

5 EXPORT CERTIFICATION

AgriQuality Limited achieved accreditation by JASANZ as a certifying and verification body for export certificates. The apiculture officers are seeking accreditation from the New Zealand Food Safety Authority to verify export certificates and export processes.

6 DISEASE REPORTS

Between June 1 2004 and May 31 2005, 778 cases of American foulbrood (AFB) were reported by beekeepers and/or AgriQuality staff in 421 apiaries. This is an average disease rate of 2.19 cases per hive. Of these AFB reports only 33 cases were found and reported by beekeepers. DECA holders. This represents 0.22% of the total number of hives held by non-

A small number of hives reported to have AFB were robbed out. Notices were phoned to beekeepers with hives within 5 kilometres of these sites, or the relevant beekeeper was advised.

7 DISEASE CONFORMITY AGREEMENTS (DECA'S) & CERTIFICATION INSPECTION (COI)

As at the end of June 2005 there were 2170 beekeepers with DECA's and 294886 hives for AFB and make reports to AgriQuality on the authorised forms. 160 new beekeepers were revoked in the reporting period.

There were 741 beekeepers who owned 14916 hives on 1476 apiaries that reported AFB at the end of May 2005. This is a reduction in beekeeper numbers but interestingly the number of hives that are owned by these beekeepers has increased slightly. The average number of hives per beekeeper without a DECA increased to 20 hives per beekeeper compared with 19 hives per beekeeper with a DECA.

8 REPORTABLE STATISTICS

8.1 Beekeeping statistics

As at June 20th 2005 there were 2906 beekeepers that owned 294886 hives on 19281 apiaries. For the year ending June 2005 160 new beekeepers registered while 461 deregistered.

8.2 Total reported AFB

778 cases of AFB were reported by beekeepers or found by AgriQuality representing an infection level of 0.26%.

8.3 DECA's

There are a total of 2170 beekeepers that currently hold DECA's. Of these, 103 were issued in this contract period. This means that 302 DECA holders exited the industry in the previous 12 months. There are 1230 beekeepers who hold DECA's that have not sat their exam. This is 57% of the total number of DECA holding beekeepers.

8.4 Total Number of DECA's Reviewed / Amended / Revoked

27 DECA's have been reviewed with 4 being amended and none being revoked. There are also another two DECA reviews currently being processed. Several more unofficial reviews took place in response to lab results with Apiculture Officers (AO's) being satisfied that full reviews were unnecessary. The DECA review process this year was focused on current problems rather

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than historic information, which made the process more useful from a d perspective.

8.5 Beekeepers requiring Certificates of Inspection.

There are 14916 hives on 1476 apiaries owned by 741 beekeepers that require inspection. These beekeepers reported 33 cases of AFB (0.22%).

AG	Apiaries	Hives	AFB
50	366	534	116
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41	6	4315	116

8.6 Number and Percentage of AFB found & reported by AgriQuality & AFB-PMS AP's

AgriQuality and its contractors inspected 534 hives on 50 apiaries during the last year. 116 cases of AFB were found (22%).

8.7 Number of apiaries / hives inspected by AFB-PMS AP2's

During the national inspection program a total of 3781 hives were inspected on 366 apiaries.

AFB ?

8.8 Number of unregistered apiaries found and instructions to register sent to the registrar

5 unregistered apiaries were found and subsequently registered during this contract period.

8.9 Number of abandoned apiaries found / destroyed by AgriQuality.

Two abandoned apiaries were found and dealt with as part of the inspection program.

8.10 Number of beehives infected with AFB destroyed on default of a notice issued

27 hives on 10 apiaries were destroyed on default of a notice issued

8.11 Number of restricted place notices sent to beekeepers under the AFB-PMS

No restricted place notices were sent to beekeepers in this contract period.

8.12 Number of apiaries and hives inspected on default of a notice

No apiaries were inspected.

8.13 Number of AFB robbed out hives found or reported

4 hives were found with AFB that had been robbed out. These are as a result of some of the issues covered in 5.4.

8.14 ADR & COI defaulters

There are currently 1719 ADR defaulters (59%). This is higher than the normal level of non-compliance expected prior to the reminder letters being sent out. There are 637 COI defaulters (86%). This is a situation that is unlikely to improve without a more focused effort (ie: reminders) in this part of the strategy.

8.15 Number of GNA's outstanding

13 GNA's are currently outstanding.

8.16 Number of neglected apiaries currently reported

22 neglected apiaries have been reported to AgriQuality this contract period. Please note that the assessment of an apiaries condition with respect to it neglect or otherwise is very subjective. The service provider recommends that this figure be treated only as an approximation of the true situation. All these cases were followed up with the owners.

9 EXOTIC HONEY BEE DISEASE SURVEILLANCE

9.1 1 Field Inspection and Sampling