# CALVING, CALF PROCESSING, AND WEANING

**Operation name:**

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- **Disbudding:** Prohibited
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**Step 4:**
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**Step 5:**
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**Step 5+**
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**Index:**
- **Number of cows in group**
- **Calf Crop/Herd/Group ID**
- **Start Date**
- **End Date**
- **Number of assisted calvings**
- **Number of caesarean sections**
- **Number of calves born**
- **Castration Date(s)**
- **Method**
- **Disbudding Date(s)**
- **Method**
- **Weaning Date(s)**
- **Number of calves weaned**
- **ID of calf weaned early**
- **Reason for early weaning**

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