

**Sent:** 27 December 2008 09:45  
**To:** 'helpline@defra.gsi.gov.uk'  
**Subject:** Extent of bovine TB restrictions

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please send to me for England

(a) the number of herds which were restricted at any time over a 12 month reporting period for each year from 1998 to 2008 inclusive due to the results of a TB test (that is, the number of restricted herds) and

(b) the total number of populated cattle herds for each of these years (that is, the total number of herds).

I will then use the two figures to work out the proportion of herds which were restricted for each year. I will do this as follows

Proportion (%) = Number of restricted herds \* 100 / Total number of herds

Please repeat these figures for the South West of England and for each county in the South West of England.

For 2008, please specify the months for which the figures apply. For example you may not have provisional figures for Nov and Dec 2008. If this is the case, please specify that the figures for 2008 cover the period 1st Nov 2007 to 31st Oct 2008. Regardless of what you do for 2008, if you can, I would like figures for earlier years to cover a reporting period which starts on 1st Jan and ends on 31st Dec. If you are unable to comply with this requirement, please say what you have done.