



DairyComp Vocabulary

- HARDLOCK** – must be attached for program to run, determines type of program, usually USB
- C:\DC305 or C:\DCCON** – location of the files that run the program
- C:\HERDS** – location of the data files for each herd
- COWFILE** – data file that DairyComp uses, can only be read or opened by DC, can be DAT or ARC
- BASIS** – template used to make a new, empty cowfile
- COMMAND LINE** – allows user to “talk” directly to DC, unique and original to DC
- MENUS** – located at the top of the screen like any Windows program, can be changed to meet user’s needs
- OUTLOOK BAR** – found on the left side, use as a second option to locate and run reports
- COWCARD** – represents one cow in DC, has 6-7 different pages
- ITEM** – single piece of info about a cow, can be stored or calculated, examples are ID, PEN, DIM, DCC
- COMMAND** – an action in DC that will do data entry or run a list, summary or graph
- EVENT** – an action that happens to a cow; may be related to repro, diseases, or other management actions
- ALTER** – allows the user to customize the program’s reports and operations specific to the current cowfile
- SETUP** – allows the user to change menus, backups, printers, options and other things that affect all cowfiles
- LOGON** – command used to switch to a different cowfile
- CREATE** – command used to generate a new, empty cowfile
- ABSORB** – command used to pull the item and event data from one cowfile into another cowfile

Common Items:

AGE	Age in months	MILK	Current testday milk	RC = RPRO Codes
BDAT	Birth date	PCTF	Percent fat at last test	0 = Virgin Heifer
CDAT	Conception date	PCTP	Percent protein at last test	1 = Do Not Breed (DNB)
DCC	Days carry calf if pregnant	PEN	Pen or string number	2 = Fresh
DDAT	Dry date	RC	Repro code (numeric 0-8)	3 = OK/Open
DIM	Days in milk	RPRO	Repro code in English	4 = Bred
DSLH	Days since last heat	SCC	Somatic cell count	5 = Pregnant
DUE	Date due to freshen	SID	Sire identification	6 = Dry
FDAT	Fresh date	SIRC	Sire of conception	7 = Sold/Died
HDAT	Heat Date	TBRD	Times bred	8 = Bull Calf (Male)
ID	Animal’s identification	TDAT	Most recent test date	
LACT	Lactation number	VDAT	Date of last vet check	



DairyComp Summary of Commands

ALTER – Configuration module for all customization of items, commands, pens, events, etc.

BREDSUM

By Technician	\T
By Breeding Code	\O
By Number Times Bred	\B
Interval Analysis	\I
By Cycle Number	\N
21 Day Heat Trial	\E
Include Heifers	\Y
Voluntary Waiting Period	\V#
Bullpen Preg Rates	\U
Bullpen by 21 Days	\UR
Assume All Breedings	\A
Select Date Range	\D or \D#
Cross Measure 2 Variables	\X

***BREDSUM\E** – click on the graph tab for histogram of heat detection and pregnancy rates

CHKFILE Utility to search for cow ids, show available id #'s or fix corrupted cow records

COWVAL Estimate a cow's value within the herd relative to an average fresh heifer. Also calculates the cow's pregnancy value

ECON

ECON \E	Dead Cow Summary
ECON \I or \IR	Herd Inventory Report (\R with cull rate)
ECON \ID	Yearly Inventory Summary
ECON \S	Bulk Tank SCC Report

EGRAPH Graph of data from events. Can be done by calendar date, DIM for cows or AGE for heifers. Can also graph remarks of the event instead of the count of events

EPLLOT Used to graph body scores, height and weight measurements

EVENTS

EVENTS \2SI	Lists of cows with certain events within a certain time frame
EVENTS \3	Calf summary table for last 365 days by month
EVENTS \5	Table of all events for last 365 days by month
EVENTS \6	Table of all events for last 365 days by DIM
EVENTS \7	Table of all events for las 365 days by month of fresh



FILEOUT	Use to export data items to CSV or TXT files
GRAPH	Used to graph one item by itself (histogram) or multiple against each other (scatter graph)
LIST/SHOW	Used to create a listing of cows with certain items and conditions, sorted within a certain order
MONITOR	Procedure that lets you define, calculate and report a group of herd management statistics
PCT	Percent command is used to calculate the number of animals in the first condition that meet the conditions for the second list
PLOT	Used to graph test day information by test date or by DIM
SIRES	Used to look at or generate reports on the latest sire NAAB production and type proofs
SUM	Used to get averages for certain items or number of cows within certain groups