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# SWEDISH ORGANIC DAIRY FARMERS' PREFERENSES FOR FARM MANAGEMENT AREAS

# **BACKGROUND**

Knowledge about farmers' preferences regarding different farm management areas is of great importance in order to give adequate and applicable advice that is actually implemented by the farmer.

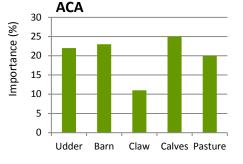
# **AIM**

The objective of this study was to investigate the differences between preferences for five farm management areas according to Swedish dairy farmers.

## METHOD

- 57 organic dairy farmers in Sweden were interviewed by using an computerized Adaptive Conjoint Analysis (ACA).
- Lameness scoring were performed in each farm according to the guidelines of the Welfare Quality® protocol for dairy cattle.

## **RESULTS**



### LAMENESS SCORING

Minimum	25 <sup>th</sup> percentil	50 <sup>th</sup> Percentil (median)	75 <sup>th</sup> percentil	Maximum
0	2	2	8.5	25

Distribution of herd prevalence of cows with lameness (%).

# CONCLUSION

Our study implies that the claw health in Swedish organic dairy herds is good and we hypothesize that the farmers therefore grade the preference for claw health management low.

