



Performance Report

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▣ OBI Angus Test No. 81 Stillwater, Okla.

Initial report (June 20)

Test No. 81 of Oklahoma Beef Inc. (OBI), featuring 140 Angus bulls from 17 consignors, began June 20. Bulls are fed twice daily in fenceline feedbunks or self-feeders. Bulls tested negative for persistent infection with bovine viral diarrhea (PI-BVD).

Bulls that successfully complete testing are eligible for the OBI All-Breed Performance Tested Fall Bull Sale in October at the OBI test station in Stillwater.

For more information contact Tim Stidham, station manager, at 405-624-1181 or okbeef@provalue.net; or Bob Kropp, professor of animal science, Oklahoma State University, at 405-744-9287. Reports are available on the test web site at www.ansi.okstate.edu/exten/obi.

▣ 100th LSU Beef Bull Evaluation Alexandria, La.

28-day report (July 9)

The first 28-day period of the 100th Beef

Bull Evaluation Test at Louisiana State University (LSU) Dean Lee Research Station in Alexandria ended July 9. "We have had very few health problems to this point. Gains were variable during the first period and the average daily gain (ADG) of the group was 3.26 pounds (lb.) per day," reports Danny Coombs, test coordinator.

High-gaining Angus—Lot 1; owner: Carroll Boudreaux, Darnall Place Farm, New Iberia, La.; sire: WCC Special Design L309; ADG: 5.43 lb.; wt.: 758 lb.

Angus averages (20 head)—ADG: 3.76 lb.; wt.: 800 lb.

Overall averages (76 head)—ADG: 3.26 lb.; wt.: 757 lb.

56-day report (Aug. 6)

The second 28-day period of the 100th Beef Bull Evaluation Test ended Aug. 6. "Weight gains averaged 3.57 pounds per day for the second period," Coombs reports. "After 56 days on test, the group averaged 3.41 pounds daily gain, with average weight at the end of the 56 days at 857 pounds." All

Revised Midland Bull Test dates

The Midland Bull Test in Columbus, Mont., managed by Steve and Lindsay Williams, has set dates for the 2008-2009 bull testing season.

Two fall tests will take place with receiving dates of Sept. 18-24 and Oct. 14-23. The Midland Bull Test Sale will be April 8-10, 2009.

bulls were treated with Cydectin® on the weigh date.

High-gaining Angus—Lot 1; owner: Carroll Boudreaux, Darnall Place Farm, New Iberia, La.; sire: WCC Special Design L309; ADG: 4.75 lb.; wt.: 872 lb.

Angus averages (20 head)—ADG: 3.78 lb.; wt.: 907 lb.

Overall averages (76 head)—ADG: 3.41 lb.; wt.: 857 lb.

The third 28-day period will end Sept. 3. For more information contact Coombs at 318-

473-6528 or dcoombs@agctr.lsu.edu. Livestock Testing Station information, as well as weight reports, are available on the test web site at www.lsuagcenter.com.

■ 2008 IBEP Summer Test Bedford, Ind.

63-day report (July 22)

The 2008 Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) Summer Test is under way with 120 bulls on test, including 89 Angus. Bulls came from 43 cooperators from seven states.

High-ADG and high-indexing (tie) Angus—Lot 20; owner: Von Leer Farm, Mitchell, Ind.; sire: GAR Center Pivot of CLA; ADG: 5.65 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 3.71 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,270 lb.; test index: 123

High-WDA and high-indexing (tie) Angus—Lot 36; owner: Hall Bros., Oaktown, Ind.; sire: HB New Design 512; ADG: 5.46 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.89 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,310 lb.; test index: 123

Angus averages (89 head)—ADG: 4.35 lb.; WDA: 3.27 lb.; wt.: 1,120 lb.

Overall averages (120 head)—ADG: 4.13

lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,092 lb.

Bulls may be eligible for sale Oct. 18 at the Springville Feeder Auction in Springville, Ind., and online at <http://dvauction.com>.

For more information contact Kern Hendrix at 765-494-4832; Richard Huntrods at 812-279-8554 or Donna Lofgren by e-mail at dlofgren@purdue.edu. Visit the test web site at www.ansc.purdue.edu/ibep.

■ Cal Poly Bull Test San Luis Obispo, Calif.

64-day report (July 26)

The 64-day weights of the Cal Poly Bull Test were taken July 26. There are 123 Angus bulls on test. Other breeds are Red Angus, Charolais, Limousin, Polled Hereford, SimAngus and Murray Grey. Bulls came from 33 cooperators from the state of California.

High-ADG and high-indexing low-birth-weight Angus—Lot 9; owner: J/V Angus, Winters, Calif.; sire: GAR Solution; ADG: 4.77 lb.; ADG ratio: 146; WDA: 3.34 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,089 lb.; test index: 128

High-WDA low-birth-weight Angus—Lot

17; owner: Yolo Land and Cattle Co., Woodland, Calif.; sire: SAV Final Answer 0035; ADG: 4.20 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; WDA: 3.39 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,156 lb.; test index: 121

High-ADG, high-WDA and high-indexing multi-trait Angus—Lot 29; owner:

Rollingwood Ranch, Potter Valley, Calif.; sire: BT Right Time 24j; ADG: 5.59 lb.; ADG ratio: 155; WDA: 3.75 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,229 lb.; test index: 137

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 43; owner: Century Farm Black Angus, Cottage Grove, Calif.; sire: GAR Retail Product; ADG: 5.15 lb.; ADG ratio: 148; WDA: 2.96 lb.; WDA ratio: 95; wt.: 1,053 lb.; test index: 121

High-WDA Angus—Lot 11; owner: Yolo Land and Cattle Co.; sire: VAR 5023; ADG: 3.31 lb.; ADG ratio: 95; WDA: 3.62 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,051 lb.; test index: 105

Low-birth-weight Angus averages (31)—ADG: 3.26 lb.; WDA: 3.01 lb.; wt.: 969 lb.

Multi-trait Angus averages (34)—ADG: 3.62 lb.; WDA: 3.13 lb.; wt.: 997 lb.

Angus averages (58)—ADG: 3.49 lb.; WDA: 3.12 lb.; wt.: 986 lb.

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