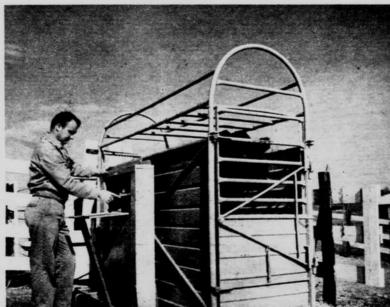
With production testing records, you need to record the date of birth on each calf. By using a tattoo or other marking system, you can then identify a calf throughout its life and know its genetic background by having a cross reference to sire and dam. This is just one phase in the production testing program but it's essential for figuring relative mothering ability of cow and potential value of sire.

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Below, birth weight of calves is an important measure of expected future performance. It affects weaning weight, final feedlot weight and gains while on feed. Studies by USDA researchers show birth weight is about 41% inherited. Thus, it's an important measure in selecting breeding herd replacements. To check birth weights in the field, use a set of bathroom scales. Pick up the calf and step on the scales. Then deduct your weight. This gives the net weight of the calf.





To get a measure of an animal's performance during the nursing period, the calf should be weighed when weaned. Since all calves are not of the same identical age when weighed, you'll need to make some adjustments. College extension specialists have guides that can be used for this. You'll also need to make weight adjustments for sex of the calf and age of its mother. You'll find that weaning weight increases greatly as a cow gets older. To give an accurate figure for comparing all animals in your herd, these adjustments must be made.





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