

Facial Eczema Risk Bulletin

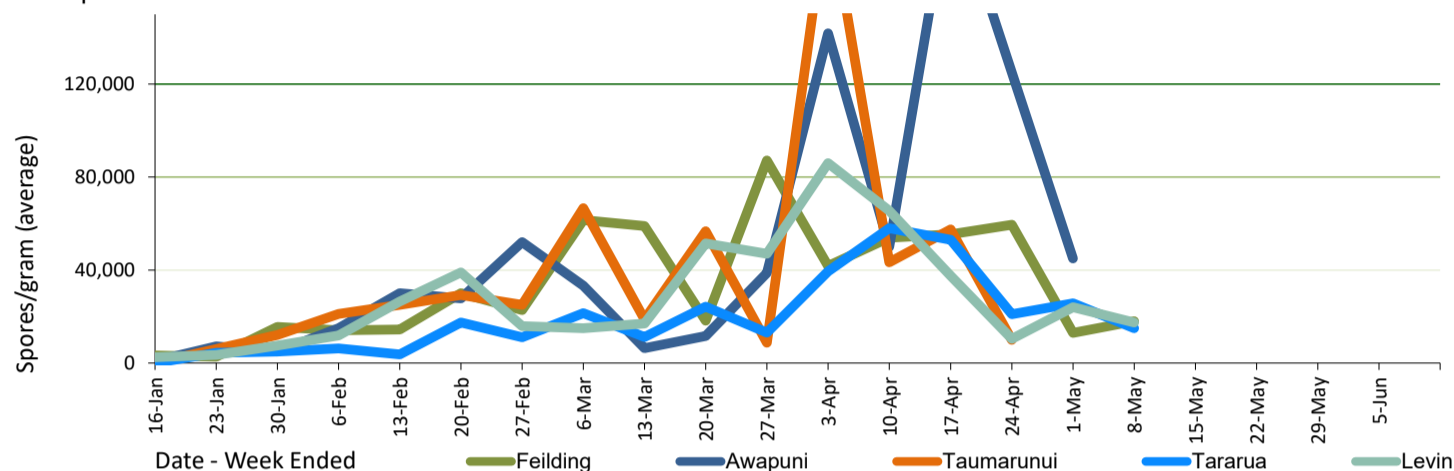
For week ended 8 May 2026



	Feilding	Awapuni	Tararua	Taumarunui	Levin
No. of sites monitored:	5		6		10
Average Spore Count:	20,000		15,000		20,000
Highest Spore Count:	65,000		40,000		40,000
Lowest Spore Count:	0		0		0
Facial Eczema Risk Rating:	LOW-MED		LOW-MED		LOW-MED
	(BASED ON AVERAGE SPORE COUNT)				

Spore counts are trending down and the season is drawing to a close. This is our last bulletin for the season however we will continue to check your grass samples if you wish to bring some in. Thanks goes to all of our sentinel farms for helping us to give you a window into facial eczema risk on farm. We appreciate their help.

FE Spore Count Trend 2026



Facial Eczema Monitor Sites 2026

One-off spore counts are not included here

Wk ended	16-Jan	23-Jan	30-Jan	6-Feb	13-Feb	20-Feb	27-Feb	6-Mar	13-Mar	20-Mar	27-Mar	3-Apr	10-Apr	17-Apr	24-Apr	1-May	8-May	15-May	22-May	29-May	5-Jun
FEILDING																					
Apiti			5,000	5,000	5,000	10,000	5,000	15,000	15,000	0	5,000		10,000		0						
Halcombe	5,000	0	5,000		5,000	65,000	10,000	30,000	0	40,000	15,000		75,000				45,000				
Makino	0	0	5,000	0	5,000	0	5,000	0	0	20,000	0	5,000	0	30,000	15,000	0					
Cheltenham Run-off	5,000		0	0	0	10,000	20,000			20,000	15,000	10,000	25,000		125,000						
Ohakea	0		20,000	0		10,000		85,000	0	10,000		210,000		170,000				65,000			
Pohangina Taonui Rd		0	0	0	5,000	10,000	5,000	60,000	55,000	10,000	5,000			25,000							
Pohangina Awahou		5,000	0	0	5,000	30,000	15,000	30,000	55,000	70,000	60,000	20,000	75,000	40,000	80,000	20,000	15,000				
Colyton		0	10,000	0	0	0	5,000	0	50,000	15,000	5,000	20,000	30,000	20,000	5,000	15,000	0				
Rongotea		5,000		0	5,000	0		60,000	30,000	40,000	155,000		160,000	100,000	160,000						
Bulls Irrigated			10,000	10,000	0	5,000	50,000	5,000	30,000	0		0	0	0	20,000	5,000	5,000				
Bulls Non Irrigated			35,000	85,000	105,000	30,000	150,000	50,000	10,000	10,000		40,000	50,000	10,000	30,000	25,000	5,000				
Bunnythorpe/Kelvin Gr			0	0	0	5,000	0	5,000	5,000		140,000	10,000	40,000	65,000		5,000					
Lockwood Road	0	15,000	0	0	0	60,000	20,000	25,000	60,000	25,000	40,000		70,000								
Reids Ln West Irrigated		0	0	10,000	0	10,000	0	5,000	0	0	0		5,000	5,000	0	0					
Reids Ln West Non Irrigated		0	0	0	0	5,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	15,000	45,000		55,000	45,000	5,000	5,000					
Awahuri			20,000	130,000	20,000	160,000	65,000	605,000	730,000		700,000		160,000		120,000						
AWAPUNI																					
Puke Puke	0	0		0	0	20,000	5,000	5,000	0	0	10,000	5,000	20,000								
Kair Nth	0	0	0	0	0	0			0		10,000	5,000									
Kair Sth	0								0		5,000	200,000									
Longburn	0		0	5,000	0	30,000	85,000	10,000	10,000		65,000	70,000									
Linton/Tokomaru	0	10,000	0	45,000	15,000	10,000	45,000	70,000	15,000	10,000	50,000	45,000	70,000								
Opiki	0	0	10,000	35,000	10,000	90,000	35,000	50,000	5,000	0	30,000	445,000	45,000			45,000					
Okuku Sth	10,000	5,000	15,000	5,000	180,000	30,000	90,000	20,000	15,000	40,000	135,000	165,000	95,000	205,000							
TARARUA																					
Eketahuna	0		0	20,000		5,000						35,000									
Alfredton		5,000	5,000		0	15,000	10,000		50,000	35,000	40,000	115,000	175,000			10,000	0				
Kaitawa		0	0	0	0	25,000	0	0	5,000	0	0	35,000	25,000	70,000	15,000	0	15,000				
Hamua	5,000	10,000	10,000	0	0	10,000	10,000	0	0	5,000	0	10,000		20,000		0					
Ballance	0	10,000	0	5,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,000	0						
Woodville	0	0	0	10,000	0	10,000	10,000	20,000	5,000	10,000	0	20,000	0		5,000						
Ruawhata	5,000	5,000	10,000	5,000	0	70,000	45,000	90,000	10,000	110,000	25,000	75,000	40,000	95,000	5,000	130,000	35,000				
Kohinui		5,000	5,000	10,000	30,000	5,000	15,000	25,000	10,000	0	5,000	5,000	50,000		10,000		40,000				
Kumeroa	5,000	0	15,000	0	0	5,000	5,000	15,000	10,000	10,000	35,000	60,000		80,000	70,000	35,000	0				
TAUMARUNUI																					
Ngapuke		0	10,000	10,000	20,000	60,000	50,000	190,000		80,000	5,000	550,000	40,000	150,000							
Ohura/Matiere			45,000	45,000	65,000	110,000	70,000	125,000			30,000										
Owhango			0	25,000	15,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	25,000	0	5,000	10,000						
Town - West			10,000	15,000	50,000	5,000	10,000	15,000	25,000	20,000											
Town - East			10,000	15,000	5,000	5,000	0	70,000	40,000	25,000				10,000							
Manunui	0			55,000																	
Ongarue	0		5,000	10,000	10,000	5,000	5,000	0	10,000	5,000	0	20,000	90,000	65,000	10,000						
Kirikau		0	5,000	5,000	10,000	20,000	40,000			210,000											
LEVIN																					
Shannon	0	0	0	0	5,000	20,000	0	15,000	0	30,000	10,000	50,000	0	25,000	10,000	5,000	15,000				
Ihakara	0	5,000	15,000	5,000	10,000	30,000	10,000	15,000	35,000	100,000	100,000	310,000	145,000	45,000	0	20,000	25,000				
Foxton	0	10,000	10,000	5,000	30,000	20,000	20,000	10,000	20,000	45,000	15,000	90,000	180,000	100,000	20,000	20,000	10,000				
Moutoa	0	0	5,000	10,000	5,000	15,000	20,000	10,000	30,000	30,000	20,000	30,000	155,000	55,000	5,000	25,000	5,000				
Waitarere	5,000	0	5,000	75,000	105,000	140,000	20,000	35,000	30,000	95,000	125,000	150,000	45,000	90,000	0	45,000	25,000				
Levin	0	0	0	0	15,000	5,000	25,000	20,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	35,000	5,000	0	5,000	0	0				
Ohau	15,000	20,000	20,000	10,000	25,000	30,000	0	20,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	45,000	25,000	10,000	15,000	30,000	20,000				
Manakau	5,000	0	10,000	10,000	70,000	50,000	35,000	20,000	20,000	100,000	65,000	60,000	45,000	45,000	40,000	30,000	20,000				
Otaki	0	0	5,000	0	0	55,000	0	0	0	50,000	35,000	45,000	10,000	0	10,000	5,000	15,000				
Te Horo	0	0	5,000	15,000	0	25,000	15,000	5,000	10,000	40,000	75,000	45,000	45,000	5,000	5,000	60,000	40,000				

Spore counts can vary greatly between properties and even between paddocks. We encourage farmers to bring in grass samples to get a more accurate idea of the facial eczema risk on their own property. Contact your local Totally Vets, Tararua Veterinary Services or Levin & Horowhenua Veterinary Centre branch if you would like more information on bringing in your own samples for testing.

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