

FOR INFORMATION

NAHIP Advisory Committee Meeting August 2024

Agenda Item 1.2

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National Animal Health Information Program Status Report 2023-24

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the NAHIP Advisory Committee NOTE the NAHIP status report and performance for 2023-24.

BACKGROUND

2. The National Animal Health Information Program is an ongoing, subscription program of Animal Health Australia. NAHIP provides a national framework for the collation, analysis and reporting of an agreed national surveillance dataset. It maintains an online database of national animal health information, which is accessible to governments to support trade and market access. The program also includes the production of agreed national surveillance publications.
3. From the AHA Annual Operating Plan – key outcomes for the 2023-24 were
 - Delivery of Animal Health in Australia Annual report by May 2024.
 - Ongoing delivery of the Animal Health Surveillance Quarterly reports.
 - Collection, collation, analysis and reporting of national animal health surveillance information to support trade and market access and provided to DAFF quarterly and to Chief Veterinary Officers on request.

DISCUSSION

4. Financial summary

The total budget for NAHIP, as approved by members in the 2023-24 AHA Annual Operating Plan was \$728,204 (Ex GST). At the end of June 2024, the total expenditure was within budget, with an overall expenditure of \$601,811 (Ex GST) (Figure 1).

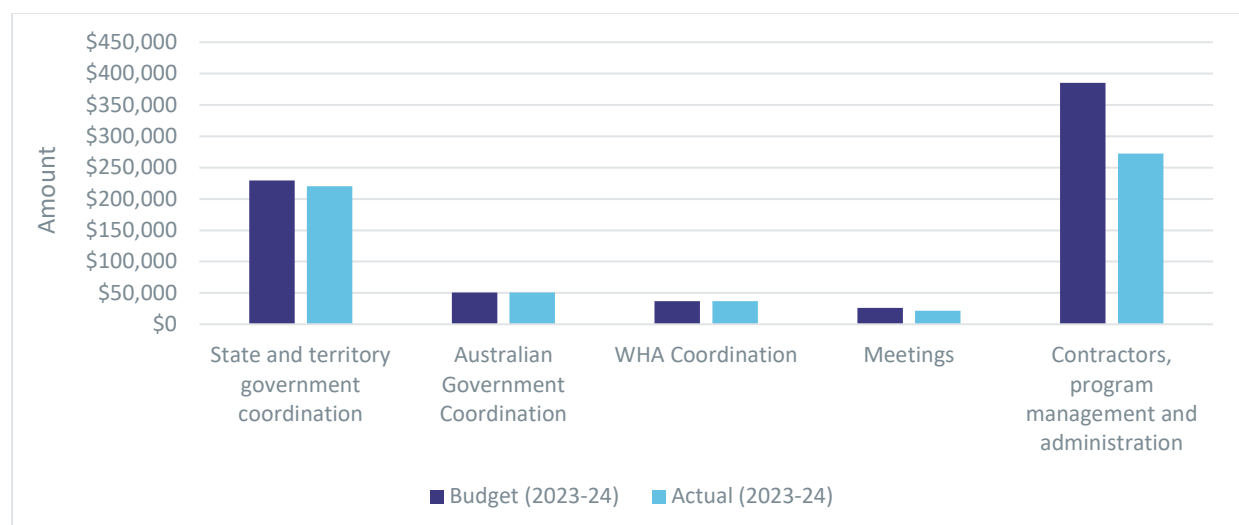


Figure 1 Project financial summary 2023-2024¹

¹ Figure for state and territory member service delivery affected by prior and current year accruals. Actual costs may vary.

Table 1 Deliverables and performance

Key outputs/deliverables 2023-24	Target	Outcome	Comment
Accurate, summary animal disease data, renewed quarterly and available through a web application	June 2024	Complete	The NAHIS web-application was maintained throughout 2023-24, with data received quarterly from all jurisdictions. Validation and cross-checking of data and 6-monthly user audits were conducted as per schedule.
An annual synopsis through the Animal Health in Australia (AHIA) report	May 2024	Complete	The AHIA report was delivered.
Quarterly activity and status reports through the Animal Health Surveillance Quarterly	June 2024	Complete	Four editions of AHSQ published.
Disease information tables that summarise the animal health status of WOAHL-listed and other diseases.	June 2024	Complete	Disease information tables are included in the Animal Health in Australia report, including a full list of disease exclusions.
A NAHIS database user manual is made available on the NAHIS wiki.	June 2024	Complete	The NAHIS database user manual was maintained on the wiki. AHA continues to be available to provide guidance and support around the use of NAHIS to jurisdictions.
Technical advice on data collection and animal health status is provided as required.	June 2024	Complete	Several enquiries were received and responded to during the year, to support trade and market access.

Table 2 Key achievements and operational issues

Key achievement or operational issue	Strategies for addressing operation issues	Resolved (Y/N)
Operational: ongoing challenges in clarifying data projects requirements and ensuring national consistency.	Revised data standards are being finalised and will be discussed under Item 3.1.	In progress
Achievement: data quality work	The Subcommittee on Animal Health Laboratory Standards (SCAHLs) and the NAHIP held a joint workshop associated with the March 2024 SCAHLs meeting. The workshop focused on data quality and national data reporting and supported increased linkages between surveillance and diagnostics. ACDP now also sit on the NAHIP Committee to support linkages into the future. A subgroup of the NAHIP Committee will meet in 2025 to progress work on improving data quality for notifiable disease reporting.	In progress

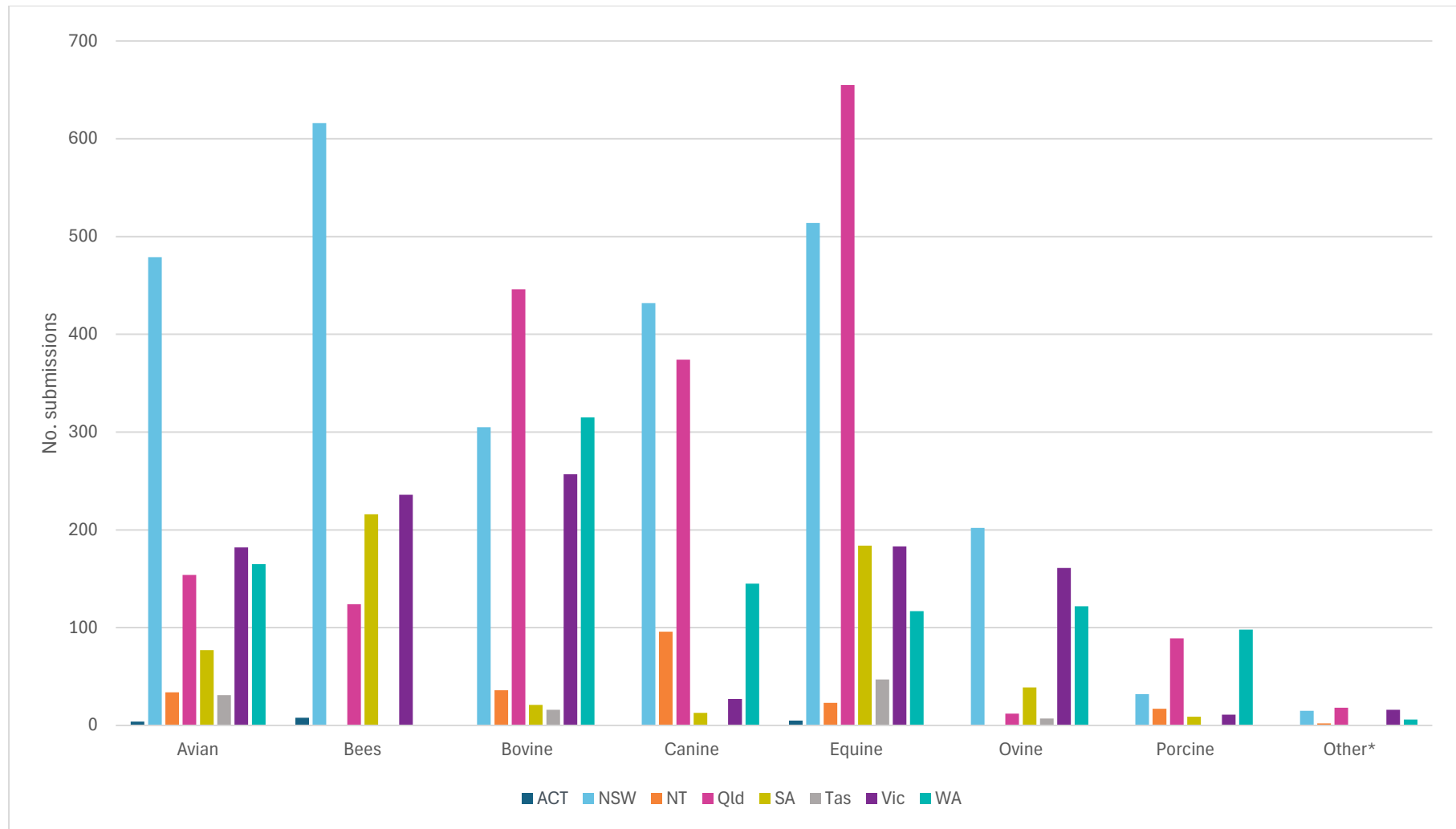


Figure 2 Records of national notifiable disease submissions reported to NAHIS by species and jurisdiction, for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024.

Note: This figure does not include testing reported to NAHIS listed as export or health certification reasons. More than one disease may be investigated for a single disease event (an outbreak of morbidity/mortality). In addition, a single investigation may involve more than one animal.

*Other includes records of camelids, cats, crocodiles, deer and goats.

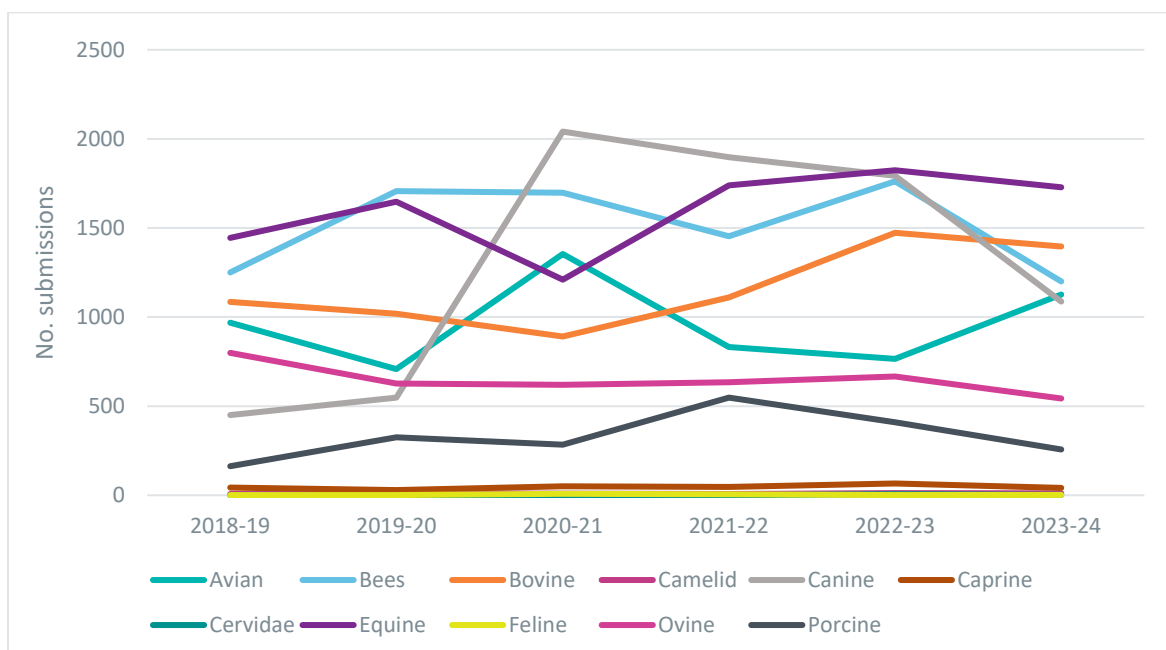


Figure 3 Annual national totals of submissions to NAHIS by key species for all nationally notifiable diseases, for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2024.

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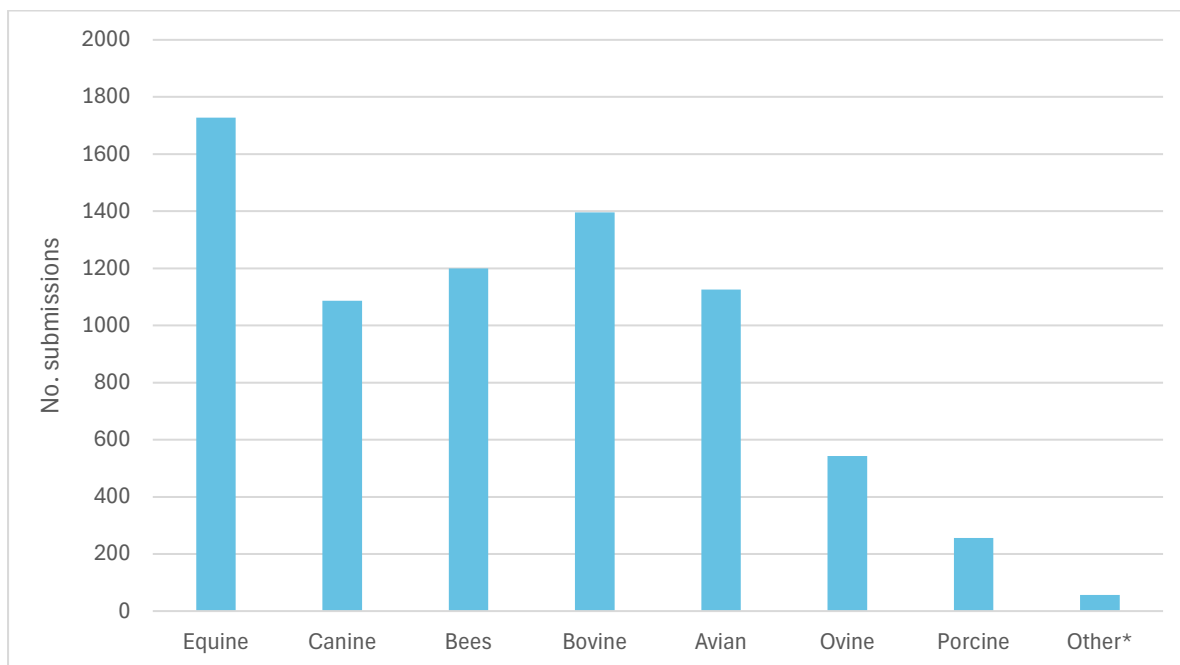


Figure 4 Annual national totals of submissions to NAHIS by key species for all nationally notifiable diseases, for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024.

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