

New Zealand Genetic Evaluation (NZGE)

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Vision – The evaluation

- To provide breeders and farmers with the best genetic information possible enabling better breeding decisions, more often.

- All flocks
- All information
- Best indication of Genetic Merit
- Better benchmarking

New Zealand Genetic Evaluation

Introducing NZGE

In line with B+LNZ Genetics' commitment to provide breeders and farmers with the best genetic information possible, we've upgraded the SIL genetic evaluation.

At the core of the upgrade is the move to a single weekly New Zealand Genetic Evaluation (NZGE) that includes all SIL flocks. As a result, ram breeders and farmers will have access to better genetic information when making breeding decisions.



From multiple evaluations and estimates of merit - to a single evaluation with one estimate of merit



All flocks



All information included



Best estimate of genetic merit



Ability to benchmark rams



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New Zealand national genetic evaluation (NZGE)

- Run weekly since 22 July 2017
- Starts 7pm Friday, completed by Sunday 8am

- 1160 active and reference flocks
- 8.7 million animals



Common queries

- Complexity of NZGE
- Change in values
- Re-ranking of animals
- Within flock breeding values
- NZGE vs National Genomic evaluations



Complexity of NZGE ?

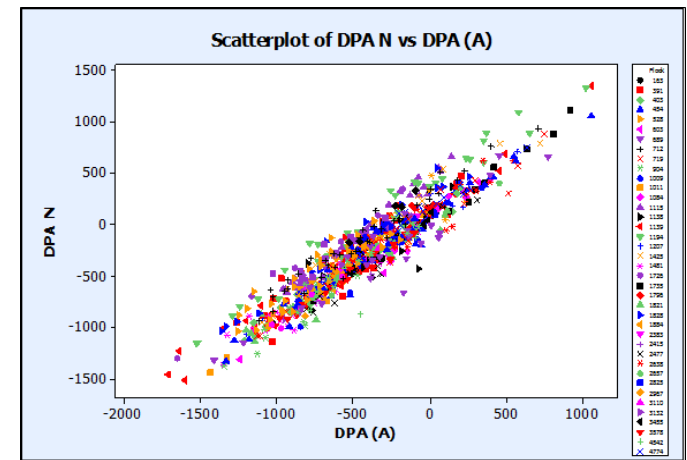
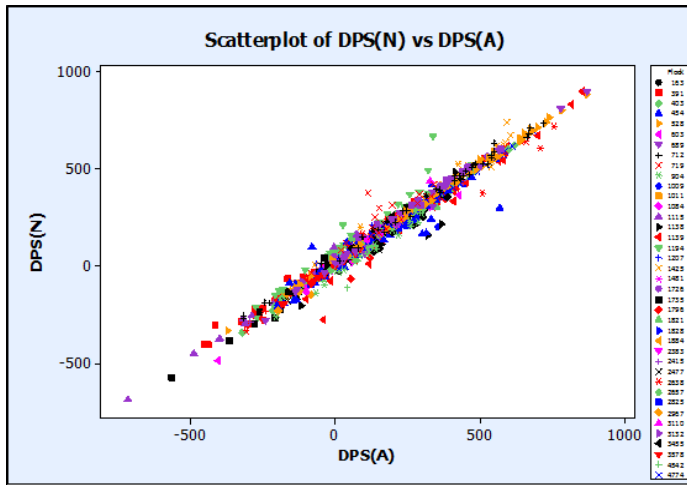
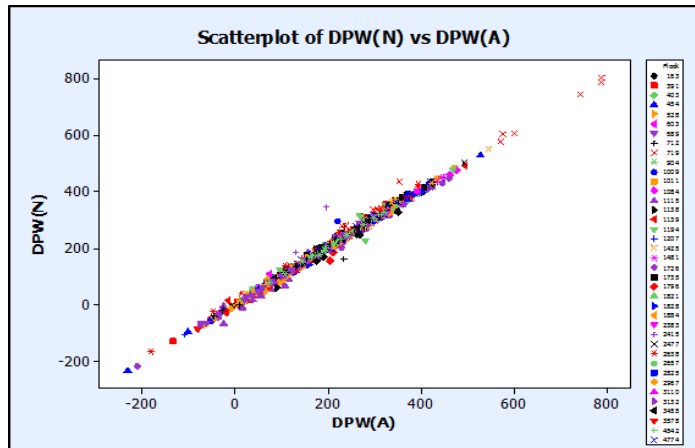
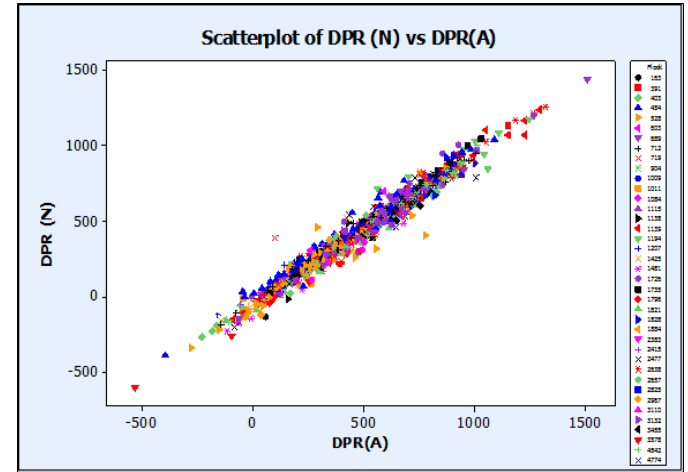
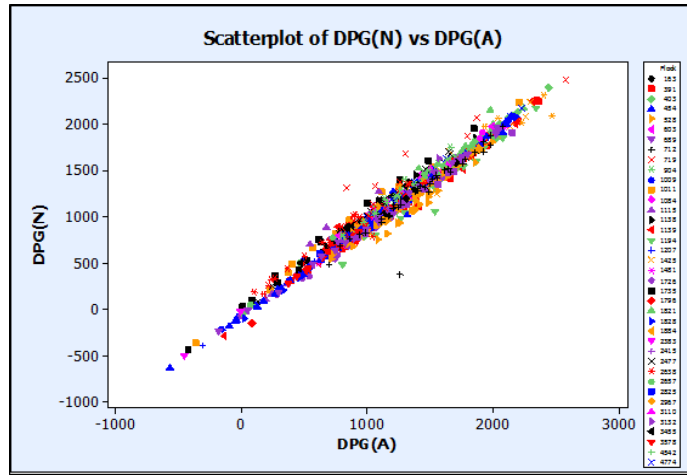
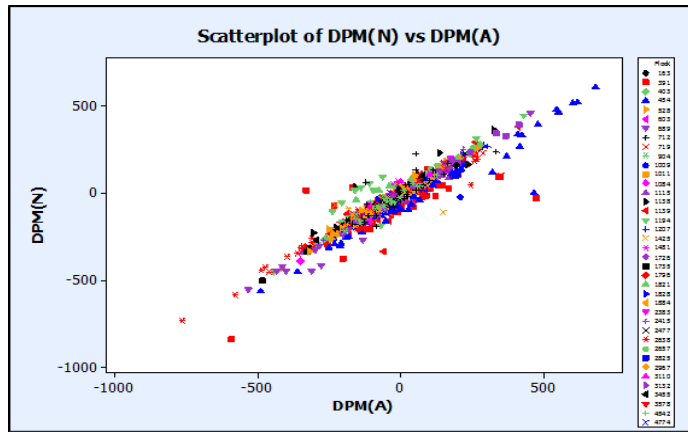


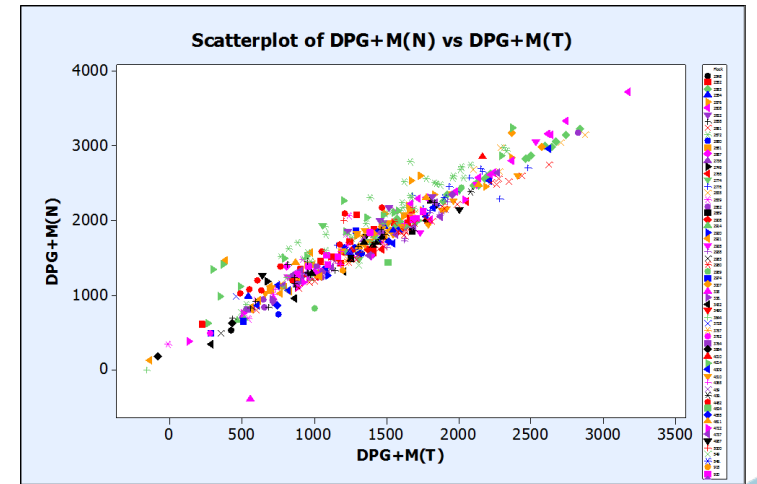
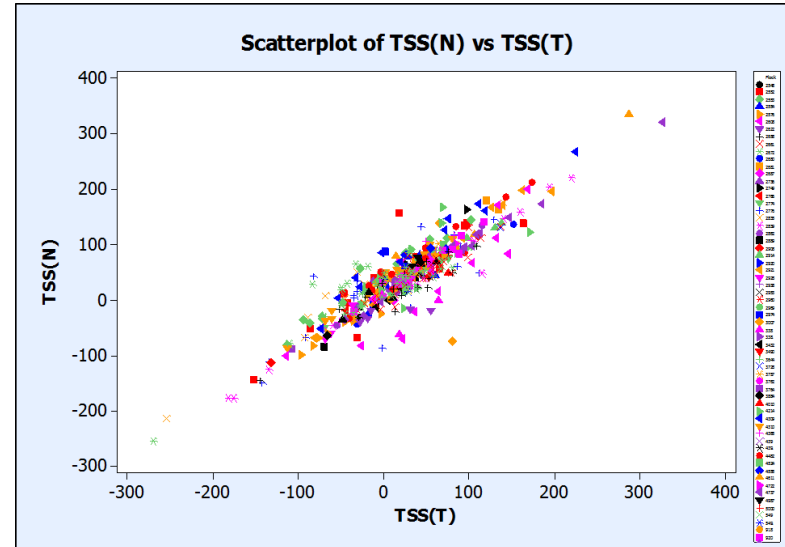
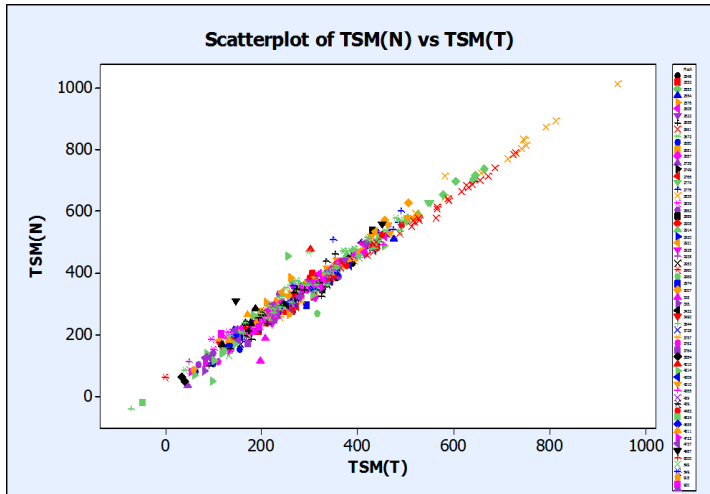
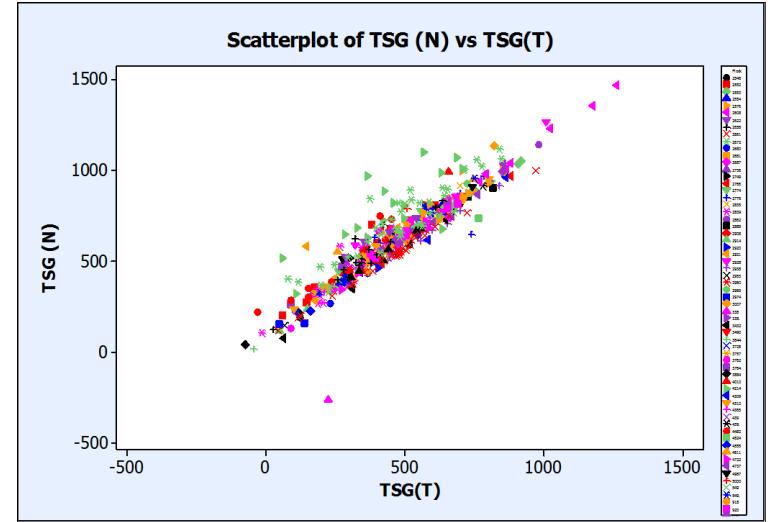
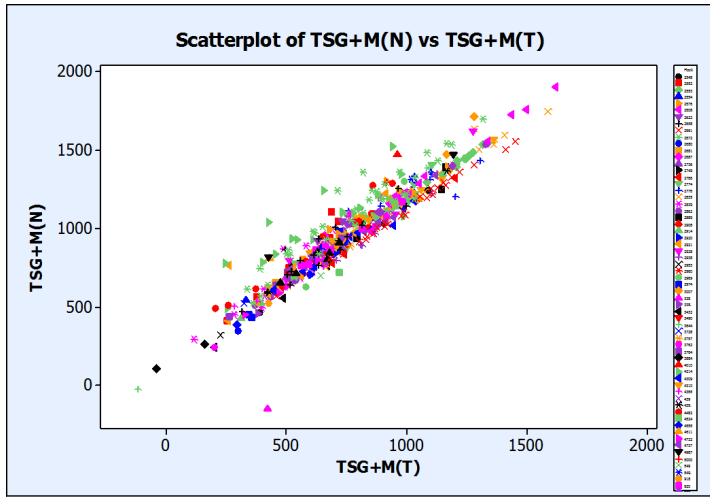
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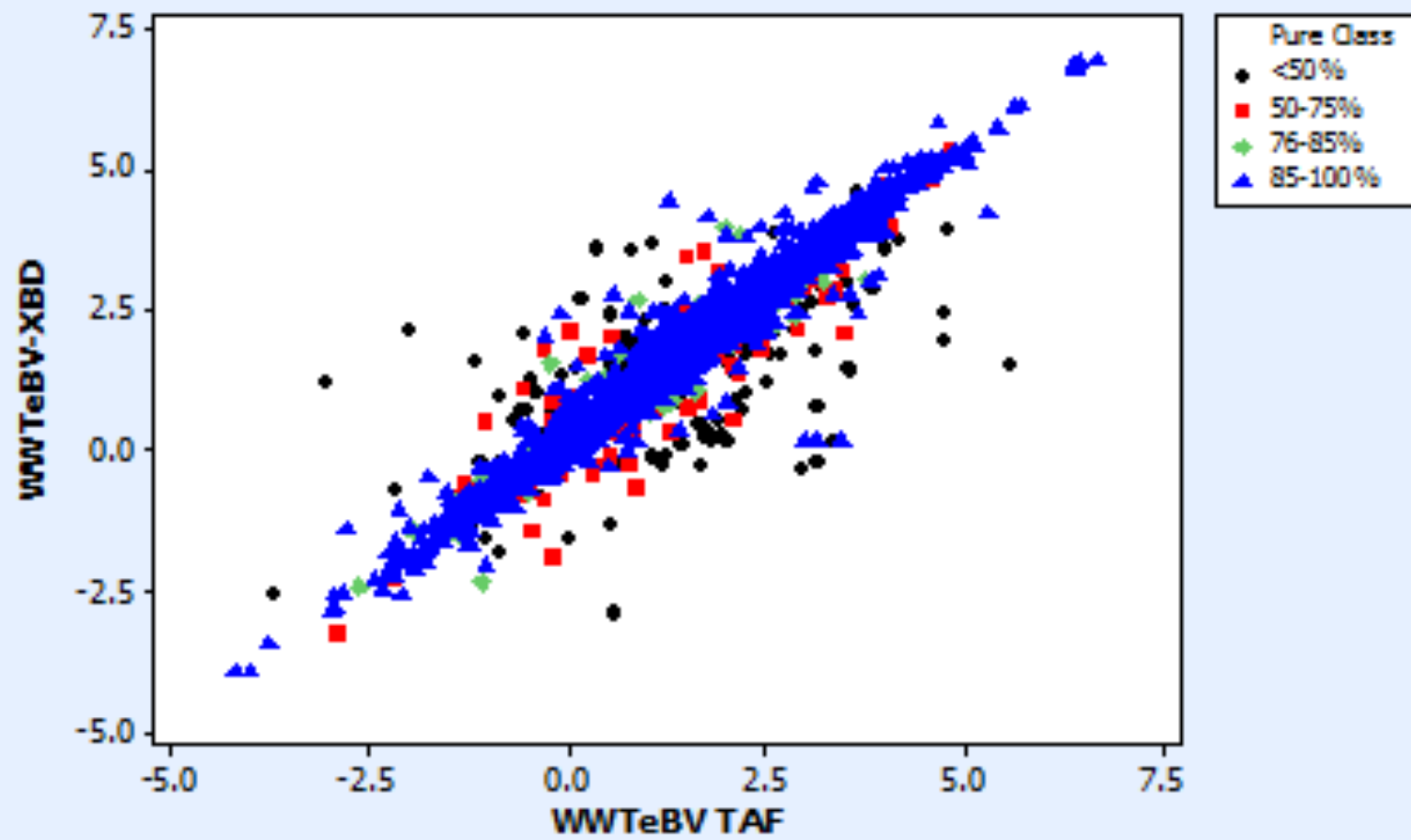
Analysis options

- number of flocks
 - analysis year range
 - goal trait groups
 - inclusion of hogget reproduction data
 - inclusion of pregnancy scanning information
 - inclusion of CT or Viascan meat data
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- NZGE analysis options are always the same

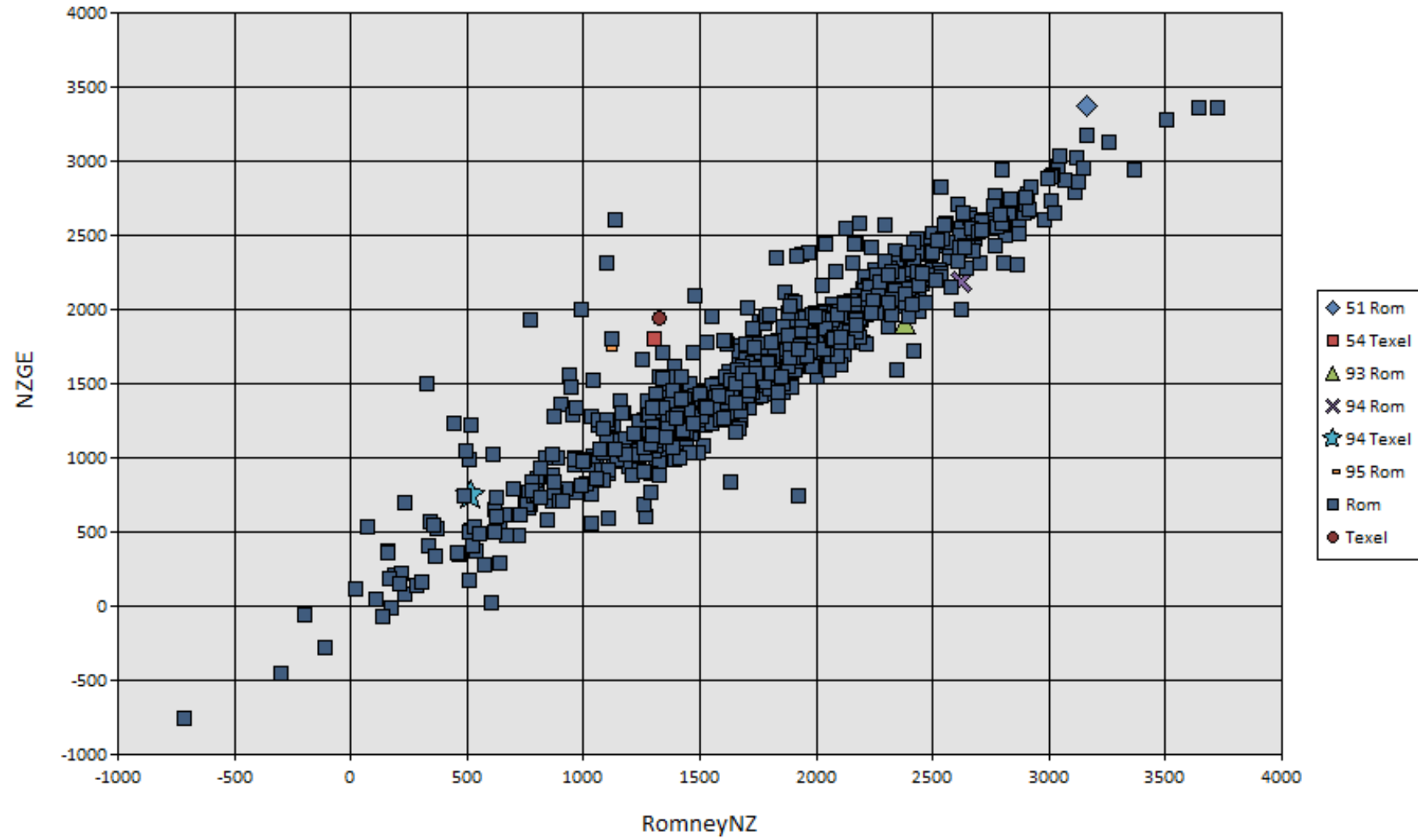




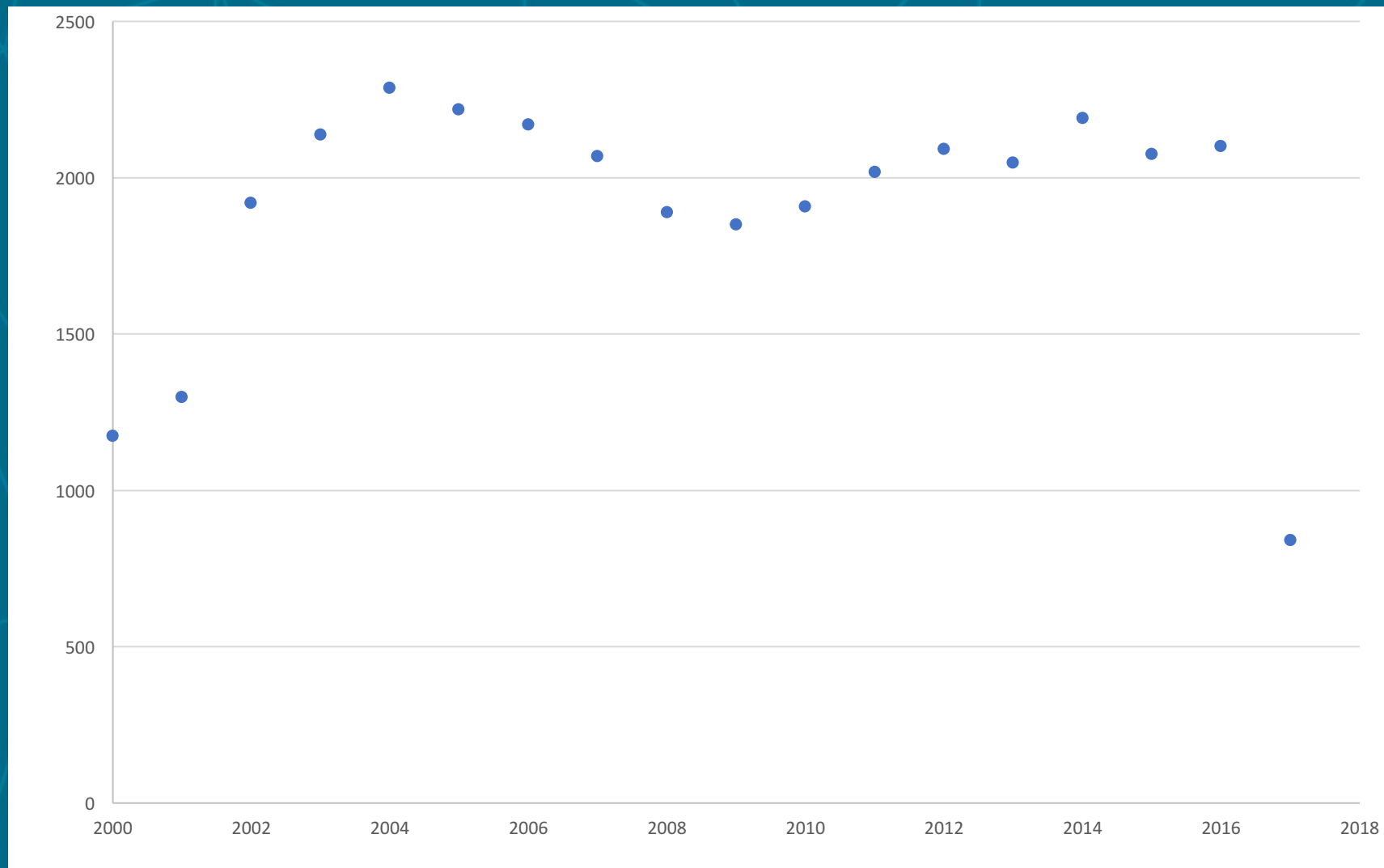
Scatterplot of WWTeBV-XBD vs WWTeBV TAF



NZMW of Sires in RomneyNZ AF vs NZGE excluding Xbred progeny



Number of evaluations run each year



Standard indexes



- Initial SIL indexes defined by goal trait groups used in the analysis
 - Dual Purpose Overall (DPO)
 - Dual Purpose Production (DPP) indexes
 - Terminal Sire Overall (TSO)
 - Terminal Sire Production (TSP)
- Same name for indexes including different goal trait groups
 - growth, reproduction, survival, meat
 - growth, reproduction, survival, wool
 - growth, reproduction, wool, meat, WormFEC

Standard indexes



- NZGE has numerous goal trait groups and breeding values

Growth

Adult Size

Meat Yield

Lamb Survival

Wool

Fine Wool

Wool Quality

Reproduction

Hogget Lambing

Twinning Rate

Stayability

WormFEC

Facial Eczema

Resilience

Dag Score

Body Condition Score

Carla

Bare Points

Standard indexes



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- New ‘standard’ indexes
 - NZ Standard Maternal Worth (NZMW)
 - includes Reproduction, Lamb Survival, Lamb Growth, Adult Size, Wool
 - NZ Standard Terminal Worth (NZTW)
 - includes Reproduction, Lamb Survival, Lamb Growth, Meat Yield

- Customised indexes are still available
 - SIL has some customised indexes already set up
 - Maternal Worth with Meat
 - Maternal Worth with WormFEC
 - Maternal Worth with Facial Eczema
 - Maternal Worth with Dag Score

Reporting by connectedness

- Purpose of across flock reports



Reporting by Connectedness

- Across flock evaluations generate breeding values for all animals
- If flocks are not connected then comparison of breeding values across those flocks is invalid
- Monitoring connectedness across a range of goal trait groups and indexes can be difficult



Reporting by Connectedness



- Across flock evaluations generate breeding values for all animals
- If flocks are not connected then comparison of breeding values across those flocks is invalid
- Monitoring connectedness across a range of goal trait groups and indexes can be difficult
- A simple tool for across flock reports that identifies valid comparisons
 - unconnected breeding values and indexes are not reported

NZ Standard Terminal Worth

3 year Sire Summary

o list (53 report Flocks)

<u>Id</u>	<u>*NZTW</u>	<u>rank</u>	<u>*TSS</u>	<u>*TSG</u>	<u>*TSM</u>
132/14	1543	36	-19	836	726
400/15	1542	37	63	537	941
1/15	1536	38	42	1012	482
301/10	1536	38	-22	949	609
20/14	1533	40	-41	1058	517
447/03	1527	41	1	1056	470
126/13	1523	42	65	1062	396
1230/15	1520	43	72	1399	48
114/14	1506	44	-11	980	537
64/13	1504	45	111	711	683
1391/15	1502	46	188	971	343
996/15	1499	47	-17	567	949
773/15	1496	48	17	913	567
76/13	1493	49	133	977	383
138/15	1491	50	48	1075	369
99/13	1485	51	34	876	575
182/14	1484	52	23	795	667
867/15	1483	53	51	787	645
14/13	1464	54	56	851	556
142/12	1453	55	183	832	437
353/15	1452	56	20	1152	280
1441/08	1447	57	195	894	357
562/13	1446	58	25	883	538

Example report for NZTW



Example report for NZTW

<u>Id</u>	<u>* NZTW</u>	<u>rank</u>	<u>* TSS</u>	<u>* TSG</u>	<u>* TSM</u>
1910/14	513	386	177	252	84
77/12	498	387	-222	663	56
205/10	492	388	174	156	162
1658/13	488	389	116	284	88
950/10	487	390	-18	434	71
142/09	477	391	-70	260	287
1659/13	471	392	105	302	64
217/12	453	393	65	300	88
A5/11	440	394	102	129	209
1141/13	398	395	-40	236	202
93/11	391	396	153	214	24
1385/12	367	397	10	495	-138
1965/13	365	398	7	397	-39
594/12	349	399	-163	573	-61
298/13	316	400	34	297	-16
511/14	250	401	1	86	164
795/13	233	402	-81	280	35
77/09	220	403	121	391	-292
118/12	17	404	-8	9	16
37/11		405	-93	245	
698/15		405	37	932	
16/12		405	-36	503	
765/11		405	-7	540	
55/12		405			
A216/15		405	24	898	204
A60/14		405		428	222
110/12		405	0	609	
715/15		405	2	965	
25/13		405			
166/11		405			
40/09		405			
5037/15		405			
407/14		405			
368/13		405			
1048/11		405	10	711	



Example report for NZMW

<u>Id</u>	<u>* NZMW</u>	<u>rank</u>	<u>* DPR</u>	<u>* DPS</u>	<u>DPG+A</u>	<u>rkDPG+A</u>	<u>* DPW</u>
111/10		474		585	1566	36	
85/13		474		468	1471	55	
211/13		474		371	1467	57	
276/13		474	354	302	1462	60	
34/14		474	359	-28	1278	123	
263/15		474	408	368	1254	131	
273/13		474			1250	135	284
121/15		474	211	422	1250	135	
1008/15		474	509	77	1199	153	
115/14		474	76	-54	1199	153	
279/13		474			1160	171	354
28/14		474	364	152	1156	173	
108/12		474	692	-108	1154	174	
219/15		474	312	127	1149	178	
R41/14		474	287	207	1114	187	
347/15		474	433	194	1105	192	
53/15		474	317	256	1093	201	
258/15		474			1071	212	477
195/13		474	127	213	1064	215	
138/15		474	303	198	1063	216	
13/15		474	352	71	1055	220	343
31/09		474	-52	-92	1040	229	
333/13		474			1004	245	298
35/13		474	592	29	998	252	
14/13		474			991	260	298
A26/14		474	-73	44	989	262	
1341/14		474	369	-93	987	264	
1299/15		474		205	975	268	286
1020/11		474	610	-66	973	270	
23/14		474	272	445	960	274	
14/15		474	352	9	952	277	
177/15		474	379	232	952	277	
385/12		474			945	281	246
74/13		474	514	69	945	281	



Impact of reporting by connectedness

- Group1 - 53 terminal sire flocks



Id	RbC* NZTW	* NZTW	acc%	rank	*
56/14	2088	2088	69	1	
650/15	2012	2012	66	2	
S32/15	1998	1998	62	3	
17/14	1846	1846	64	4	
680/13	1834	1834	86	5	
14/14	1813	1813	74	6	
299/14	1772	1772	70	7	
401/13	1770	1770	87	8	
271/12	1750	1750	90	9	
37/14	1723	1723	75	10	
57/12	1698	1698	81	11	
609/14	1692	1692	67	12	
2326/14	1685	1685	78	13	
657/15	1663	1663	66	14	
118/14	1657	1657	87	15	
485/15	1642	1642	60	16	
457/14	1642	1642	78	16	
60/15	1632	1632	66	18	
116/10	1626	1626	87	19	
603/15	1625	1625	63	20	
137/14	1621	1621	76	21	
213/14	1617	1617	67	22	
296/05	1610	1610	96	23	
25/13	1602	1602	76	24	
471/15	1601	1601	64	25	
279/13	1586	1586	82	26	
334/15	1582	1582	64	27	
147/14	1572	1572	73	28	
223/14	1571	1571	76	29	
730/15	1565	1565	60	30	
371/13	1559	1559	82	31	
197/14	1557	1557	69	32	
281/13	1550	1550	75	33	
299/13	1547	1547	77	34	
12520/13	1546	1546	80	35	
1198/14	1545	1545	65	36	
132/14	1543	1543	71	37	
400/15	1542	1542	64	38	
301/10	1536	1536	94	39	
1/15	1536	1536	67	39	
20/14	1533	1533	78	41	

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1198/14	1545	1545	65	36	
132/14	1543	1543	71	37	
400/15	1542	1542	64	38	
301/10	1536	1536	94	39	
1/15	1536	1536	67	39	
20/14	1533	1533	78	41	
447/03	1527	1527	96	42	
126/13	1523	1523	78	43	
1230/15	1520	1520	62	44	
114/14	1506	1506	67	45	
64/13	1504	1504	73	46	
4/14	1504	1504	61	46	
1391/15	1502	1502	61	48	
996/15	1499	1499	65	49	
773/15	1496	1496	68	50	
76/13	1493	1493	72	51	
138/15	1491	1491	61	52	
99/13	1485	1485	78	53	
182/14	1484	1484	67	54	
867/15	1483	1483	66	55	
14/13	1464	1464	77	56	
142/12	1453	1453	88	57	
353/15	1452	1452	64	58	
1441/08	1447	1447	91	59	
562/13	1446	1446	80	60	
218/15	1445	1445	66	61	
932/15	1443	1443	64	62	
44/12	1441	1441	81	63	
2673/14	1440	1440	68	64	
393/15	1439	1439	54	65	
857/11	1437	1437	95	66	
433/15	1435	1435	63	67	
263/12	1433	1433	88	68	
4/10	1430	1430	96	69	
2235/13	1426	1426	75	70	
662/11	1423	1423	81	71	
112/14	1421	1421	81	72	
87/13	1417	1417	74	73	
80/13	1415	1415	72	74	
518/09	1409	1409	86	75	
254/13	1408	1408	81	76	

Id	RbC* NZTW	* NZTW	acc%	rank	*
66/08	1406	1406	93	77	
927/12	1400	1400	78	78	
2423/15	1399	1399	61	79	
TB126/08	1399	1399	92	79	
12/15	1399	1399	71	79	
S500/14	1398	1398	61	82	
17/10	1396	1396	81	83	
480/15	1393	1393	61	84	
18/13	1390	1390	75	85	
258/11	1390	1390	94	85	
403/13	1373	1373	78	87	
1587/14	1370	1370	68	88	
388/12	1357	1357	91	89	
23/12	1357	1357	70	89	
A26/14	1356	1356	75	91	
T61/15	1355	1355	66	92	
1075/13	1348	1348	87	93	
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26/14	1337	1337	69	98	
523/12	1335	1335	85	99	
193/10	1335	1335	89	99	
715/15	1334	1334	60	101	
770/14	1333	1333	80	102	
21/12	1332	1332	83	103	
52/14	1332	1332	67	103	
698/15	1332	1332	60	103	
37/15	1330	1330	54	106	
2011/10	1330	1330	85	106	
681/11	1324	1324	86	108	
2072/11	1321	1321	80	109	
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158/13	1311	1311	74	111	
323/14	1309	1309	79	112	
68/14	1305	1305	67	113	
839/15	1303	1303	64	114	
88/14	1300	1300	72	115	
C571/12	1298	1298	84	116	
51/11	1298	1298	92	116	



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Id	RbC* NZTW	* NZTW	acc%	rank	*
A43/09	761	761	85	405	
560/11	758	758	78	406	
526/13		755	73	407	
44/15		755	51	407	
466/11	752	752	77	409	
2517/15	752	752	56	409	
809/15	747	747	47	411	
452/14	744	744	85	412	
4134/13	744	744	76	412	
194/09		741	79	414	
2051/10	738	738	85	415	
1013/15	736	736	63	416	
A60/14		735	59	417	
91/15	733	733	54	418	
20034/13	722	722	71	419	
124/12		722	80	419	
7/12		722	82	419	
192/14	720	720	74	422	
106/07	713	713	85	423	
136/11	706	706	79	424	
502/12		705	63	425	
407/14		704	56	426	
1865/15	703	703	57	427	
404/11	703	703	81	427	
21/13	702	702	58	429	
2398/15	697	697	57	430	
1190/10		697	76	430	
204/14		695	63	432	
1521/14		695	66	432	
656/12	692	692	59	434	
408/11	691	691	82	435	
4038/14	688	688	76	436	
4232/14	688	688	74	436	
111/14	685	685	51	438	
28/14	684	684	66	439	
3001/12	678	678	83	440	
1837/12	670	670	81	441	
441/11	668	668	65	442	
120/12		666	71	443	
A407/08	661	661	87	444	
137/14		657	63	445	

Id	RbC* NZTW	* NZTW	acc%	rank	*
98/10	649	649	81	446	
56/14	648	648	56	447	
2004/11	644	644	79	448	
110/12		637	83	449	
210/12	635	635	69	450	
709/11	632	632	61	451	
14/11		632	76	451	
664/10	629	629	90	453	
25/13		628	52	454	
139/14	626	626	49	455	
1262/13	623	623	67	456	
80/12		617	78	457	
69/13	614	614	79	458	
132/10	613	613	70	459	
1873/13	609	609	77	460	
191/09		609	83	460	
1048/11		606	87	462	
11/12	604	604	78	463	
40/09		599	79	464	
66/10	596	596	89	465	
219/10		595	89	466	
189/10	590	590	77	467	
3/10	589	589	83	468	
2161/14	582	582	73	469	
1479/11	580	580	66	470	
2481/14	573	573	76	471	
46/13	565	565	85	472	
2099/12		558	66	473	
35/13		558	78	473	
386/11	551	551	84	475	
559/12		544	68	476	
2097/13	541	541	61	477	
161/15		541	66	477	
2/13	533	533	75	479	
9853/13	532	532	59	480	
27/12	529	529	80	481	
1434/10		525	80	482	
1910/14	513	513	64	483	
77/12	498	498	84	484	
205/10	492	492	83	485	
1658/13	488	488	68	486	

Id	RbC* NZTW	* NZTW	acc%	rank	*
950/10	487	487	79	487	
142/09	477	477	87	488	
1659/13	471	471	69	489	
S283/12		458	59	490	
217/12	453	453	70	491	
55/12		446	75	492	
A5/11	440	440	79	493	
294/12		438	68	494	
216/14		434	83	495	
1141/13	398	398	74	496	
93/11	391	391	80	497	
S1190/10		387	31	498	
1385/12	367	367	63	499	
1965/13	365	365	73	500	
594/12	349	349	76	501	
298/13	316	316	82	502	
137/11		266	52	503	
511/14	250	250	52	504	
795/13	233	233	83	505	
77/09	220	220	92	506	
25/11		216	76	507	
TG436/14		166	30	508	
3/12		157	45	509	
37/11		136	83	510	
95/11		127	74	511	
5/13		91	57	512	
166/11		81	18	513	
6/12		77	42	514	
118/12	17	17	74	515	



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Impact of reporting by connectedness

- 3 year sire summary
- Group1 - 53 terminal sire flocks
 - 515 sires, 405 connected, 110 dropped – 23 dropped from top half



Impact of reporting by connectedness

- Group1 - 53 terminal sire flocks
 - 515 sires, 405 connected, 110 dropped – 23 dropped from top half
- Group 2 - 6 terminal sire flocks
 - 53 sires, 34 connected, 19 dropped – 1 from top half





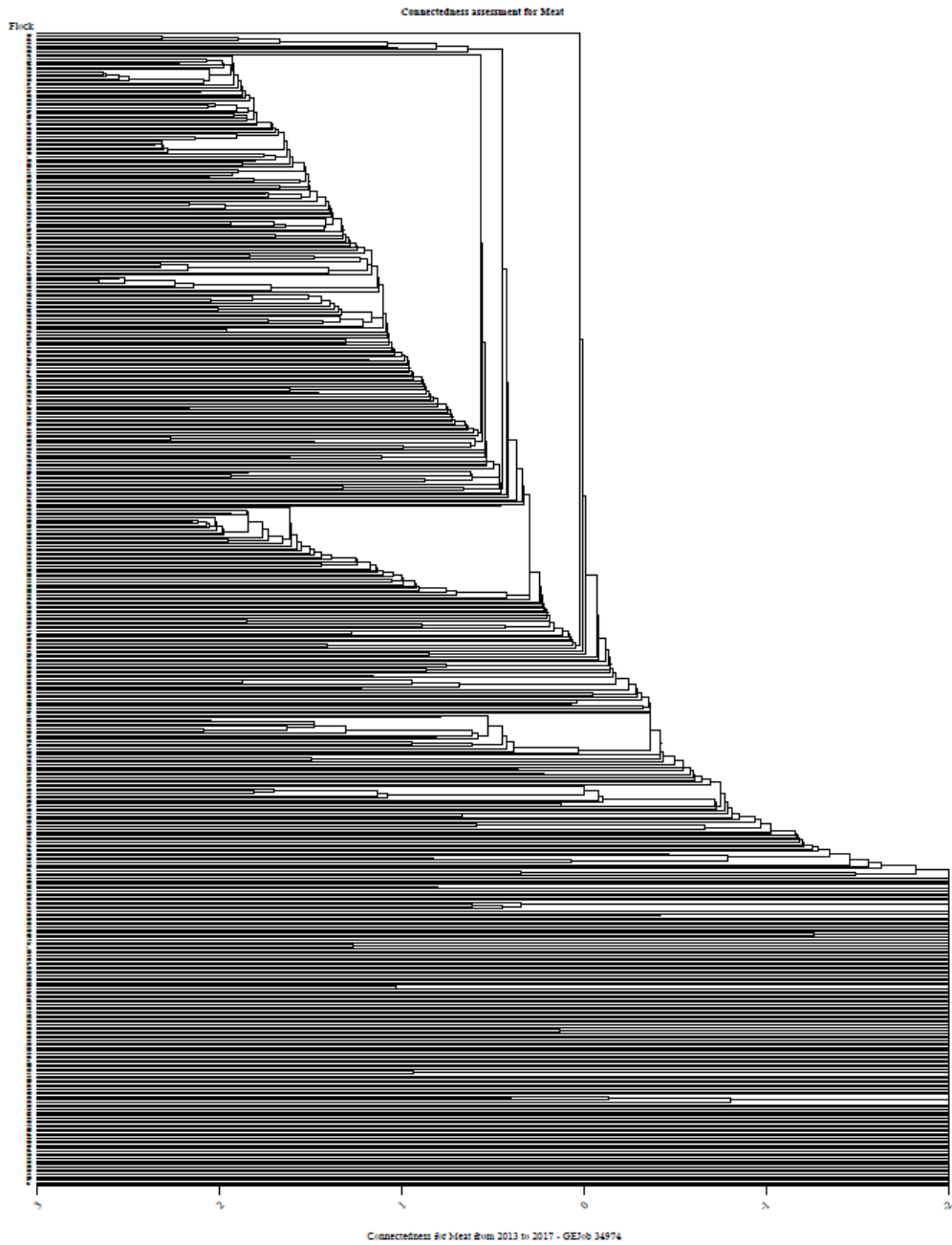
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159/14	1720	1720	59	4	
468/14	1698	1698	73	5	
438/14	1678	1678	76	6	
59/13	1667	1667	83	7	
75/15	1620	1620	63	8	
100/15	1610	1610	62	9	
84/14	1590	1590	71	10	
641/13	1579	1579	75	11	
122/13	1468	1468	71	12	
8/13	1435	1435	70	13	
81/11	1417	1417	80	14	
112/14	1415	1415	62	15	
96/14	1414	1414	54	16	
40/12	1387	1387	76	17	
6/09	1379	1379	90	18	
18/13	1356	1356	81	19	
140/11	1298	1298	88	20	
450/12	1291	1291	79	21	
76/14	1288	1288	68	22	
90/14		1286	68	23	
513/12	1260	1260	75	24	
26/15	1243	1243	58	25	
110/13	1233	1233	65	26	
487/12	1211	1211	73	27	

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276/12	1206	1206	77	28	
99/13		1190	76	29	
24/14	1157	1157	70	30	
291/12		1152	78	31	
567/11	1116	1116	77	32	
93/12	1111	1111	76	33	
131/13		1102	68	34	
144/13	998	998	72	35	
41/11		973	82	36	
202/13		928	70	37	
135/12		882	68	38	
129/14		854	55	39	
85/13		844	72	40	
66/13		824	69	41	
16/13		812	70	42	
134/10	798	798	62	43	
271/09		778	69	44	
329/11		775	53	45	
301/12		728	67	46	
275/14		706	53	47	
14/13	665	665	71	48	
18/14		651	63	49	
158/13	626	626	54	50	
107/11		621	74	51	
287/12		528	75	52	
256/12		425	61	53	

Impact of reporting by connectedness

- Group1 - 53 terminal sire flocks
 - 515 sires, 405 connected, 110 dropped – 23 dropped from top half
- Group 2 - 6 terminal sire flocks
 - 53 sires, 34 connected, 19 dropped – 1 from top half
- Group 3 – 38 dual purpose flocks
 - 564 sires, 473 connected, 91 dropped – 38 from top half



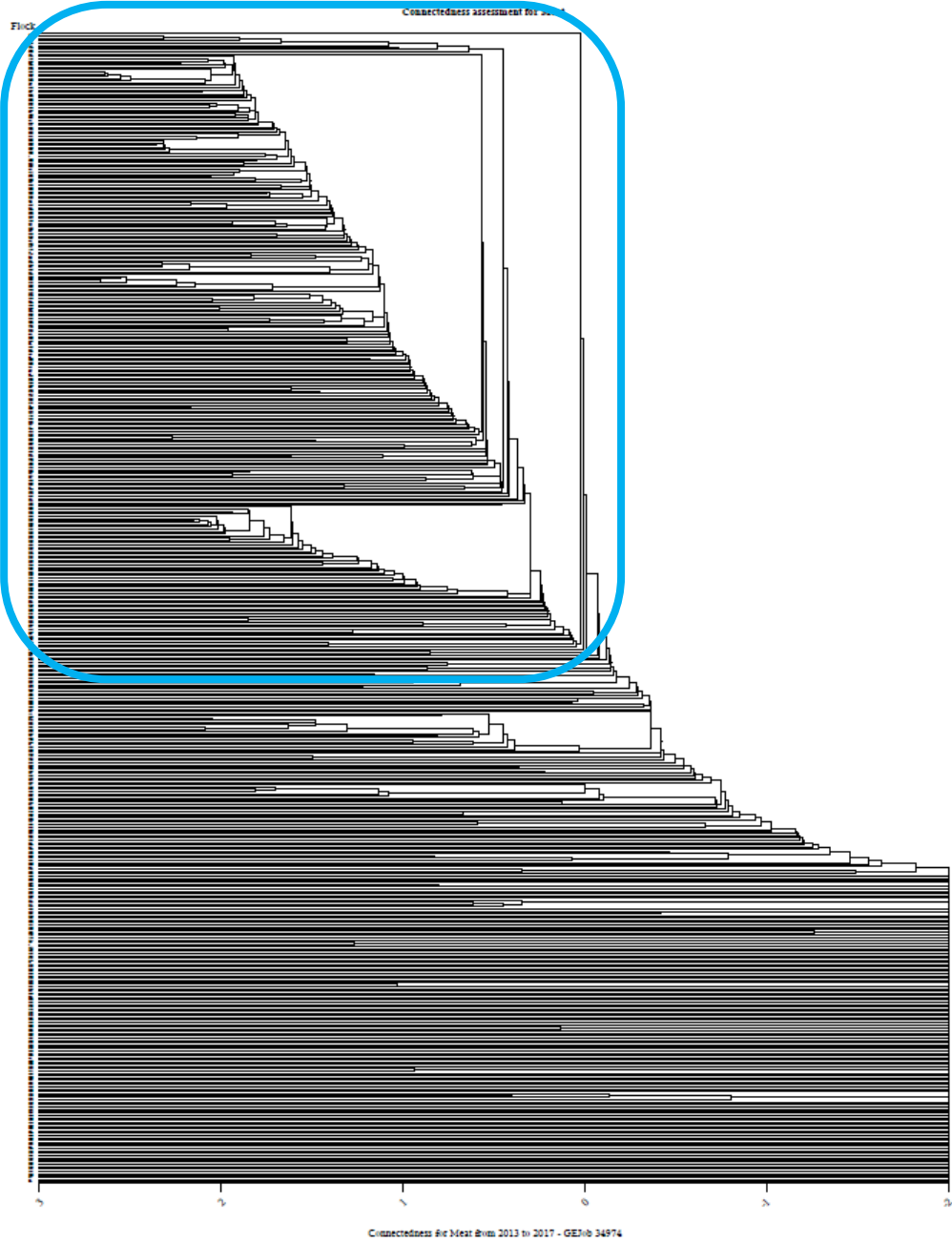


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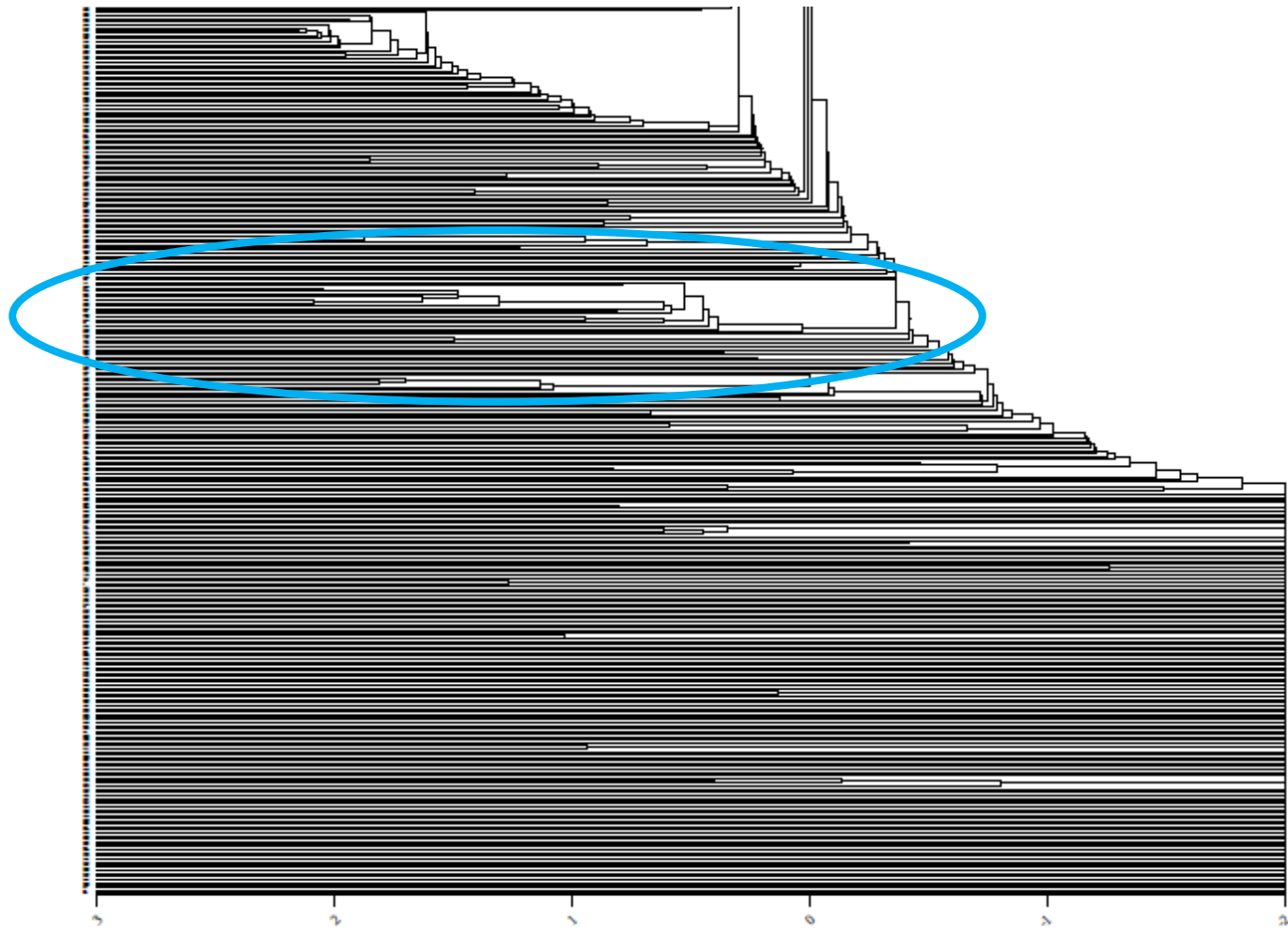
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Next development



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- Traffic light tables/reports
to show connectedness between selected flocks

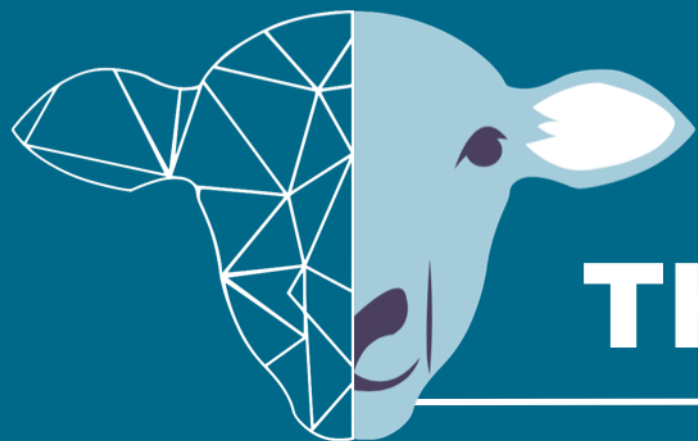
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- highlights where flocks are not connected for a goal trait group, so on across flock reports indexes and breeding values should not be compared



Thank you.