

What Farmers Achieve via CAMs

From May 2020 till January 2021 Whole Health Agriculture surveyed over 220 livestock farmers who use Complementary and Alternative Medicines/Methods (CAM) in their livestock health management.

Key Findings:

84% of farmers respond that CAMs have contributed to, or resulted in, improved general health and wellbeing of their livestock, and 65% note lower disease frequency and/or less severity of disease overall.

When we look at specific measurable markers based on figures that farmers are required to record, farmers report that using CAMs helps them to: reduce the usage of antibiotics and other antimicrobials (65%), which rises to 69% in dairy farmers; reduce vet and medicine costs (66%), dairy farmers 71%; and improve the overall health and welfare of their livestock (84% dairy farmers 90%). They also report lower disease frequency and/or reduced severity of disease (65%), dairy farmers 67%.

40% overall report zero, low or reduced wormer usage and 36% report reduced frequency or severity of lameness.

One third of all farmers, and more than half of dairy farmers, report increased financial profitability of the farm.

Over 50% of dairy farmers claim less frequent/severe mastitis and lower cell counts, while an impressive 69% of dairy farmers record fewer cases of milk withdrawal.




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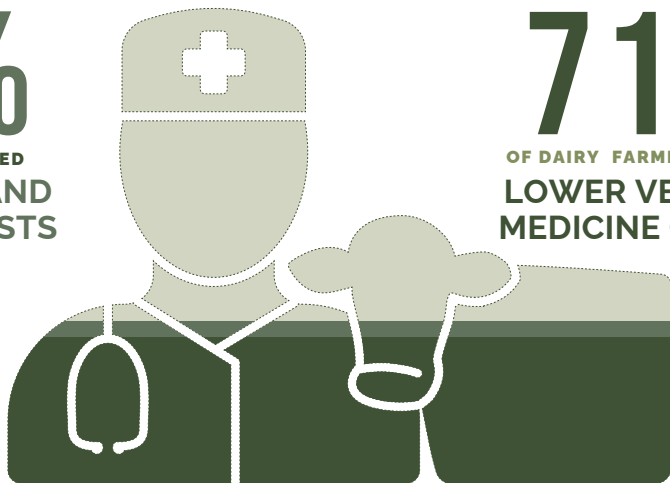
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I can't prove it works, but we get a lot of coincidences if it doesn't!

WHAg Farmer, Alternative Approaches to Livestock Health Survey Response



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