



Fall 2007 EPDs

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As many of you have already noticed on our website, the Fall 2007 EPDs (Expected Progeny Differences) have been calculated and released. One small change accompanies the new EPDs. It was brought to the Breed Improvement Committee's attention that many commercial producers were confused by the EPD name Calving Ease Total Maternal (CETM). The most frequent misunderstanding was CETM combined Calving Ease Direct (CED) and Total Maternal (TM) EPDs. This is simply not the case. This EPD accounts for maternal calving ease genetics and half of calving ease direct genetics. Therefore, the Committee looked at several different names and decided

on Calving Ease Maternal with the designation of CEM. Important: this is only a name change, not a change in the calculation.

The table below contains the new

EPD averages and ranges for Proven and Opportunity Sires, Active Dams, and Non-Parents. Other statistics, including genetic trends and percentiles can be viewed on the RAAA website: www.redangus.org ■

EPD Averages and Ranges for Proven and Opportunity Sires

	CED	BW	WW	YW	MILK	TM	ME	HPG	CEM	ST	MARB	REA	FAT
Min.	-13	-8.1	-18	-32	-5	-6	-18	-6	-11	-3	-0.41	-0.74	-0.06
Average	6	0.4	32	57	17	33	5	9	4	11	0.05	0.01	0
Max.	29	9.4	65	108	36	55	25	21	26	23	0.66	0.86	0.05

EPD Averages and Ranges for Active Dams on Inventory in 2006

	CED	BW	WW	YW	MILK	TM	ME	HPG	CEM	ST	MARB	REA	FAT
Min.	-10	-8.8	-14	-26	-10	-8	-26	-4	-15	-2	-0.4	-0.76	-0.06
Average	5	0.6	29	49	15	29	4	8	3	10	0.04	-0.02	0
Max.	23	11.9	64	116	38	65	52	20	17	21	0.71	0.66	0.07

EPD Averages and Ranges for Non Parents Under Two Years of Age

	CED	BW	WW	YW	MILK	TM	ME	HPG	CEM	ST	MARB	REA	FAT
Min.	-11	-9.5	-9	-13	-2	-2	-13	-1	-10	-1	-0.32	-0.69	-0.04
Average	6	0.3	31	54	16	32	4	9	3	11	0.07	0.05	0
Max.	22	11.3	64	103	33	58	27	17	16	20	0.67	0.65	0.04