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From: Paul Livingstone
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Subject: RE: Bovine TB: Number of reactors slaughtered in New Zealand from 1956

Dear xxxxx,

The furthest back that I could find data was to 1972/73 and I couldn't vouch for the accuracy of some of the reactor data in those early years. There were also a couple of years when I couldn't find any data on number tested or number of reactors - 1986/87 & 1988/89, and a number of years when I wasn't able to get national stats on total cattle. You will also note that some data was based on a calendar year rather than the financial year that we use (July - June).

Nevertheless, the table collates data from a number of sources that generally covers the period and does show the progress that has been made in both number of cattle requiring to be tested as well as number of TB reactors that were slaughtered in any year.

Kind regards, Paul