

Kerry Highlights

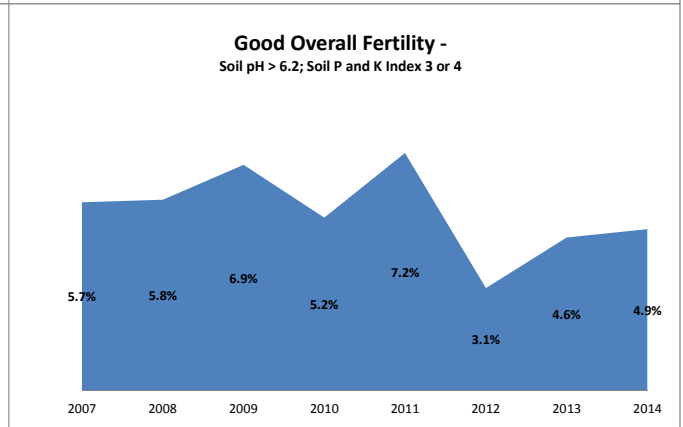
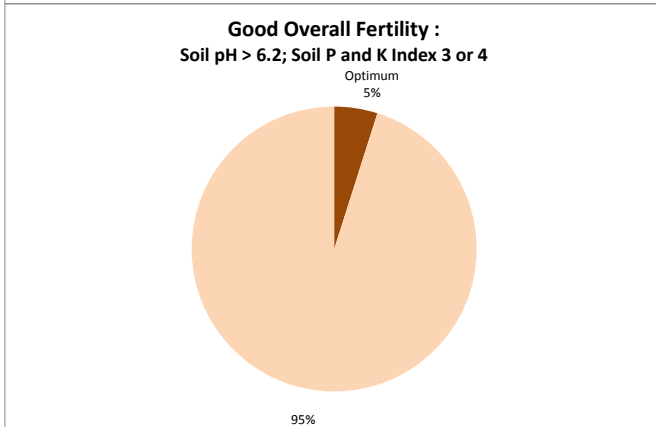
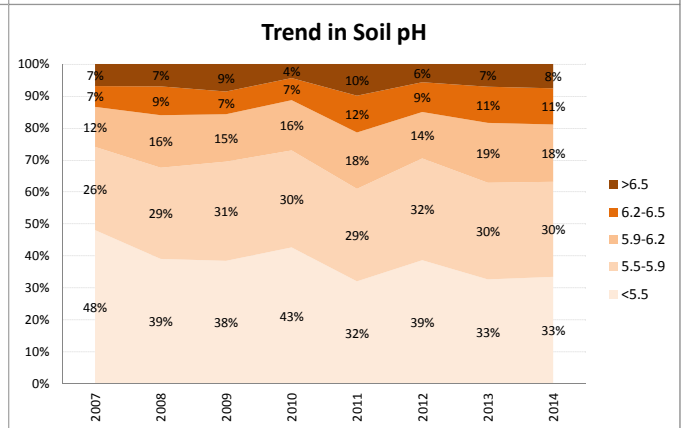
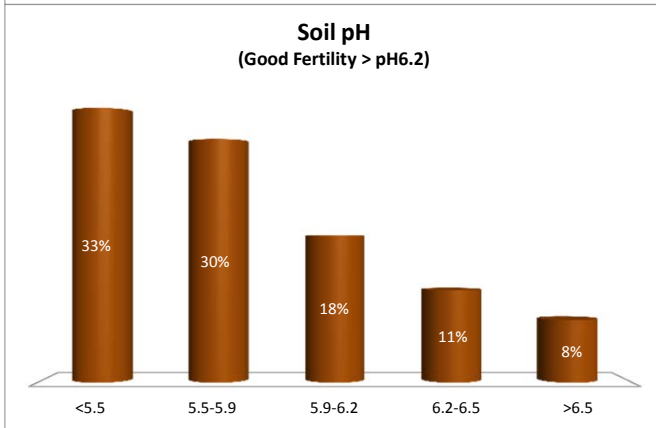
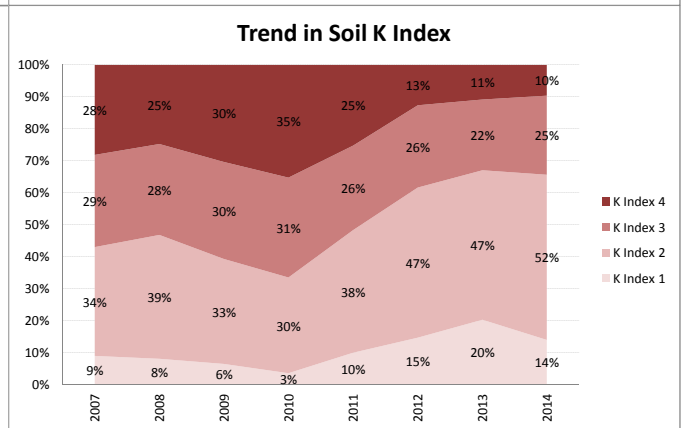
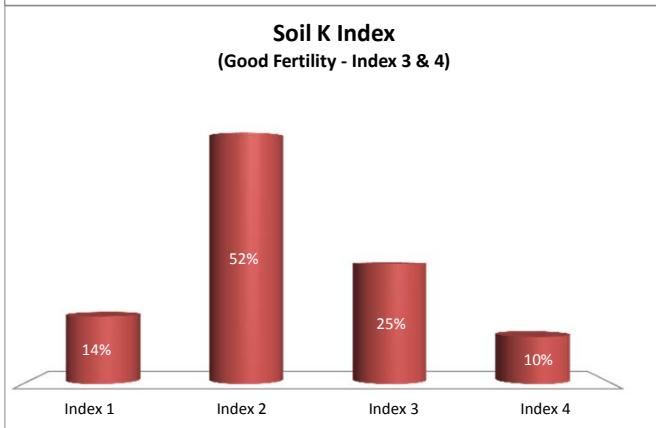
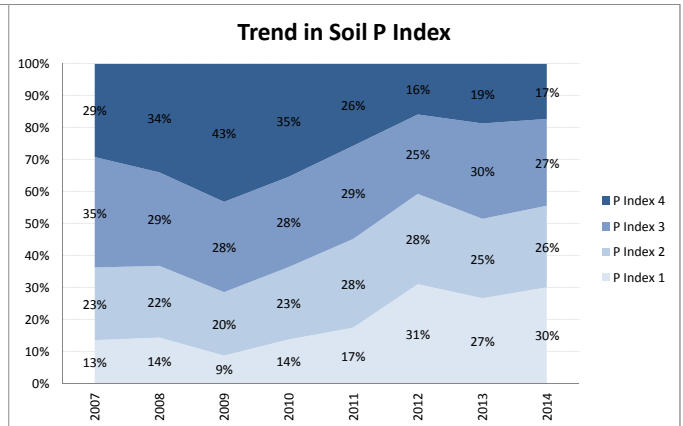
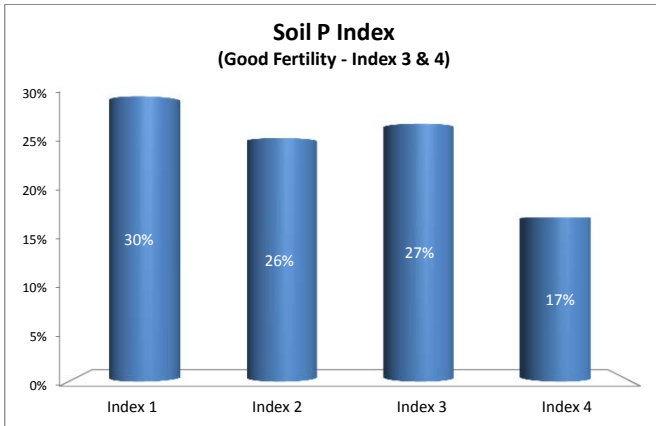
Overall

- **Only 5%% of soils tested achieved good overall fertility in 2014.**
- Only 19% of soils have a pH of greater than 6.2 (National 35%)
- The dramatic falls in soil P and K which took place between 2009 and 2012 has stabilised.
- 56% of samples were below optimum Soil P (Index 1 or 2). This figure was 29% in 2008
- 30% of soils are at Very Low P levels (Index 1) in (9% in 2009).
- 66% of soils are at K index 1 or 2.
- Soil K levels have stabilised having fallen between 2010 and 2013.

Enterprise

- 5% of dairy samples achieved good overall status
- Only 20% samples are above soil pH6.2. Soil pH in dairy samples has improved slightly since 2010 from a very low base.
- 56% of dairy samples are either low or very low for P. The sharp declines between 2009 and 2012 have stabilised.
- 65% of dairy samples are either low or very low for K. In 2010 the figure was 27%.
- Only 4% of drystock Samples reach Good Overall Fertility
- 55% of drystock samples are either low or very low for P. The steady decline in P levels from 2009 to 2012 has stabilised
- 67 % of drystock samples are at index 1 or 2 for K.
- Only 14% of drystock sampled were above pH 6.2.

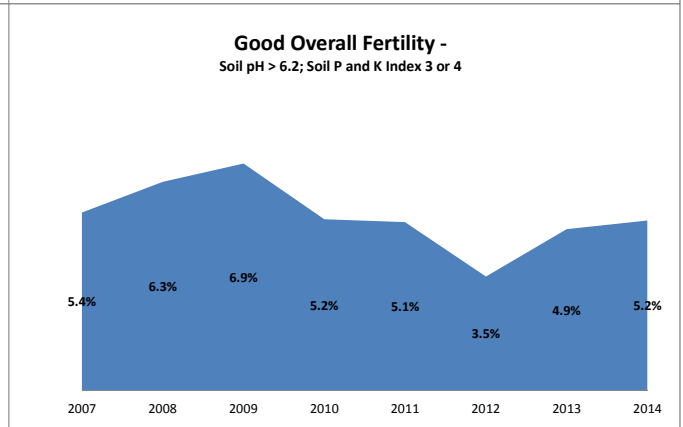
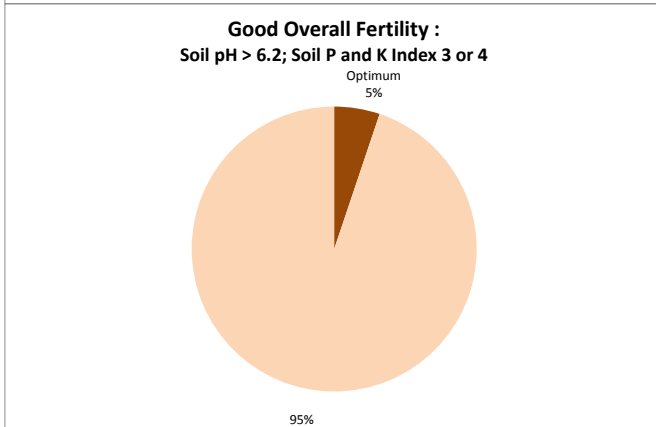
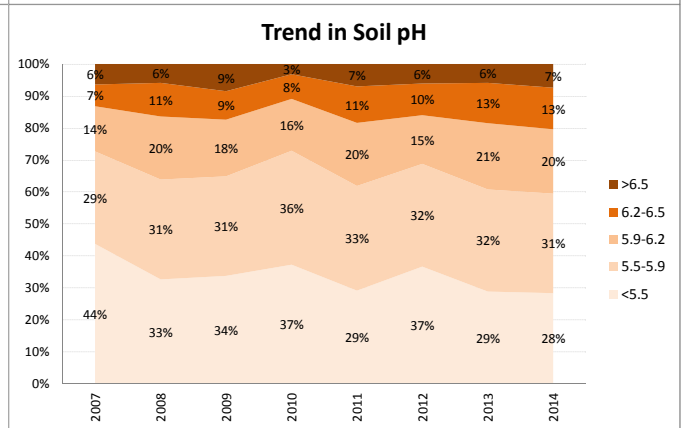
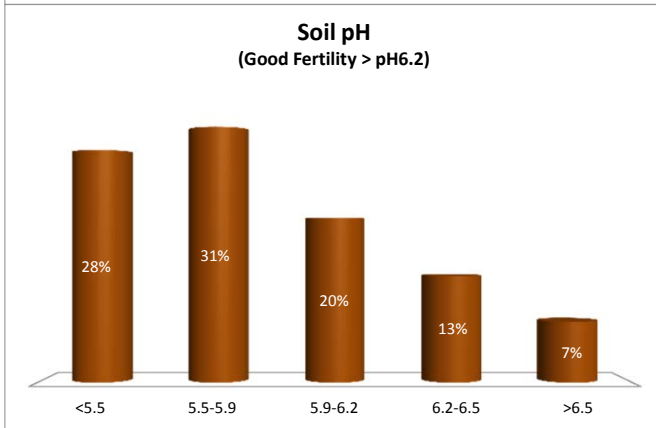
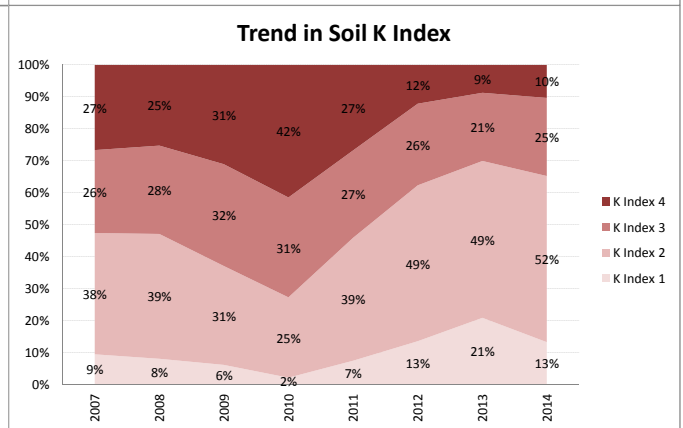
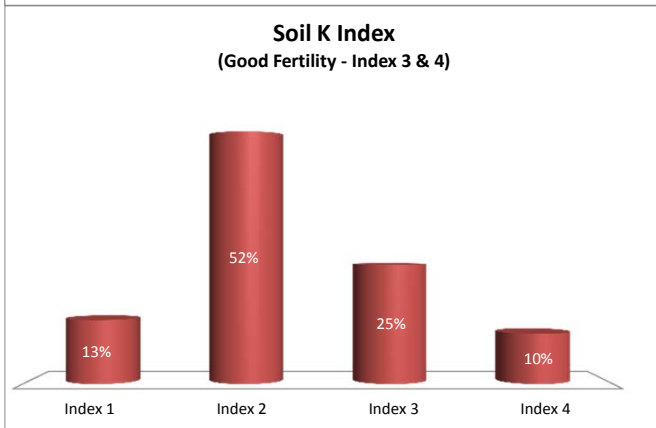
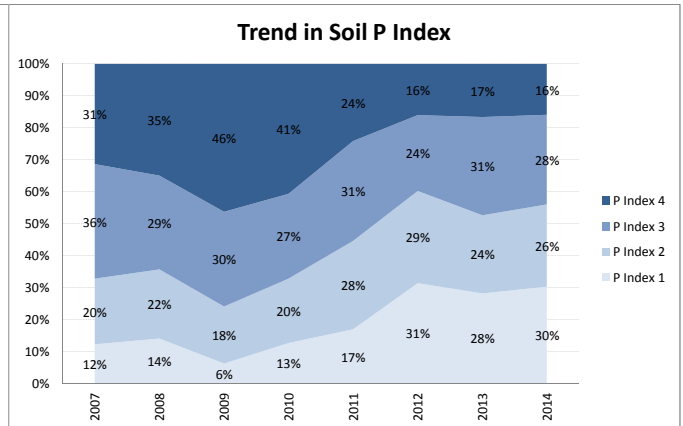
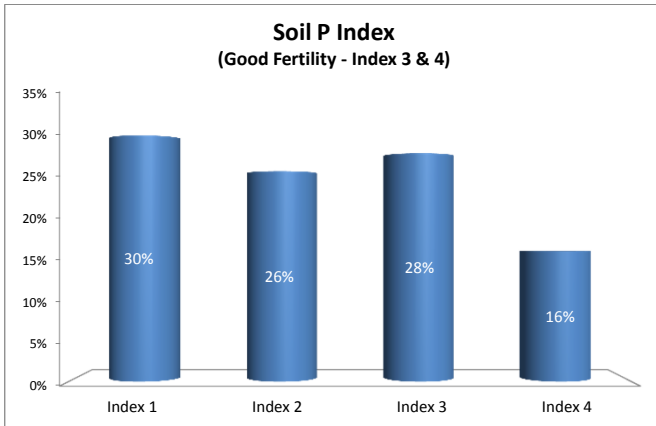
County	Kerry
Year	2014
Enterprise	All Farms
Number of Samples	1,980





Soil Analysis Status and Trends

County	Kerry
Year	2014
Enterprise	Dairy
Number of Samples	1,414



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Year	2014
Enterprise	Drystock
Number of Samples	554

