

Kilkenny Highlights

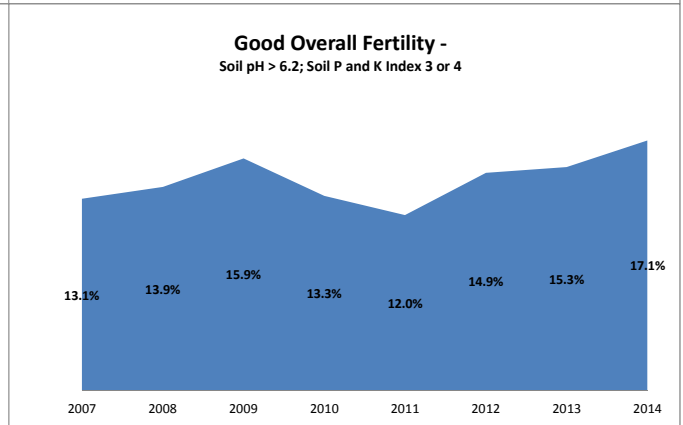
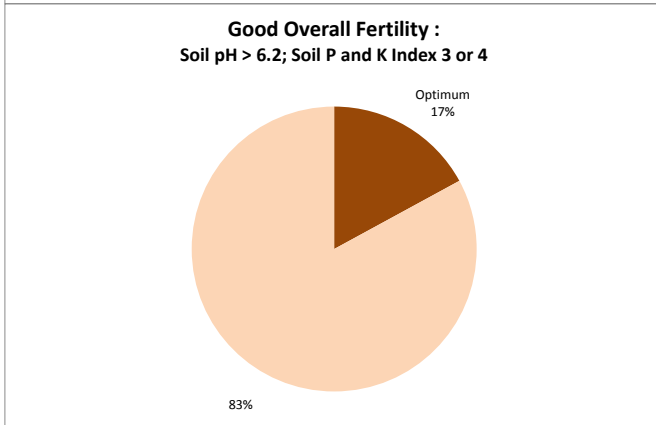
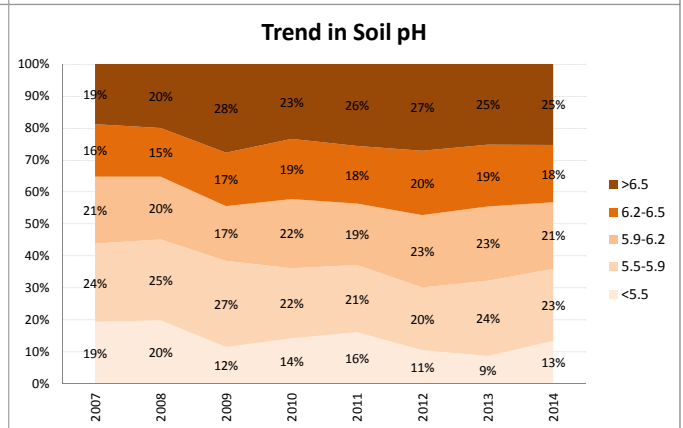
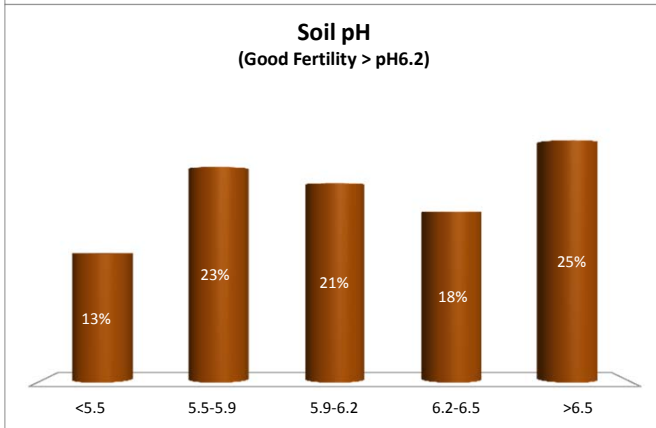
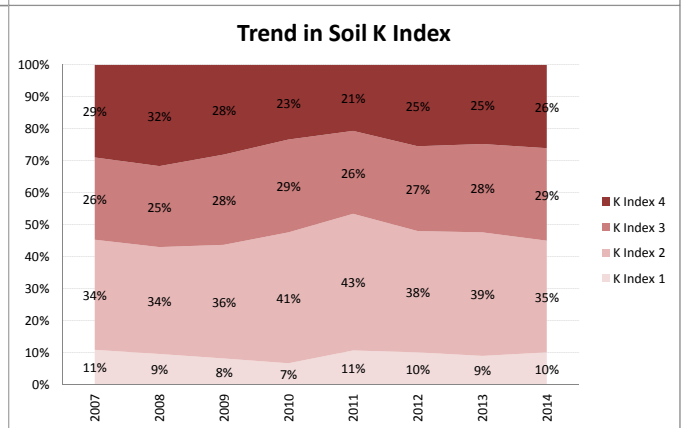
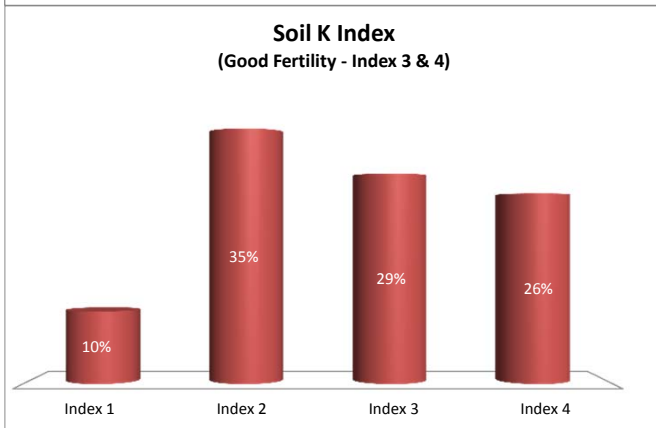
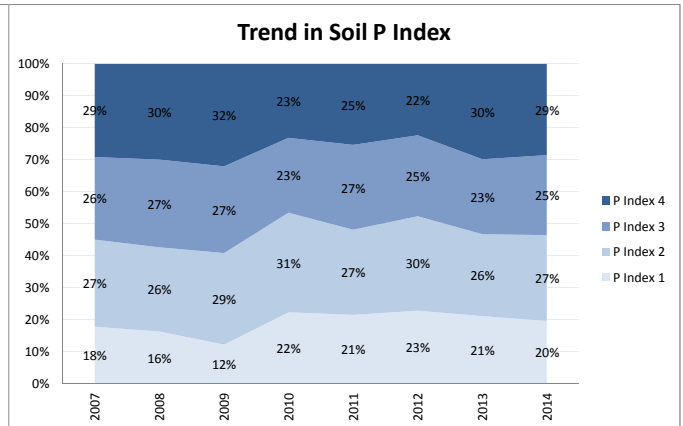
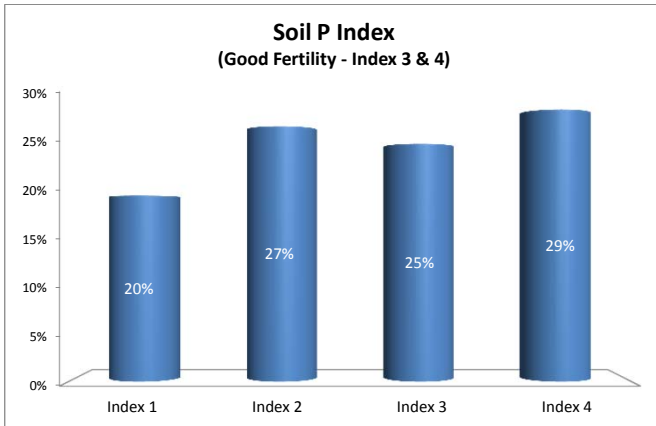
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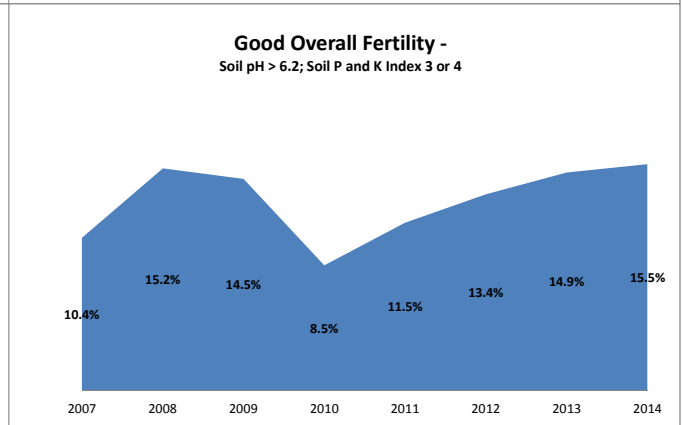
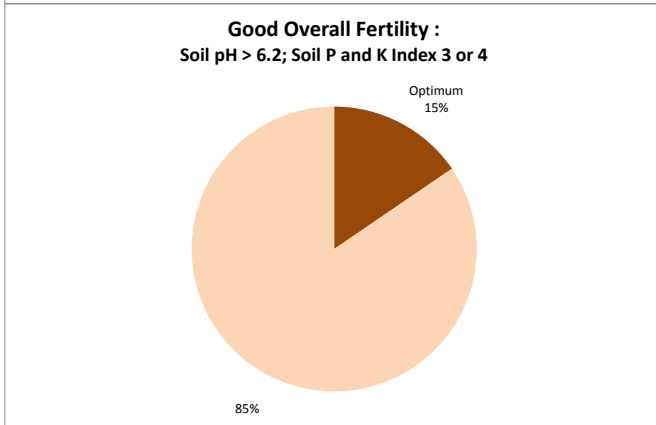
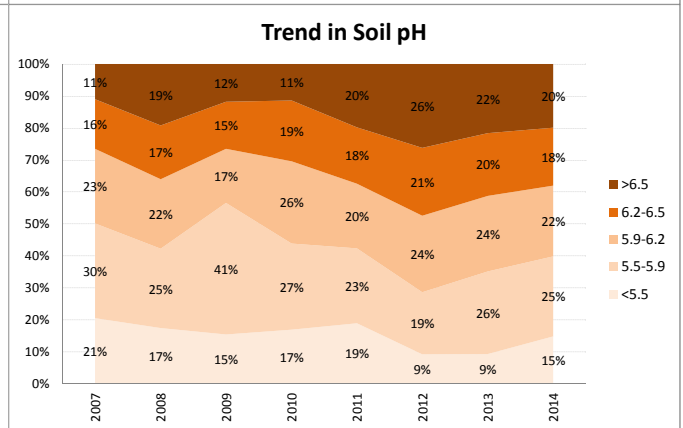
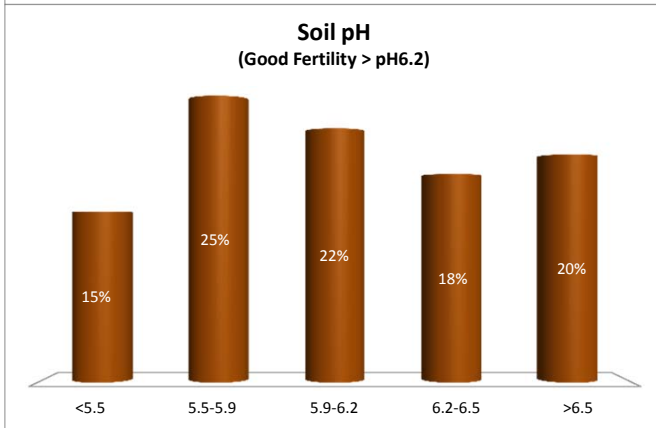
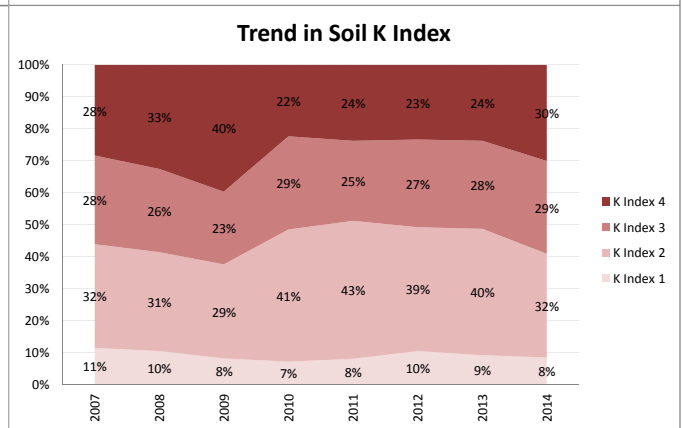
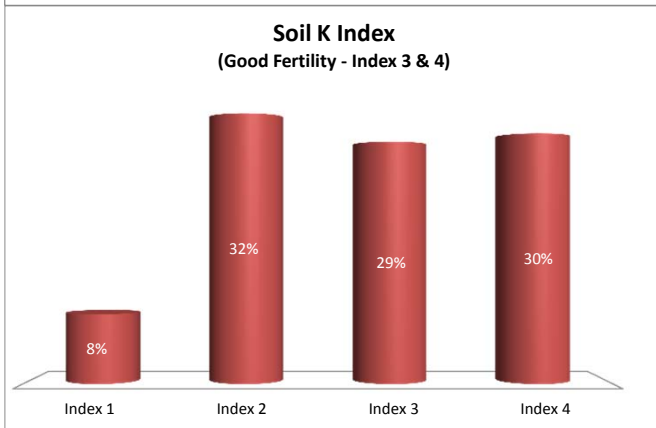
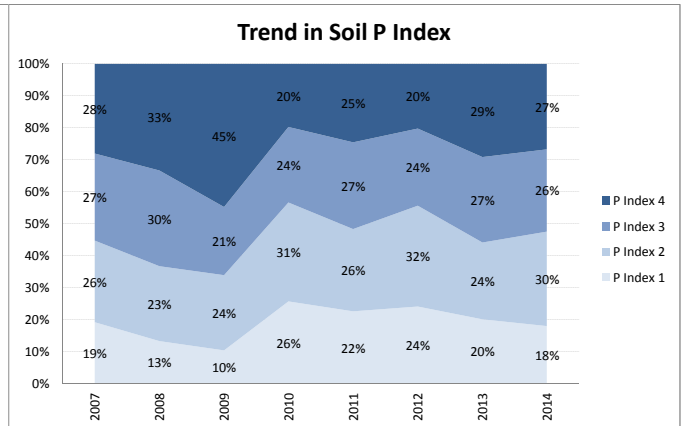
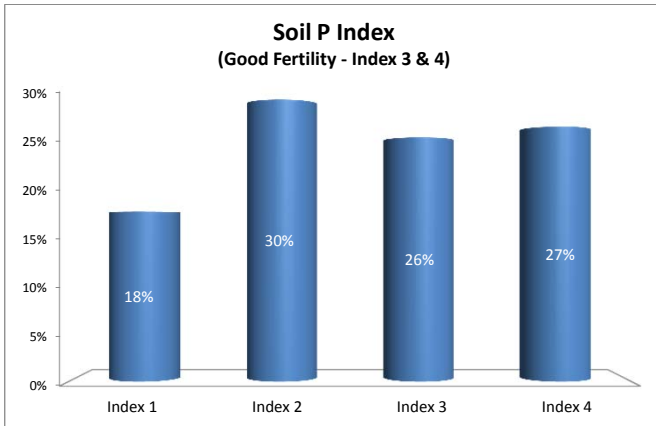
- **17% of soils tested achieved good overall fertility in 2014.** This figure has been rising steadily since 2011
- 43% of soils have a pH of greater than 6.2 (National 35%). There has been a gradual improvement since 2008
- Soil P and K levels have remained fairly stable since 2007.
- 47% of samples were below optimum Soil P (Index 1 or 2).
- 20% of soils are at Very Low P levels (Index 1)
- 45% of soils are at K index 1 or 2.

Enterprise

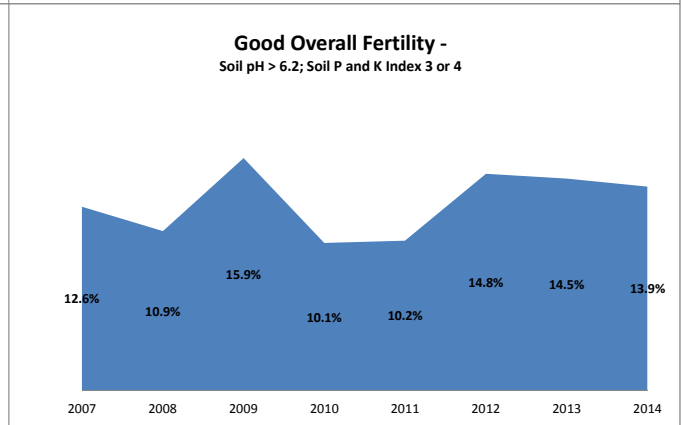
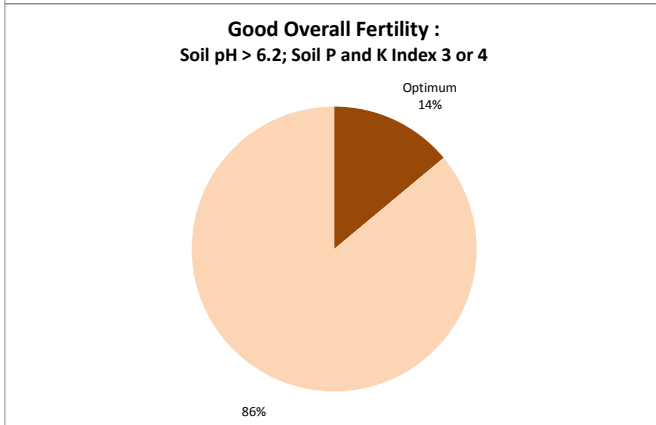
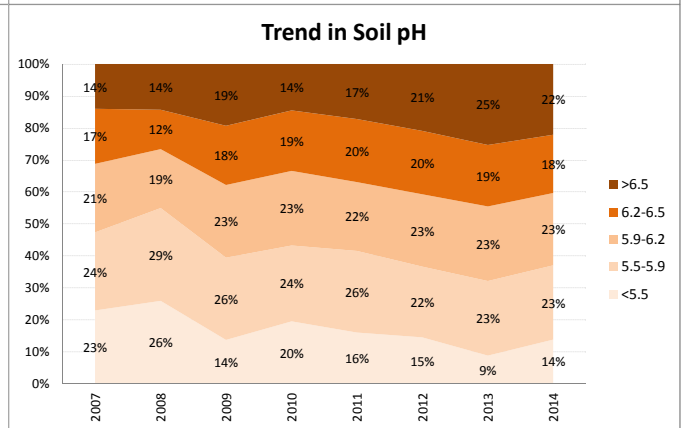
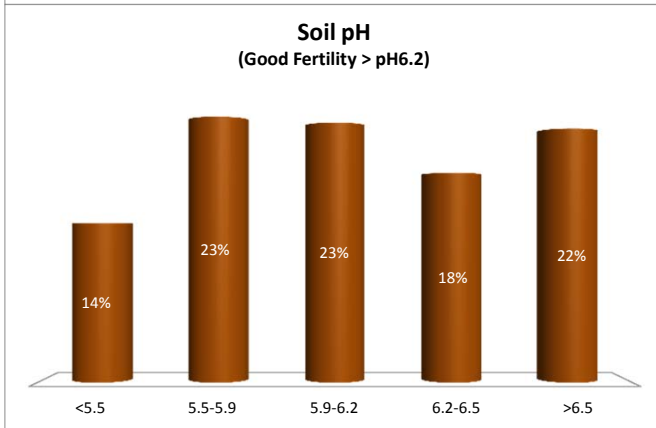
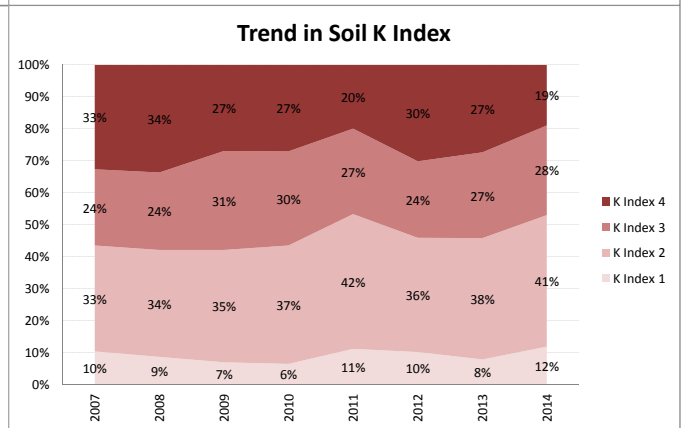
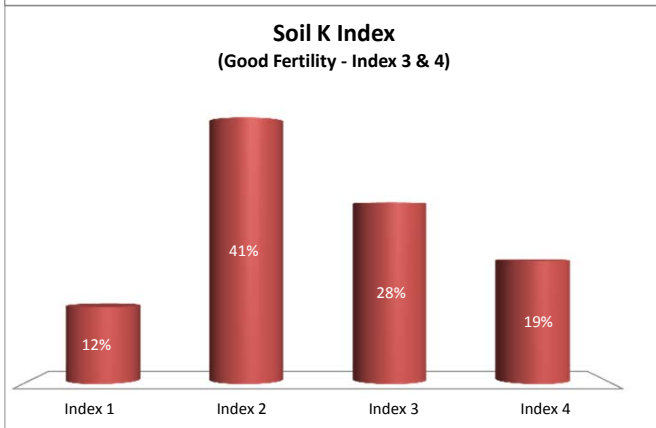
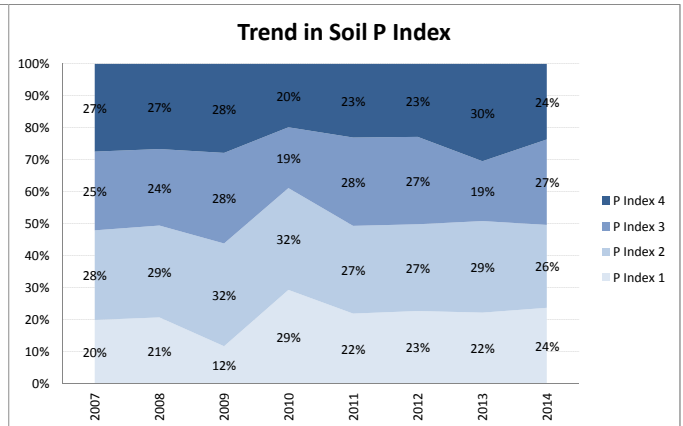
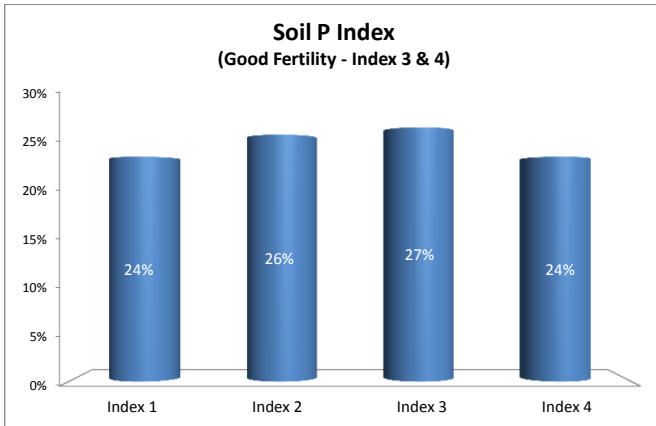
- 15% of dairy samples achieved good overall status
- Soil pH improved steadily between 2009 and 2012 but has declined since then
- 48% of dairy samples are either low or very low for P. There has been a slight decline in Soil P levels from a high base.
- 40% of dairy samples are either low or very low for K
- 14% of drystock Samples reach Good Overall Fertility
- 50% of drystock samples are either low or very low for P. This has been quite stable since 2007.
- 53 % of drystock are at index 1 or 2 for K.
- 40% of drystock sampled were above pH 6.2.
- P levels in Tillage samples have been relatively stable since 2007.
- K level in tillage samples have improved gradually from a low base with 53% currently at index 3 or 4.
- 74% of tillage samples have a pH > 6.2

County	Kilkenny
Year	2014
Enterprise	All Farms
Number of Samples	1,248





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Year	2014
Enterprise	Drystock
Number of Samples	389





Soil Analysis Status and Trends

County	Kilkenny
Year	2014
Enterprise	Tillage
Number of Samples	133

