

Lifetime Profit Index (LPI) Formula - January 2009 -

Where the relative emphasis placed on each of the three main components in each breed is presented in the following table along with the multiplicative factors for each component.

Breed	Production		Durab	ility	Health & Fertility		
	Emphasis	Factor	Emphasis	Factor	Emphasis	Factor	
Ayrshire	54	1.0349	31	1.5084	15	1.9481	
Brown Swiss	54	1.2394	31	1.5213	15	2.0907	
Canadienne	54	1.2809	31	1.6563	15	1.6827	
Guernsey	54	1.3912	31	1.6840	15	1.5647	
Holstein	51	1.5435	34	1.5168	15	1.4990	
Jersey	57	1.4063	33	1.4214	10	2.0048	
Milking Shorthorn	54	1.4992	31	1.6273	15	2.1896	

Production Component (PROD):

 $PROD = [W_{PY}x(PY-Avg_{PY})/SD_{PY}] + [W_{PD}xPD/SD_{PD}] + [W_{FY}x(FY-Avg_{FY})/SD_{FY}] + [W_{FD}xFD/SD_{FD}]$

Where PY = Protein Yield, PD = Protein Deviation, FY = Fat Yield and FD = Fat Deviation, which are standardized using the appropriate averages (Avg) and standard deviations (SD) and then multiplied by their respective relative weight (W), all of which are breed specific as outlined in the following table.

Parameter	Trait	Ayrshire	Brown Swiss	Canadienne	Guernsey	Holstein	Jersey	Milking Shorthorn
EBV Averages ¹	Protein Yield	-2	3	-4	6	9	3	-2
EDV Averages	Fat Yield	-3	4	-7	10	6	3	-2
	Protein Yield	16	20	8	21	25	25	15
EBV Standard	Protein Deviation	.10	.10	.17	.11	.12	.16	.09
Deviations	Fat Yield	20	25	13	25	31	34	22
	Fat Deviation	.18	.17	.23	.31	.30	.35	.19
Relative Weights Within the Production Component	Protein Yield	5.7	5.7	5.1	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.1
	Protein Deviation	0.3	0.3	0.9	0.3	0.3	1.0	0.9
	Fat Yield	3.8	3.8	3.4	3.8	3.8	2.8	3.4
	Fat Deviation	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.6

Durability Component (DUR):

DUR =
$$[W_{HL} x (HL - 100)/5] + [W_{MS} x MS/5] + [W_{F&L} x F&L/5] + [W_{DS} x DS/5]$$

Where HL = Herd Life, MS = Mammary System, F&L = Feet and Legs, DS = Dairy Strength and each trait is standardized using the appropriate averages and standard deviations and then multiplied by their respective relative weight (W) that is breed specific as outlined in the following table.

Parameter	Trait	Ayrshire	Brown Swiss	Canadienne	Guernsey	Holstein	Jersey	Milking Shorthorn
Relative Weights	Herd Life	2.0	3.6	3.6	3.6	2.0	2.0	3.2
Within the Durability Component	Mammary System	4.0	3.2	3.2	3.2	4.0	4.0	3.6
	Feet & Legs	3.0	2.4	2.4	2.4	3.0	3.0	2.4
	Dairy Strength	1.0	8.0	0.8	8.0	1.0	1.0	0.8

Health & Fertility Component (H&F):

$$H\&F = [W_{SCS} x -1 x (SCS-3.00)/0.23] + [W_{UD} x UD/5] + [W_{MSP} x (MSP-100)/5] + [W_{DF} x (DF-100)/5] + [W_{LP} x (LP-100)/5]$$

Where SCS = Somatic Cell Score, UD = Udder Depth, MSP = Milking Speed, DF = Daughter Fertility and LP = Lactation Persistency. The relative weights for each trait (i.e.: W_{SCS} , W_{UD} , W_{MSP} , W_{DF} and W_{LP} respectively), which are specific to each breed, are provided in the following table.

Parameter	Trait	Ayrshire	Brown Swiss	Canadienne	Guernsey	Holstein	Jersey	Milking Shorthorn
Relative Weights Within the Health & Fertility Component	Somatic Cell Score	2.0	2.0	4.8	2.0	2.0	4.2	4.8
	Udder Depth	1.0	1.0	2.4	1.0	1.0	2.1	2.4
	Milking Speed	0.3	3.0	8.0	0.3	0.3	0.7	8.0
	Daughter Fertility	4.0	4.0	2.0	6.7	6.7	3.0	2.0
	Lactation Persistency	2.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Application

The Lifetime Profit Index formula for each breed is applied to bulls and cows in Canada that have official genetic evaluations for production and type traits. In any case when an official genetic evaluation for a specific trait is not available, namely for Milking Speed or Daughter Fertility, the LPI is based on any preliminary genetic evaluation that is available or, otherwise, a value equal to breed average is used.

For foreign sires in the Holstein, Ayrshire, Jersey, Brown Swiss and Guernsey breeds that have MACE evaluations available for production and type traits, Somatic Cell Score, Direct Herd Life and female fertility traits, the LPI formula for the respective breed is used to compute MACE LPI (MLPI) values. In these cases, the MACE evaluation for Direct Herd Life is combined with a predicted Herd Life value based on MACE proofs for various traits and fixed values for Milking Speed and Lactation Persistency are used for all foreign bulls of the same breed.