



Bovine Tuberculosis Infected Herd Management



Q3 (April-June 2024) Report Fiscal Year 2024

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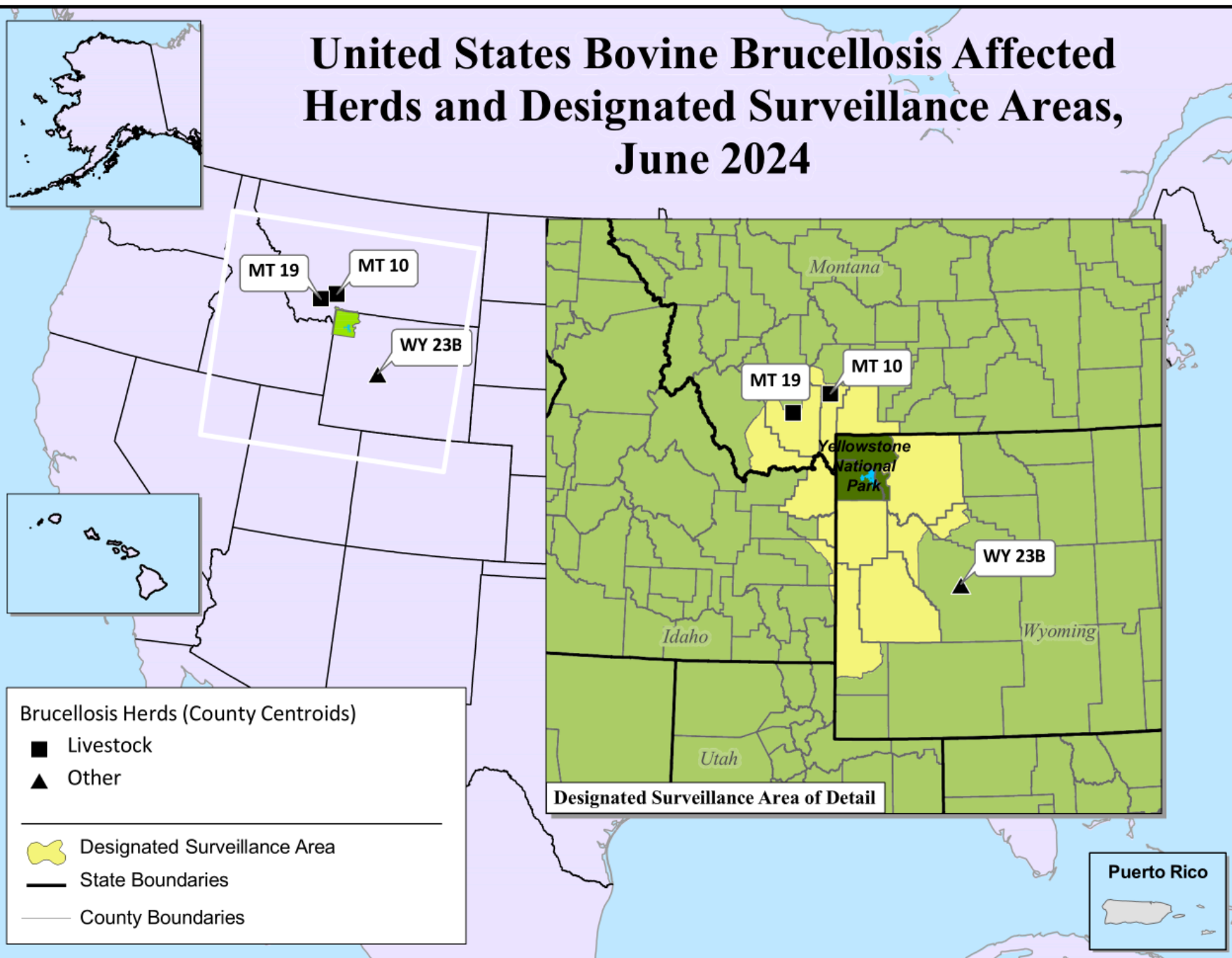


Brucellosis (*B. abortus*)



FY24 Q3 (April-June 2024) Updates

United States Bovine Brucellosis Affected Herds and Designated Surveillance Areas, June 2024



Brucellosis Affected Herds Under Quarantine Q3 (April-June 2024)

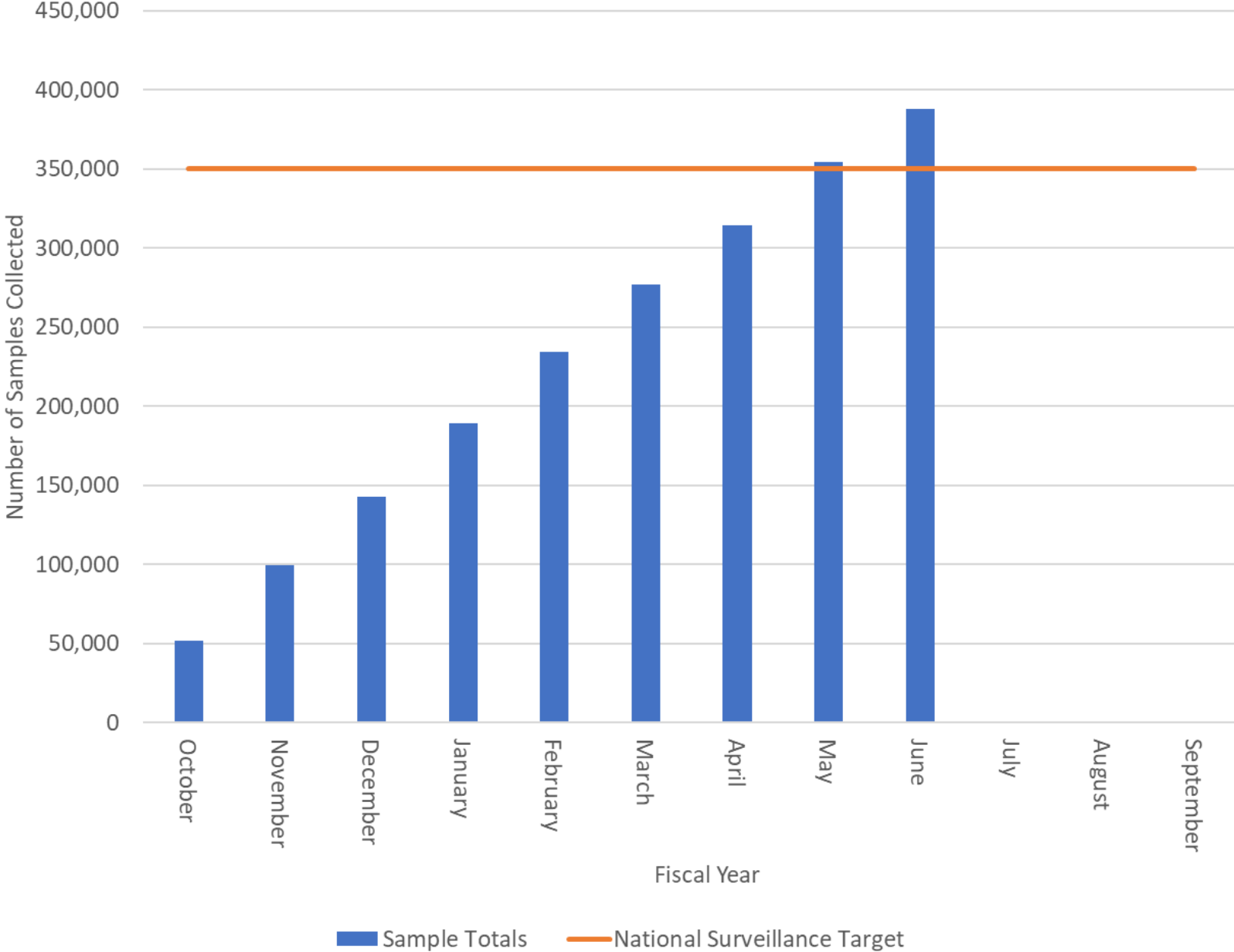
Herd¹	Date Detected	Method of Detection	Herd Type²	Herd Management Status	Next Test Tentative Start Date
MT 10	November 2010	DSA Surveillance Testing	Livestock	Test and Remove	Fall 2024
MT 19	December 2019	DSA Surveillance	Livestock	Test and Remove	Fall 2024
WY 23B	November 2023	Livestock Market	Beef	Test and Remove	Fall 2024

1. Herds are named with the last 2 digits of the calendar year and in order of occurrence within a state during that year.
2. Current Montana state statute prevents public disclosure of herd type.

Brucellosis Affected Herds Under Quarantine Q3 (April-June 2024)

- MT 10
 - Herd still under quarantine and management practices are focused on isolating movement of animals between herds/locations for husbandry practices. Fall testing and continued movement to finishing/slaughter channels
- MT19
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- WY 23B
 - Identified through routine market testing surveillance
 - First WHT completed November 2023 and revealed 2 reactors confirmed culture positive
 - Hold order in place November 2023 and quarantined
 - Testing plan is scheduled for May/Nov/Post-calving respectively
 - Herd is in DSA and the epidemiologic investigation is ongoing
 - 27 head still under quarantine. There were some late calvers. The rest of the herd was released. Test the entire herd and WHT 1 for the quarantined herd will be this fall – depending on weather and vet availability.

FY2024 Cumulative National Brucellosis Slaughter Surveillance Samples





Tuberculosis (*M. bovis*)



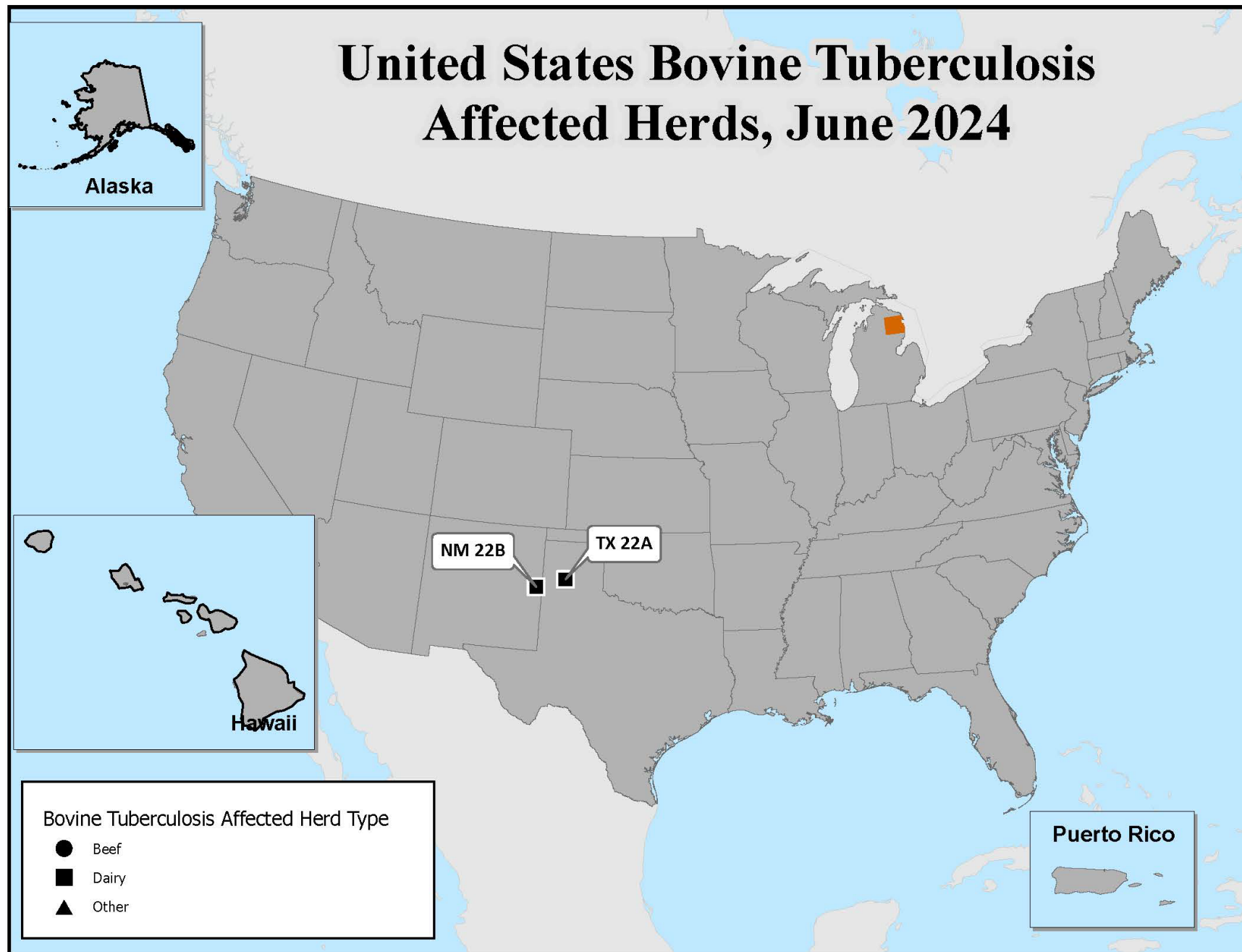
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TB Affected Herds Under Quarantine Q3 (April-June 2024)

Location ¹	Date Detected	Method of Detection	Herd Type	Herd Management Status	Next Test Tentative Start Date
NM 22B*	July 2022	Epi Investigation	Dairy	Test and Remove Phase	Pending Culture
TX 22A*	July 2022	Movement Testing	Dairy	Test and Remove Phase	Pending Culture

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* These herds are under the same ownership



Affected herds are mapped to the center of their county.



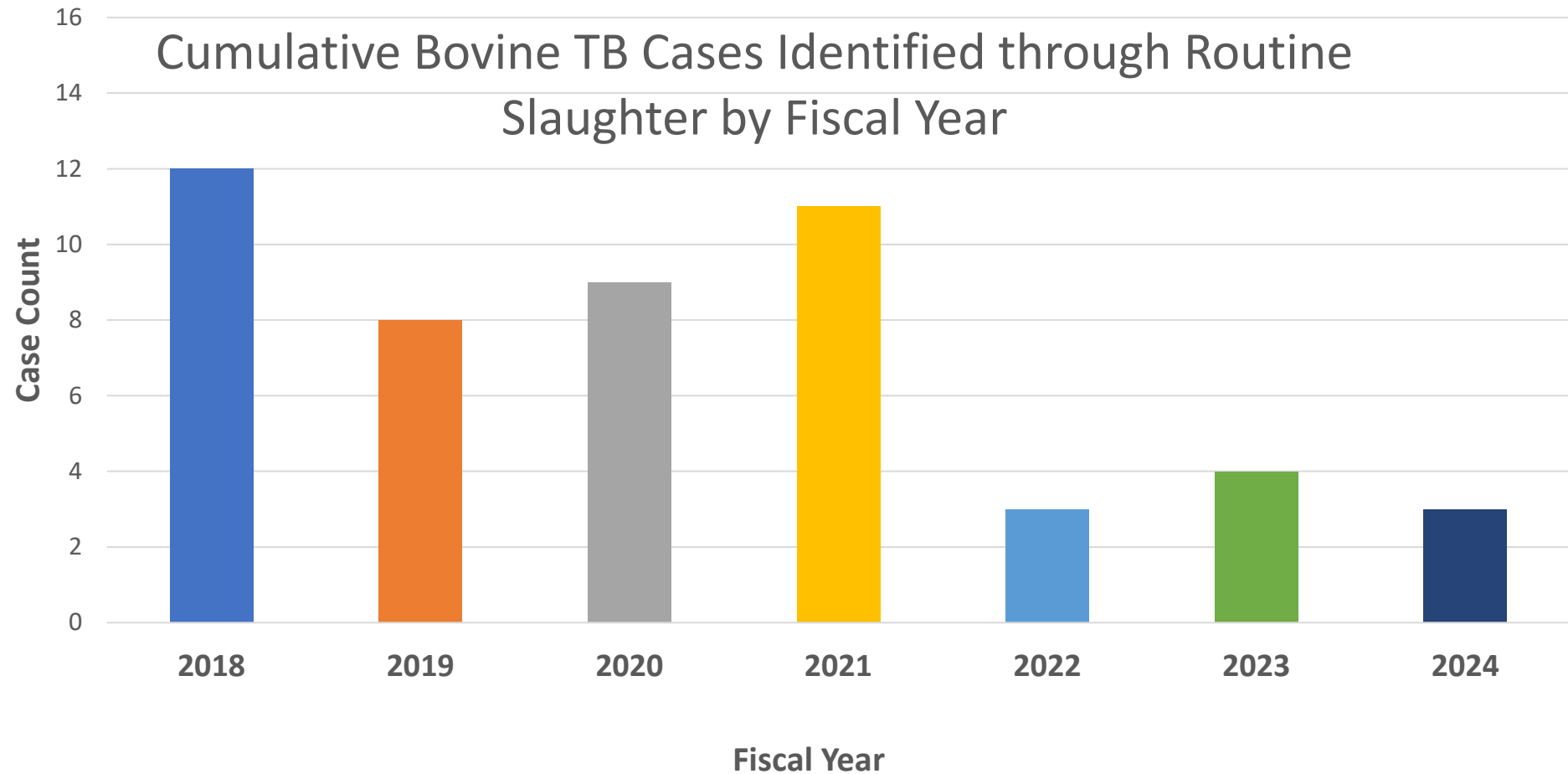
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 - Verification Test June 2024- **Cultures pending**



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Slaughter Type	Month confirmed	Slaughter Plant State	Slaughter Origin State	Outcome/current status
Beef	October 2023	MI	MI	Assurance Testing Pending
Beef	November 2023	TX	MX	Investigation Conducted by MX Authorities
Beef	December 2023	NE	CO	MT origin state.Investigation Complete



Tuberculosis (*M. bovis*)

Terms and Definitions



Designation of Herds as “Quarantined”

- Affected herds are considered “quarantined” due to a formal quarantine order of the entire herd or informal hold order for subgroups of exposed animals.
- Herds under quarantine due to tracing investigations are generally excluded from this report due to the temporary nature of their restrictions.
- Quarantined herds are removed from this report once the quarantine or hold order is removed, typically after verification testing.

TB Test-and-Removal Protocol – VS Memo 552.47

- Consist of 3 stages:
 - 1) Removal Testing
 - 2) Verification Testing
 - 3) Assurance Testing
- To release a herd from quarantine:
 - Two consecutive removal tests must be completed without evidence of M.bovis infection.
 - 2nd removal test must achieve a 95% or greater confidence level the herd is TB-free.
 - Verification test must be conducted and achieve a confidence level of 95% or greater that the herd is TB-free.

Methods of Detection of TB-Affected Herds

- **Area surveillance:** Surveillance in a defined area such as counties in or bordering the modified accredited zone in Michigan.
- **Assurance test:** Herds identified during the assurance testing phase of a test and remove herd plan.
- **Epi investigation:** Herds identified as part of epidemiologic investigations associated with TB-affected animals or TB-affected herds.
- **Movement test:** Herds identified through testing of animals for routine movements, e.g., export and interstate commerce.
- **Slaughter trace:** Herds identified as the source of animals with suspicious lesions during routine slaughter surveillance. Also called “6-35 traces”

Definitions and Acronyms

- **6-35 Trace:** Tracing of the source of a suspected or confirmed case of TB that was identified during slaughter surveillance and reported on a VS 6-35 form; known otherwise as a “slaughter trace.”
- **DSA:** Designated Surveillance Area
- **IFG:** Interferon gamma
- ***M. bovis*:** *Mycobacterium bovis*, known as bovine or zoonotic tuberculosis
- **NGL:** No gross lesions on postmortem examination
- **NVSL:** National Veterinary Services Laboratories
- **PCR:** Polymerase Chain Reaction; A molecular biology method of assessing for presence of segments of generic material, i.e., DNA and RNA
- **WGS:** Whole Genome Sequencing of TB bacterial DNA; used to assess relatedness among TB bacterial strains

Definitions and Acronyms

- **WHT:** Whole herd test
- **Q Released:** Quarantine released



Questions?

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