

Swine Biosecurity Survey post training May 2022

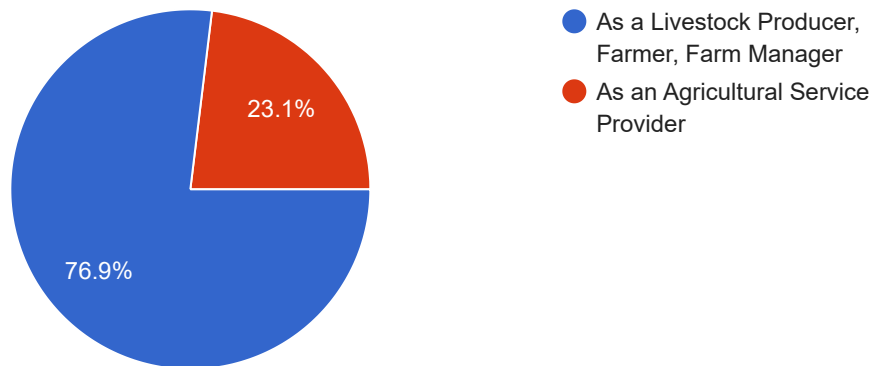
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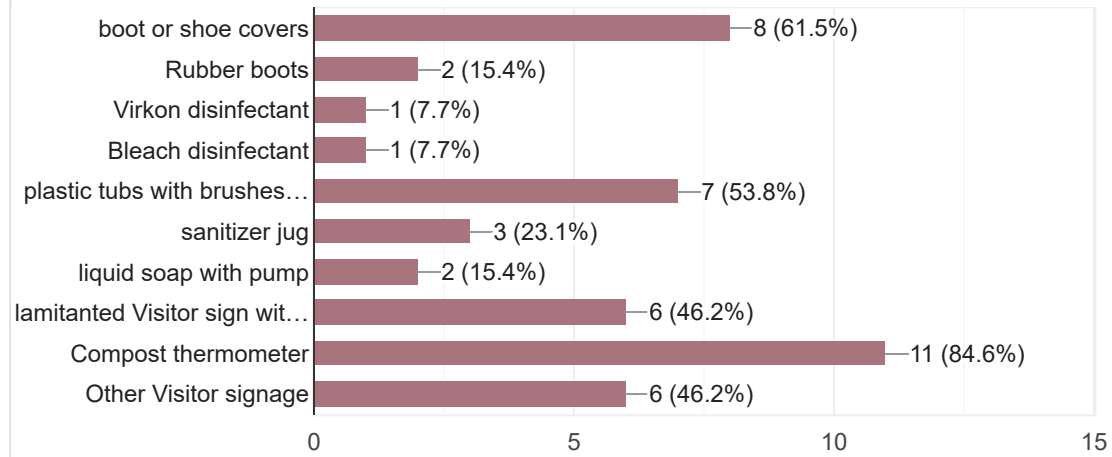
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What supplies did you bring back to your farm operation or work? Check all that apply.



13 responses



Please describe how you have used any of the biosecurity supplies that you took back with you from the training.

13 responses

I have distributed all the signage that I took from the event. This has gone to farmers directly and feed stores for further distribution. The signage was well received, and farmers immediately saw the benefit from hanging signs on the farm.

We've used the bleach to disinfect the trailer after trips to the processor. We've used the hand soap for washing hands when working with the animals.

The boot covers I use when entering the stalls of all my animals. The hand sanitizer is applied to my hands randomly when performing my chores. The visitor signs are posted at the entrance of my property. The rubber boots I have not worn as of this posting.

Sanitization of hands. Plastic boots covers for off sight workers/visitors. Hung signs outside of barn, tested compost thermometer and Virkon have not been used it yet.

We don't allow visitors on the farm so we end up using this material to scrub between barns and have used with the few people allowed on the farm. We plan to trial composting this coming year so the thermometer should come in handy with the learning curve.

Plastic tub for scrubbing in and out, excited to use the thermometer

I have put up sign. s and they have effectively kept unwanted visitors out or at least had visitors i was not expecting call me and ask for permission to access the barns. I have boot covers now for visitors on the farm . I also set up my boot tubs and have started to wash my boots consistently. I have played with the compost thermometer some and am keeping an eye on the temp of our manure pit!

boot washing so far ,plan to use compost thermometer

Better knowledge is helping us keep our animals safe. Compost thermometer is giving us much better info of how our composting is working or not working.

We had a poultry inspector come to the farm and we told her we had it but at the time, she had no contact with birds or access to bird areas

I haven't used them yet, but definitely will in the near future.

When conducting farm field visits I have worn the boot covers.

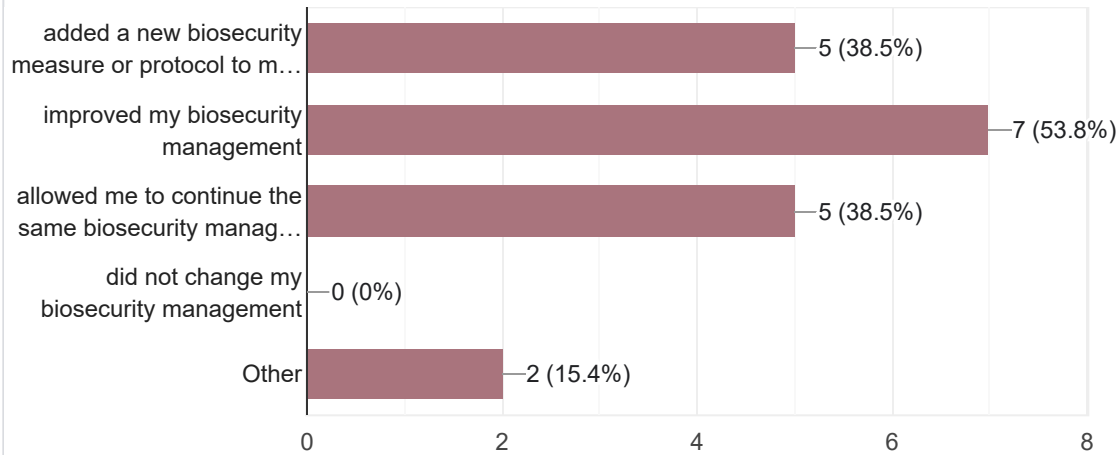
I haven't used the supplies yet pending future visitors.



Please select all the phrases that apply: **"Using these acquired biosecurity supplies":**



13 responses



If you have not used one or some or any of the biosecurity supplies you brought back to your operation, please list those supplies here.

6 responses

I have yet to use the compost thermometer, but other Extension agents in my county are aware of it and plan to use it this spring/summer on farm calls.

Winter does not bring many visitors to the farm. The signage and boot covers will get utilized in the Spring as will the compost thermometer.

I have not used the rubber boots as of this post only because I purchased a pair of heavy duty rubber boots. Similar to MUCK boots.

Virkon. Need tote with cover as I do have 5 dogs

Compost thermometer

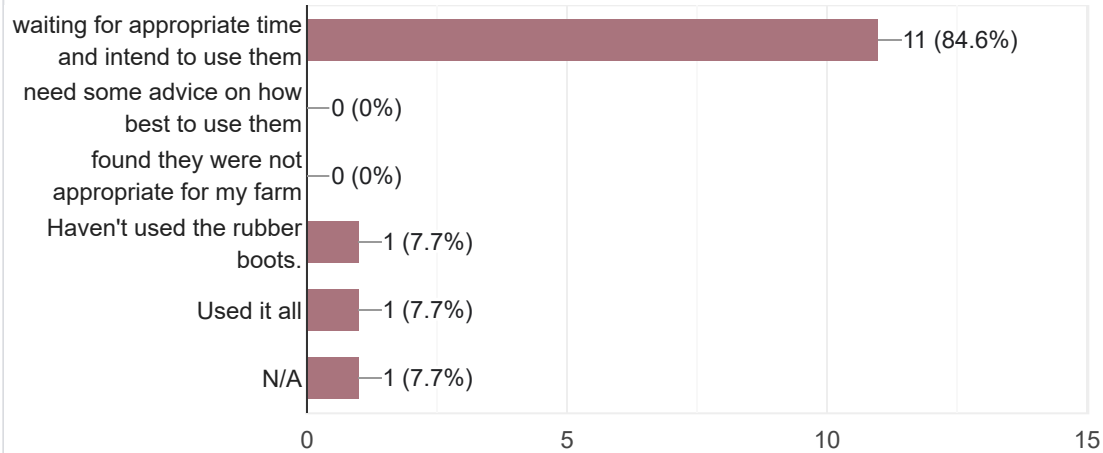
Compost thermometer, signs



For the biosecurity supplies you did not use, please select all the reasons that apply.



13 responses



Are there any questions you want to ask about the training and/or about using the supplies?

7 responses

No

I raise swine on an as need basis. Usually every other year. The biosecurity measures we discussed was and is extremely important in developing my homestead farm. Keeping all of my animals healthy. I would really like the Extension to have a series of classes on raising sheep and goats. That would be extremely helpful to me as I continue to develop my homestead.

All set

No questions, just highly recommend this again. I loved attending!

not at this time

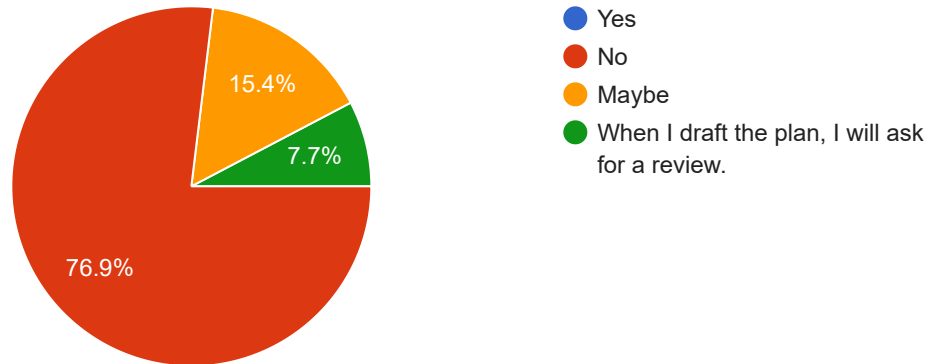
Not yet.



Would you like assistance in crafting, finishing or reviewing a farm biosecurity plan?



13 responses



If you would like assistance with your farm biosecurity plan, please contact Carol Delaney at carol.delaney@maine.gov 207-215-4968. You may also share your name and email address here if you prefer to be contacted.

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No responses yet for this question.



Please share any other feedback you have about the distribution of biosecurity supplies to aid the project leaders in future efforts. For example, was this distribution useful or not and why.

13 responses

This distribution was very helpful. Having correct supplies to disinfect in between farm calls is critical.

We learned a lot from participating in the study and the session at Pineland.

Any and all information I receive on Biosecurity is beneficial to me. Do I implement every Biosecurity measure presented, no I do not. But I do have a biosecurity plan and am always cognizant of biosecurity on my homestead.

Thank you for being there for Maines Homestead Farmers. Joe

Useful. Boot covers are great for on sight visitors. Quick and efficient! Quick sanitization as well. In house bio security could increase with disinfect however we have prioritized sets of boors just for our farm. Our compost could improve next year as well with multiple bays.

Yes it is useful for farms already concerned with environmental diseases we all face now with wild animals and other diseases spreading so much faster these days. I do believe we all need to continue to educate the public as to why biosecurity is so important and why the public can be just as devastating to farmers even if they just stop by cause they think the animal is so cute just have to pet it. Educate the public is always going to be an agenda for every farmer every day.

It was a great idea and very useful

I was very grateful for the supplies and it has helped my operation! Thank you for all your time and effort in this project!!

it helped confirm practices we already have in place

This was a very useful workshop.

I would like to attend a poultry seminar similar to the pork management it was very informative.

NA

The distribution of the items is very helpful. It sort of puts the use of the biosecurity items right front and center. Many know these items should be utilized however don't go the extra step to acquire the items. So this helps them get started and then once in the habit of using them often people will then continue using them and purchase them after they run out.



The format was helpful as questions could be answered for the use and safety information. I really appreciate the assistance offered and follow up. The presentation and materials on composting helped with my planning especially with the thermometer and reference materials.

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