



Swine Mortality and Productivity in Brazil – Benchmarks and Nutritional Solutions

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Pork Production in Brazil

Global Dynamics of Pork Production

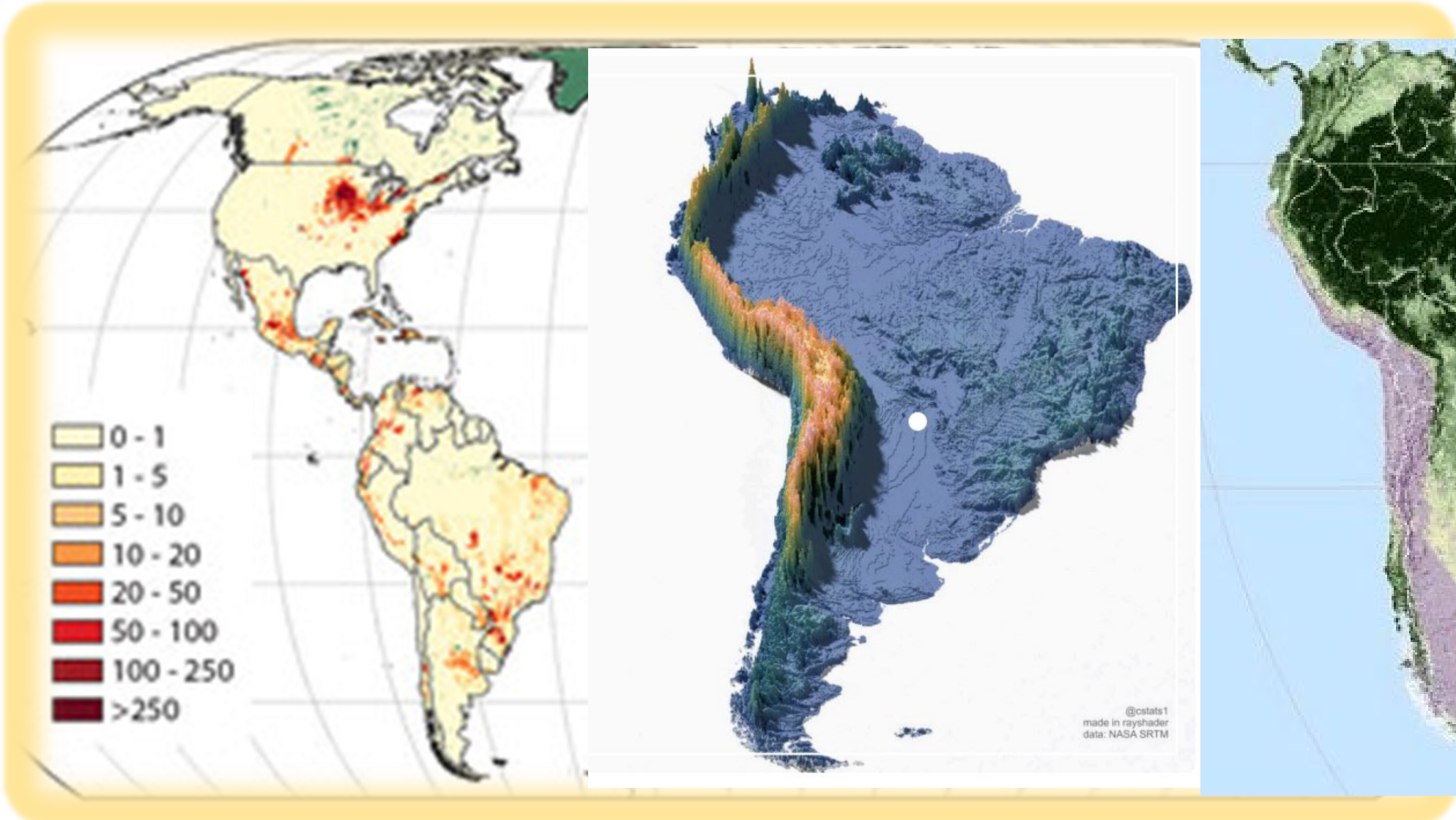


Brazil: Current Figures

- Sow inventory: **2,1 MM sows**
- Hogs produced: 46.5 MM hogs
- Total feed production at **21 MM metric tons**
- Pork production at 5.1 MM metric tons
- Internal consumption represents 76% of total production
- Por exports represents **24%** of total pork
- Local consumption at **18.3 kg/person/year**



Geography or swine production



Number of pigs per square kilometre

Geography or swine production



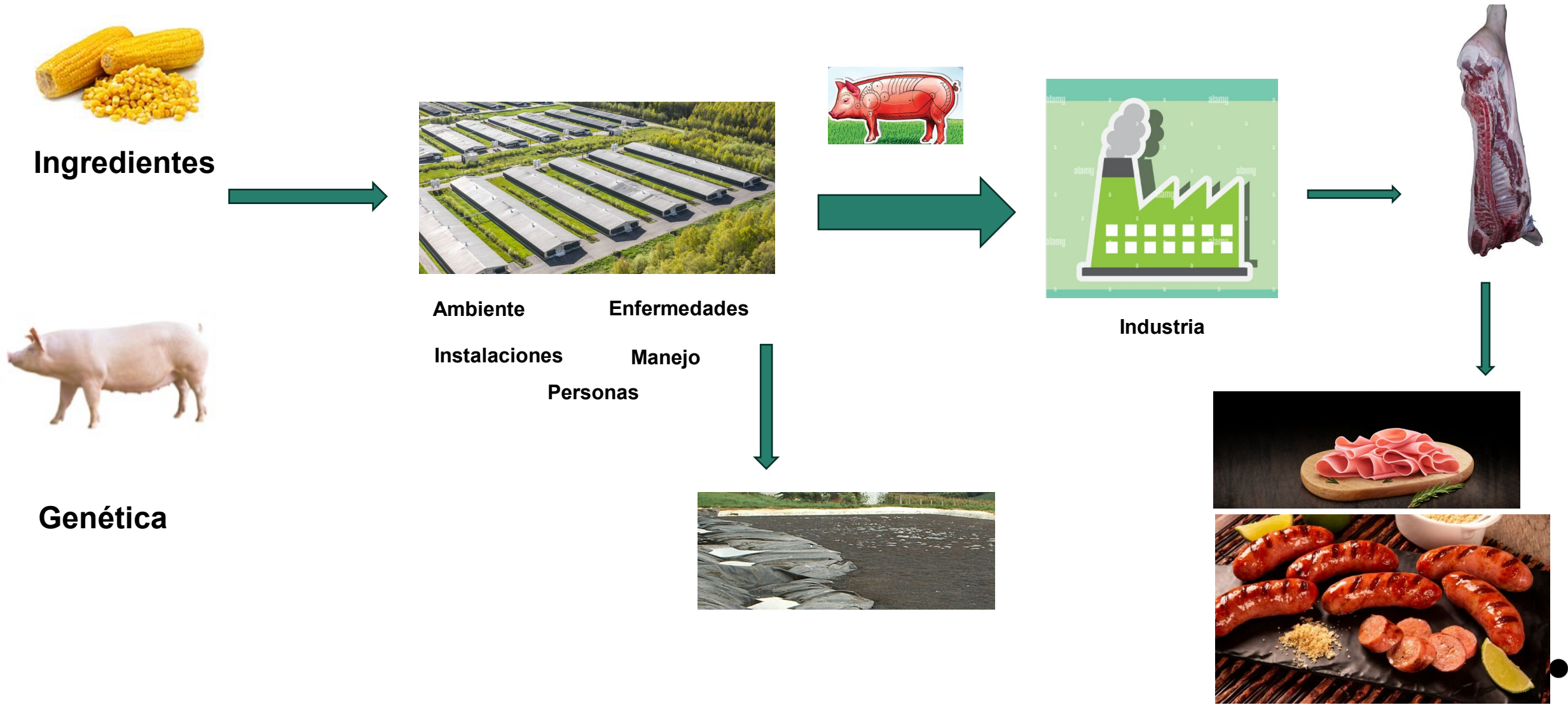
State	Slaughter (K heads per state 2023)	% of total
SC	15.4	33
PR	9.3	20
RS	9.2	20
MG	4.1	9
MS	2.9	6
MT	2.6	6
GO	1.5	3
SP	1.4	3
Others	0.1	0
Total	46.5	100

3 Southern States account for:

- 6.8% of area
- 25% of grain production
- 73% of Pig Production

Value chain Independent Farmers, Integrations, Cooperatives

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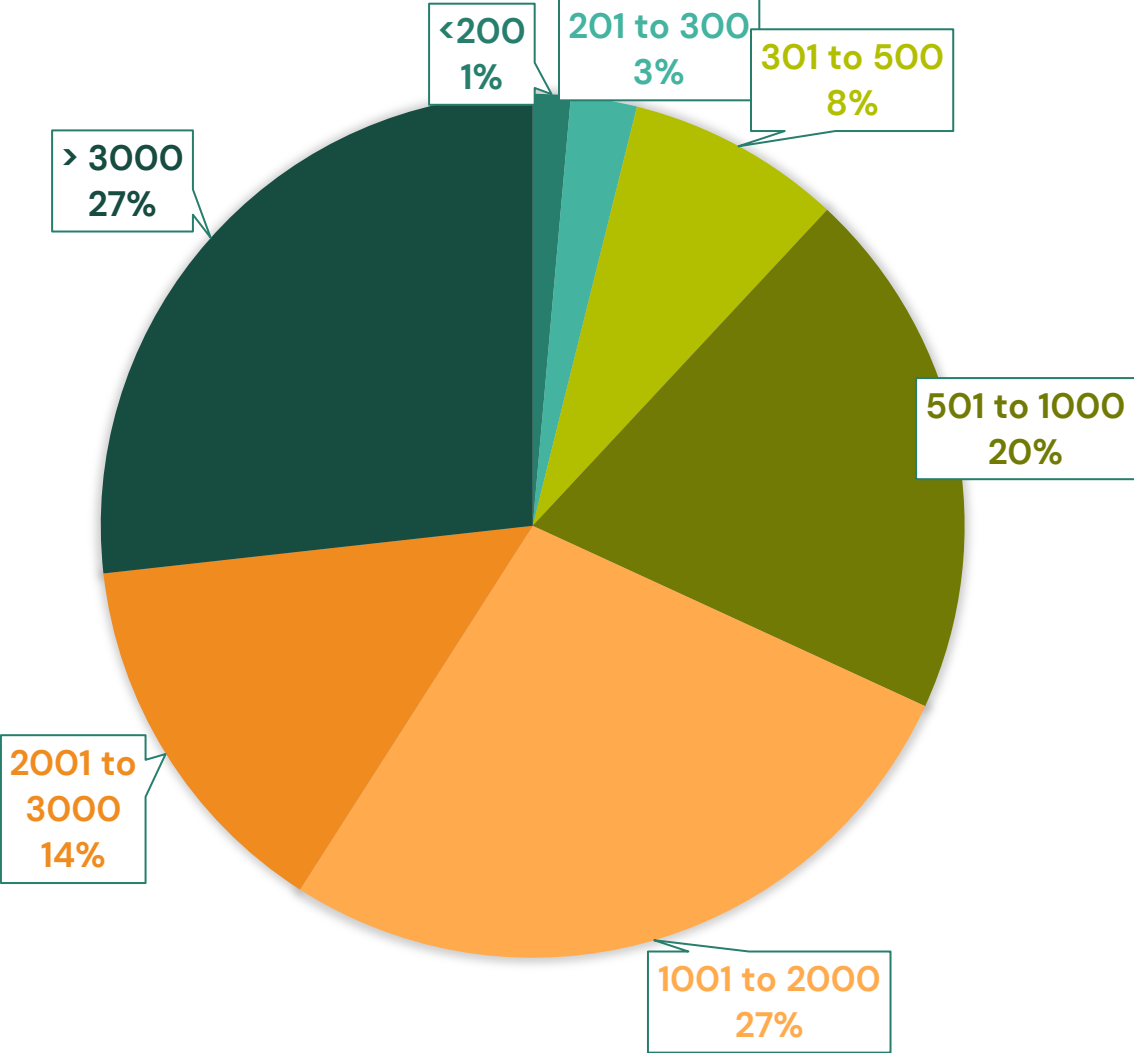


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Benchmarks

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Number of sows per farm in Brazil



Reproduction performance data 2023

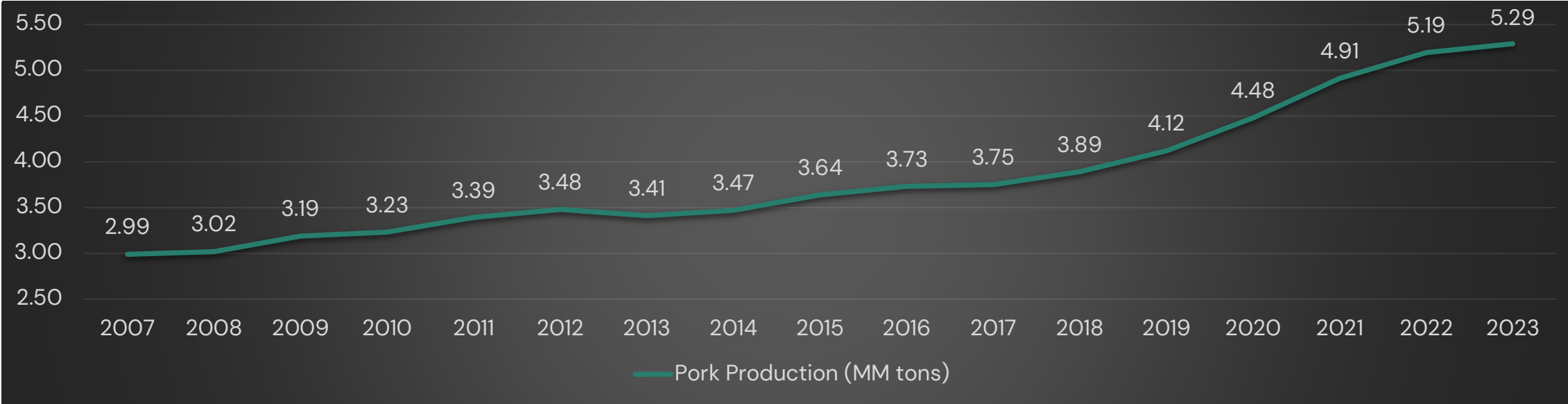
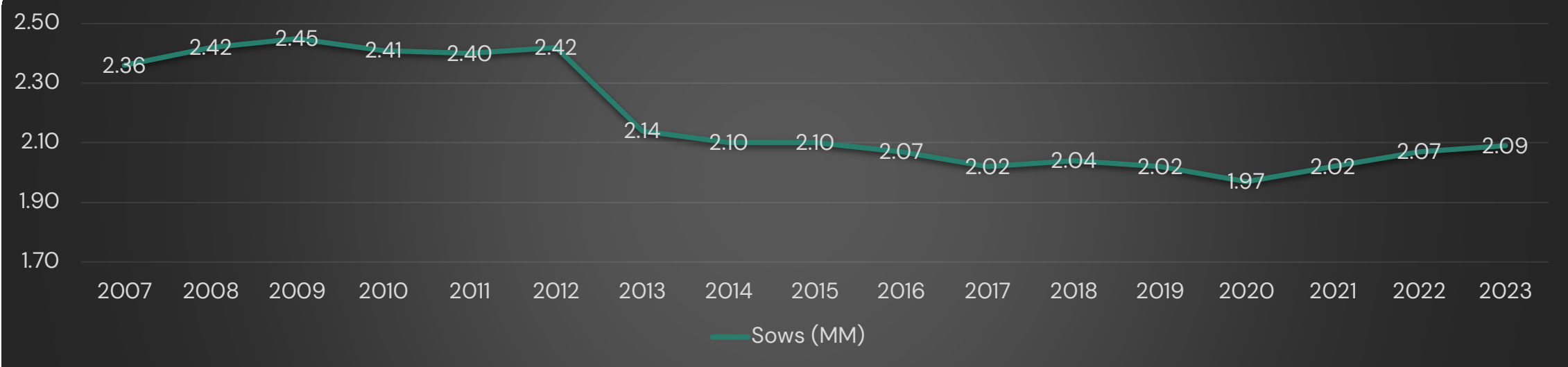
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Parameter	Average	Top 50	Top 10
Piglets weaned per sow per year	30.05	36.23	37.79
Age First Breeding (days)	232.35	234.24	233.44
Farrowing Rate (%)	88.15	93.19	93.52
Total Born	15.36	16.86	17.43
Average Parity	3.65	3.51	3.51
BW at birth (kg)	1.33	1.33	1.35
Pre-Weaning Mortality (%)	8.91	5.85	4.64
Nonproductive days	14.45	7.14	6.46
Farrow/sow/year	2.35	2.49	2.48

Top Farm in BR: 40.83 piglets/sow/year

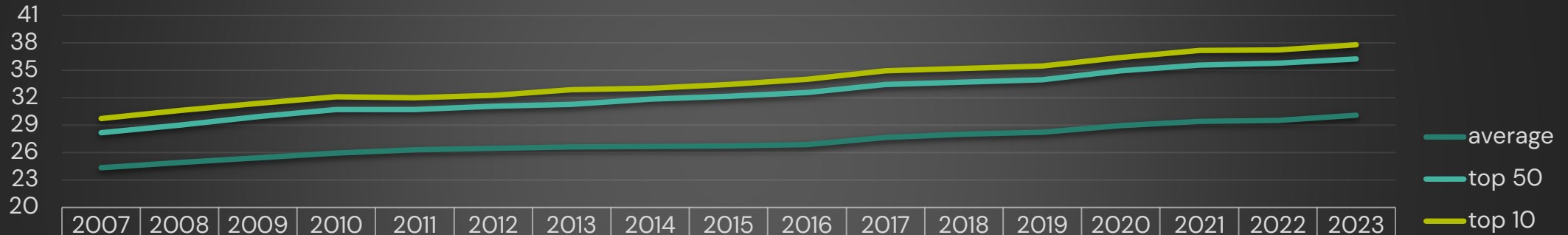
Average in US: 27.30 piglets weaned/sow/year

Sow inventory relatively stable while pork production growth 55% in the past 10 years



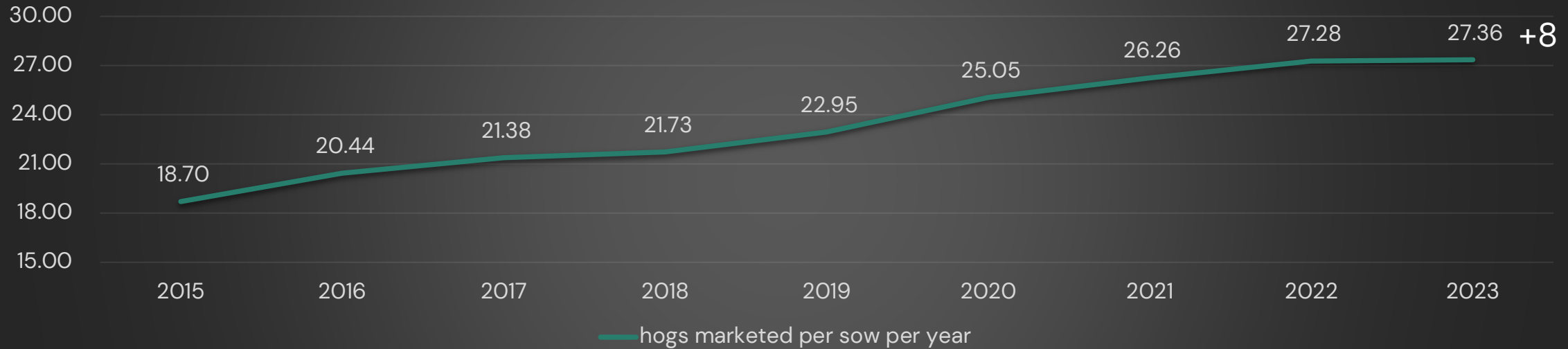
More hogs produced per sow

Weaned per sow per year



	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
average	24.32	24.9	25.43	25.94	26.29	26.42	26.58	26.65	26.68	26.88	27.62	27.99	28.2	28.91	29.41	29.52	30.05
top 50	28.16	28.96	29.9	30.7	30.71	31.04	31.28	31.81	32.12	32.55	33.43	33.71	33.95	34.91	35.54	35.75	36.23
top 10	29.72	30.59	31.38	32.1	31.98	32.26	32.87	33.03	33.43	34.02	34.93	35.17	35.43	36.39	37.16	37.22	37.79

— average
— top 50
— top 10
+6
+8



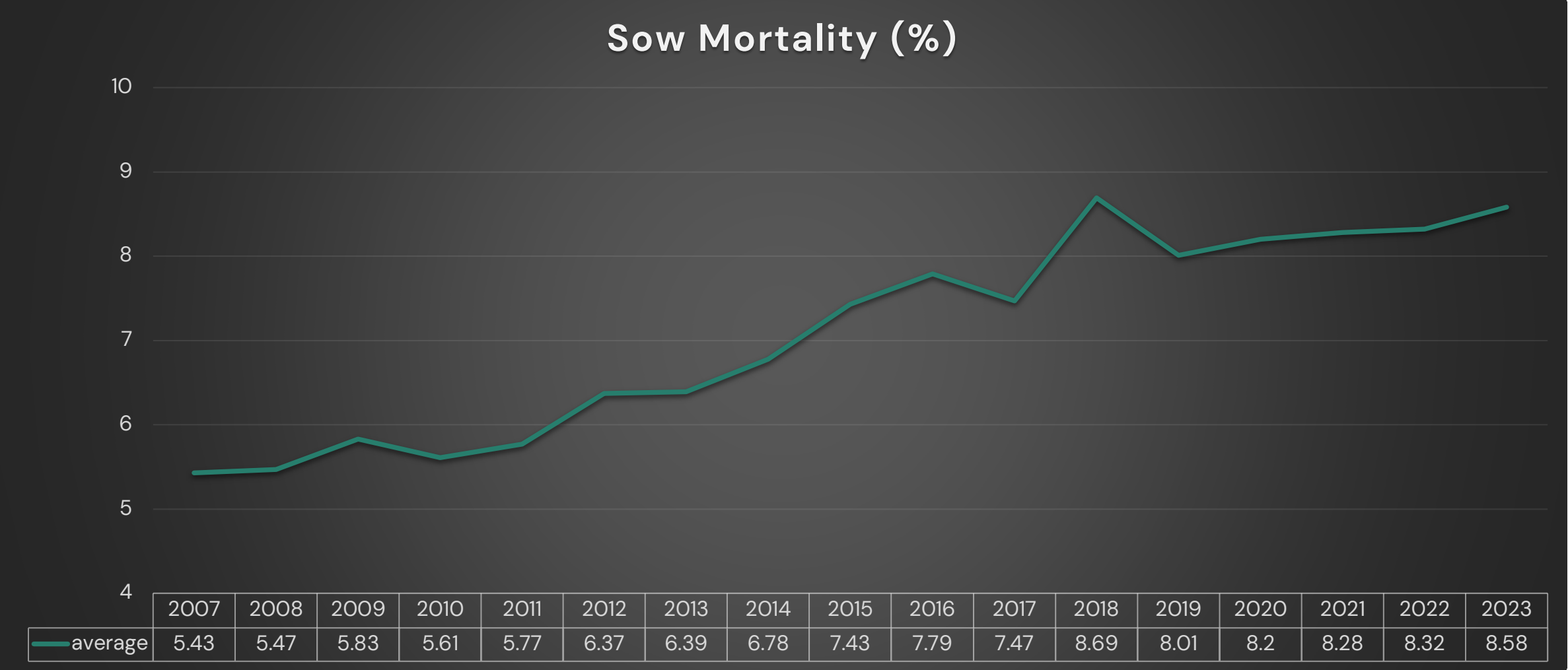
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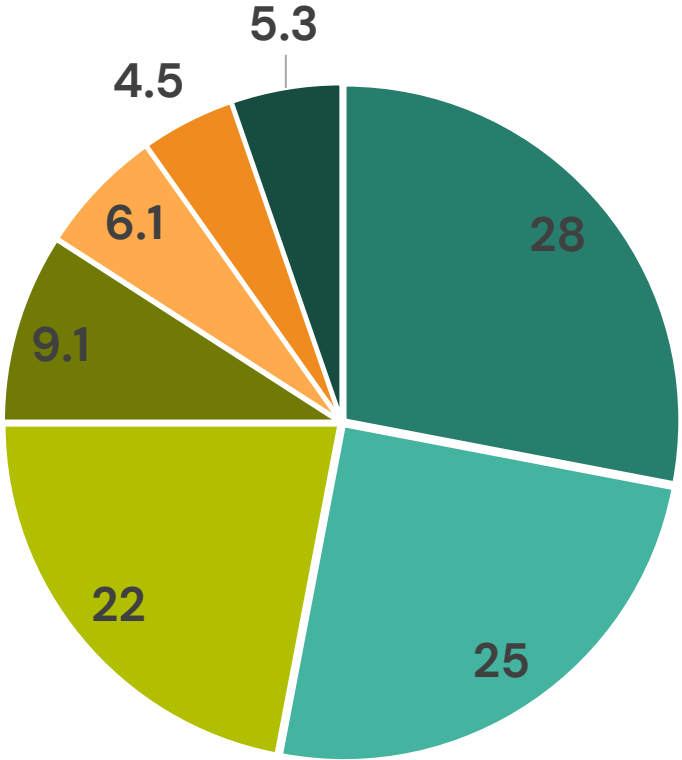
Mortality

Sow Mortality



Locomotor, reproductive and digestive issues represents 75% of mortality diagnostics

Diagnosed death in sows by organic systems



- Rep
- Dig
- Loc
- Card
- Hemat
- Nerv
- other

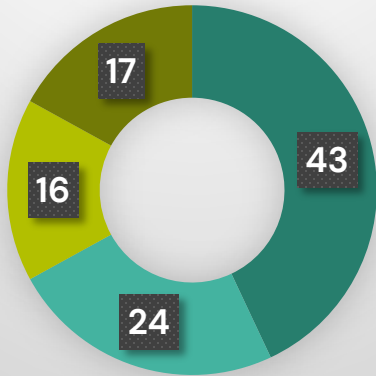
Schwartz *et al.*, 2021



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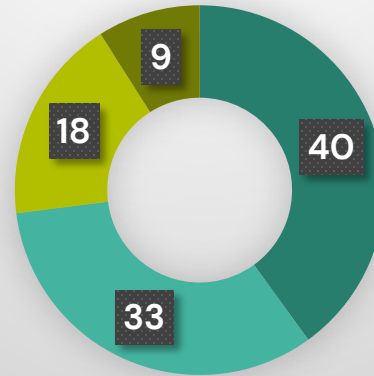
Reproductive



- Uterine Prolapse
- Vaginal or vaginal and rectus prolapse
- Metritis
- Others

Prolapses represent 67% of reproductive issues

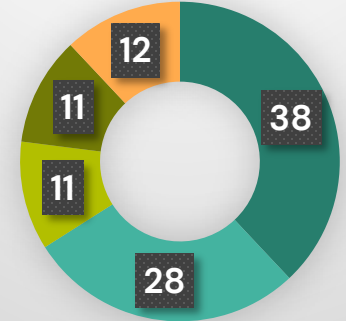
Digestive



- Gastric Ulcer
- Liver Torsion
- Acute Gastric Distention
- Others

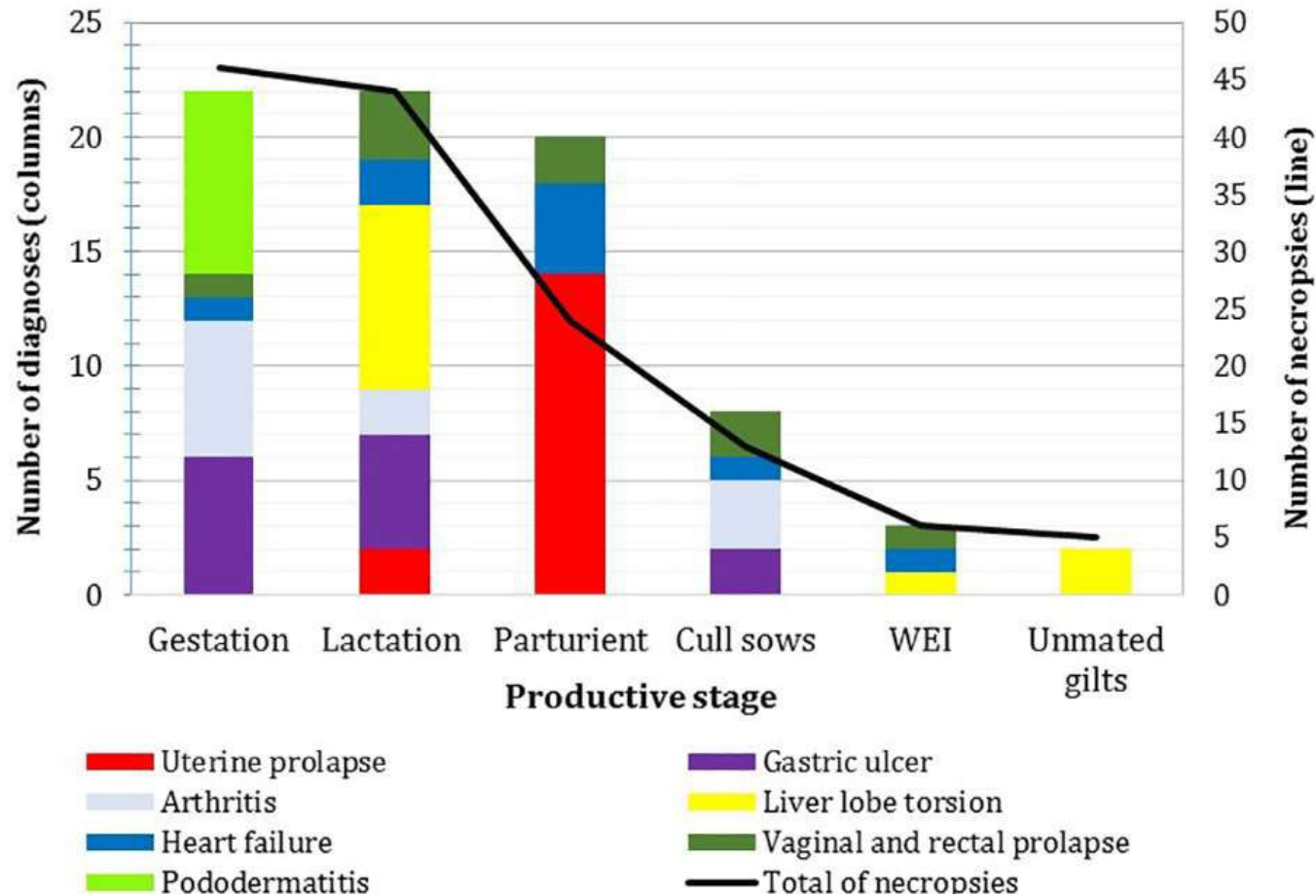
Torsions and distensions represent 51% of digestive issues

Locomotor



- Suppurative arthritis
- Pododermatitis
- Suppurative discopondylitis
- Coxofemoral luxation/subluxation
- Osteocondrosis dissecans

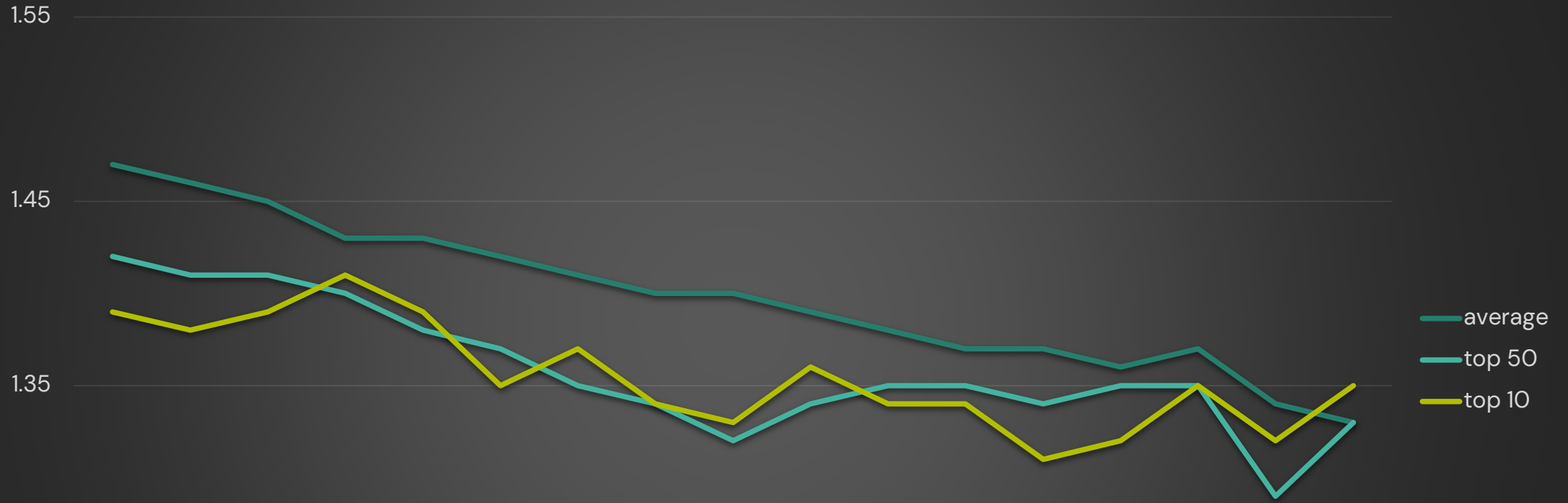
Sow mortality per phase of production



- Locomotor issues are main causes of mortality in gestation
- Prolapses mainly occurs in parturient sows
- Torsions are important during lactation

Birth weight is decreasing

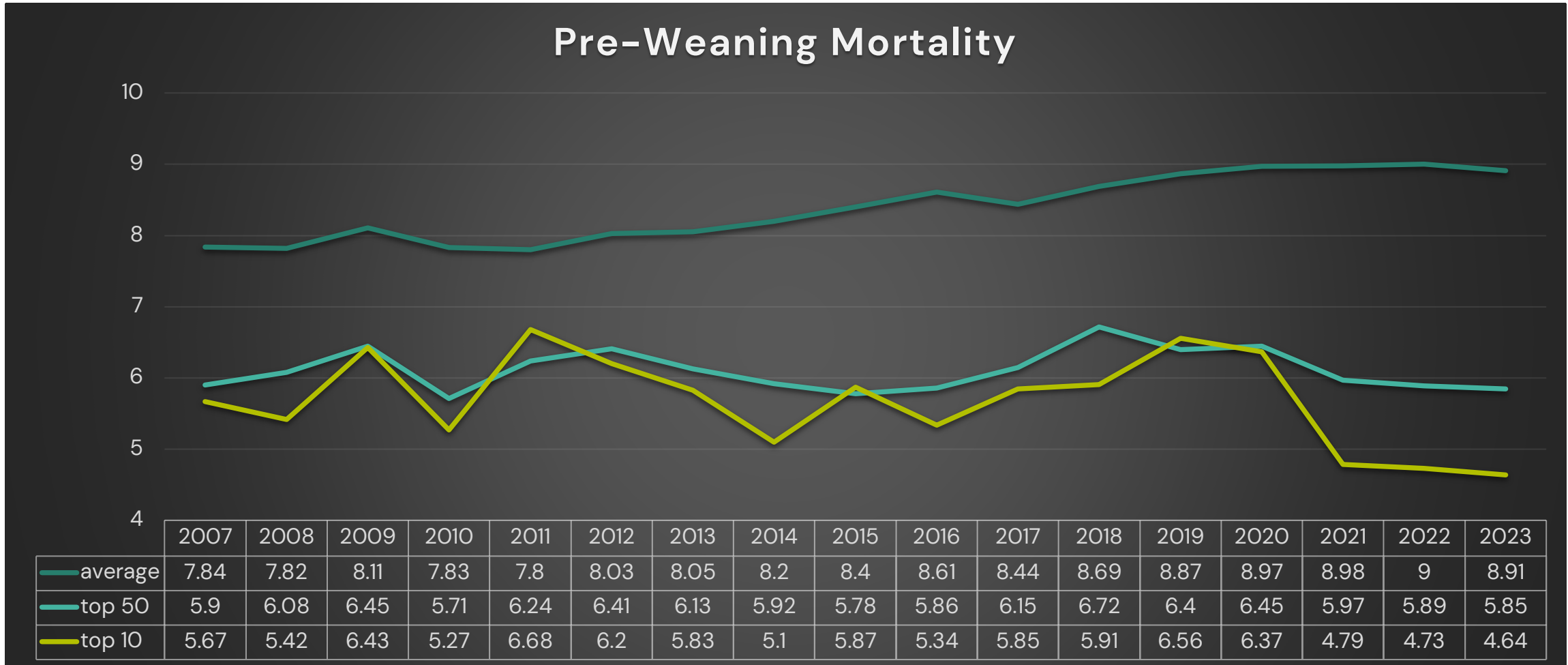
Birth weight (kg)



	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
average	1.47	1.46	1.45	1.43	1.43	1.42	1.41	1.4	1.4	1.39	1.38	1.37	1.37	1.36	1.37	1.34	1.33
top 50	1.42	1.41	1.41	1.4	1.38	1.37	1.35	1.34	1.32	1.34	1.35	1.35	1.34	1.35	1.35	1.29	1.33
top 10	1.39	1.38	1.39	1.41	1.39	1.35	1.37	1.34	1.33	1.36	1.34	1.34	1.31	1.32	1.35	1.32	1.35

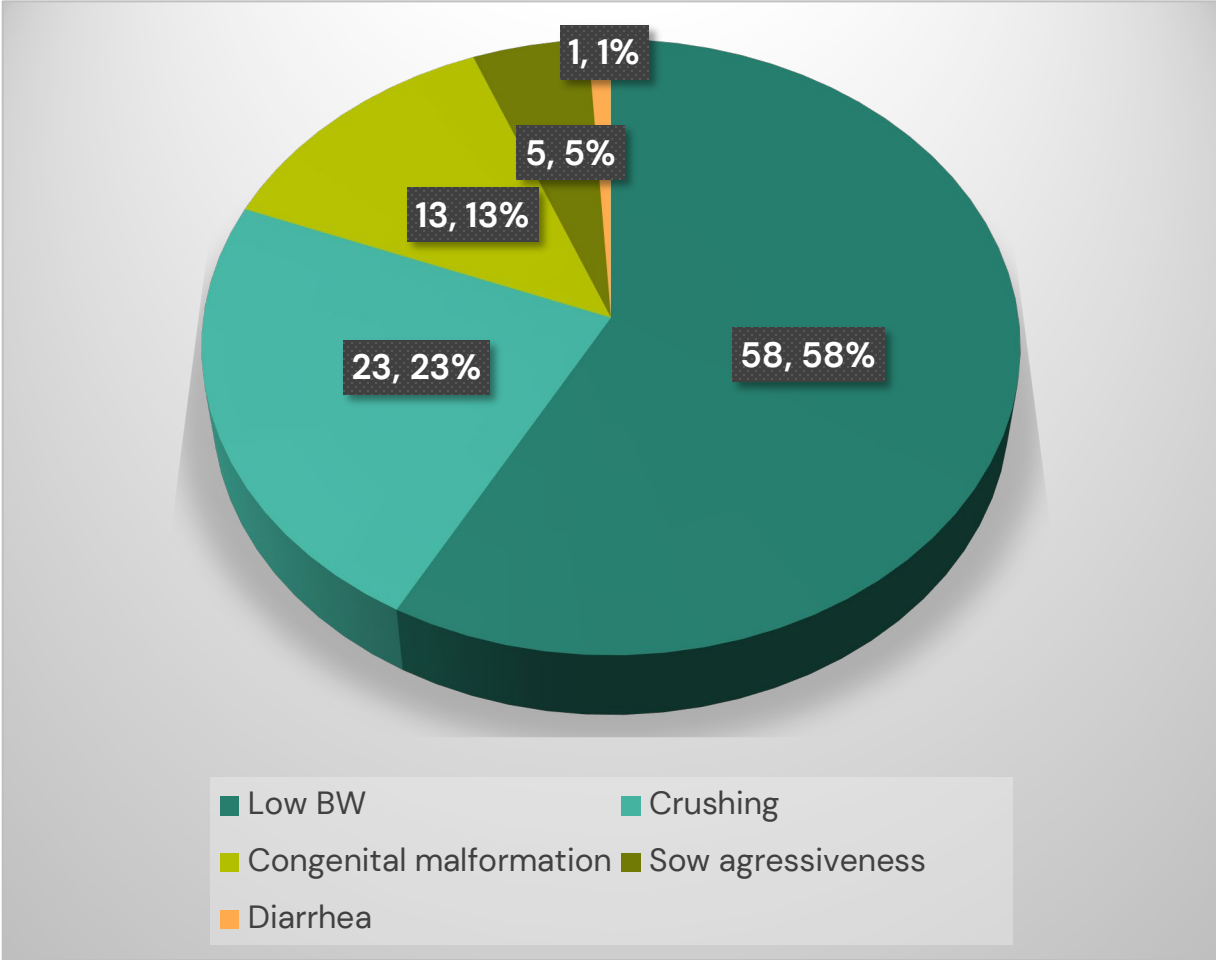
- 0.14
- 0.09
- 0.04

Average of pre-weaning mortality keep growing



Top 50 and Top 10 farms in terms of weaned/sow/year have lower pre-weaning mortality

Low body weight the crushing are the main causes of pre-weaning mortality



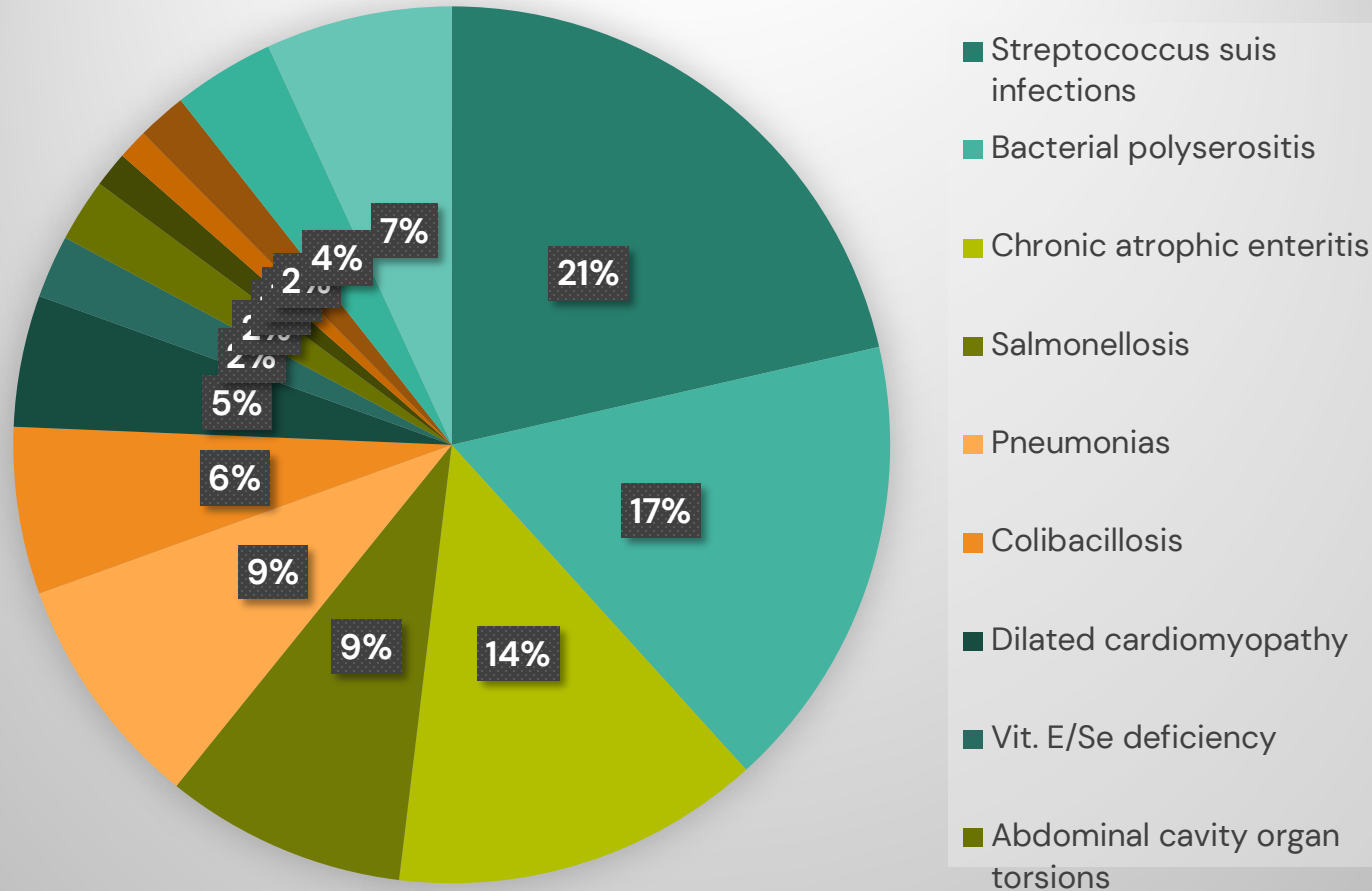
Data from 14,820 litters

Souza et al., 2020



Mortality during the nursery phase: 3%

Causes of Mortality in nursery pigs, %

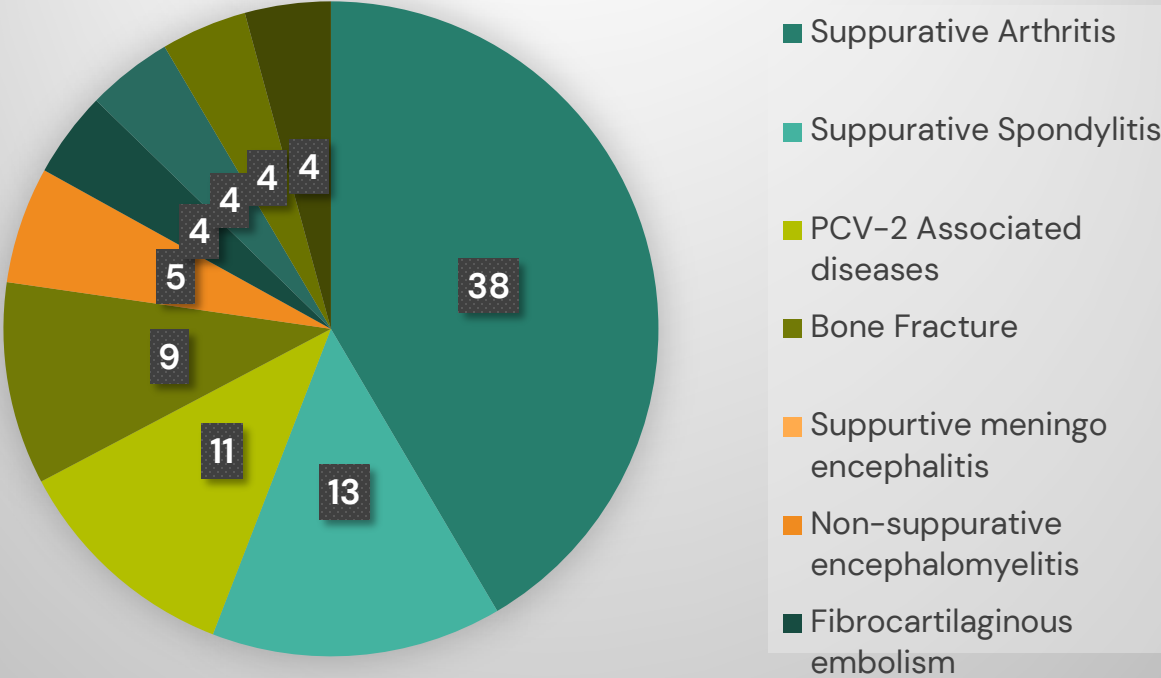


72% infectious diseases



Mortality during the growing-finishing phase: 3%

Mortality Causes in growing-finishing pigs, %



80% infectious diseases



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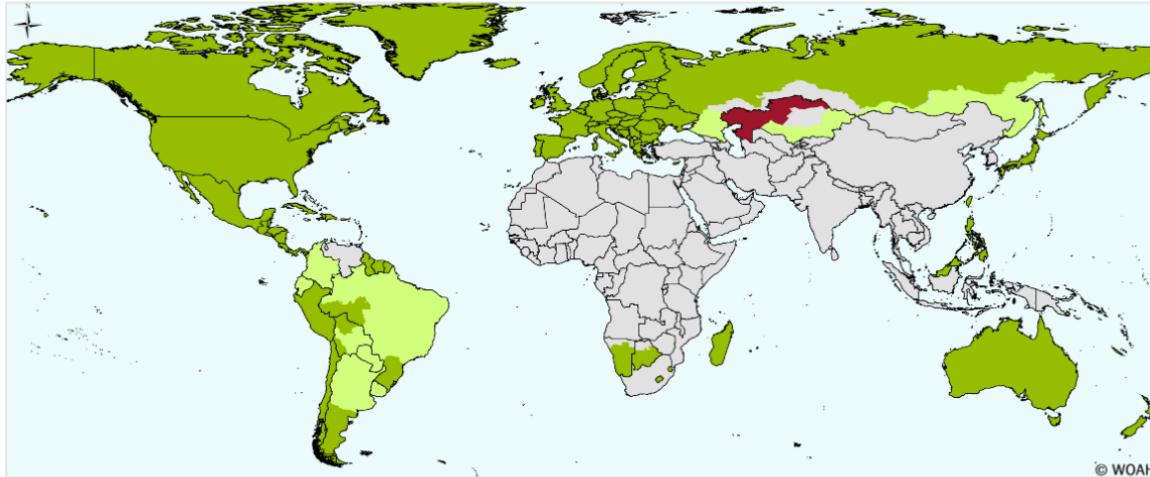
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Disease Status

Disease Status: Foot and Mouth Disease and Classical Swine Fever

WOAH Members' official FMD status map

Last update June 2024



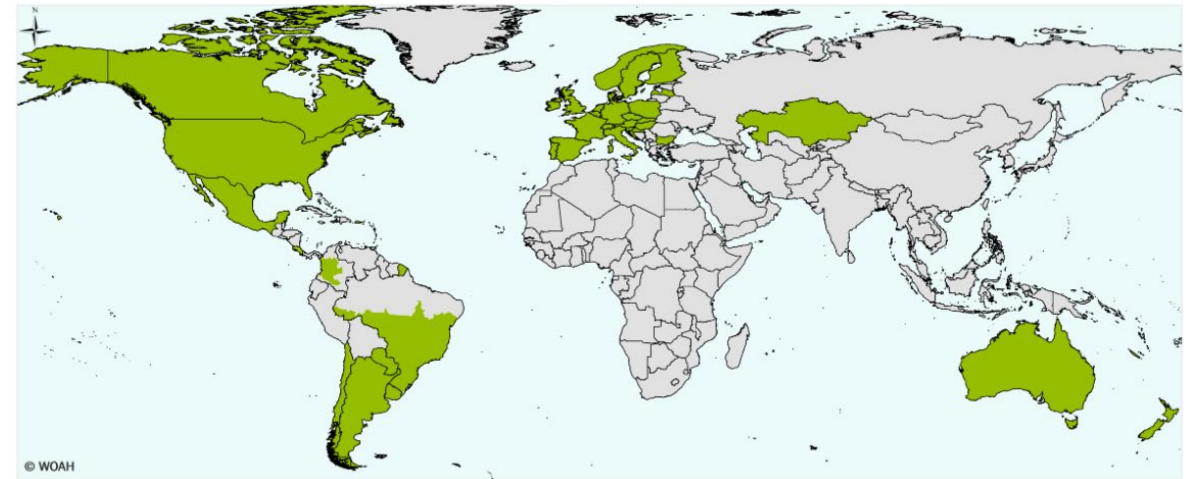
- Members and zones recognised as free from FMD without vaccination
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- Suspension of FMD free status
- Countries and zones without an official status for FMD

Southern State of PR become free of FMD without vaccination in 2021

Internal recognition of additional 16 states in 2024

WOAH Members' official classical swine fever status map

Last update September 2024



- Members and zones recognised as free from CSF
- Countries and zones without an official status for CSF

Eradication plan build by UFRGS (prof. Corbellini)

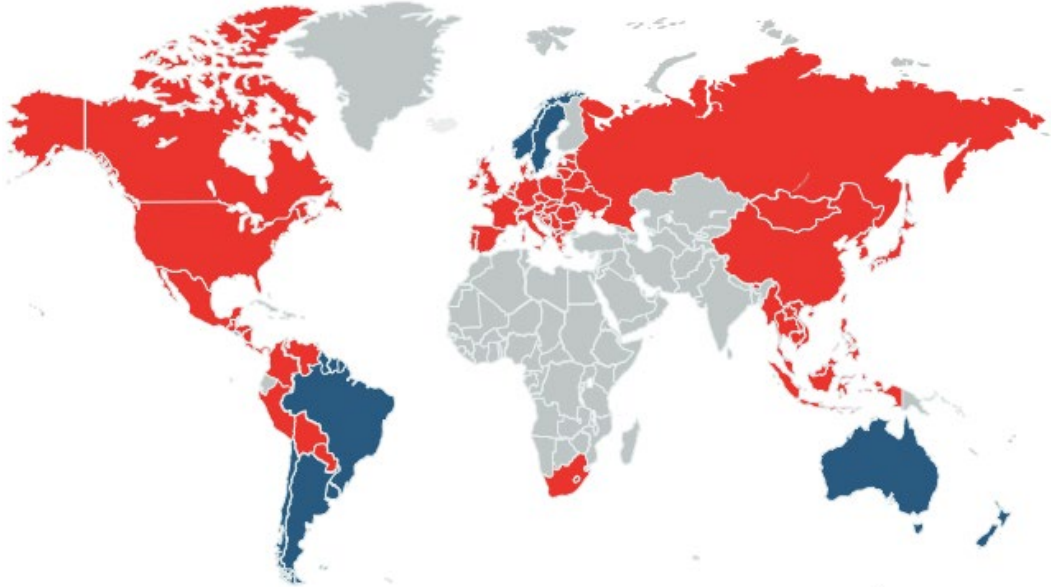
Affected area divided in 3 subregions

Initial vaccination attempt started in the northern state of Alagoas

Disease Status

Country	PPRS	PED	ASF	CSF	Influenza	PCV	Aujezsky	FMD
Brazil				X	X	X	X (no cases since 2022)	
China	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
EU	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Russia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
USA	X	X			X	X		

Sanitary Status of PRRS



Quarantine Station in Cananéia



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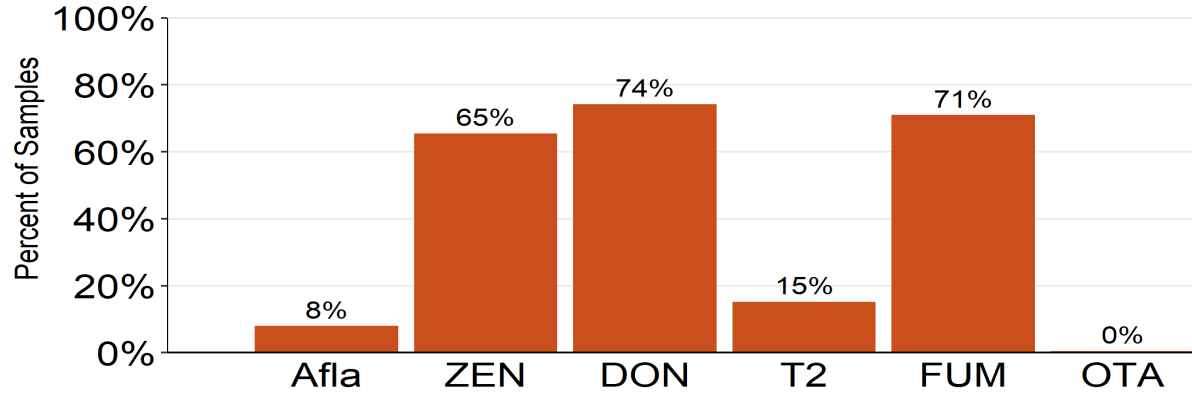
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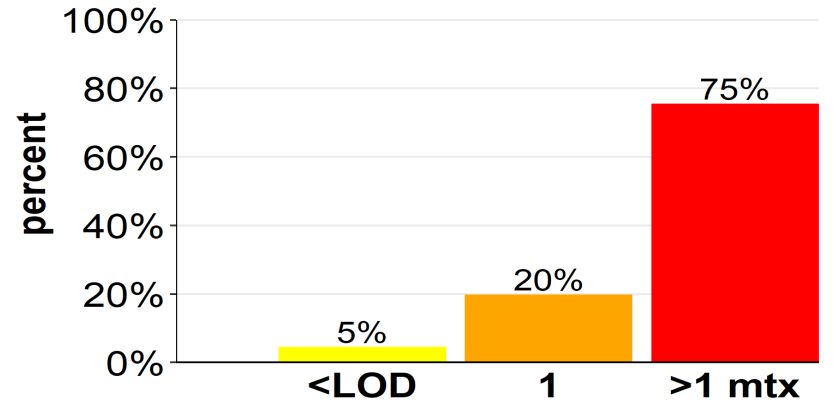
Ingredients and Nutrition

Corn (Kernels) Jan 2024 to Jun 2024

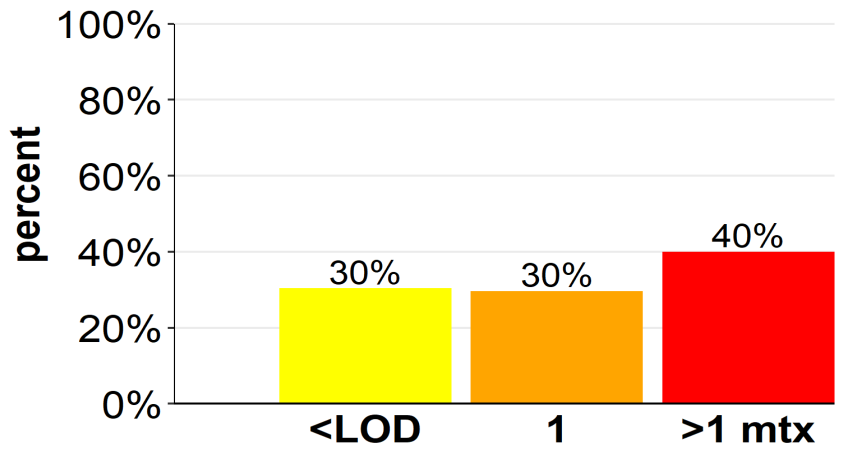
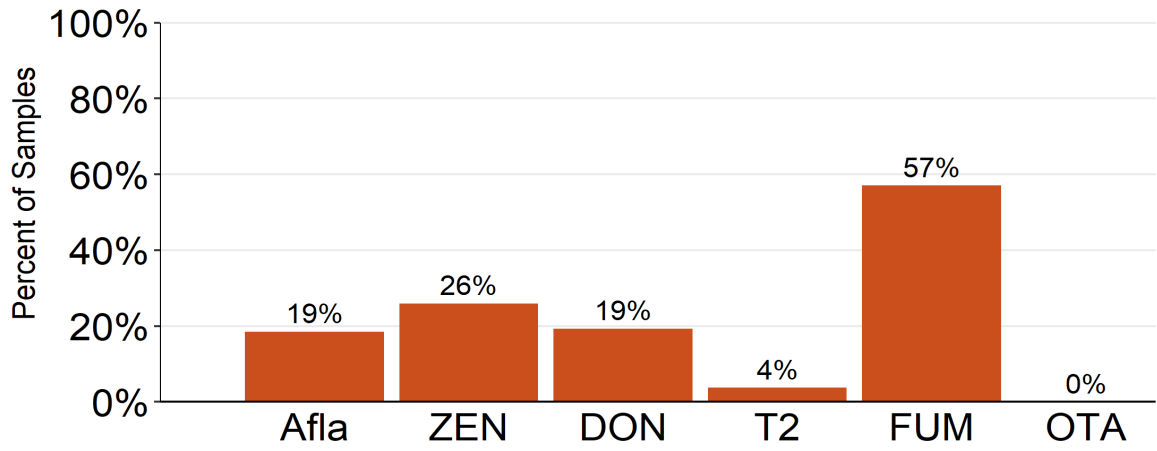
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Prevalence of Mycotoxins Detected



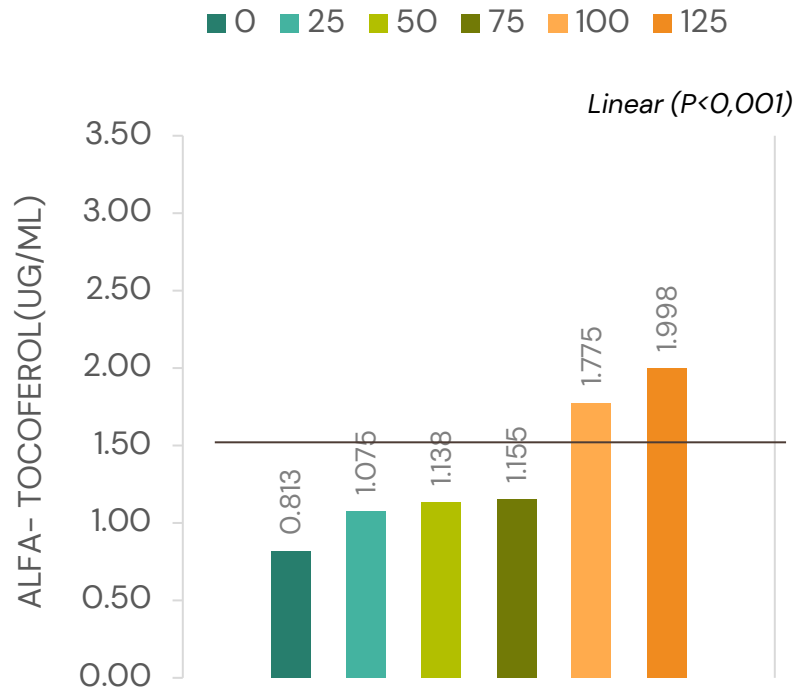
No. of Mycotoxins per Sample



Vitamin E

Plasma concentration of alpha-tocopherol

Level of vitamin supplementation represented as a percentage relative to the 2011 Brazilian Tables for Poultry and Swine for growing and finishing pigs



Below 1.5 ug vit. E/ml is indicative of deficiency (Danish institute of Agricultural Sciences)

Dalolio *et al.*, 2023; OVN 2022; Brazilian Tables, 2024

Effect of increasing levels of fat-soluble and water-soluble vitamins on improving performance and plasma vitamin concentration in modern hybrids pig's growth and finishing phase

[Efeito do aumento dos níveis de vitaminas lipossolúveis e hidrossolúveis na melhoria do desempenho e na concentração plasmática de vitaminas em suínos híbridos modernos nas fases de crescimento e terminação]

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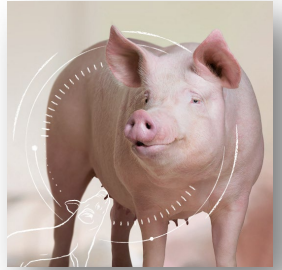
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Vitamin E recommendations (mg/kg)

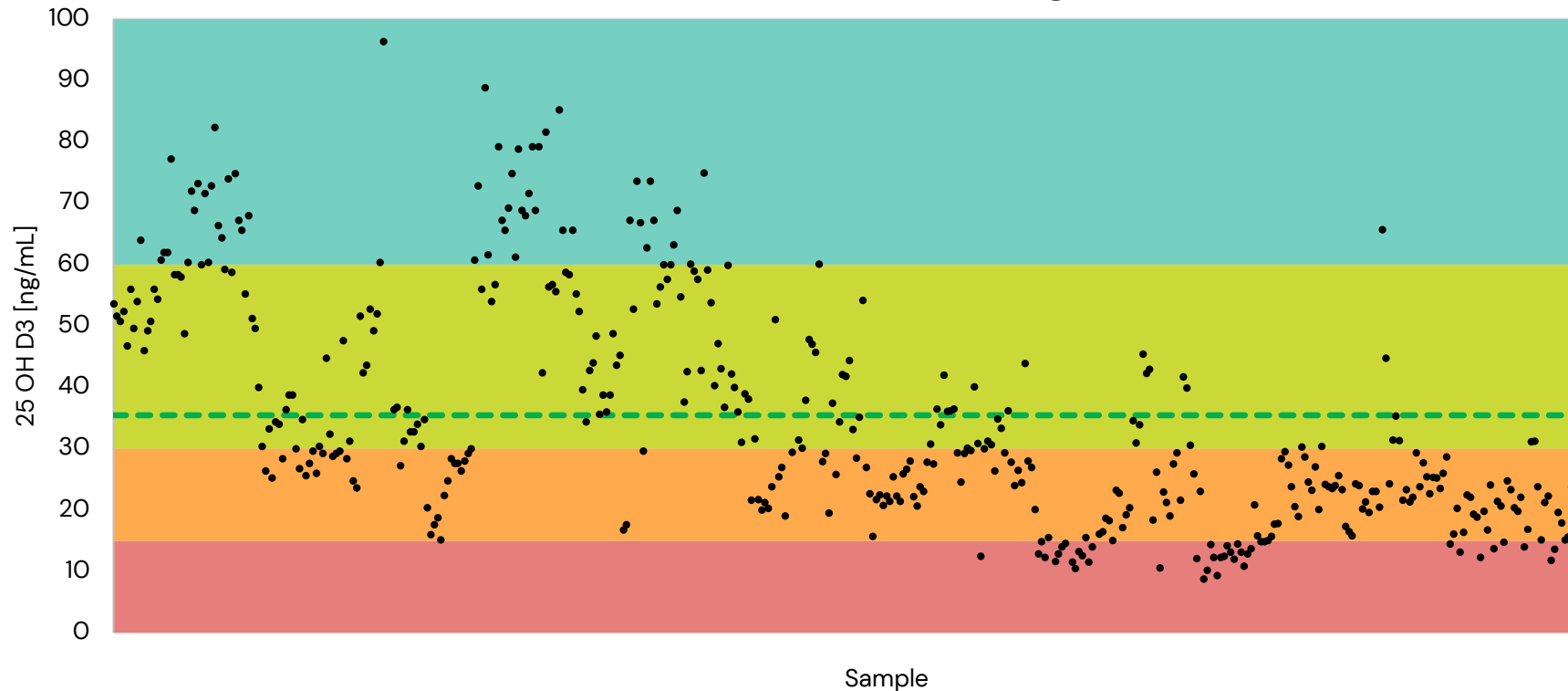
Phase	Optimun Vitamin Nutrition 2022	Brazilian Guidelines 2024	NRC 2012
Pre-Starter 1	105	74.4	16
Pre-Starter 2	105	67.2	16
Starter	105	56.1	11
Growing 1	64	47.4	11
Growing 2	64	38.2	11
Finishing 1	64	31.8	11
Finishing 2	64	27.4	11
Gestation	105	61.5	44
Lactation	105	61.5	44
Gilt	84	61.5	-

Global gilt survey 2023 – Supporting 'Gilt Protection you can Trust'

Blood 25-OH-D3



25-OH-D3 level in gilts



Average: 35.4 ng/mL
 Max: 110 ng/mL
 Min: 8.8 ng/mL

Samples from:

- 431 Gilts
- BW= 109 kg ± 46
- 25 farms
- 12 countries
- 2 regions

> 60 ng/ml	Optimum level that could trigger positive effects on immune competence, gilts selection rate, farrowing time and milk secretion
30-60 ng/ml	Adequate level for calcium and phosphorus metabolism and bone health
21-29 ng/ml	Insufficient level for calcium and phosphorus metabolism and bone health, with pigs at risk for bone disorders - e.g. reduced selection rate in gilts - prolonged farrowing time and milk release in sows. Insufficient for immune competence
<20 ng/ml	Deficient level for calcium and phosphorus metabolism - high probability of bone disorders e.g., rickets, osteomalacia, osteochondrosis - farrowing time, milk secretion and immune competence

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Conclusions

- **Opportunities in terms of pre-weaning mortality**
- **Sanitary Status making the difference for Brazilian production (PRRS)**
- **Animals resistant to PRRS to sustain reproduction performance**
- **Nutritional status of vitamins based on the plasma/blood levels**
- **Monitor the quality of feed ingredients (mycotoxins and composition)**