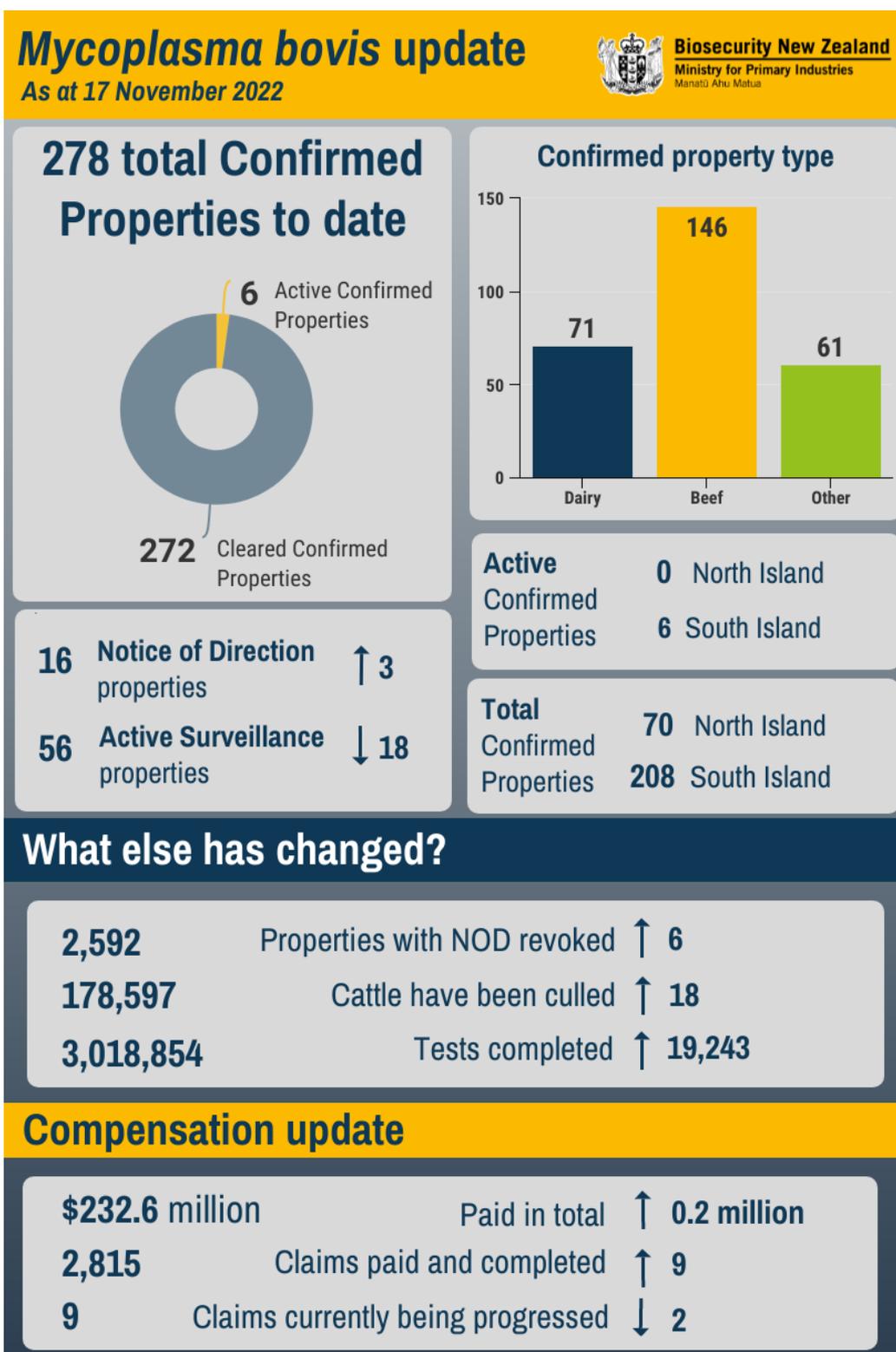


Mycoplasma bovis Update

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Number changes from last update:

- There are no new Active Confirmed Properties
 - There are no new Cleared Confirmed Properties
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Controlled Area Notice (CAN) – FAQs

The work inside the [Controlled Area Notice \(CAN\)](#) is going well and we expect all four infected properties within the CAN to be cleared by mid-January 2023.

We are continuing to work closely with the small number of farmers affected by the Controlled Area Notice (CAN) and the wider community. Our farm systems managers are in direct contact with those farmers to work through their individual circumstances.

Click the following link for the [FAQs](#).

Anyone with any questions about how their farm may be impacted can reach us by:

Email: Mbovis_Liaison@mpi.govt.nz

Phone: 0800 00 83 33

Programme Update

As reported in early October, our nationwide surveillance programme identified a new strain of the disease. Genomic testing from a single property identified the strain.

Our follow-up tracing and testing work from the farm has not identified any further *M. bovis* to date.

We are undertaking a thorough investigation into potential pathways. This includes testing semen and tracing all forward and back traces on and off the infected farm. To date we have not found any live samples of *M. bovis* in semen. No *M. bovis* has been found on any farm that supplied the infected property with cattle. Our stepped-up summer bulk milk testing programme has not found any sign of the strain elsewhere.

It is vital that farmers use the system and record all animal movements. NAIT is our best tool to find animals that have been at risk of infection. When records are incomplete or inaccurate, it slows us down and means more farmers are affected as we take a cautious approach to make sure we don't leave any infection behind. For more information about NAIT, visit the [OSPRI website](#).

NAIT - Reminder to event organisers and attendees

As Field Days and A&P shows take place in the coming months, it's important to ensure animal traceability is maintained.

Event organisers – You can assist traceability by registering your event early. That way, your NAIT event number can be given to attendees bringing animals, before the event takes place.

- **Register an event** (and get your NAIT event number) by contacting the OSPRI Support Centre: **0800 48 24 63**.
- For regular or annual events, you can use the same NAIT event number, as long as the event is in the same location. Simply call OSPRI's Support Centre and they will update the dates for you.

Attendees – You can assist traceability by creating a movement to the event. This is the same process as creating a movement to another farm, except that you record movements to and from the event against the organiser's NAIT event number. You don't need to complete an Animal Status Declaration (ASD) form.

For more information regarding events, read [here](#)



Fieldays 2022

The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) will be providing a wealth of information at Fieldays 2022 to help farmers and growers.

A central focus at MPI's Field Days site – at Mystery Creek from 30 November to 3 December – will be our new On-Farm Support services.

MPI will provide on-the-ground support to help farmers and growers navigate requirements around climate, water, animal welfare and the environment.

The importance of biosecurity to New Zealand will also be a major focus at our Fieldday's site. Protecting New Zealand from pests and diseases is another big part of our work, and we're working hard to keep them out of Aotearoa.

Following an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in Indonesia this year, we have intensified our work at the border to protect New Zealand's farmers and growers. Our site at Fielddays will highlight key biosecurity protection efforts and what to look out for.

The latest Situation and Outlook for Primary Industries – an economic forecast for the year ahead – will be launched at Fielddays 2022.



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KEY CONTACTS

Latest information on *Mycoplasma bovis* and the Eradication Programme - [M. bovis](#) website

General questions on *M. bovis* - call 0800 008 333 or email Mbovis_Liaison@mpi.govt.nz

Compensation information - call 0800 008 333 or email compensationcoordinator@mpi.govt.nz

Direct farmer support (Rural Support Trust) - 0800 787 254

To report a pest or disease (Exotic Pest and Disease Hotline) - 0800 80 99 66

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- Active Confirmed Properties
- Active Properties under S122 Movement Notice of Direction



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