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**To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs how many cases of Bovine TB were recorded in North Down, in the last two years.**

Information relating to bovine Tuberculosis (bTB) is not held on a constituency level, rather, it is held on the basis of the areas covered by DAERA Direct Offices.

However I hope it may be of assistance to inform you that in the area covered by the Newtownards DAERA Direct Office, a total of 214 herds were affected by a new bTB breakdown in the 12 months to the end of September 2021, while 224 herds were affected during the 12 months prior to this (to end of September 2020).

A map outlining the area covered by each DAERA Direct Office in Northern Ireland, including Newtownards DVO, is attached at Annex A.



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**Annex A**

