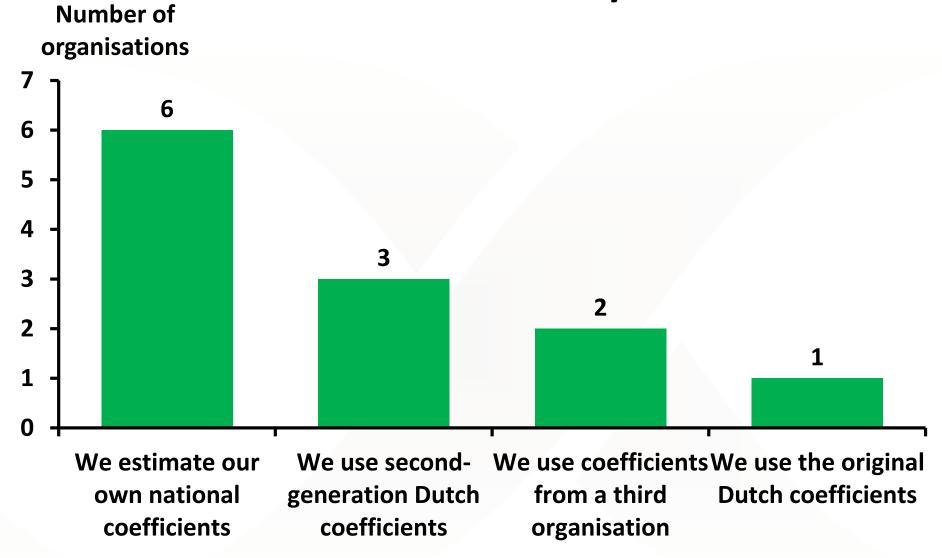




Do you use the GALESLOOT & PEETERS (2000) method described in the guidelines



What coefficients do you use?









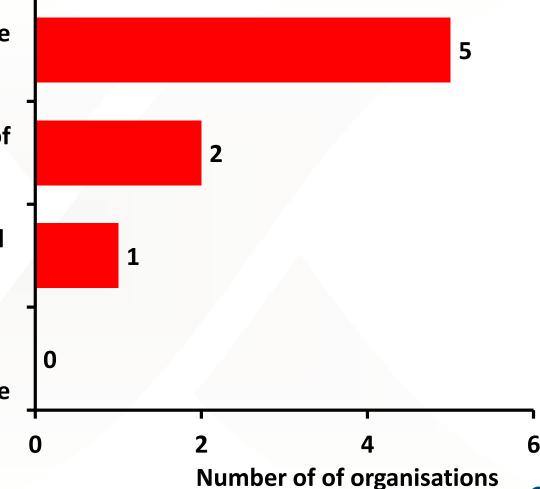
When analysing several samples or combining them in a nonproportional way, how do you calculate daily fat and protein yields?

We use milk weights to generate a weighted average

We carry out a direct analysis of combined samples

We use a simple average of all samples analysed

We use a formula to calculate 24-hour yields from a non-proportionally combined sample









How long does the sampling period last when using schemes M and E (hours)

Answer	options
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Number of organisations











Results – estimating independent factors and coefficients for AMS









Survey summarises how many records were used for estimations or recalculations of factors and coefficients. The following numbers were provided:

- Number of herds from 3 to 13,300
- Number of cows from 360 to 400,000
- Number of milkings 14 to 1,779,324
- Number of lactations 5,000 to 1,200,000
- Recommendation in this field could be valuable

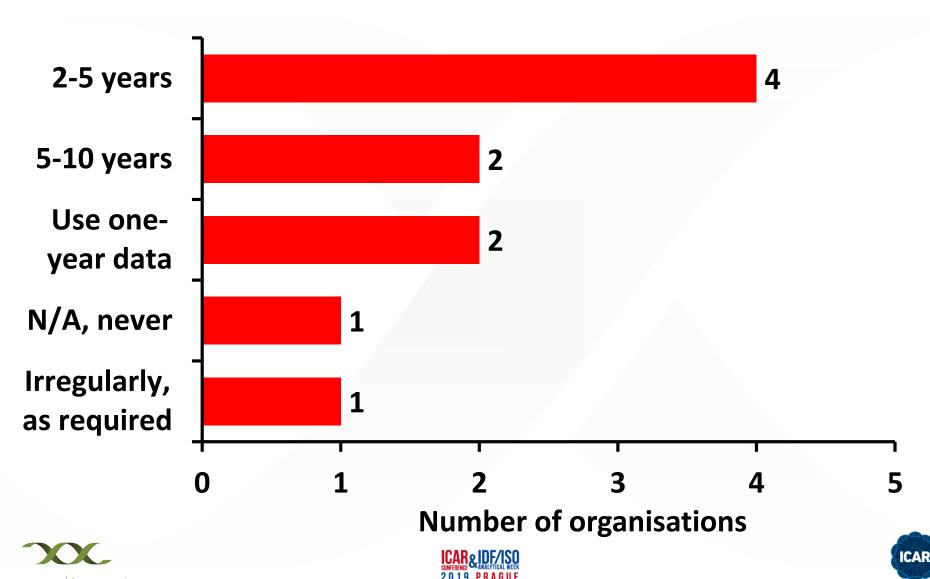




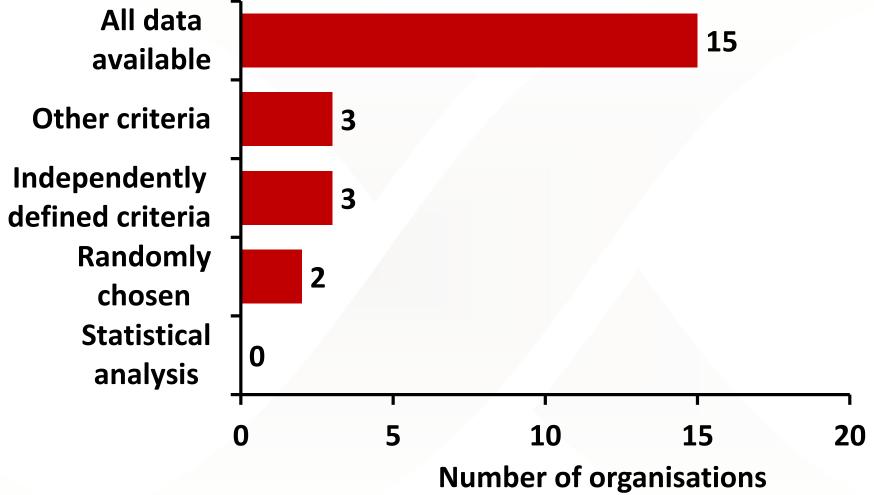




Over what period do you collect data for estimations or recalculations?



How are herds and/or cows selected for estimations or recalculations?

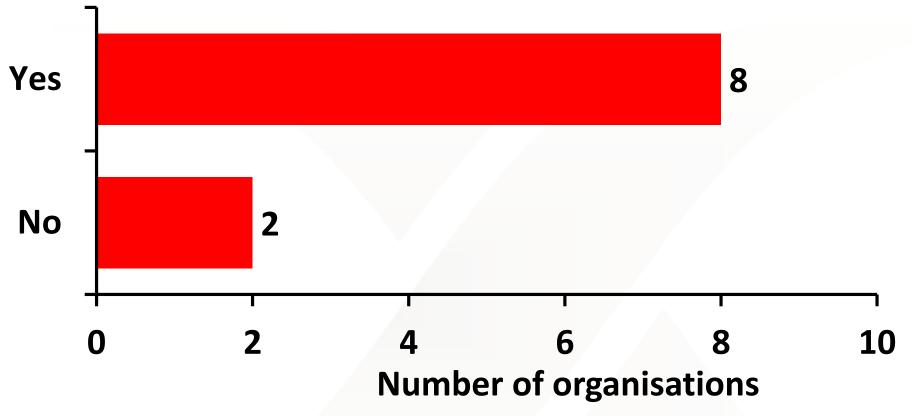








Do you edit or exclude raw data?





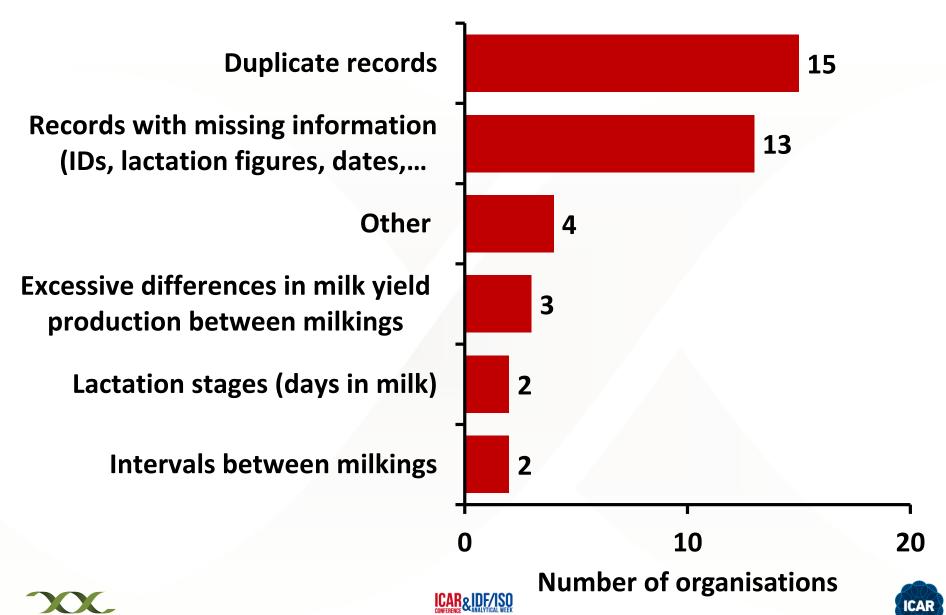








Which types of data do you exclude?



For the number of exclusion criteria applied, see below:

- 1 criterion: 8 organisations
- 2 criteria: 7 organisations
- 3 criteria: 3 organisations
- 4 criteria: 2 organisations
- Multiple exclusion criteria are recommended.

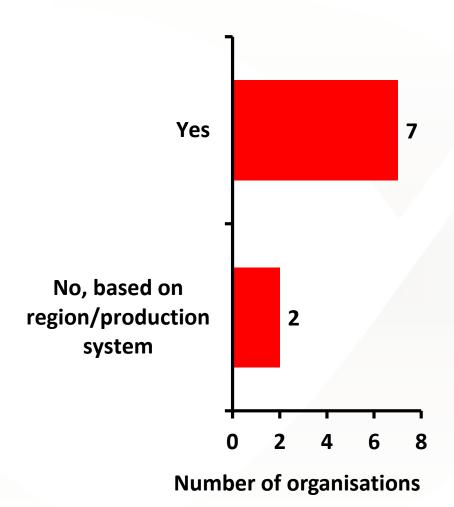


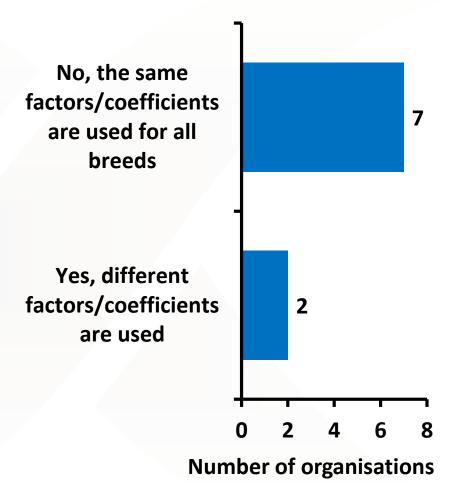




Do you use uniform, national factors/coefficients?

Are there any differences in factors/coefficients between breeds nationally?











What type of comparative analysis is used for AMS estimations/recalculations?

	Number of
Answer options	organisations
All samples are analysed separately (24-hour, golden standard)	4
Different approach	2











How do you evaluate results based on estimations/recalculations (method Z, M) and which statistical indicators do you use?

	Number of
Answer options	organisations

Correlation between estimated/predicted daily
yields and actual/true daily yields (from reference
method, golden standard)

Comparison of means, standard deviations and
maximum difference (overall, within subgroups)

4

Systematic bias, SD for differences and accuracy
(R²)







Conclusions, recommendations and future policies

- 52 organisations took part in the survey, comprising 90 questions
- A very important part of the project is to establish a future policy and set out practical recommendations for the future
- Impact of AMS on milk recording
- This trend is seeing MROs start to create new services and additional value for customers
- Data are also being combined from different sources toward future integration
- Data is mostly applied based on a multiple number of days for calculating 24-hour milk yields
- Most of the organisations use milk yield from the sampling day to calculate the fat and protein yields which is recommended practice



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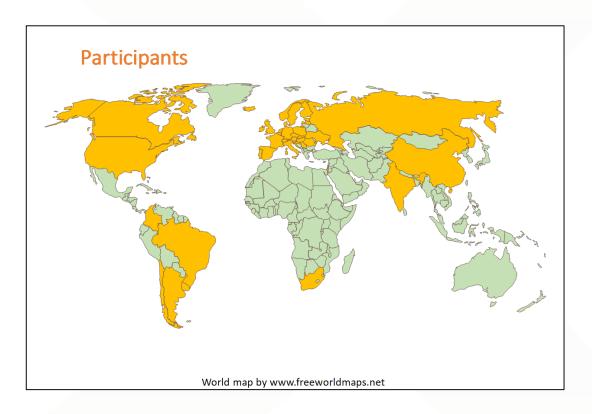
- Data quality systems are routinely used when handling AMS
- Raw data should always be used
- The prevalence for calculating 24-hour milk yields based on one day has decreased
- The most common practice is to exclusively use scheme Z
- There is a general trend toward simplification with a view to cutting costs
- Fat % should be factored in when taking only one sample, with some MROs stating corrections are not always applied
- Not all MROs estimate their own factors and coefficients
- There is general consensus on the areas in the Guidelines that need to be prioritised







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