

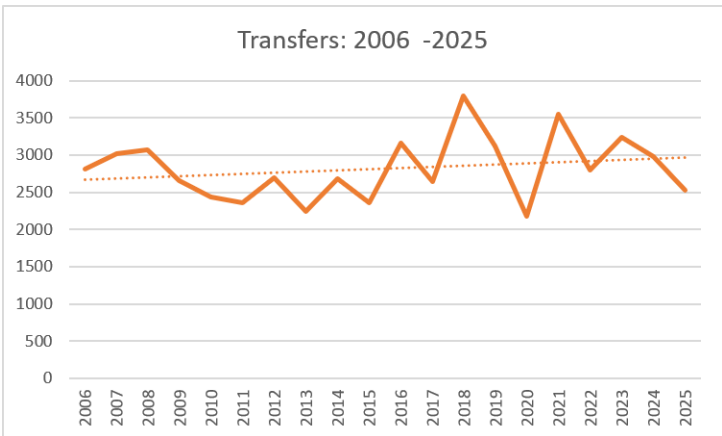
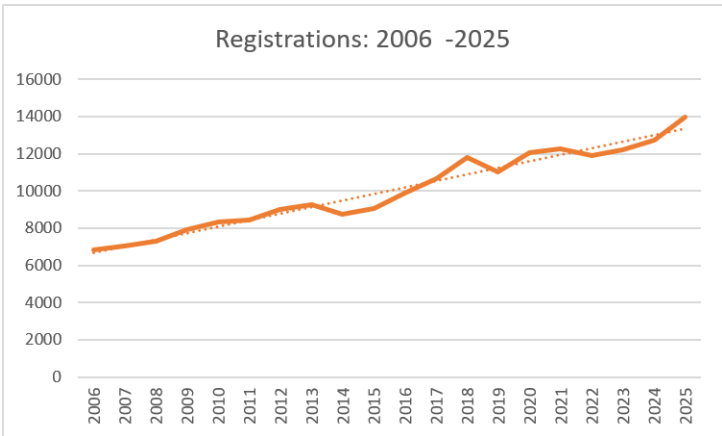
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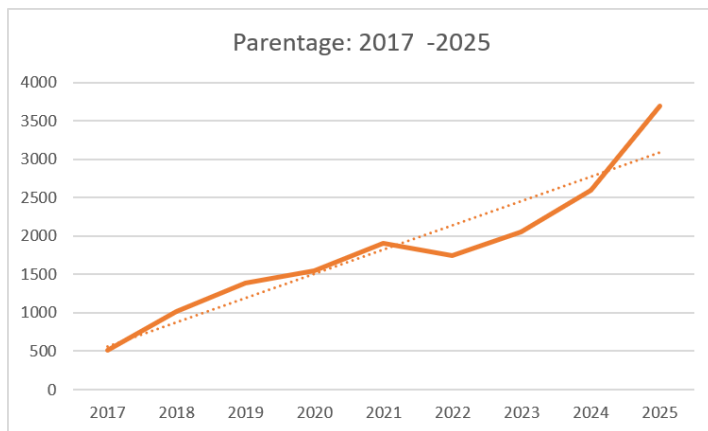
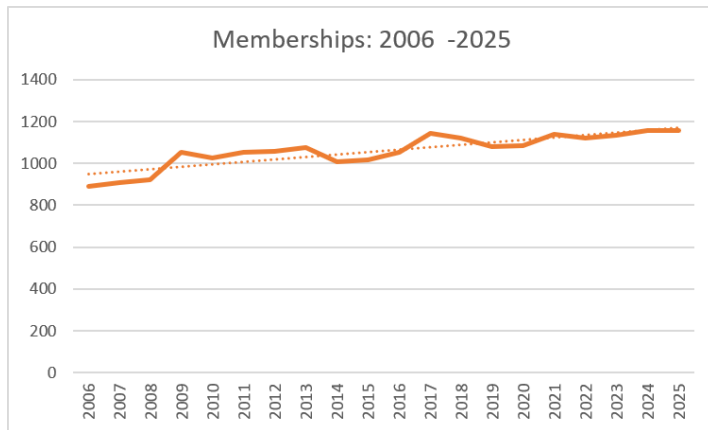
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2025 Registry Report

2025 registrations of Jerseys in Canada broke records for the second-year running, with 13,989 Jerseys entered into the Canadian herdbook, nearly 10% more than in 2024. This is the highest total in the “modern era,” ie. since 1963 and prior to supply management, and these registry numbers continue a trend that has seen Canadian Jersey registrations increasing steadily at nearly 4% on average, per year, since 2001. This has led to an increase in the percentage of Jerseys as part of the national dairy herd by over 2%, now at nearly 5% of all dairy cattle registered in 2024, a number not seen since the early 1970s.

These increases offer producers and partners opportunities for continued growth by leveraging breed improvement services. In 2025, Jersey Canada recorded 3,695 parentage results, and in the last 10 years, genomic testing of registered Jerseys has climbed from less than 5% to more than 25% of new registrations, the number of official milk-records for the breed has increased by 1% per year, and classifications have increased by 3% per year.





<u>JE Production – Official Records</u>	# of Records	Milk	Fat		Protein		BCA		
		kg	kg	%	kg	%	Milk	Fat	Protein
2025	12,799	7,563	398	5.28%	298	3.96%	257	250	268
2024	12,596	7,450	387	5.22%	292	3.94%	254	244	263
2023	13,097	7,330	376	5.16%	285	3.90%	249	236	256
2022	12,644	7,282	372	5.14%	282	3.89%	248	234	254
2021	12,987	7,259	371	5.14%	281	3.88%	247	233	252
2020	12,585	7,111	363	5.13%	275	3.89%	241	227	246
2019	12,297	7,106	362	5.13%	274	3.87%	240	226	244
2018	12,934	7,035	357	5.10%	270	3.85%	237	223	240
2017	12,135	7,073	357	5.07%	269	3.82%	237	222	239
2016	11,830	6,883	343	5.01%	262	3.81%	231	213	232

Protein demand and changes to milk pricing

Facing increased demand for protein, provincial milk boards made significant adjustments to pricing formulas, increasing payments for protein and placing emphasis on higher SNF:BF ratios. This comes after previous adjustments over the last five years which favored butterfat production. Producers are now being asked to increase their protein production, and in the short-term, Jersey Canada is supporting our producers through offering resources on herd management and nutrition. To address the medium- and long-term, our Genetic Improvement Committee has worked with Lactanet, which provides milk-recording and genetic evaluations in Canada, to revise the Jersey Lifetime Performance Index Production sub-index to increase protein production. Even with the turn away from butterfat, Jersey producers are profiting under the new pricing. The Canadian Jersey remains 'the component breed,' producing the most solids per kilogram of all Canadian dairy breeds, while also saving producers money with lower inputs and higher efficiency.

Jersey Classification Program

The Canadian Jersey type-classification system is undergoing its largest overhaul in a decade. To support increased production and genetic gains in the Jersey breed, proposed changes to the Jersey classification scoresheet place increased emphasis on mammary systems and overall herd-life, while also adapting for the continued increase of robotic milking systems by focusing on feet & legs, and teat size and shape.