

Introduction

The latest routine international evaluation for females fertility traits took place as scheduled at the Interbull Centre. Data from twentyone (21) countries were included in this evaluation.

International genetic evaluations for female fertility traits of bulls from Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark-Finland-Sweden, France, Germany, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Spain, Switzerland, South Africa, the United Kingdom, Uruguay, Japan 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	Calving interval converted to 42 days pregnancy rate
	T4=C2	Calving interval converted to 42 days pregnancy rate
	T5=IT	Calving interval converted to 42 days pregnancy rate
BEL	T2=CY	PR=Pregnancy Rate ($=[21/(DO-45+11)]*100$, with DO=days open)
	T4=C2	PR=Pregnancy Rate ($=[21/(DO-45+11)]*100$, with DO=days open)
	T5=IT	PR=Pregnancy Rate ($=[21/(DO-45+11)]*100$, with DO=days open)
CAN	T1=HC	NR=Non Return Rate after 56 Days in heifers (NRR), %
	T2=CY	CF=Interval from Calving to First Service in cows(CF)
	T3=C1	NR=Non Return Rate after 56 Days in cows(NRR), %
	T4=C2	FC=Interval first insemination-conception in cows
	T5=IT	DO=Days open
CHE	T1=HC	CR=Heifers' Conception rate
	T2=CR	CF=Interval from Calving to First Service (ICF), days

	T3=C1	NR=Non Return Rate after 56 Days (NRR), %
	T4=C2	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	CR=Heifers' Conception rate for maiden heifers
	T2=CY	CF=Interval from calving to first insemination cows (days)
	T3=C1	CR=Cows' conception rate for cows
	T4=C2	FL=Interval from first to last insemination cows (days)
	T5=IT	DO=Days open (days)
ESP	T2=CY	Days Open
	T4=C2	Days Open
	T5=IT	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)
	T4=C2	FL=Interval from first to last insemination cows (days)
	T5=IT	FL=Interval from first to last insemination cows (days)
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	T1=HC	NR= non-return rate 56 days (heifers)
	T2=CY	CF=Days to first service
	T3=C1	NR=Non-return rate at 56 days (%)
	T4=C2	FL=Interval from first to last insemination cows (days)
	T5=IT	DO=days open (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	NI=Number of inseminations (heifers)
	T2=CY	CF=Days from calving to first insemination (days)
	T3=C1	NI=Number of inseminations (cows)
	T4=C2	NI=Number of inseminations (cows)
	T5=IT	CF=Days from calving to first insemination (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 CR=Conception Rate (heifer)
T2=CR CF=Interval from calving to first insemination
T3=C1 CR=Conception Rate (cow)
T4=IT DO=Days open
T5=IT DO=Days open

URY T4=C2 Days open expressed as Daughter Pregnancy Rate
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

JPN T1=HC CR=Heifers'Conception rate
T3=C1 CR=Cows'Conception rate
T4=C2 DO=Days open
T5=IT DO=Days open

CHANGES IN NATIONAL PROCEDURES

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

DFS (ALL) Decrease in information mainly caused by the check, which is done, after a cow has calved. There must be consistency between the insemination date and the calving date.
DEA (BSW) Base change
POL (HOL) Some decrease in information due to data edits
DEU (HOL,RDC) Base change
ITA (HOL) Base change, editing and pedigree checks
BEL (HOL) Up to 21 bulls missing in current data most of them are Montbeliard bulls erroneously added before due to a bug in one of the programs preparing the file to be submitted. which has now been fixed.
GBR (HOL) changes in data from the data provider.
FRA (ALL) Base change
CAN (ALL) Base change
AUS (ALL) New database and procedures for data extraction. Mix99 software will be used for all traits.
EBV expression is now on the observable scale for a trait into consideration (kg, days, log(scc), type scores, etc).
Drop in reliabilities.
JPN (HOL) No longer submitting CRC data
CHE (HOL,BSW) Changes in data edits
introduced a separate level for sexed semen in the fixed effect sampling code, which is now also included in the model for interval between first and last service (cc2)
NLD (ALL) Changes in the breeding value estimation for fertility (NLD): 1) CR is based on all inseminations (repeated measurements), with the cow effect as permanent environment effect. 2) Conception rate (CR), interval between first and last insemination (IFL) and calving interval (CI) are corrected for effect of sexed semen. CI and IFL are based on multiple inseminations, for these traits a pre-correction was applied. For CR the sexed semen effect could be included in the model. 3) Day-of-the-week was added to the model for CR. 4) For parities > 1 the hys effect is based on the calving date or insemination date of the first parity. Inclusion of the day of the week effect if it was DIY or an inseminator plus minor adjustment in the base animals.
NOR (RDC) New data extraction pipeline.
Introduced a data cutoff at 2002 for HCO, CC1 and CC2; causing old bulls to disappear
The new traits are: hco - No. of inseminations as heifer, crc - Days from calving to first insemination. Lactations 1 to 4, repeatability mode, ccl - No. of inseminations. Lactations 1 to 4, repeatability model, cc2 - No. of inseminations. Lactations 1 to 4, repeatability model, int - Days from calving to first insemination. Lactations 1 to 4, repeatability model
Mix99 used for calculation of EDC and reliability
NZL (ALL) NZL has continuous DNA parentage testing so daughters, herds, EDC will always change. Small decrease in Reliability as consequence

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

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

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.

^aLTable 1. National evaluation data considered in the Interbull evaluation for fertility (April Routine Evaluation 2019).

Number of records for lactating cow's ability to conceive (cc2) by breed

Country	BSW	GUE	HOL	JER	RDC	SIM
AUS		137	7893	1702	706	
BEL			1778			
CAN	148	43	8912	509	526	
CHE	2715		3210			
CZE			3733			
DEA	5393					
DEU		26460			367	
DFS		15737		2363		9787
ESP			5066			
EST						
FRA	376		16120			
FRM						
GBR	85	220	6472	539	382	
HUN						
IRL			2764	173	63	
ISR			1376			
ITA	1746		9470			
JPN			5643			
KOR						
LTU						
LVA						
NLD	185		15094	149	78	
NOR					2895	
NZL	55	58	7677	4666	1338	
POL			7262			
PRT						
SVK						
SVN						

URY			1573			
USA	1078	752	38074	4577	695	
ZAF			1222	690	144	

HRV
MEX
CAM

No. Records	11781	1210	185536	15368	16981	
Pub. Proofs	10854	996	151578	12977	16901	0

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

BSW hco

	CAN	DEA	FRA	USA	CHE	NLD	
CAN	8.69						
DEA	0.84	9.77					
FRA	0.78	0.84	0.90				
USA	0.79	0.80	0.89	2.67			
CHE	0.91	0.95	0.88	0.88	13.02		
NLD	0.78	0.70	0.87	0.88	0.87	3.24	

BSW crc

	CAN	CHE	DEA	NLD	NZL	USA	GBR	FRA	ITA	
CAN	7.35									
CHE	0.85	11.23								
DEA	0.85	0.94	14.23							
NLD	0.87	0.88	0.86	3.58						
NZL	0.62	0.65	0.77	0.64	11.08					
USA	0.85	0.86	0.85	0.85	0.62	3.34				
GBR	0.75	0.76	0.75	0.80	0.65	0.83	3.86			
FRA	0.86	0.96	0.94	0.91	0.65	0.86	0.79	1.81		
ITA	0.85	0.85	0.84	0.86	0.69	0.84	0.80	0.87	18.20	

BSW ccl

	CAN	CHE	DEA	NLD	USA	GBR	FRA	
CAN	8.01							
CHE	0.79	11.77						
DEA	0.79	0.95	11.01					
NLD	0.75	0.71	0.67	3.88				
USA	0.74	0.67	0.67	0.90	2.79			
GBR	0.73	0.81	0.78	0.70	0.67	0.04		
FRA	0.71	0.69	0.67	0.91	0.92	0.69	0.95	

BSW cc2

	CAN	CHE	DEA	NLD	NZL	USA	GBR	FRA	ITA	
CAN	6.73									
CHE	0.73	11.04								
DEA	0.83	0.91	11.69							
NLD	0.88	0.84	0.85	3.23						
NZL	0.64	0.54	0.65	0.64	7.01					
USA	0.85	0.84	0.85	0.87	0.65	2.36				
GBR	0.83	0.78	0.86	0.84	0.70	0.85	3.86			
FRA	0.85	0.86	0.87	0.86	0.64	0.85	0.84	0.95		
ITA	0.85	0.69	0.85	0.85	0.62	0.88	0.84	0.85	23.42	

BSW	int	CAN	DEA	NLD	NZL	USA	GBR	ITA
CAN		7.31						
DEA		0.88	13.57					
NLD		0.89	0.88	3.39				
NZL		0.60	0.65	0.66	6.87			
USA		0.90	0.87	0.87	0.58	2.36		
GBR		0.87	0.88	0.89	0.67	0.87	3.86	
ITA		0.88	0.93	0.88	0.65	0.89	0.88	17.98

GUE	crc	CAN	GBR	NZL	USA	AUS
CAN		7.63				
GBR		0.75	5.09			
NZL		0.61	0.65	11.76		
USA		0.84	0.87	0.62	3.34	
AUS		0.73	0.87	0.70	0.74	6.96

GUE	cc1	CAN	GBR	USA
CAN		7.35		
GBR		0.73	0.03	
USA		0.80	0.73	3.41

GUE	cc2	CAN	GBR	NZL	USA	AUS
CAN		6.95				
GBR		0.84	5.09			
NZL		0.64	0.70	7.53		
USA		0.86	0.85	0.66	2.65	
AUS		0.75	0.73	0.80	0.81	12.39

GUE	int	CAN	GBR	NZL	USA	AUS
CAN		7.84				
GBR		0.87	5.09			
NZL		0.61	0.66	7.53		
USA		0.91	0.87	0.63	2.65	
AUS		0.87	0.86	0.78	0.87	12.39

HOL	hco	CAN	CZE	DEU	DFS	FRA	USA	POL	CHE	NLD	ITA	JPN
CAN		7.78										
CZE		0.76	19.15									
DEU		0.93	0.78	15.09								
DFS		0.82	0.87	0.86	13.70							
FRA		0.82	0.88	0.82	0.88	0.84						
USA		0.84	0.88	0.86	0.89	0.90	2.38					
POL		0.71	0.88	0.71	0.85	0.82	0.83	19.67				
CHE		0.95	0.86	0.93	0.86	0.87	0.88	0.80	14.08			
NLD		0.80	0.87	0.79	0.85	0.87	0.88	0.80	0.87	3.80		
ITA		0.84	0.87	0.92	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.87	0.90	0.88	0.04	
JPN		0.83	0.74	0.79	0.75	0.76	0.83	0.68	0.84	0.75	0.73	6.28

HOL crc

	BEL	CAN	CHE	DEU	DFS	ESP	GBR	IRL	ITA	NLD	NZL	USA	POL	FRA	AUS
BEL	4.74														
CAN	0.72	6.96													
CHE	0.80	0.84	12.40												
DEU	0.72	0.85	0.88	11.19											
DFS	0.79	0.89	0.95	0.90	11.80										
ESP	0.87	0.80	0.83	0.79	0.83	11.15									
GBR	0.89	0.74	0.77	0.74	0.80	0.89	4.67								
IRL	0.86	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.87	0.87	0.87	3.44							
ITA	0.78	0.85	0.88	0.87	0.89	0.86	0.82	0.72	8.32						
NLD	0.81	0.87	0.93	0.90	0.96	0.82	0.80	0.72	0.87	4.54					
NZL	0.65	0.60	0.62	0.60	0.62	0.64	0.64	0.61	0.70	0.60	8.48				
USA	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.88	0.77	0.84	0.84	0.60	3.23			
POL	0.74	0.89	0.89	0.87	0.88	0.82	0.74	0.71	0.92	0.86	0.62	0.84	14.15		
FRA	0.76	0.86	0.94	0.92	0.94	0.84	0.80	0.72	0.91	0.95	0.62	0.84	0.88	1.19	
AUS	0.86	0.72	0.72	0.71	0.72	0.86	0.86	0.87	0.72	0.72	0.61	0.73	0.71	0.72	4.94

HOL cc1

	CAN	CHE	CZE	DEU	DFS	FRA	GBR	ISR	ITA	NLD	USA	POL	JPN	
CAN	6.77													
CHE	0.92	11.12												
CZE	0.81	0.75	17.87											
DEU	0.90	0.93	0.77	14.39										
DFS	0.74	0.72	0.89	0.73	13.28									
FRA	0.74	0.74	0.89	0.70	0.87	1.02								
GBR	0.73	0.77	0.71	0.78	0.68	0.69	0.03							
ISR	0.76	0.67	0.89	0.73	0.85	0.86	0.74	3.16						
ITA	0.86	0.88	0.74	0.95	0.69	0.68	0.76	0.74	0.05					
NLD	0.76	0.73	0.90	0.72	0.92	0.92	0.69	0.88	0.69	4.71				
USA	0.79	0.71	0.95	0.72	0.87	0.89	0.66	0.91	0.74	0.90	2.80			
POL	0.76	0.75	0.87	0.81	0.81	0.80	0.67	0.78	0.80	0.76	0.80	19.55		
JPN	0.77	0.69	0.90	0.70	0.83	0.79	0.70	0.81	0.70	0.82	0.89	0.68	7.68	

HOL cc2

	BEL	CAN	CHE	CZE	DEU	DFS	ESP	FRA	GBR	IRL	ISR	ITA	NLD	NZL	USA	POL	ZAF	AUS	URY	JPN
BEL	4.74																			
CAN	0.83	6.06																		
CHE	0.79	0.86	11.14																	
CZE	0.65	0.84	0.87	17.88																
DEU	0.83	0.92	0.90	0.89	13.01															
DFS	0.84	0.85	0.86	0.80	0.93	12.88														
ESP	0.85	0.86	0.80	0.76	0.87	0.84	11.15													
FRA	0.83	0.87	0.91	0.80	0.90	0.85	0.86	0.98												
GBR	0.89	0.84	0.73	0.65	0.83	0.84	0.87	0.82	4.67											
IRL	0.84	0.83	0.80	0.65	0.83	0.83	0.84	0.83	0.85	3.44										
ISR	0.52	0.62	0.63	0.81	0.74	0.69	0.62	0.65	0.56	0.60	3.16									
ITA	0.75	0.85	0.86	0.90	0.91	0.84	0.86	0.84	0.77	0.78	0.81	15.92								
NLD	0.83	0.90	0.89	0.84	0.94	0.91	0.86	0.88	0.83	0.83	0.71	0.85	4.44							
NZL	0.73	0.64	0.52	0.48	0.63	0.63	0.67	0.62	0.71	0.74	0.46	0.59	0.63	5.37						
USA	0.84	0.85	0.85	0.86	0.90	0.88	0.87	0.85	0.84	0.84	0.74	0.91	0.88	0.65	2.31					
POL	0.83	0.82	0.70	0.62	0.81	0.81	0.84	0.79	0.84	0.81	0.52	0.76	0.81	0.63	0.83	13.05				
ZAF	0.76	0.77	0.80	0.70	0.82	0.77	0.83	0.79	0.80	0.87	0.58	0.84	0.79	0.71	0.87	0.76	15.95			
AUS	0.77	0.77	0.81	0.69	0.77	0.71	0.80	0.78	0.75	0.92	0.60	0.78	0.74	0.74	0.82	0.69	0.90	9.56		
URY	0.84	0.81	0.68	0.59	0.80	0.81	0.82	0.81	0.85	0.84	0.47	0.65	0.81	0.75	0.83	0.85	0.77	0.72	1.43	
JPN	0.83	0.85	0.83	0.74	0.84	0.85	0.89	0.84	0.86	0.84	0.59	0.85	0.84	0.65	0.92	0.90	0.87	0.80	0.82	18.58

HOL int

BEL	CAN	DEU	DFS	ESP	GBR	IRL	ITA	NLD	NZL	USA	POL	ZAF	AUS	URY	FRA	JPN
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BEL	4.73
CAN	0.87
DEU	0.87
DFS	0.90
ESP	0.88
GBR	0.88
IRL	0.87
ITA	0.87
NLD	0.92
NZL	0.73
USA	0.87
POL	0.86
ZAF	0.86
AUS	0.87
URY	0.87
FRA	0.76
JPN	0.87
	6.50
	12.23
	12.84
	11.15
	4.67
	3.44
	20.93
	4.53
	5.37
	2.31
	13.04
	15.96
	9.56
	1.43
	0.98
	18.58

JER hco

	CAN	DFS	USA	NLD
CAN	8.07			
DFS	0.79	17.29		
USA	0.84	0.88	2.71	
NLD	0.79	0.85	0.88	3.70

JER crc

	CAN	DFS	GBR	NLD	NZL	USA	AUS	IRL
CAN	6.68							
DFS	0.87	13.61						
GBR	0.73	0.85	4.10					
NLD	0.87	0.91	0.78	3.76				
NZL	0.61	0.67	0.67	0.61	6.79			
USA	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.85	0.63	3.78		
AUS	0.72	0.73	0.87	0.73	0.61	0.73	3.67	
IRL	0.74	0.73	0.87	0.73	0.62	0.76	0.88	1.85

JER ccl

	CAN	DFS	GBR	NLD	USA
CAN	6.69				
DFS	0.72	15.52			
GBR	0.75	0.69	0.03		
NLD	0.75	0.90	0.69	3.80	
USA	0.74	0.88	0.67	0.90	2.90

JER cc2

	CAN	DFS	GBR	NLD	NZL	USA	ZAF	AUS	IRL
CAN	6.62								
DFS	0.85	15.67							
GBR	0.85	0.84	4.10						
NLD	0.89	0.89	0.84	3.36					
NZL	0.66	0.65	0.74	0.64	4.34				
USA	0.85	0.87	0.85	0.87	0.68	2.60			
ZAF	0.71	0.71	0.77	0.75	0.75	0.86	11.14		
AUS	0.70	0.71	0.70	0.70	0.74	0.77	0.84	7.11	
IRL	0.84	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.68	0.85	0.73	0.77	1.85

JER int

	CAN	DFS	GBR	NLD	NZL	USA	ZAF	AUS	IRL
CAN	6.41								
DFS	0.88	15.42							
GBR	0.87	0.88	4.10						
NLD	0.88	0.91	0.88	3.54					
NZL	0.64	0.63	0.73	0.61	4.34				
USA	0.89	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.66	2.60			
ZAF	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.86	0.72	0.87	11.14		
AUS	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.74	0.87	0.88	7.11	
IRL	0.85	0.86	0.85	0.86	0.46	0.86	0.84	0.87	1.85

RDC	hco								
	CAN	DEU	DFS	NOR	USA	NLD			
CAN	7.47								
DEU	0.91	14.29							
DFS	0.82	0.80	12.36						
NOR	0.87	0.83	0.79	15.62					
USA	0.85	0.84	0.90	0.72	2.57				
NLD	0.79	0.79	0.86	0.72	0.88	4.04			

RDC	crc									
	CAN	DEU	DFS	GBR	NOR	NZL	USA	NLD	AUS	IRL
CAN	6.36									
DEU	0.85	10.18								
DFS	0.87	0.90	12.66							
GBR	0.76	0.74	0.77	4.44						
NOR	0.89	0.87	0.88	0.75	14.06					
NZL	0.61	0.62	0.61	0.65	0.66	10.55				
USA	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.85	0.70	3.47			
NLD	0.87	0.89	0.93	0.79	0.86	0.61	0.85	3.18		
AUS	0.73	0.73	0.73	0.87	0.75	0.69	0.76	0.73	4.70	
IRL	0.73	0.73	0.74	0.87	0.74	0.63	0.77	0.73	0.88	2.61

RDC	ccl								
	CAN	DEU	DFS	GBR	NOR	NLD	USA		
CAN	7.01								
DEU	0.89	13.16							
DFS	0.77	0.76	13.08						
GBR	0.73	0.78	0.74	0.03					
NOR	0.85	0.82	0.87	0.72	12.55				
NLD	0.77	0.75	0.90	0.71	0.75	3.92			
USA	0.83	0.73	0.86	0.67	0.80	0.90	2.57		

RDC	cc2										
	CAN	DEU	DFS	GBR	NOR	NZL	USA	ZAF	NLD	AUS	IRL
CAN	6.81										
DEU	0.92	10.52									
DFS	0.85	0.94	12.81								
GBR	0.85	0.84	0.85	4.43							
NOR	0.88	0.87	0.85	0.86	12.00						
NZL	0.65	0.64	0.65	0.69	0.66	6.80					
USA	0.87	0.90	0.86	0.85	0.86	0.71	2.35				
ZAF	0.71	0.81	0.74	0.72	0.70	0.72	0.85	17.80			
NLD	0.90	0.95	0.90	0.85	0.86	0.65	0.87	0.78	3.38		
AUS	0.71	0.73	0.67	0.76	0.66	0.78	0.80	0.81	0.72	8.64	
IRL	0.84	0.84	0.85	0.85	0.86	0.73	0.85	0.85	0.84	0.86	2.61

RDC	int	CAN	DEU	DFS	GBR	NOR	NZL	USA	ZAF	NLD	AUS	IRL
CAN		6.73										
DEU	0.89	10.66										
DFS	0.88	0.94	13.09									
GBR	0.87	0.87	0.88	4.43								
NOR	0.90	0.89	0.87	0.88	13.80							
NZL	0.66	0.58	0.59	0.67	0.63	6.80						
USA	0.91	0.89	0.88	0.87	0.88	0.70	2.35					
ZAF	0.87	0.86	0.87	0.87	0.91	0.69	0.88	17.80				
NLD	0.90	0.91	0.92	0.89	0.88	0.62	0.87	0.87	3.30			
AUS	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.88	0.76	0.87	0.89	0.87	8.64		
IRL	0.86	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.88	0.67	0.87	0.88	0.87	0.92	2.61	

^APPENDIX II. Number of common bulls

BSW

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

CAN	DEA	FRA	USA	CHE	NLD
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CAN	0	79	47	91	83	28
DEA	64	0	189	163	562	124
FRA	41	139	0	69	153	70
USA	80	122	52	0	185	42
CHE	65	468	114	152	0	81
NLD	25	117	58	38	77	0

BSW

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

CAN	CHE	DEA	NLD	NZL	USA	GBR	FRA	ITA
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CAN	0	102	97	36	19	120	43	64	92
CHE	82	0	541	90	26	250	53	153	393
DEA	78	439	0	138	33	203	53	191	529
NLD	32	82	128	0	24	50	34	74	111
NZL	17	21	26	18	0	21	17	21	27
USA	111	218	154	46	18	0	52	89	153
GBR	38	39	37	27	13	49	0	43	58
FRA	54	113	140	60	17	61	33	0	169
ITA	75	330	406	89	20	107	40	129	0

BSW

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

CAN	CHE	DEA	NLD	USA	GBR	FRA
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CAN	0	103	97	36	123	44	67
CHE	82	0	536	89	251	56	159
DEA	78	434	0	136	204	57	201
NLD	32	82	128	0	50	36	79
USA	113	218	154	46	0	56	92
GBR	39	40	38	27	50	0	46
FRA	57	119	152	66	66	37	0

BSW

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

	CAN	CHE	DEA	NLD	NZL	USA	GBR	FRA	ITA
CAN	0	91	86	34	18	113	41	63	84
CHE	71	0	529	90	26	309	53	159	393
DEA	68	430	0	137	33	301	52	200	520
NLD	30	82	128	0	24	74	34	79	111
NZL	16	21	26	18	0	30	17	22	27
USA	99	288	262	63	26	0	63	113	203
GBR	34	39	37	27	13	59	0	45	58
FRA	54	119	152	66	18	80	36	0	179
ITA	69	330	401	89	20	140	40	140	0

BSW

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

CAN	DEA	NLD	NZL	USA	GBR	ITA	
CAN	0	90	36	19	117	43	90
DEA	71	0	139	33	300	52	633
NLD	33	131	0	24	75	34	116
NZL	17	26	18	0	30	17	27
USA	103	262	66	26	0	63	222
GBR	36	37	27	13	59	0	59
ITA	74	533	96	20	156	40	0

GUE

GUE

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

CAN	GBR	NZL	USA	AUS	
CAN	0	14	3	36	18
GBR	11	0	13	47	28
NZL	2	11	0	9	26
USA	35	44	7	0	19
AUS	13	22	24	16	0

GUE

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

CAN	GBR	USA	
CAN	0	14	36
GBR	11	0	51
USA	35	48	0

GUE

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

CAN	GBR	NZL	USA	AUS	
CAN	0	10	2	34	19
GBR	7	0	13	78	32
NZL	2	11	0	29	26
USA	32	79	28	0	59
AUS	15	26	26	55	0

GUE

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

CAN GBR NZL USA AUS

CAN	0	10	2	34	19
GBR	7	0	13	78	32
NZL	2	11	0	29	26
USA	32	79	28	0	59
AUS	15	26	26	55	0

HOL

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

CAN CZE DEU DFS FRA USA POL CHE NLD ITA JPN

CAN	0	915	1942	1049	1131	2338	944	738	1108	1492	991
CZE	642	0	1654	1034	1107	1224	915	445	1255	1147	710
DEU	1419	1201	0	2434	2342	2520	1630	1086	2931	2455	1293
DFS	937	638	1566	0	1496	1316	1015	648	1837	1481	845
FRA	809	645	1256	791	0	1498	1160	633	1767	1677	1047
USA	2596	934	1771	1091	841	0	1334	759	1508	1994	1268
POL	770	663	1290	754	687	1292	0	417	1144	1118	664
CHE	620	294	945	562	563	672	314	0	808	687	414
NLD	1045	1064	2416	1508	1091	1247	942	779	0	1583	924
ITA	1191	766	1546	1077	898	1443	776	611	1230	0	1096
JPN	509	276	471	398	350	605	322	249	419	440	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 AUS

BEL	0	642	535	1085	728	772	762	468	736	1087	460	689	429	841	532
CAN	638	0	753	2025	1125	1277	1315	484	1568	1226	623	2459	855	1220	767
CHE	538	645	0	1076	638	621	644	379	675	817	379	807	374	632	415
DEU	1105	1470	932	0	2487	1982	1979	857	2471	3192	941	2744	1427	2466	1218
DFS	665	990	559	1579	0	1267	1385	693	1463	1832	767	1446	911	1505	896
ESP	822	1016	570	1706	1024	0	1272	645	1490	1427	658	1487	857	1421	802
GBR	729	1349	586	1403	1000	1135	0	897	1471	1600	867	1616	749	1451	995
IRL	460	479	384	751	575	662	929	0	633	841	690	577	314	710	573
ITA	697	1257	607	1586	1063	1280	1081	552	0	1646	737	2150	993	1690	851
NLD	1229	1176	788	2805	1541	1440	1346	791	1315	0	977	1737	1019	1865	1061
NZL	377	573	317	718	535	543	737	599	546	884	0	729	363	772	956
USA	646	2733	714	1860	1148	1172	1482	558	1511	1465	656	0	1216	1690	882
POL	344	670	274	1033	646	614	486	227	643	784	260	1104	0	1045	366
FRA	815	883	558	1275	779	1304	895	572	885	1125	453	928	587	0	949
AUS	409	628	338	726	500	589	754	454	525	813	906	704	167	546	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 JPN

CAN	0	754	954	2026	1130	1218	1362	89	1570	1241	2512	892	1123
CHE	646	0	437	1073	638	636	655	48	675	817	807	398	441
CZE	692	295	0	1626	1013	1089	899	91	1134	1261	1301	887	717
DEU	1464	928	1188	0	2493	2461	2022	132	2460	3184	2721	1546	1414
DFS	994	559	639	1578	0	1509	1411	118	1464	1832	1451	973	893
FRA	901	567	646	1278	791	0	1488	107	1686	1864	1678	1100	1164
GBR	1407	592	563	1444	1025	924	0	109	1509	1633	1687	796	991
ISR	67	32	73	114	93	61	78	0	119	124	113	74	84
ITA	1262	607	768	1575	1061	905	1123	91	0	1646	2144	1043	1139
NLD	1189	788	1084	2794	1540	1138	1384	103	1313	0	1738	1103	985
USA	2785	714	977	1839	1149	943	1567	103	1507	1465	0	1269	1437
POL	711	302	638	1202	723	634	533	52	693	893	1164	0	659

JPN 604 277 306 543 452 411 485 39 498 495 729 335 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	AUS	URY	JPN
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BEL	0	632	535	519	1077	729	772	835	762	469	63	735	1087	460	843	419	310	663	301	459
CAN	626	0	741	940	1974	1107	1265	1171	1292	473	85	1534	1198	604	2626	831	415	1083	615	1036
CHE	538	629	0	438	1069	639	621	621	644	379	49	672	818	379	928	361	256	557	267	410
CZE	396	662	295	0	1623	1015	942	1081	888	421	91	1134	1264	502	1431	829	302	706	425	686
DEU	1094	1394	921	1177	0	2479	1988	2426	1972	855	135	2441	3152	932	3476	1386	551	1568	691	1340
DFS	665	958	560	639	1564	0	1274	1495	1390	693	120	1461	1837	770	1839	892	485	1140	557	845
ESP	822	991	570	722	1697	1030	0	1424	1274	646	110	1498	1432	660	1810	842	489	1024	566	964
FRA	805	838	550	633	1233	763	1296	0	1446	710	110	1662	1835	773	2366	1024	458	1191	533	1100
GBR	729	1314	586	555	1394	1002	1135	884	0	897	110	1469	1602	868	1994	736	477	1254	577	929
IRL	460	461	384	298	748	575	662	566	929	0	83	632	842	690	742	305	321	689	335	408
ISR	40	63	32	73	114	93	84	60	77	66	0	118	126	90	138	68	52	86	67	83
ITA	690	1207	603	760	1543	1050	1276	859	1076	548	88	0	1635	735	2497	968	465	1130	619	1079
NLD	1229	1135	788	1084	2732	1543	1443	1093	1347	791	103	1295	0	980	2301	984	478	1345	570	927
NZL	377	551	317	342	707	536	545	449	737	599	76	542	886	0	1019	351	345	1131	447	513
USA	728	2836	816	1037	2206	1284	1442	1213	1724	660	121	1646	1897	958	0	1231	602	1716	968	1741
POL	331	637	262	565	980	626	599	557	471	217	44	616	747	249	1078	0	199	568	355	602
ZAF	254	375	207	192	407	347	440	312	409	278	34	355	391	274	564	124	0	450	298	386
AUS	564	1060	490	438	1093	772	805	787	1050	591	59	797	1139	1127	1649	362	384	0	565	789
URY	221	576	196	274	475	369	493	310	457	259	34	431	435	363	1188	263	247	434	0	486
JPN	272	496	239	262	450	388	418	342	406	239	30	416	414	233	615	268	239	378	230	0

HOL

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	URY	FRA	JPN
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BEL	0	635	1075	729	772	762	469	734	1088	460	843	418	310	663	301	835	459
CAN	631	0	1979	1113	1271	1300	479	1542	1213	610	2639	835	417	1090	621	1179	1039
DEU	1093	1402	0	2477	1987	1972	855	2441	3166	932	3473	1382	550	1568	691	2425	1340
DFS	665	968	1562	0	1273	1389	693	1460	1839	770	1838	892	484	1140	556	1495	845
ESP	822	1006	1697	1030	0	1274	646	1497	1437	660	1807	842	488	1023	566	1423	963
GBR	729	1328	1394	1002	1135	0	897	1469	1609	868	1994	736	476	1254	577	1446	929
IRL	460	469	748	575	662	929	0	632	846	690	742	305	321	689	335	710	408
ITA	690	1222	1543	1050	1275	1076	548	0	1640	735	2497	967	465	1130	619	1662	1079
NLD	1234	1156	2751	1549	1453	1354	794	1303	0	980	2310	990	478	1348	573	1837	932
NZL	377	556	707	536	545	737	599	542	888	0	1019	351	344	1131	447	773	513
USA	728	2864	2206	1284	1442	1724	660	1646	1906	958	0	1230	601	1716	968	2366	1741
POL	331	642	978	626	599	471	217	616	751	249	1078	0	199	568	355	1024	602
ZAF	254	381	407	347	440	409	278	355	392	274	564	124	0	449	298	458	385
AUS	564	1065	1093	772	805	1050	591	797	1146	1127	1649	362	384	0	565	1191	789
URY	221	583	475	369	493	457	259	431	437	363	1188	263	247	434	0	533	486
FRA	805	847	1233	763	1296	884	566	859	1098	449	1213	557	312	787	310	0	1100
JPN	272	498	450	388	418	406	239	416	417	233	615	268	239	378	230	342	0

JER

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

CAN	DFS	USA	NLD
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CAN	0	59	265	23
DFS	47	0	96	57
USA	247	75	0	49
NLD	17	53	48	0

JER

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

CAN	0	64	120	27	136	301	119	10
DFS	50	0	129	84	121	114	94	37
GBR	120	118	0	69	184	175	142	62
NLD	21	78	63	0	64	66	48	29
NZL	138	93	191	56	0	241	328	105
USA	300	93	189	68	265	0	234	35
AUS	119	58	150	42	359	238	0	34
IRL	8	32	63	29	117	37	31	0

JER

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

CAN	0	64	123	27	305
DFS	50	0	130	84	113
GBR	122	118	0	68	178
NLD	21	78	63	0	66
USA	304	93	192	68	0

JER

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

CAN	0	63	118	27	133	313	115	186	10
DFS	49	0	129	84	122	158	123	121	37
GBR	116	118	0	69	184	202	150	183	62
NLD	20	78	63	0	65	79	66	61	29
NZL	132	93	191	57	0	340	190	414	105
USA	306	124	223	83	412	0	281	451	42
ZAF	113	99	154	61	201	289	0	217	36
AUS	176	84	192	54	451	488	207	0	50
IRL	8	32	63	29	117	44	37	47	0

JER

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

CAN	0	64	119	27	135	317	117	188	10
DFS	50	0	129	88	122	158	123	121	37
GBR	118	118	0	73	184	202	150	183	62
NLD	22	83	67	0	68	83	69	63	30
NZL	135	93	191	61	0	340	190	414	105
USA	312	124	223	88	412	0	281	451	42
ZAF	115	99	154	65	201	289	0	217	36
AUS	180	84	192	56	451	488	207	0	50
IRL	8	32	63	29	117	44	37	47	0

RDC

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

CAN	0	13	135	5	86	4
DEU	12	0	59	16	19	12
DFS	137	48	0	110	134	44

NOR	5	15	87	0	59	29
USA	82	19	127	60	0	28
NLD	4	12	41	29	26	0

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

CAN	0	14	134	64	5	61	123	5	54	4
DEU	13	0	63	18	19	21	25	12	22	6
DFS	136	52	0	91	124	162	153	48	137	18
GBR	65	17	86	0	43	65	81	28	49	20
NOR	5	18	95	45	0	40	64	36	35	52
NZL	60	20	155	61	38	0	87	16	102	12
USA	120	24	146	77	64	88	0	31	54	26
NLD	5	12	46	27	36	16	30	0	12	11
AUS	53	21	117	46	30	104	52	10	0	8
IRL	4	6	13	19	51	12	26	11	7	0

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CAN DEU DFS GBR NOR NLD USA

CAN	0	14	134	67	5	5	123
DEU	13	0	62	19	17	12	25
DFS	136	52	0	93	111	49	153
GBR	67	18	87	0	43	28	83
NOR	5	17	86	45	0	34	65
NLD	5	12	46	27	34	0	31
USA	120	25	147	78	66	30	0

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

CAN	0	13	131	60	5	60	145	68	5	65	4
DEU	12	0	62	18	17	21	27	2	12	42	6
DFS	133	52	0	91	111	162	170	53	49	185	18
GBR	61	17	86	0	42	66	93	38	28	70	20
NOR	5	17	86	44	0	39	66	0	34	57	52
NZL	59	20	155	62	37	0	110	35	16	131	12
USA	148	27	167	91	67	111	0	67	33	113	27
ZAF	72	2	51	36	0	33	62	0	2	38	2
NLD	5	12	46	27	34	16	32	2	0	23	11
AUS	66	41	161	68	47	132	114	40	21	0	15
IRL	4	6	13	19	51	12	27	2	11	14	0

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

CAN	0	13	131	61	5	60	145	68	6	65	4
DEU	12	0	62	18	18	21	27	2	12	42	6
DFS	133	52	0	91	124	162	170	53	49	185	18
GBR	62	17	86	0	43	66	93	38	29	70	20
NOR	5	18	95	45	0	40	66	0	38	61	52
NZL	59	20	155	62	38	0	110	35	16	131	12
USA	148	26	166	91	66	111	0	67	36	113	27

ZAF	72	2	51	36	0	33	62	0	2	38	2
NLD	6	12	46	28	38	16	34	2	0	23	11
AUS	66	41	161	68	51	132	114	40	21	0	15
IRL	4	6	13	19	51	12	27	2	11	14	0

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