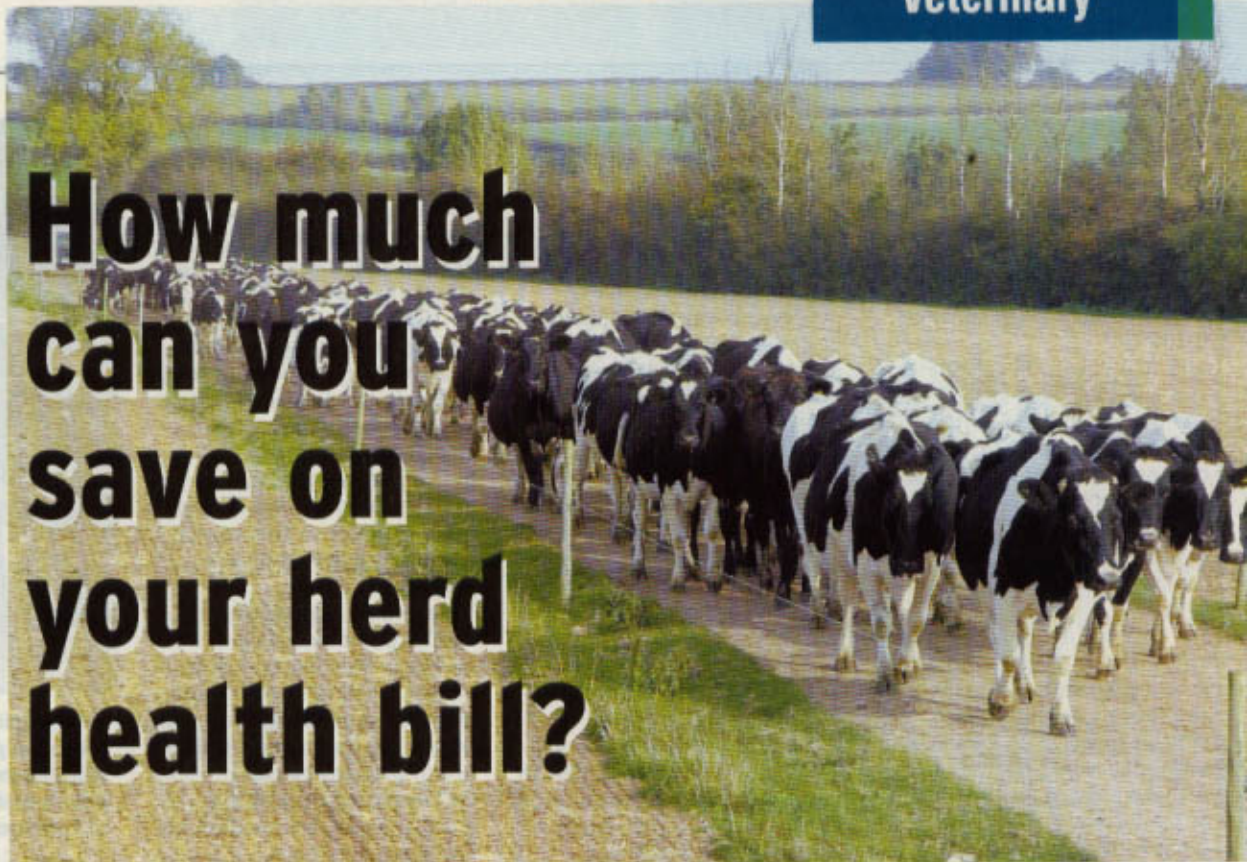


How much is disease costing you? Or, put another way, how much better off would you be if you reduced clinical or sub-clinical disease on your farm? David Matthews reports.

How much can you save on your herd health bill?



You may have some idea how much disease is costing you but you probably can't be that precise. Reports such as DAISY's 'The costs of poor fertility and diseases in UK dairy

herds' provide some of the best data anywhere in the world on the subject. It gives average results based on the DAISY costings over 10 years, and they found that:

- The cost of a cull in a herd of

- 6000 litre yields is £575, and £681 at 10,000 litres, taking into account lost milk yields and cost of replacements. The average is £648.
- The total cost of a fatality is, on average, £1540, rising to

- £1709 if the cow dies due to mastitis.
- The average lost profit from poor fertility per 100 cows is £8145; with the best 10% losing

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MILK YOUR SILAGE PROVEN from start to finish

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