Cost of delayed weaning

£3.53

per day weaning is delayed

Shortening the age to first calving

23 to 25 months is considered the ideal AFC for short and long term production and economics. For every month over 25, there is an increased cost of approx.

£50

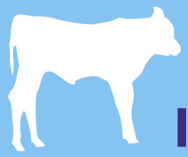
Reduced milk yield

every day a calf is sick with BRD results in a reduction in annual milk yield by

126 litres

Lifetime total economic costs of BRD in dairy heifers were calculated in 2017 including:

- The immediate costs of treatment
- A 2-week delay to first calving
- A 4% and 8% reduction in first and second lactation milk yields respectively
- A lifetime reduction of 109 days in-milk caused by reduced longevity



In dairy heifers this was estimated to be £772 per animal.