



The Angus Herd Improvement Records program is available for American Angus Association members who aim to make genetic progress in their herds. Within AHIR, you can choose to report data through Individual or Inventory options.

**INDIVIDUAL REPORTING:**  
Turn in data on the calves you want to report  
\$3 per calf

**INVENTORY REPORTING:**  
Turn in data on females over 12 months of age  
\$2 per cow

**Requirements:**  
Calf (birth date, sex, dam)  
Birth Weight AND/OR Weaning Weight

**Requirements:**  
Calf (birth date, sex, dam)  
Reason code for no calf  
Disposal code for the cow

**Benefits:**  
- Easy to report  
- Report as many calves as you want

**Benefits:**  
- Easy and simple enrollment process  
- Keeps cow inventory current  
- Reporting on the whole herd gives full credit to good performers  
- Assist the Association in data collection  
- Provides insight into economically relevant traits such as fertility and longevity

**MATERNALPLUS™:**  
Earned designation from reporting additional data

**Requirements:**  
Heifer breeding records AND  
For inventoried cows, a weaning weight, disposal code, OR reason code

**Benefits:**  
- Get all the Inventory Reporting benefits PLUS more  
- Receive CED, BW, & WW EPDs on unregistered calves  
- Earn a designation that will be found on the EPD/ Pedigree lookup  
- Increase the accuracy of heifer pregnancy EPD  
- Receive additional herd reports

**WHY SHOULD I SUBMIT PERFORMANCE RECORDS THROUGH AHIR?**

To improve the accuracy and strength of your Association's breeding tools, it is important we continue to collect performance data, specifically on traits that contribute to maternal productivity. AHIR now has two reporting options, Individual and Inventory, with the goal of bettering the tools used by our membership. It is now easier than ever to report data on your current cow herd with the implementation of Inventory Reporting. Additionally, the Inventory option provides insights into economically relevant traits relating to maternal function that can be difficult to characterize.

## 1. What does it cost to enroll in Inventory Reporting?

Through the inventory reporting system, each female >12 months of age will be assessed a \$2 fee upon enrollment. This fee will allow your next calf crop to be submitted free of charge. This \$2 fee replaces the \$3 fee paid on calves at birth or weaning weight data submission.

## 2. Where do I enroll in Inventory Reporting?

Program enrollment is available on the main page of AAA login to start the process. Here you clean up your herd inventory moving cows no longer “active” to the “inactive” list.

## 3. When is the best time to enroll in Inventory Reporting?

The most effective time to enroll your herd is after your current calf crop is weaned and before your next calf crop has started calving. Therefore, if your herd is mainly a spring calving herd, you are best to enroll your herd from November to January. If you are primarily a fall calving herd, it is best to enroll your herd from May to July.

## 4. What if I am already enrolled in MaternalPlus?

If you are already enrolled in MaternalPlus, you are essentially enrolled in Inventory reporting and will earn the MaternalPlus designation in the first year of the program.

## 5. What does earning the MaternalPlus designation do for my operation?

Earning the designation, shows your operation's dedication to data reporting and recording. With that, the MaternalPlus designation will be applied to the EPD/Pedigree lookup online while the current benefits of MaternalPlus will continue to be offered. These include CED, BW and WW EPDs on unregistered calves, and additional herd management reports.

## 6. Does Inventory Reporting change the way data is currently reported?

Whether you report calving, weaning, breeding or disposal data, through AAA Login, AIMS, or another cattle management software program, you do not need to change your data reporting habits. Prior to your enrollment date, you will need to update and accept your cow inventory through AAA Login for the coming year.

## 7. What group of calves will Inventory Reporting apply to?

With inventory reporting, you are essentially pre-paying for next year's calf crop. This means if you enroll your cowherd in January 2021 that enrollment covers the 2021 calf crop.

## 8. Is it challenging to enroll in the Inventory Reporting option?

The new enrollment process has been created to be easy and simplified with step-by-step instructions. Help options are available throughout the interface. If additional assistance is needed, contact a Customer Service Representative at 816-383-5100.

## 9. What happens to the animals that are inactivated upon enrollment with Inventory Reporting?

During your initial enrollment, moving animals to the inactive list will cancel these animals out of your Registered and Active herd inventories. If a cow is accidentally moved to inactive, upon reporting that calf, you will be charged a \$3 individual per calf fee and that dam will be moved back to your active list to be accounted for in your next reenrollment.

## 10. If my females are cancelled, where can I see individual AHIR records and/or progeny reports on these females?

Understanding that dam production records are useful when managing and marketing progeny and grand-progeny, members are still able to see production records on females that have been culled *OR* sold out of the herd. Members simply need to go to My Herd -> Animal Lists -> Cancelled Animals or Reports -> Dam Reports -> Produce of Dam Report. Search by “Tag” and check the box “Include previously owned dams”.