National Bovine Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Updates

Q1 (October-December 2020) Monthly Report Fiscal Year 2021

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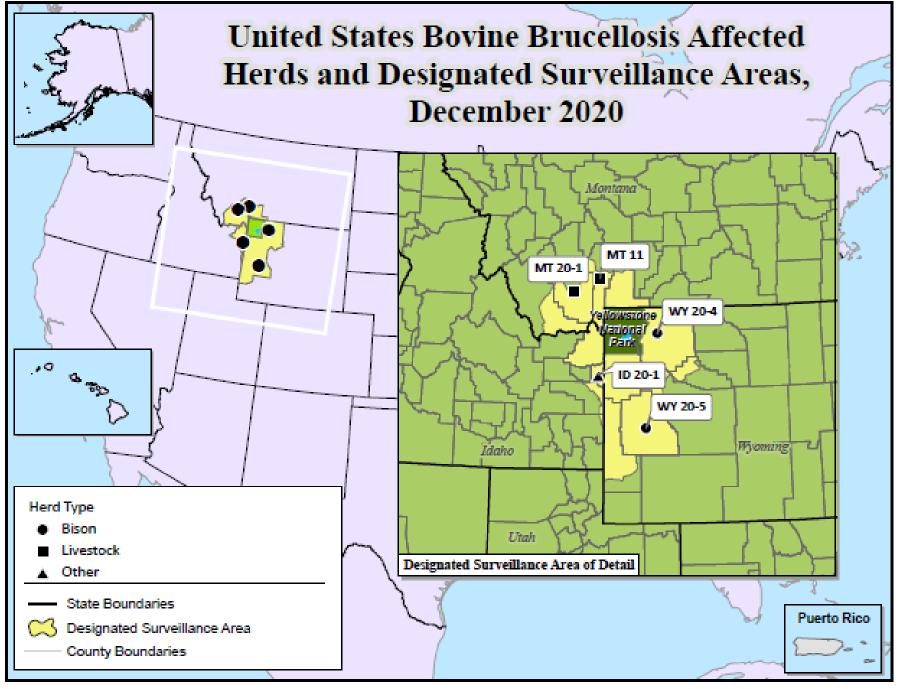
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Brucellosis (*B abortus*) Q1 (Oct-Dec 2020) updates

Brucellosis affected herds under quarantine in Q1 (Oct-Dec 2020)

$Herd_1$	Date Detected	Method of Detection	Herd Type ₂	Herd Management Status	Next Test Tentative Start Date
WY 20-5	September 2020	Diagnostic Testing	Bison	Test-and-Remove	December 2020
ID 20-1	January 2020	DSA Surveillance Testing	Elk/Beef	Test-and-Remove	December 2020
WY 20-4	January 2020	DSA Surveillance Testing	Bison	Test-and-Remove	TBD
MT 20-1	December 2019	DSA Surveillance Testing	Livestock	Test-and-Remove	Fall 2021
MT 11	November 2010	DSA Surveillance Testing	Livestock	Test-and-Remove	October 2020

- 1. Herds are named with the last 2 digits of the fiscal year and in order of occurrence within a state.
- 2. Current Montana state statute prevents public disclosure of herd type.



Affected herds are mapped to the center of their county.

Q1 (Oct-Dec 2020) Brucellosis Updates

• MT 20-1

Completed a negative whole herd test in October.

MT 11

• Completed the majority of its annual testing in November and December 2020, revealing a reactor and some suspects.

• ID 20-1

Completed a whole herd test with 1 reactor bull and 1 suspect cow.

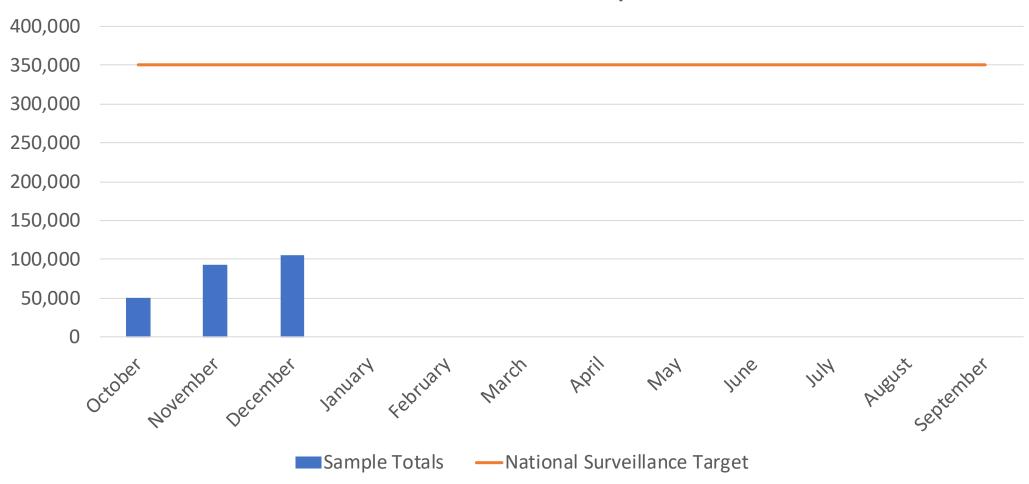
• WY 20-5

- NVSL confirmed B. abortus in a reactor bull detected in the October whole herd test.
- Completed a negative whole herd test in December.

• WY 20-4

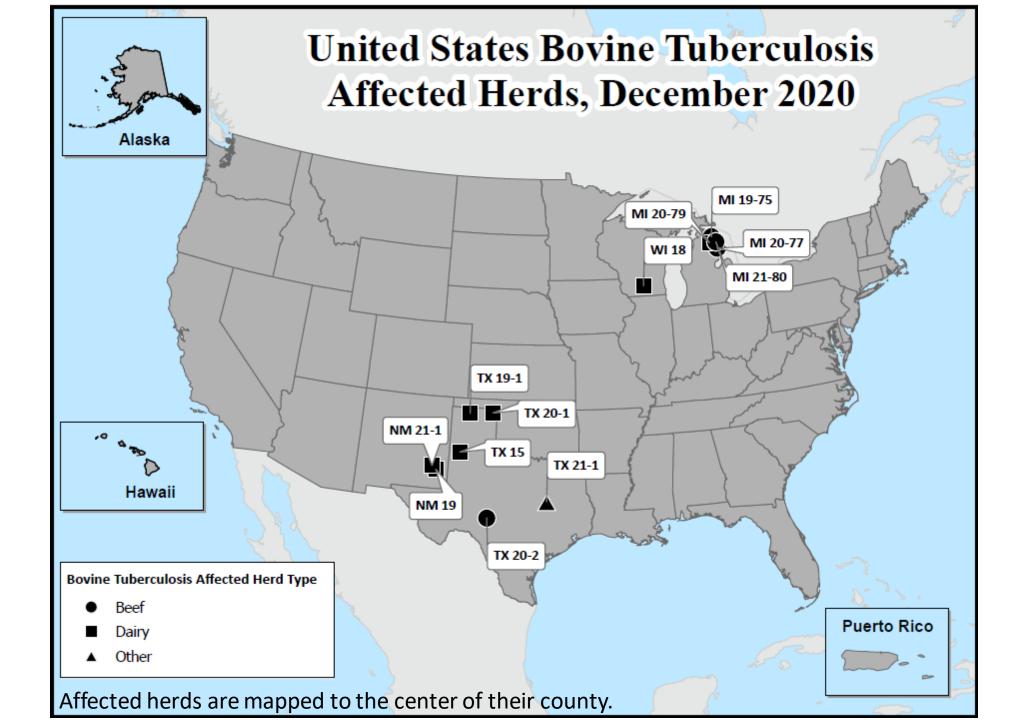
• Completed its 3rd and final whole herd test with all negative results. Anticipate quarantine release in January 2021.

FY2021 Cumulative National Brucellosis Slaughter Surveillance Samples



- The orange line represents our annual 350,000 surveillance sample target to detect disease with 95% confidence at a 0.001 percent or higher prevalence.
- One plant stopped sampling due to COVID restrictions in December.

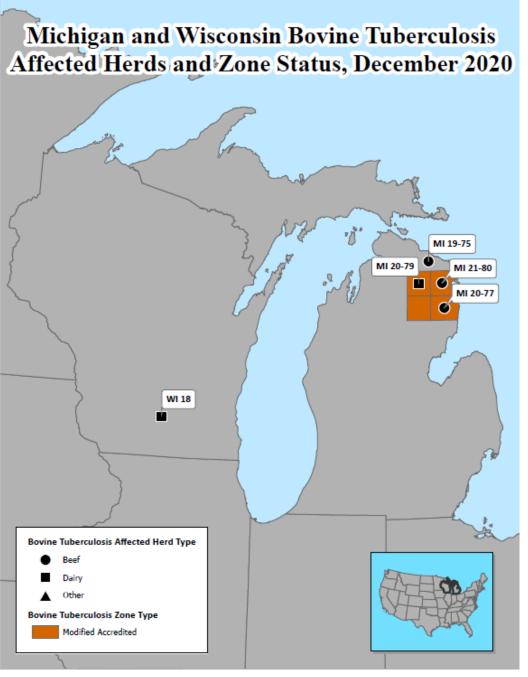
Tuberculosis (*M. bovis*) Q1 (Oct-Dec 2020) updates



TB affected herds under quarantine in Q1 (Oct-Dec 2020), MI, WI

Location ₁	Date Detected	Method of Detection	Herd Type	Herd Management Status	Next Test Tentative Start Date
MI 21-80	November 2020	Movement Test	Beef	Test-and-Remove Phase	February 2021
MI 20-79	July 2020	Area Surveillance	Dairy	Test-and-Remove Phase	January 2021
MI 20-77	January 2020	Area Surveillance	Beef	Test-and-Remove Phase	February 2021
MI 19-75	April 2019	Area Surveillance	Beef	Depopulated	NA
WI 18	October 2018	Slaughter Trace	Dairy	Test-and-Remove Phase	January 2021

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Affected herds are mapped to the center of their county.

Q1 (Oct-Dec 2020) TB Updates (MI, WI)

MI 21-80

- Identified from a single CCT reactor on movement testing in October that was PCR positive.
- Initial Assessment test in December yielded 1 animal for indemnity; removal and results pending.

MI 20-79

- Whole genome sequencing (WGS) from 1 animal identified in 1st removal test was related to a 2017 strain in elk from the same county.
- Completed a negative whole herd test in October.

• MI 20-77

- Culture and WGS from the 3rd herd removal test are pending.
- NVSL cultured *M. bovis* in November from samples in cattle removed during the depopulation of the breeding herd.
- 4th removal test yielded 2 animals for indemnity; removal and results pending.

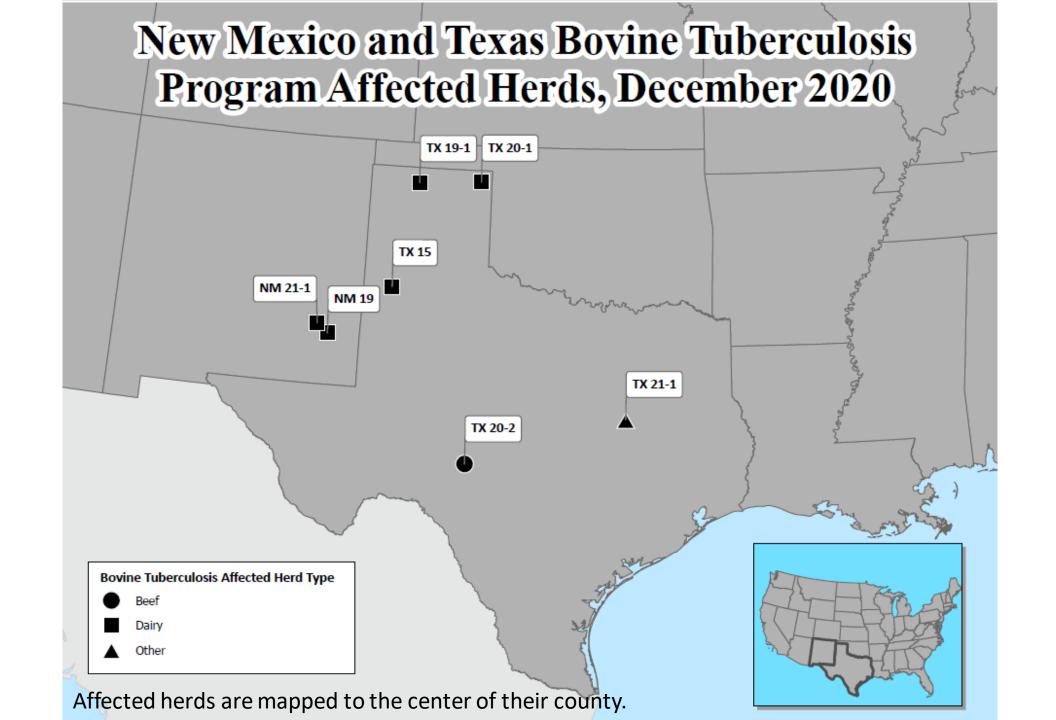
• WI 18

 No histocompatible animals identified from the October removal test and cultures were negative.

TB affected herds under quarantine in Q1 (Oct-Dec 2020), TX, NM

Location ₁	Date Detected	Method of Detection	Herd Type	Herd Management Status	Next Test Tentative Start Date
NM 21-1	October 2020	Assurance Test	Dairy	TBD	TBD
TX 21-1	October 2020	Slaughter Trace	Exhibition	Hold order with testing	TBD
TX 20-2	September 2020	Slaughter Trace	Beef	TBD	TBD
TX 20-1	January 2020	Slaughter Trace	Dairy	Test-and-Remove - Assurance Phase	December 2021
NM 19	May 2019	Slaughter Trace	Dairy	Test-and-Remove Phase	February 2021
TX 19-2	February 2019	Epi Investigation	Calf Raiser	Quarantine removed in October	NA
TX 19-1	February 2019	Epi Investigation	Dairy	Test-and-Remove Phase	January 2021
TX 15	June 2015	Slaughter Trace	Dairy	Test-and-Remove - Assurance Phase	November 2021

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Q1 (Oct-Dec 2020) TB Updates (TX, NM)

• TX 21-1

- Identified in October through tracing activities from 2 positive slaughter granulomas. Herd of exhibition animals is under hold order and herd management plan for exposed animals is in development. Epidemiologic investigation is ongoing.
- Follow-up test in December yielded two CFT responders; necropsies pending.

• TX 20-1

- 2nd herd test completed in October without any histocompatible lesions and cultures are pending. Testing of epidemiologically linked Oklahoma herd is complete with culture results pending.
- Quarantines were released in December for this herd and an epidemiologically linked
 Oklahoma herd after follow up testing was completed without any evidence of TB.

• TX 19-2

• No evidence of TB on final test of exposed animals; hold order removed in October.

Q1 (Oct-Dec 2020) TB Updates continued (TX, NM)

• TX 19-1

- 1 histocompatible animal was identified during the 4th removal test in October; cultures pending.
- Quarantine release for exposed animals in an epidemiologically linked Colorado herd is pending retest of one CCT suspect animal.

• TX 15

• Quarantine was released in December after the verification test was completed without any evidence of TB.

• <u>NM 21-1</u>

- First Assurance test revealed 1 TB-infected animal and the herd was quarantined in October.
- WGS results in November revealed the current strain's genotype differs from the previous outbreak strain. Herd management plan is pending.

• NM 19

- Culture results are pending from the 5th removal test in October; one non-histocompatible animal was culture positive with WGS similar to the herd strain.
- One animal from the 6th removal test completed in November had histocompatible lesions; additional results are pending.

Bovine TB cases found through routine slaughter FY2021 Q1 (Oct-Dec)

Slaughter Type	Month/Date	Slaughter Origin State	Outcome/current status

No bovine TB cases found through routine slaughter from Oct – Dec 2020

Tuberculosis (*M. bovis*) Terms and Definitions

Designation of Herds as "Quarantined"

- Affected herds are considered "quarantined" due to a formal quarantine order of the entire herd or informal hold order for subgroups of exposed animals.
- Herds under quarantine due to tracing investigations are generally excluded from this report due to the temporary nature of their restrictions.
- Quarantined herds are removed from this report once the quarantine or hold order is removed, typically after verification testing.

Methods of Detection of TB-Affected Herds

- Area surveillance: Surveillance in a defined area such as counties in or bordering the modified accredited zone in Michigan.
- Assurance test: Herds identified during the assurance testing phase of a test and remove herd plan.
- **Epi investigation**: Herds identified as part of epidemiologic investigations associated with TB-affected animals or TB-affected herds.
- **Movement test**: Herds identified through testing of animals for routine movements, e.g., export and interstate commerce.
- **Slaughter trace**: Herds identified as the source of animals with suspicious lesions during routine slaughter surveillance. Also called "6-35 traces"

Definitions and Acronyms

- 6-35 Trace: Tracing of the source of a suspected or confirmed case of TB that was identified during slaughter surveillance and reported on a VS 6-35 form; known otherwise as a "slaughter trace."
- M. bovis: Mycobacterium bovis, known as bovine or zoonotic tuberculosis
- NGL: No gross lesions on postmortem examination
- **NVSL:** National Veterinary Services Laboratories
- PCR: Polymerase Chain Reaction; A molecular biology method of assessing for presence of segments of generic material, i.e., DNA and RNA
- **WGS:** Whole Genome Sequencing of TB bacterial DNA; used to assess relatedness among TB bacterial strains