

**Country**

**Italy**

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**Trait category:**

**Growth & beef**

**Individual trait(s):**

**Daily gain**

**Carcass conformation**

**Dressing percentage**

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<b>Growth &amp; beef traits</b>	<b>Daily gain</b> <b>Carcass conformation</b> <b>Dressing percentage</b>
<b>Breed(s)</b>	Italian Simmental
<b>Trait definition and unit(s) of measuring</b>	Daily gain between 20 and 52 weeks Carcass conformation is scored on EUROP-scale Carcass weight divided by liveweight, estimated on live animals
<b>Type of recording and evaluation</b>	Own performance at station
<b>Time period for data inclusion</b>	Since 1985
<b>Genetic parameters</b>	Phenotypically evaluated
<b>Sire categories evaluated</b>	All sons of designated bull dams
<b>Environmental effect pre-adjustment evaluation model</b>	None Monthly contemporary groups
<b>Base for age adjustment</b>	None
<b>Method (model) of genetic evaluation</b>	Residuals within monthly groups
<b>Evaluation system validation</b>	-
<b>Expression of proof</b>	Phenotypic results Utile Lordo Stalla = daily gain x dressing percentage x price of EUROP-class
<b>Genetic (reference) base</b>	Mean within monthly group
<b>Criteria for official publication of sire proofs</b>	All available results will be published
<b>Number of evaluations/publications per year</b>	Every month
<b>Use in total merit index</b>	No
<b>Key reference on methodology applied</b>	Bittante, G., P. Camier & L. Gallo, 1995. Strategy and methods of selection of dual purpose cattle breeds. 46 <sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the European Association of Animal Production Prague