

Disease and Defect Feedback via Livestock Data Link



The Northern Co-operative Meat Company Ltd (NCMC) is currently participating in the Rural Research and Development for Profit Project called Health for Wealth. The project aims to enhance the utilisation and sharing of disease and defect data for the benefit of the supply chain.

This project is developing a standardised approach to data collection on disease-related carcass and offal condemnations in processors, so producers receive consistent information. The new system will allow producers to monitor disease prevalence in their livestock and make informed decisions to maximise yield outcomes. For more information on this project, please refer to <http://australianpork.com.au/industry-focus/research/health4wealth/>.

NCMC producers will be able to access feedback and reporting on disease and defects that were identified as part of post-mortem inspection via Livestock Data Link (LDL). LDL is an online program that enables the timely sharing of carcass information between processors and their producers with the aim of optimising supply chain performance.

A beef disease and defect report in LDL has been developed to allow producers to view their data. Initially, five conditions will be reported on, including Liver Abscesses, Liver Fluke, Hydatids, Nephritis and Pneumonia. Over time, feedback on additional conditions will be made available.



How can producers access LDL?

1. Producers can register to use LDL, and subsequently log in, at ldl.mla.com.au (you need to create your account in LDL before linking in myMLA)
2. Registration requires your NLIS user ID and password. If you don't have an NLIS account, visit nlis.com.au and follow the on-screen prompts.
3. Once logged into LDL, select the 'Animal Disease and Defect' report from the MY REPORTS tab.



Workshops will be offered to introduce you to the animal disease and defect feedback and how changing on-farm practices can improve carcass performance.

To register your interest, please email member.services@cassino.com.au



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