

Introduction

The latest routine international evaluation for females fertility traits took place as scheduled at the Interbull Centre. Data from seventeen (17) countries were included in this evaluation.

International genetic evaluations for female fertility traits of bulls from Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, South Africa, the United Kingdom and the United States of America were computed. Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, Jersey, Red Dairy Cattle and Simmental breed data were included in this evaluation.

Based on a decision made by Interbull Steering committee in August 2007, female fertility traits are classified as follows:

- T1 (HC): Maiden (H)eifer's ability to (C)onceive. A measure of confirmed conception, such as conception rate (CR), will be considered for this trait group. In the absence of confirmed conception an alternative measure, such as interval first-last insemination (FL), interval first insemination-conception (FC), number of inseminations (NI), or non-return rate (NR, preferably NR56) can be submitted;
- T2 (CR): Lactating (C)ow's ability to (R)ecycle after calving. The interval calving-first insemination (CF) is an example for this ability. In the absence of such a trait, a measure of the interval calving-conception, such as days open (DO) or calving interval (CI) can be submitted;
- T3 (C1): Lactating (C)ow's ability to conceive (1), expressed as a rate trait. Traits like conception rate (CR) and non-return rate (NR, preferably NR56) will be considered for this trait group;
- T4 (C2): Lactating (C)ow's ability to conceive (2), expressed as an interval trait. The interval first insemination-conception (FC) or interval first-last insemination (FL) will be considered for this trait group. As an alternative, number of inseminations (NI) can be submitted. In the absence of any of these traits, a measure of interval calving-conception such as days open (DO), or calving interval (CI) can be submitted. All countries are expected to submit data for this trait group, and as a last resort the trait submitted under T3 can be submitted for T4 as well.
- T5 (IT): Lactating cow's measurements of (I)nterval (T)raits calving-conception, such as days open (DO) and calving interval (CI).

Based on the above trait definitions the following traits have been submitted for international genetic evaluation of female fertility traits.

Country	Traits	Submitted traits and their definitions
AUS	T2=CY T4=C2 T5=IT	Calving interval converted to 42 days pregnancy rate Calving interval converted to 42 days pregnancy rate Calving interval converted to 42 days pregnancy rate
BEL	T2=CY T4=C2 T5=IT	PR=Pregnancy Rate ($=\frac{21}{(DO-45+11)}*100$, with DO=days open) PR=Pregnancy Rate ($=\frac{21}{(DO-45+11)}*100$, with DO=days open) PR=Pregnancy Rate ($=\frac{21}{(DO-45+11)}*100$, with DO=days open)
CAN	T1=HC T2=CY T3=C1 T4=C2 T5=IT	NR=Non Return Rate after 56 Days in heifers (NRR), % CF=Interval from Calving to First Service in cows(CF) NR=Non Return Rate after 56 Days in cows(NRR), % FC=Interval first insemination-conception in cows DO=Days open
CHE	T1=HC T2=CR T3=C1 T4=C2	CR=Heifers' Conception rate CF=Interval from Calving to First Service (ICF), days NR=Non Return Rate after 56 Days (NRR), % FL=Interval from first to last insemination cows
CZE	T1=HC	CR=Heifers' Conception rate (pregnant or not after 3 months)

	T3=C1	CR=Cows' Conception rate (pregnant or not after 3 months)
	T4=C2	CR=Cows' Conception rate (pregnant or not after 3 months)
AUT/DEU	T1=HC	NR=Heifers' Non Return Rate after 56 days
	T2=CY	CF=Interval from calving to first insemination cows (days)
	T3=C1	NR=Cows' Non Return Rate after 56 days
	T4=C2	FL=Interval from first to last insemination cows (days)
	T5=IT	DO=Days open (days)
DFS	T1=HC	NR=Heifers' Non Return Rate after 56 days
	T2=CY	CF=Interval from calving to first insemination cows (days)
	T3=C1	NR=Cows' Non Return Rate after 56 days
	T4=C2	FL=Interval from first to last insemination cows (days)
	T5=IT	DO=Days open (days)
ESP	T2=CY	DO=Days open
	T4=C2	DO=Days open
	T5=IT	DO=Days open
FRA	T1=HC	CR=Heifers' Conception rate (binary trait) for maiden heifers
	T2=CY	Interval between calving and first AI
	T3=C1	CR=Cows' Conception rate (binary trait) for cows
	T4=C2	CR=Cows' Conception rate (binary trait) for cows
GBR	T2=CY	CI=days between 1st and 2nd calvings
	T3=C1	NR=1st lactation non return at 56 days
	T4=C2	CI=days between 1st and 2nd calvings
	T5=IT	CI=days between 1st and 2nd calvings
IRL	T2=CY	CI=Calving interval
	T4=C2	CI=Calving interval
	T5=IT	CI=Calving interval
ISR	T3=C1	CR=Inverse of the number of insemination to conception (%)
	T4=C2	CR=Inverse of the number of insemination to conception (%)
ITA	T2=CY	CF=Days to first service
	T3=C1	NR=Non-return rate at 56 days (%)
	T4=C2	CI=Calving Interval (days)
	T5=IT	CI=Calving interval (days)
ITA(BSW)	T2=CY	CF=Interval calving to first insemination
	T4=C2	Days Open
	T5=IT	CI=Calving interval
NLD	T1=HC	CR=Heifers' Conception rate
	T2=CY	CF=Interval calving to first insemination (days)
	T3=C1	CR=Cows' Conception rate (binary trait) for cows
	T4=C2	FL=Interval from first to last insemination cows (days)
	T5=IT	CI=Calving Interval (days)
NOR	T1=HC	NR=NR=Non-return rate 56 days (heifers)
	T2=CY	CF=Interval calving to first insemination (days)
	T3=C1	NR=NR=Non-return rate 56 days (cows)
	T4=C2	CI=Calving Interval (days)
	T5=IT	CI=Calving Interval (days)
NZL	T2=CY	PM=Lactating cow's ability to start cycling
	T4=C2	PC=Lactating cow's ability to conceive (CR42)
	T5=IT	PC=Lactating cow's ability to conceive (CR42)
POL	T1=HC	Non return rate at 56 days for heifer
	T2=CR	Interval from calving to first insemination
	T3=C1	Non return rate at 56 days for cows
	T4=IT	Days open
	T5=IT	Days open
URY	T5=IT	Days open expressed as Daughter Pregnancy Rate
USA	T1=HC	CR=Conception rate (heifer)

T2=CY CF=Interval from calving to first insemination
T3=C1 CR=Conception rate (cow)
T4=C2 DP=Daughter Pregnancy Rate
T5=IT DP=Daughter Pregnancy Rate

ZAF T4=IT CI=Calving Interval
T5=IT CI=Calving Interval

CHANGES IN NATIONAL PROCEDURES

Changes in the national genetic evaluation of female fertility traits are as follows:

ZAF (RDC): Inclusion of heterosis and recombination in the model
New method of calculation of reliability based on PEVs
ZAF (JER): New method of calculation of reliability based on PEVs
ZAF (HOL): Inclusion of linear type traits in the multi-trait evaluation for cows that do not have a calving interval measurement yet
CHE (BSW): Big change in pedigree with many bulls losing information (missing sire, dam or both)
CHE (HOL): Change in type of proofs and publication rules
Decreases in herds/daughters/EDC are explainable by pedigree modifications and slight changes in definition of contemporary groups.
USA (BSW, GUE, HOL, JER, RDC): change of unknown parent group definitions
URY (HOL): participating for the first time for int
ESP (HOL): Base change
DEU (HOL, RDC): Herd-years with uninformative NonReturn56 were excluded
GBR (ALL): Some bulls lost herds/dtrs/EDCs due to changes in the data supplied for evaluation by data providers.
ITA (HOL): loss of information for some bulls due to some pedigree corrections.
DEA (BSW): Slight decrease in number of daughters for several bulls due to minor corrections.
NOR (RDC): The rolling definition of hys is causing the daughters to distribute somewhat differently over hys-classes at each evaluation. Therefore some bulls occasionally may lose EDC although the number of daughters stay the same. Reliability changes is a function of the EDC changes and have been .02 or lower.
DFS (HOL,JER): Change in publication status for quite many bulls.

INTERBULL CHANGES COMPARED TO THE DECEMBER ROUTINE RUN

Subsetting:

As decided by the ITC in Orlando, new subsetting was introduced in the september test run. Sub-setting is necessary for operational purposes and restrictions of time scales. To minimize the effect of subsetting, larger subsets with 10-12 countries and with 4 link providing countries have been applied.

Window:

According to the decision taken by ITC in Orlando, the following changes have been introduced in regards to the windows used for post processing:

The upper bounds have been set to 0.99 as these were judged to have very little effect on evaluations. The lower values have been set to about the 25% percentile value. The largest changes are for the lower values for conformation traits, with the lowest window being 40% for OFL otherwise it is about 50% for all other confirmation traits. It is anticipated that these low values may not have large impact on evaluations since there were very few countries combinations whose estimated correlations fell between the old limit of 0.30 and these new limits.

DATA AND METHOD OF ANALYSIS

Data were national genetic evaluations of AI sampled bulls with at least 10 daughters or 10 EDC (for clinical mastitis and maternal calving traits at least 50 daughters or 50 EDC, and for direct calving traits at least 50 calvings or 50 EDC) in at least 10 herds. Table 1 presents the amount of data included in this Interbull evaluation for all breeds.

National proofs were first de-regressed within country and then analysed jointly with a linear model including the effects of evaluation country, genetic group of bull and bull merit. Heritability estimates used in both the de-regression and international evaluation were as in each country's national evaluation.

Table 2 presents the date of evaluation as supplied by each country in the 0lx-proof file.

Estimated genetic parameters and sire standard deviations are shown in APPENDIX I and the corresponding number of common bulls are listed in APPENDIX II.

SCIENTIFIC LITERATURE

The international genetic evaluation procedure is based on international work described in the following scientific publications:

International genetic evaluation computation:

Schaeffer. 1994. J. Dairy Sci. 77:2671-2678
Klei, 1998. Interbull Bulletin 17:3-7

Verification and Genetic trend validation:

Klei et al., 2002. Interbull Bulletin 29:178-182.
Boichard et al., 1995. J. Dairy Sci. 78:431-437

Weighting factors:

Fikse and Banos, 2001. J. Dairy Sci. 84:1759-1767

De-regression:

Sigurdsson and G. Banos. 1995. Acta Agric. Scand. 45:207-219
Jairath et al. 1998. J. Dairy Sci. Vol. 81:550-562

Genetic parameter estimation:

Klei and Weigel, 1998, Interbull Bulletin 17:8-14
Sullivan, 1999. Interbull Bulletin 22:146-148

Post-processing of estimated genetic correlations:

Mark et al., 2003, Interbull Bulletin 30:126-135
Jorjani et al., 2003. J. Dairy Sci. 86:677-679
<https://wiki.interbull.org/public/rG%20procedure?action=print>

Time edits

Weigel and Banos. 1997. J. Dairy Sci. 80:3425-3430

International reliability estimation

Harris and Johnson. 1998. Interbull Bulletin 17:31-36

NEXT ROUTINE INTERNATIONAL EVALUATION

Dates for the next routine evaluation can be found on
<http://www.interbull.org/ib/servicecalendar>.

NEXT TEST INTERNATIONAL EVALUATION

Dates for the next test run can be found on
<http://www.interbull.org/ib/servicecalendar>.

PUBLICATION OF INTERBULL TEST RUN

Test evaluation results are meant for review purposes only and should not be published.

^LTable 1. National evaluation data considered in the Interbull evaluation for fertility (December Routine Evaluation 2015).
 Number of records for lactating cow's ability to conceive (cc2) by breed

Country	BSW	GUE	HOL	JER	RDC	SIM
AUS		115	7083	1446	594	
BEL			1014			
CAN	119	36	7296	369	433	
CHE	2516		2797			
CZE			3348			
DEA	5031					
DEU			23621		316	
DFS			14487	2073	8903	
ESP			2779			
EST						
FRA	319		14732			
FRM						
FRR			164			
GBR	70	204	5655	482	306	
HUN						
IRL			2193	119	48	
ISR			1194			
ITA	1451		8805			
JPN						
KOR						
LTU						
LVA						
NLD	148		13653	116	57	
NOR					3584	
NZL	43	55	6645	4104	1171	
POL			5615			
PRT						
SVK						
SVN						
URY						
USA	971	712	33580	3836	609	
ZAF		31	1151	613	136	
HRV						
No. Records	10668	1153	155812	13158	16157	
Pub. Proofs	10111	957	134432	11164	15220	0

^LAPPENDIX I. Sire standard deviations in diagonal and genetic correlations below diagonal

BSW hco

	CAN	DEA	FRA	USA	CHE	NLD
CAN	8.22					
DEA	0.83	11.89				
FRA	0.67	0.69	0.92			
USA	0.75	0.78	0.90	2.70		
CHE	0.80	0.91	0.88	0.88	12.94	
NLD	0.77	0.72	0.81	0.88	0.88	3.65

BSW crc

	CAN	CHE	DEA	NLD	NZL	USA	GBR	FRA	ITA
CAN	7.00								
CHE	0.85	11.06							
DEA	0.86	0.94	14.69						
NLD	0.86	0.88	0.86	3.50					
NZL	0.58	0.66	0.58	0.58	9.50				
USA	0.85	0.86	0.85	0.85	0.62	3.36			
GBR	0.77	0.76	0.83	0.81	0.62	0.83	4.03		
FRA	0.86	0.96	0.91	0.91	0.59	0.87	0.81	1.69	
ITA	0.86	0.85	0.85	0.87	0.65	0.85	0.83	0.88	14.14

BSW cc1

	CAN	CHE	DEA	NLD	USA	GBR	FRA
CAN	7.41						
CHE	0.76	11.90					
DEA	0.78	0.97	11.61				
NLD	0.67	0.69	0.59	3.76			
USA	0.74	0.68	0.66	0.90	2.94		
GBR	0.64	0.82	0.78	0.66	0.67	0.04	
FRA	0.64	0.68	0.60	0.78	0.90	0.64	0.94

BSW cc2

	CAN	CHE	DEA	NLD	NZL	USA	GBR	FRA	ITA
CAN	6.57								
CHE	0.69	10.98							
DEA	0.83	0.92	13.57						
NLD	0.85	0.82	0.85	3.51					
NZL	0.52	0.56	0.51	0.51	6.80				
USA	0.85	0.82	0.85	0.89	0.64	2.42			
GBR	0.73	0.77	0.79	0.77	0.66	0.85	4.03		
FRA	0.76	0.87	0.83	0.74	0.45	0.85	0.74	0.94	
ITA	0.76	0.70	0.82	0.78	0.61	0.88	0.86	0.67	16.27

BSW int

	CAN	DEA	NLD	NZL	USA	GBR	ITA
CAN	6.44						
DEA	0.86	11.47					
NLD	0.87	0.86	3.29				
NZL	0.61	0.61	0.61	6.80			
USA	0.89	0.87	0.88	0.57	2.42		
GBR	0.86	0.87	0.89	0.63	0.87	4.03	
ITA	0.86	0.92	0.88	0.63	0.89	0.88	15.59

GUE crc

	CAN	GBR	NZL	USA	AUS
CAN	7.06				
GBR	0.74	4.37			
NZL	0.58	0.63	11.62		
USA	0.84	0.86	0.62	3.32	
AUS	0.72	0.86	0.68	0.74	6.96

GUE cc1

	CAN	GBR	USA
CAN	6.64		
GBR	0.68	0.03	
USA	0.80	0.74	3.47

GUE cc2

	CAN	GBR	NZL	USA	ZAF	AUS
CAN	6.59					
GBR	0.74	4.37				
NZL	0.47	0.66	8.16			
USA	0.85	0.85	0.65	2.70		
ZAF	0.75	0.85	0.66	0.85	13.75	
AUS	0.70	0.82	0.73	0.81	0.85	6.96

HOL	cc2										
	BEL	CAN	CHE	CZE	DEU	DFS	ESP	FRA	GBR	IRL	ISR
ITA	NLD	NZL	USA	POL	ZAF	FRR	AUS				
BEL	4.70										
CAN	0.73	6.13									
CHE	0.77	0.86	11.14								
CZE	0.63	0.80	0.84	18.07							
DEU	0.78	0.87	0.90	0.88	12.17						
DFS	0.81	0.84	0.86	0.79	0.92	12.99					
ESP	0.86	0.73	0.73	0.65	0.79	0.78	11.27				
FRA	0.78	0.83	0.91	0.77	0.85	0.81	0.70	0.98			
GBR	0.89	0.73	0.71	0.61	0.77	0.81	0.92	0.73	4.74		
IRL	0.84	0.74	0.78	0.65	0.77	0.76	0.85	0.77	0.84	3.65	
ISR	0.46	0.58	0.58	0.75	0.68	0.58	0.48	0.62	0.49	0.57	3.07
ITA	0.84	0.76	0.77	0.74	0.83	0.84	0.94	0.73	0.88	0.84	0.57
17.99											
NLD	0.77	0.85	0.87	0.81	0.90	0.89	0.77	0.81	0.77	0.79	0.65
0.81	4.64										
NZL	0.72	0.45	0.51	0.47	0.51	0.50	0.68	0.49	0.67	0.71	0.34
0.63	0.51	5.58									
USA	0.84	0.85	0.84	0.87	0.89	0.89	0.88	0.85	0.84	0.85	0.68
0.94	0.89	0.64	2.34								
POL	0.82	0.71	0.65	0.58	0.73	0.73	0.84	0.63	0.83	0.78	0.43
0.86	0.73	0.61	0.83	12.94							
ZAF	0.75	0.72	0.80	0.72	0.83	0.79	0.87	0.80	0.79	0.86	0.62
0.90	0.80	0.68	0.88	0.75	15.80						
FRR	0.42	0.37	0.38	0.38	0.62	0.44	0.34	0.37	0.32	0.32	0.29
0.36	0.54	0.22	0.40	0.51	0.39	1.11					
AUS	0.82	0.69	0.77	0.66	0.71	0.69	0.81	0.77	0.81	0.87	0.53
0.82	0.70	0.70	0.79	0.75	0.84	0.22	4.97				

HOL	int										
	BEL	CAN	DEU	DFS	ESP	GBR	IRL	ITA	NLD	NZL	USA
POL	ZAF	AUS	FRA	URY							
BEL	4.70										
CAN	0.85	6.08									
DEU	0.86	0.86	10.43								
DFS	0.90	0.87	0.93	12.94							
ESP	0.86	0.86	0.88	0.86	11.27						
GBR	0.88	0.86	0.86	0.90	0.91	4.74					
IRL	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	3.65				
ITA	0.86	0.86	0.90	0.90	0.95	0.88	0.86	17.99			
NLD	0.91	0.86	0.91	0.94	0.87	0.90	0.86	0.89	4.50		
NZL	0.65	0.58	0.60	0.60	0.64	0.63	0.65	0.62	0.60	5.58	
USA	0.87	0.89	0.87	0.89	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.92	0.87	0.59	2.34
POL	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.88	0.86	0.63	0.87
12.94											
ZAF	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.92	0.87	0.64	0.87
0.86	15.81										
AUS	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.88	0.86	0.86	0.65	0.87
0.86	0.87	4.97									
FRA	0.85	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.85	0.85	0.86	0.86	0.56	0.87
0.86	0.87	0.85	0.97								
URY	0.88	0.86	0.87	0.86	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.75	0.87
0.87	0.87	0.87	0.86	1.45							

JER	hco			
	CAN	DFS	USA	NLD
CAN	7.63			
DFS	0.84	18.87		
USA	0.82	0.86	2.63	
NLD	0.78	0.76	0.88	4.27

JER crc

	CAN	DFS	GBR	NLD	NZL	USA	AUS	IRL
CAN	6.40							
DFS	0.87	13.93						
GBR	0.72	0.87	4.05					
NLD	0.87	0.91	0.77	3.96				
NZL	0.55	0.61	0.62	0.56	6.65			
USA	0.84	0.85	0.83	0.85	0.63	3.78		
AUS	0.71	0.72	0.86	0.71	0.60	0.73	3.67	
IRL	0.72	0.72	0.86	0.71	0.61	0.77	0.87	1.99

JER cc1

	CAN	DFS	GBR	NLD	USA
CAN	6.75				
DFS	0.71	14.42			
GBR	0.67	0.66	0.03		
NLD	0.69	0.63	0.65	3.50	
USA	0.71	0.73	0.69	0.91	2.86

JER cc2

	CAN	DFS	GBR	NLD	NZL	USA	ZAF	AUS	IRL
CAN	6.74								
DFS	0.85	16.11							
GBR	0.74	0.77	4.05						
NLD	0.86	0.88	0.78	3.71					
NZL	0.55	0.53	0.68	0.53	4.44				
USA	0.85	0.87	0.85	0.88	0.68	2.60			
ZAF	0.67	0.73	0.79	0.74	0.74	0.88	12.71		
AUS	0.69	0.71	0.81	0.71	0.67	0.71	0.81	3.64	
IRL	0.76	0.76	0.85	0.79	0.65	0.85	0.80	0.84	1.99

JER int

	CAN	DFS	GBR	NLD	NZL	USA	ZAF	AUS	IRL
CAN	6.41								
DFS	0.87	15.83							
GBR	0.86	0.88	4.05						
NLD	0.87	0.90	0.88	3.67					
NZL	0.59	0.62	0.64	0.60	4.44				
USA	0.88	0.88	0.87	0.87	0.66	2.60			
ZAF	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.88	0.74	0.89	12.71		
AUS	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.64	0.87	0.87	3.64	
IRL	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.59	0.88	0.88	0.87	1.99

RDC hco

	CAN	DEU	DFS	NOR	USA	NLD
CAN	7.01					
DEU	0.86	13.59				
DFS	0.83	0.83	15.77			
NOR	0.84	0.70	0.78	13.13		
USA	0.82	0.85	0.89	0.86	2.74	
NLD	0.79	0.79	0.72	0.72	0.88	4.81

RDC crc

	CAN	DEU	DFS	GBR	NOR	NZL	USA	NLD	AUS	IRL
CAN	6.30									
DEU	0.87	9.60								
DFS	0.86	0.90	12.93							
GBR	0.73	0.74	0.77	4.27						
NOR	0.90	0.88	0.90	0.75	12.27					
NZL	0.57	0.58	0.55	0.62	0.56	9.96				
USA	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.85	0.72	3.57			
NLD	0.87	0.91	0.93	0.79	0.87	0.58	0.85	2.82		
AUS	0.71	0.71	0.71	0.86	0.73	0.63	0.73	0.71	4.69	
IRL	0.71	0.71	0.72	0.86	0.73	0.61	0.78	0.71	0.88	2.58

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RDC      cc1
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      CAN      DEU      DFS      GBR      NOR      NLD      USA
CAN      6.58
DEU      0.81     12.15
DFS      0.81     0.90     14.07
GBR      0.67     0.76     0.83     0.03
NOR      0.80     0.70     0.74     0.74     12.24
NLD      0.71     0.69     0.65     0.67     0.62     4.27
USA      0.82     0.70     0.69     0.67     0.70     0.92     2.85
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RDC      cc2
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      CAN      DEU      DFS      GBR      NOR      NZL      USA      ZAF      NLD      AUS      IRL
CAN      6.29
DEU      0.88     9.95
DFS      0.85     0.93     13.07
GBR      0.74     0.77     0.78     4.26
NOR      0.79     0.78     0.75     0.87     13.63
NZL      0.54     0.52     0.51     0.65     0.62     6.80
USA      0.85     0.89     0.87     0.86     0.86     0.68     2.44
ZAF      0.67     0.83     0.80     0.73     0.70     0.72     0.86     18.08
NLD      0.85     0.90     0.86     0.79     0.87     0.53     0.89     0.79     3.89
AUS      0.70     0.71     0.69     0.81     0.81     0.66     0.72     0.77     0.73     4.53
IRL      0.75     0.78     0.77     0.85     0.86     0.71     0.86     0.84     0.80     0.87     2.58
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RDC      int
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      CAN      DEU      DFS      GBR      NOR      NZL      USA      ZAF      NLD      AUS      IRL
CAN      6.22
DEU      0.86     9.19
DFS      0.86     0.93     13.33
GBR      0.86     0.86     0.88     4.26
NOR      0.89     0.89     0.86     0.88     13.63
NZL      0.61     0.60     0.59     0.62     0.56     6.80
USA      0.88     0.87     0.88     0.88     0.87     0.67     2.44
ZAF      0.88     0.87     0.88     0.88     0.88     0.67     0.89     18.08
NLD      0.86     0.91     0.92     0.89     0.88     0.60     0.87     0.87     3.20
AUS      0.86     0.86     0.86     0.86     0.87     0.62     0.87     0.88     0.86     4.53
IRL      0.86     0.86     0.86     0.86     0.87     0.63     0.87     0.87     0.86     0.88     2.58
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^LAPPENDIX II. Number of common bulls

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BSW
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common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
      CAN  DEA  FRA  USA  CHE  NLD
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CAN      0   63  41  68  68  23
DEA     51   0 166 139 491 107
FRA     36 122   0  63 136  64
USA     60  98  46   0 160  35
CHE     54 392  99 133   0  70
NLD     20  97  53  31  64   0
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BSW

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal

	CAN	CHE	DEA	NLD	NZL	USA	GBR	FRA	ITA
CAN	0	87	81	32	15	95	39	55	71
CHE	70	0	491	75	17	225	48	130	317
DEA	66	387	0	117	25	185	46	162	409
NLD	27	67	104	0	17	43	28	66	89
NZL	14	13	18	10	0	15	12	15	18
USA	91	194	139	39	13	0	47	81	126
GBR	36	36	33	23	9	46	0	36	46
FRA	47	92	119	53	11	53	30	0	135
ITA	59	260	273	70	13	84	33	98	0

BSW

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal

	CAN	CHE	DEA	NLD	USA	GBR	FRA
CAN	0	88	82	32	96	41	61
CHE	71	0	490	74	224	53	139
DEA	67	385	0	116	185	53	174
NLD	27	66	104	0	43	32	71
USA	92	194	139	39	0	51	87
GBR	37	39	36	24	48	0	43
FRA	53	103	134	59	60	35	0

BSW

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal

	CAN	CHE	DEA	NLD	NZL	USA	GBR	FRA	ITA
CAN	0	79	74	29	14	93	38	56	67
CHE	62	0	482	75	17	285	48	139	317
DEA	61	380	0	116	25	281	45	173	402
NLD	25	67	104	0	17	66	28	71	89
NZL	13	13	18	10	0	24	12	16	18
USA	84	267	248	54	21	0	57	108	171
GBR	34	36	33	23	9	56	0	37	46
FRA	48	103	134	59	12	74	32	0	142
ITA	55	260	270	70	13	115	33	107	0

BSW

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal

	CAN	DEA	NLD	NZL	USA	GBR	ITA
CAN	0	74	30	14	93	38	66
DEA	61	0	119	25	281	45	437
NLD	26	107	0	17	68	28	92
NZL	13	18	10	0	24	12	18
USA	84	248	57	21	0	57	179
GBR	34	33	23	9	56	0	46
ITA	55	286	71	13	119	33	0

GUE

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN GBR NZL USA AUS

CAN 0 13 2 31 18
GBR 10 0 13 39 28
NZL 1 11 0 9 24
USA 30 37 7 0 19
AUS 13 22 22 16 0

GUE

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN GBR USA

CAN 0 13 31
GBR 10 0 41
USA 30 39 0

GUE

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN GBR NZL USA ZAF AUS

CAN 0 10 1 27 1 15
GBR 7 0 13 69 5 29
NZL 1 11 0 28 3 24
USA 25 71 29 0 10 51
ZAF 1 4 1 6 0 5
AUS 11 23 23 48 4 0

GUE

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN GBR NZL USA ZAF AUS

CAN 0 10 1 27 1 15
GBR 7 0 13 69 5 29
NZL 1 11 0 28 3 24
USA 25 71 29 0 10 51
ZAF 1 4 1 6 0 5
AUS 11 23 23 48 4 0

HOL

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN CZE DEU DFS FRA USA POL FRR CHE NLD

CAN 0 787 1595 857 898 1795 674 0 580 862
CZE 513 0 1458 902 937 1034 702 9 373 1077
DEU 989 987 0 2151 1935 2010 1186 67 894 2465
DFS 684 498 1175 0 1296 1084 743 13 523 1542
FRA 598 499 904 606 0 1223 803 2 479 1474
USA 1817 727 1201 796 603 0 958 3 581 1194
POL 460 442 770 474 352 769 0 46 295 830
FRR 0 3 44 2 0 0 52 0 6 39
CHE 468 240 744 446 429 499 205 3 0 675
NLD 726 858 1824 1120 822 872 571 9 643 0

HOL

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

	BEL	CAN	CHE	DEU	DFS	ESP	GBR	IRL	ITA	NLD	NZL	USA	POL	FRA	FRR	AUS
BEL	0	373	336	644	461	356	474	300	447	684	296	390	202	510	11	395
CAN	328	0	607	1667	921	877	1088	374	1246	953	518	1909	584	940	2	763
CHE	301	497	0	915	539	427	548	301	564	698	319	643	252	481	12	408
DEU	556	1012	762	0	2221	1177	1707	713	2189	2722	808	2235	1036	2035	77	1211
DFS	364	730	456	1200	0	765	1213	586	1299	1545	665	1220	660	1296	13	890
ESP	315	514	326	688	512	0	827	387	954	813	419	953	434	839	2	595
GBR	400	1060	498	1113	796	628	0	745	1277	1386	750	1330	548	1248	5	986
IRL	268	360	300	595	450	361	741	0	537	714	566	449	198	592	1	546
ITA	339	847	490	1207	808	645	842	435	0	1431	646	1719	707	1532	1	890
NLD	707	833	667	2174	1153	669	1096	642	989	0	851	1400	751	1543	41	1053
NZL	213	479	262	586	437	302	623	469	448	757	0	604	257	663	0	946
USA	321	1914	567	1296	860	545	1106	415	979	1069	517	0	847	1379	3	871
POL	127	398	172	611	395	203	286	120	397	489	159	634	0	717	42	344
FRA	449	604	414	889	565	562	691	445	677	815	356	645	285	0	3	931
FRR	7	1	4	50	3	0	1	1	1	10	0	0	47	0	0	4
AUS	297	625	333	720	498	394	751	434	522	808	899	698	157	531	1	0

HOL

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

	CAN	CHE	CZE	DEU	DFS	FRA	GBR	ISR	ITA	NLD	USA	POL	FRR
CAN	0	607	807	1672	925	950	1131	67	1249	961	1944	613	2
CHE	497	0	379	912	539	492	554	39	564	698	643	278	12
CZE	534	248	0	1452	888	931	783	73	972	1095	1104	676	10
DEU	1002	758	994	0	2213	2044	1754	108	2182	2686	2206	1094	75
DFS	732	456	498	1187	0	1306	1238	97	1297	1543	1220	707	13
FRA	633	423	486	912	587	0	1278	89	1544	1567	1382	746	3
GBR	1111	504	441	1138	812	713	0	91	1306	1419	1384	591	6
ISR	49	26	53	87	78	49	63	0	96	104	85	52	0
ITA	849	490	566	1195	807	697	859	70	0	1431	1717	743	1
NLD	839	667	871	2129	1153	847	1130	85	986	0	1401	802	41
USA	1959	567	757	1263	860	667	1174	70	979	1069	0	885	3
POL	425	196	436	693	453	312	318	34	437	553	668	0	42
FRR	1	4	3	50	3	0	1	0	1	10	0	47	0

HOL

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal

	BEL	CAN	CHE	CZE	DEU	DFS	ESP	FRA	GBR	IRL	ISR	ITA	NLD	NZL	USA	POL	ZAF	FRR	
AUS																			
BEL	0	364	336	308	632	461	356	508	474	301	40	446	684	296	500	199	213	11	
428																			
CAN	322	0	600	775	1570	894	872	894	1068	367	65	1191	914	502	2030	559	371	2	
852																			
CHE	301	486	0	380	897	540	427	473	548	301	39	555	699	319	762	245	221	12	
462																			
CZE	200	504	248	0	1429	890	586	916	771	338	73	965	1097	445	1248	625	272	10	
615																			
DEU	537	883	730	956	0	2177	1174	1991	1683	704	107	2127	2596	798	2873	991	500	75	
1317																			
DFS	364	701	457	498	1141	0	769	1283	1215	586	98	1284	1549	667	1613	644	437	13	
980																			
ESP	315	508	326	341	678	513	0	838	831	388	71	957	818	421	1158	432	369	2	
649																			
FRA	440	558	404	467	831	542	553	0	1239	593	90	1511	1532	662	2064	700	405	3	
1006																			
GBR	400	1034	498	435	1065	797	628	671	0	745	91	1272	1388	750	1712	539	432	5	
1085																			
IRL	268	350	300	220	581	450	361	437	741	0	66	537	715	566	616	192	283	1	
568																			
ISR	22	47	26	53	85	78	45	47	62	54	0	94	105	75	109	47	49	0	
73																			
ITA	337	781	477	553	1112	780	640	647	823	431	67	0	1413	640	2176	689	441	1	
977																			
NLD	707	791	667	871	1968	1155	670	787	1097	642	85	960	0	854	1964	731	431	41	
1155																			
NZL	213	458	262	275	565	438	302	345	623	469	64	436	759	0	895	247	314	0	
995																			
USA	374	1977	665	825	1524	988	684	915	1352	517	88	1113	1485	816	0	864	554	7	
1443																			
POL	122	372	165	378	561	375	199	263	276	116	28	378	465	155	615	0	154	42	
399																			
ZAF	161	339	179	169	359	308	314	263	367	242	34	315	349	244	512	87	0	2	
407																			
FRR	7	1	4	3	50	3	0	0	1	1	0	1	10	0	1	47	1	0	
5																			
AUS	326	749	385	327	806	593	432	590	858	464	50	587	916	964	1265	205	337	1	
0																			

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common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal

	BEL	CAN	DEU	DFS	ESP	GBR	IRL	ITA	NLD	NZL	USA	POL	ZAF	AUS	FRA	URY
BEL	0	364	632	461	356	474	301	446	684	296	500	199	213	428	499	174
CAN	322	0	1568	894	871	1068	367	1191	917	502	2030	559	370	852	851	467
DEU	537	883	0	2180	1172	1684	707	2128	2612	801	2878	991	499	1320	1928	522
DFS	364	701	1144	0	768	1215	586	1284	1553	667	1613	644	436	980	1256	423
ESP	315	508	678	513	0	830	388	956	818	420	1156	431	368	647	812	355
GBR	400	1034	1067	797	628	0	745	1272	1390	750	1712	539	431	1085	1210	449
IRL	268	350	584	450	361	741	0	537	718	566	616	192	283	568	591	247
ITA	337	781	1114	780	640	823	431	0	1416	640	2176	689	441	977	1464	476
NLD	710	797	1992	1161	675	1101	645	966	0	854	1969	731	430	1158	1490	441
NZL	213	458	568	438	302	623	469	436	760	0	895	247	313	995	652	347
USA	374	1977	1529	988	684	1352	517	1113	1491	816	0	863	553	1443	2009	747
POL	122	372	563	375	199	276	116	378	465	155	615	0	154	399	677	219
ZAF	161	339	359	308	314	367	242	315	350	244	512	87	0	406	403	246
AUS	326	749	808	593	432	858	464	587	922	964	1265	205	337	0	979	422
FRA	426	507	777	503	528	628	428	602	733	332	854	238	261	558	0	390
URY	111	425	327	271	263	349	183	305	315	263	896	149	202	310	202	0

JER

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN DFS USA NLD

CAN 0 48 199 19
DFS 36 0 84 48
USA 183 64 0 38
NLD 15 43 37 0

JER

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN DFS GBR NLD NZL USA AUS IRL

CAN 0 49 103 22 112 225 119 5
DFS 34 0 116 65 104 94 88 24
GBR 101 106 0 61 159 151 144 39
NLD 17 57 56 0 55 53 49 16
NZL 121 75 164 48 0 197 323 71
USA 221 72 161 55 225 0 231 23
AUS 117 51 147 43 355 237 0 34
IRL 4 19 40 16 78 25 30 0

JER

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN DFS GBR NLD USA

CAN 0 49 104 22 228
DFS 34 0 115 65 93
GBR 101 105 0 61 152
NLD 17 57 56 0 53
USA 224 72 162 55 0

JER

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN DFS GBR NLD NZL USA ZAF AUS IRL

CAN 0 49 100 22 110 230 88 145 5
DFS 34 0 116 65 105 141 104 97 24
GBR 98 106 0 61 160 181 130 160 39
NLD 17 57 56 0 56 66 55 53 16
NZL 116 75 164 49 0 298 166 350 71
USA 225 105 197 70 375 0 230 386 32
ZAF 86 75 131 50 173 242 0 183 26
AUS 138 58 163 46 385 418 173 0 37
IRL 4 19 40 16 78 33 27 33 0

JER

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN DFS GBR NLD NZL USA ZAF AUS IRL

CAN 0 49 100 22 110 230 88 145 5
DFS 34 0 116 67 105 141 104 97 24
GBR 98 106 0 65 160 181 130 160 39
NLD 18 60 60 0 59 70 57 55 17
NZL 116 75 164 53 0 298 166 350 71
USA 225 105 197 75 375 0 230 386 32
ZAF 86 75 131 53 173 242 0 183 26
AUS 138 58 163 48 385 418 173 0 37
IRL 4 19 40 16 78 33 27 33 0

RDC

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN DEU DFS NOR USA NLD

CAN 0 8 99 4 71 3
DEU 7 0 43 13 10 10
DFS 96 33 0 112 102 33
NOR 4 13 82 0 42 25
USA 67 10 97 42 0 22
NLD 3 10 32 24 20 0

RDC

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN DEU DFS GBR NOR NZL USA NLD AUS IRL

CAN 0 10 99 49 4 51 96 3 54 2
DEU 9 0 51 4 15 14 17 12 21 3
DFS 96 42 0 47 98 143 113 35 136 11
GBR 50 4 47 0 14 41 46 11 36 7
NOR 4 15 75 15 0 35 48 25 34 42
NZL 52 14 138 40 34 0 61 9 105 7
USA 94 17 110 44 48 62 0 25 52 13
NLD 3 12 34 11 24 9 23 0 12 6
AUS 53 20 116 35 29 106 50 10 0 8
IRL 2 3 7 7 41 7 13 5 7 0

RDC

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN DEU DFS GBR NOR NLD USA

CAN 0 9 99 51 4 3 96
DEU 8 0 45 4 13 10 11
DFS 96 36 0 49 101 35 113
GBR 52 4 49 0 18 13 50
NOR 4 13 76 19 0 25 48
NLD 3 10 34 13 24 0 25
USA 94 11 110 48 48 23 0

RDC

common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
CAN DEU DFS GBR NOR NZL USA ZAF NLD AUS IRL

CAN 0 8 94 47 4 49 119 64 3 53 2
DEU 7 0 43 4 11 10 12 1 10 26 3
DFS 92 33 0 47 88 143 132 48 35 152 11
GBR 48 4 47 0 13 42 60 34 11 42 7
NOR 4 10 67 14 0 34 47 0 25 43 42
NZL 50 10 138 41 33 0 87 32 9 115 7
USA 123 11 132 60 47 88 0 63 25 90 14
ZAF 68 1 46 32 0 30 58 0 2 34 2
NLD 3 9 34 11 24 9 23 2 0 17 6
AUS 52 24 129 41 36 116 90 34 15 0 9
IRL 2 3 7 7 41 7 14 2 5 8 0

RDC

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

	CAN	DEU	DFS	GBR	NOR	NZL	USA	ZAF	NLD	AUS	IRL
CAN	0	9	94	47	4	49	119	64	4	53	2
DEU	8	0	47	4	13	12	16	1	11	28	3
DFS	92	37	0	47	88	143	132	48	35	152	11
GBR	48	4	47	0	13	42	60	34	11	42	7
NOR	4	12	67	14	0	34	47	0	26	43	42
NZL	50	12	138	41	33	0	87	32	9	115	7
USA	123	15	132	60	47	88	0	63	27	90	14
ZAF	68	1	46	32	0	30	58	0	2	34	2
NLD	4	10	34	11	25	9	24	2	0	17	6
AUS	52	26	129	41	36	116	90	34	15	0	9
IRL	2	3	7	7	41	7	14	2	5	8	0
