# Sligo Highlights

#### **Overall**

- Only 4% of soils tested achieved good overall fertility in 2014.
- Only 15% of soils have a pH of greater than 6.2 (National 35%)
- Soil P has fallen steadily since 2008.
- 62% of samples were below optimum Soil P (Index 1 or 2).
- 31% of soils are at Very Low P levels.
- 54% of soils are at K index 1 or 2. K levels in soil samples has been falling gradually since 2007

## **Enterprise** (Small no of dairy samples)

- 8% of dairy samples achieved good overall status
- Soil P and K Indices in dairy samples have been falling rapidly between 2009 and 2011 but have increased since then.
- 64% of dairy samples are either low or very low for P.
- Only 21% of dairy samples have a pH in excess of 6.2
- 4% of drystock samples reach Good Overall Fertility
- 61% of drystock samples are either low or very low for P.
- 55% of drystock are at index 1 or 2 for K
- Soil pH is low for drystock samples with 14% exceeding pH 6.2.



### Soil Analysis Status and Trends

County Year Enterprise Number of Samples

4.4%

2010

2011

2007

96%

2008

2009

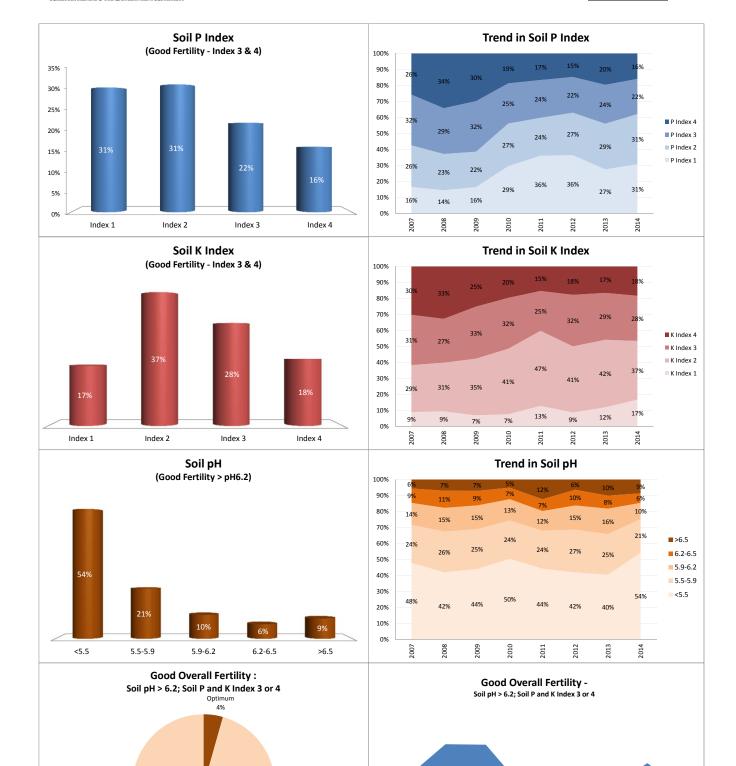
4.4%

2012

2014

2013

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### Soil Analysis Status and Trends

County Year Enterprise Number of Samples

11.2%

2010

8.6%

2009

2007

92%

2008

9.9%

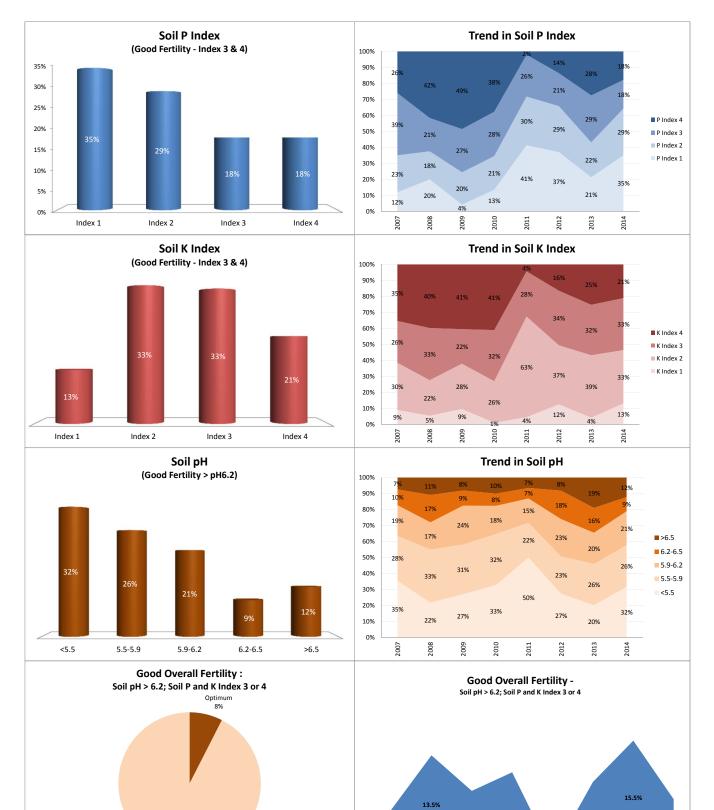
2012

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### Soil Analysis Status and Trends

County Year Enterprise Number of Samples Sligo 2014 Drystock 671

