

Reproduction Numbers



Mark Carson, EastGen Solutions Manager

Since 2009, CanWest DHI has published reproduction benchmarks based on the previous years herd performance. To help look at how we've progressed, we are comparing the average reproductive performance in 2018 to herd performance in 2009.

METRIC (AVERAGE)	2018	2009	CHANGE (+/-)
PREGNANCY RATE (%)	15%	13%	↑2%
INSEMINATION RATE (%)	43%	39%	↑ 4%
CONCEPTION RATE (%)	38%	37%	个1%
AGE AT FIRST CALVING (MONTH)	25	26.4	↓1.4

This has become a good news story! Pregnancy rates have improved over the last nine years with an increase of 2%. Pregnancy rate essentially measures the speed in which cows eligible to become pregnant became pregnant over a given time frame. The normal time frame is 21 days, the length of one estrus cycle. The reason for the increase in pregnancy rate can be seen through the improvements of insemination and conception rates.

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A full listing of available sexed semen is located at www.eastgen.ca

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A slight improvement in conception rate can be seen, with a 1% increase. Conception rate is the percentage of cows which become pregnant after being bred over a given period of time. Although there is still a long way to go in terms of improving fertility, the fact that conception rate is starting to climb instead of fall is real progress.

Lastly, one of the largest shifts in herd reproductive metrics is age at first calving, with the DHI average now at 25 months. With a 1.5 month reduction in age at first calving since 2009, this is a significant shift in the way we manage our heifers. Better calf raising, heifer nutrition and investment in breeding tools such as activity monitoring have all contributed to positive change.

If you need assistance in reviewing your herd information, please contact your EastGen representative.

Mark Carson transitions to Semex in the role of Genetic Solutions Manager



Thank You!
Mark

Mark will lead the support and development of new and existing genetic solutions as part of the Semex Solutions team starting this March.

Mark has been employed with EastGen over the past ten years, most recently in the role of Solutions Manager leading a team of field specialists supporting ai24 and Semex Solutions. Mark has played an important role supporting producers across the EastGen area and has continually pushed for advancement. Thank you for your contributions to EastGen, our customers and the industry.



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- KM BROKEN BOW 002
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- VARILEK GOLDIE 5051 506
VARILEK GOLDIE 3228 314

0200HP40713 WHITEHAWK WARRIOR 845C

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Members of EastGen will be held at the Sunbridge Hotel & Conference Centre (formerly the Cambridge Holiday Inn), Cambridge, ON, with a Link Meeting for Eastern Ontario members at the Grenville Mutual Insurance office building, Kemptville, ON, on the 28th day of March, 2019 at the hour of 10:00 in the forenoon to:

- a) Receive the financial statements of EastGen for the period ending December 31, 2018;
- b) Appoint auditors and authorize the directors to fix the remuneration of the auditors;
- c) Transact such further and other business as may properly be brought before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

By order of the Board of Directors, Brian O'Connor, Secretary

Thursday, March 28, 2019 10:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Registration: 9:30 a.m. **Meeting 10:00 a.m. SHARP**

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