Potato Virus Symptoms & Control





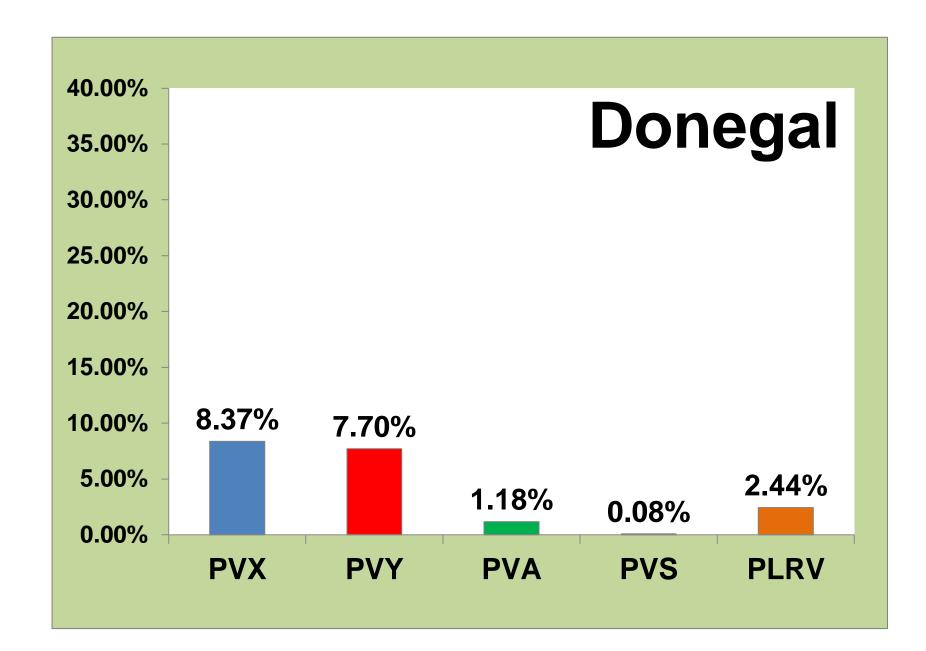
Using clean seed and avoiding sources of infection is critical to reducing virus incidence

Virus	Transmission	Symptoms	Control Measures
PVX	Mechanical	Mosaic, chlorosis, decreased leaf size, rough leaves	Roguing, equipment hygiene
PVS	Aphid & Mechanical	Symptoms can be inconspicuous, can show mild mosaic	Roguing, equipment hygiene, insecticide
PVY	Aphid	Severe mosaic, chlorosis, necrosis on veins/leaves, plant stunting	Roguing, insecticide
PVA	Aphid	Mild mosaic	Roguing, insecticide
PLRV	Aphid	Rolling or curling of the leaves, leathery feel	Insecticide, roguing

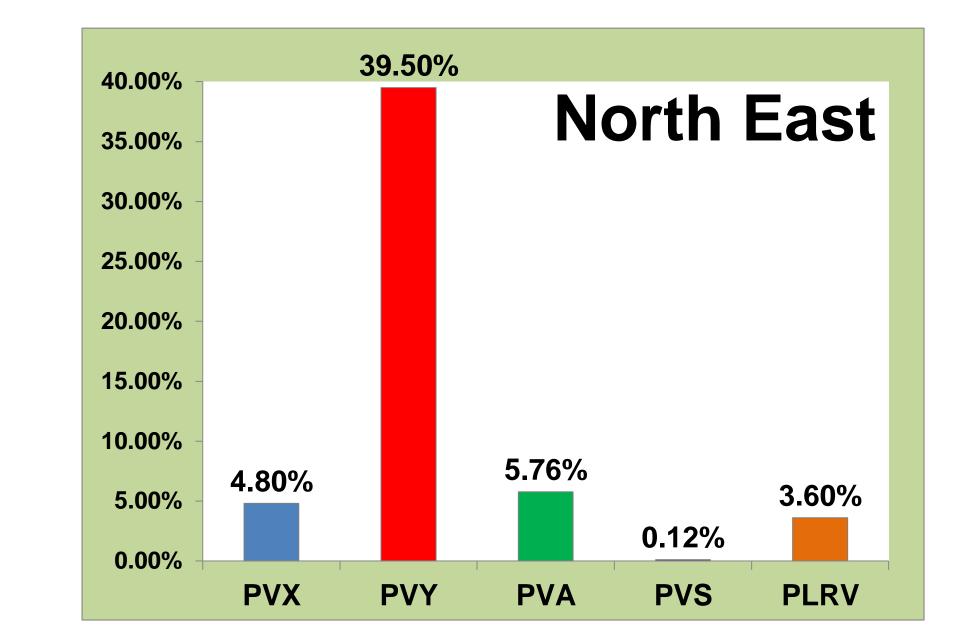




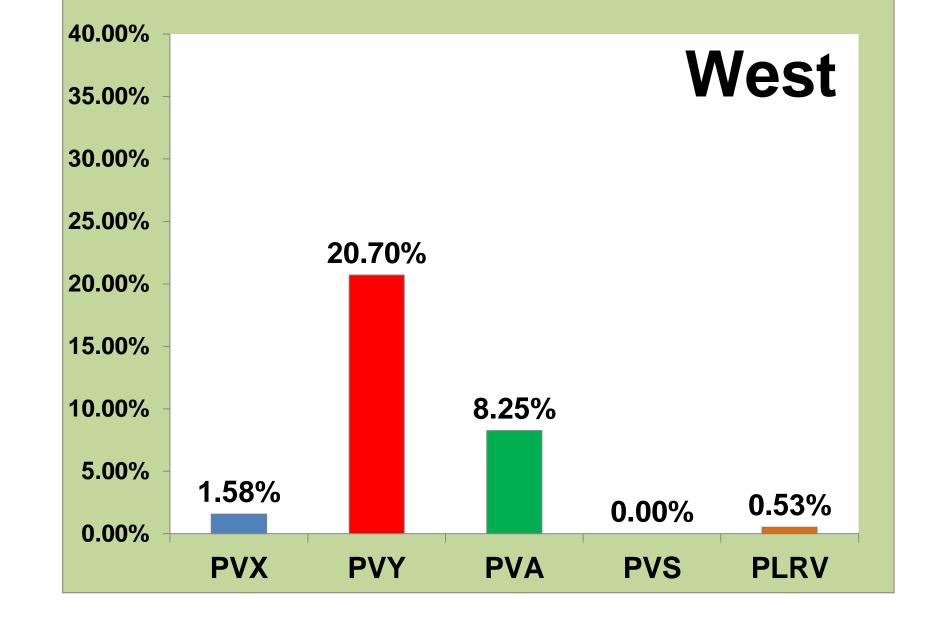
Potato Virus Incidence 2006-2012



- Moderate virus
- PVX & PVY highest

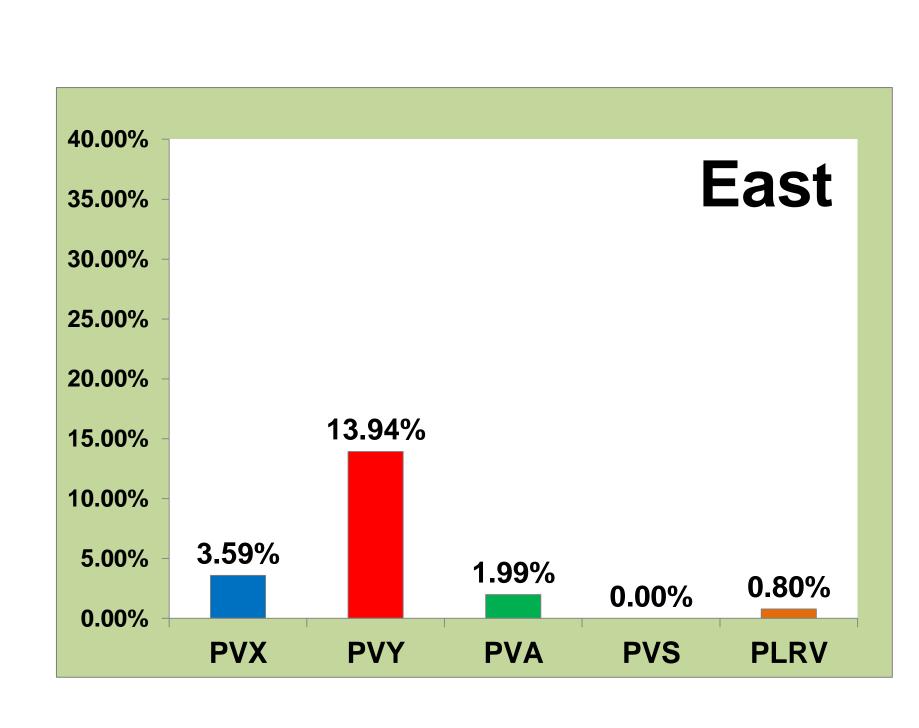


- High virus
- PVY highest
- Moderate PVA

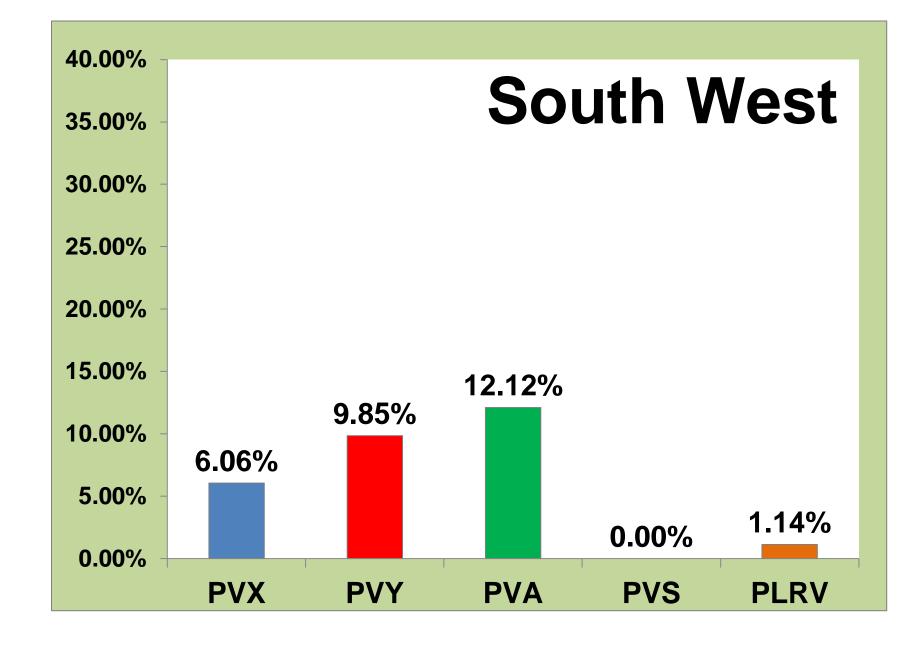


- Moderate to high virus
- PVY & PVA highest

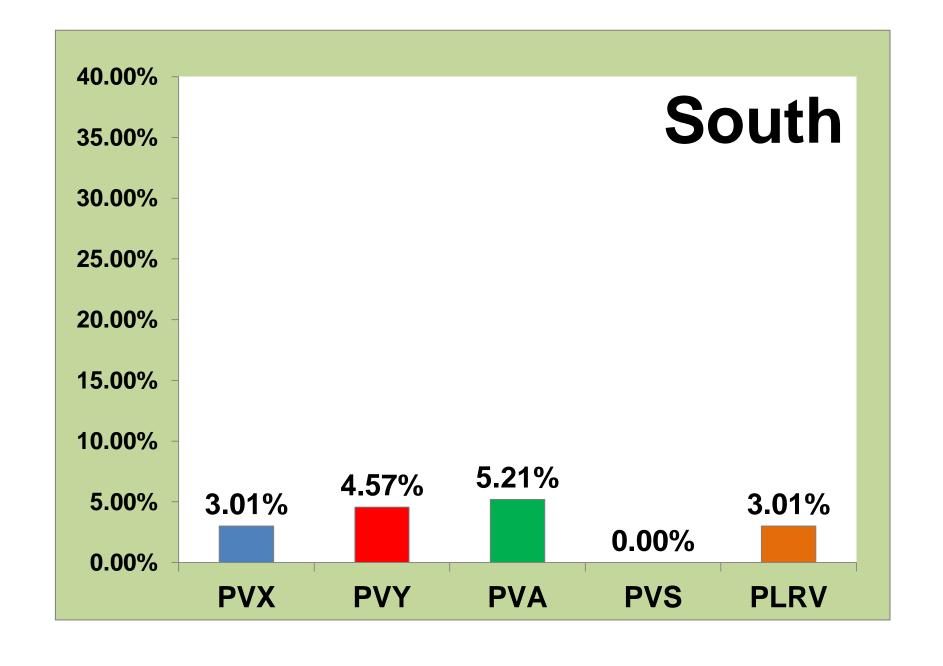




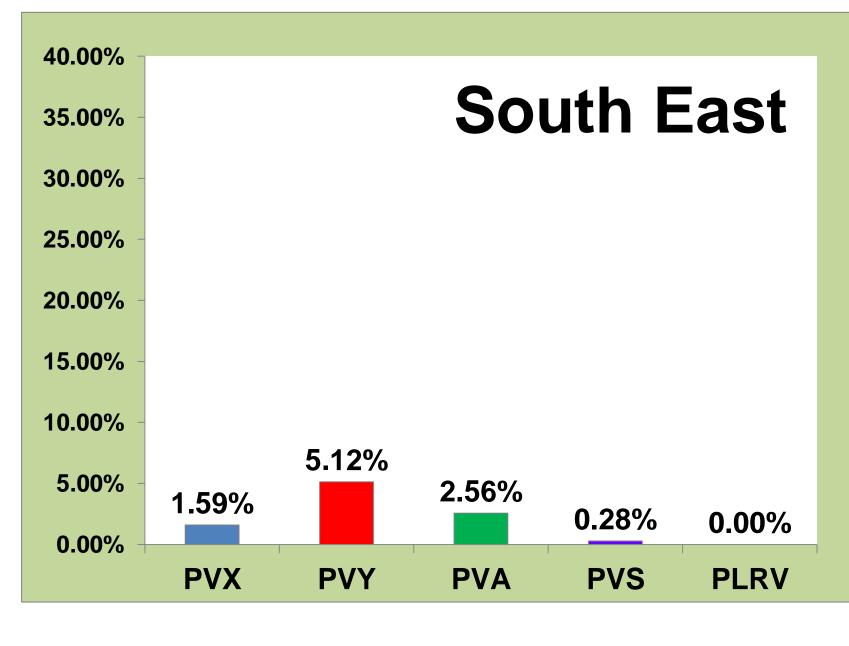
- Moderate virus
- PVY highest



- Moderate to high virus
- PVA & PVY highest
- High PVA in Golden Wonder



- Low to moderate virus
- PVA highest

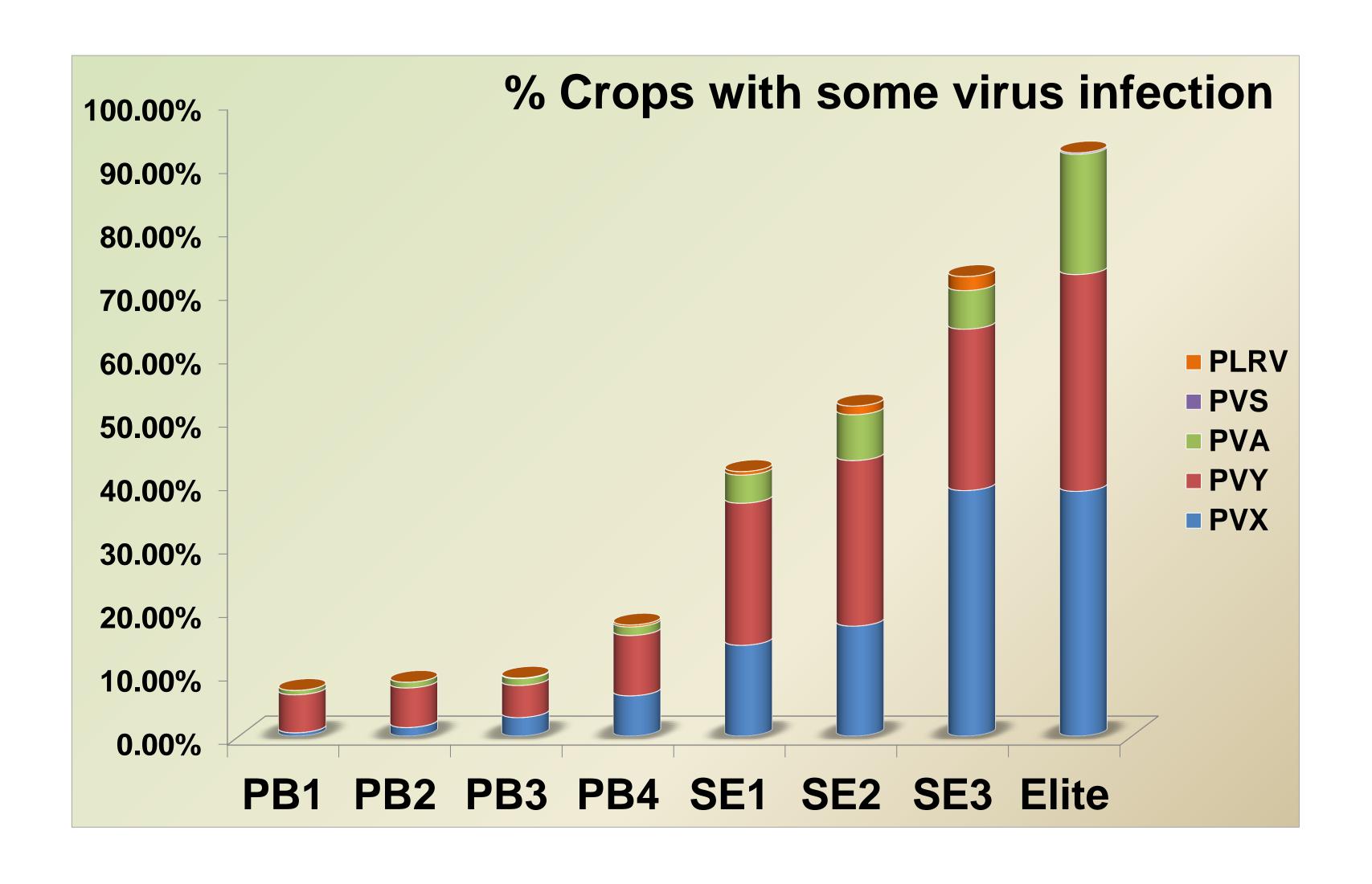


- Low virus
- PVY highest



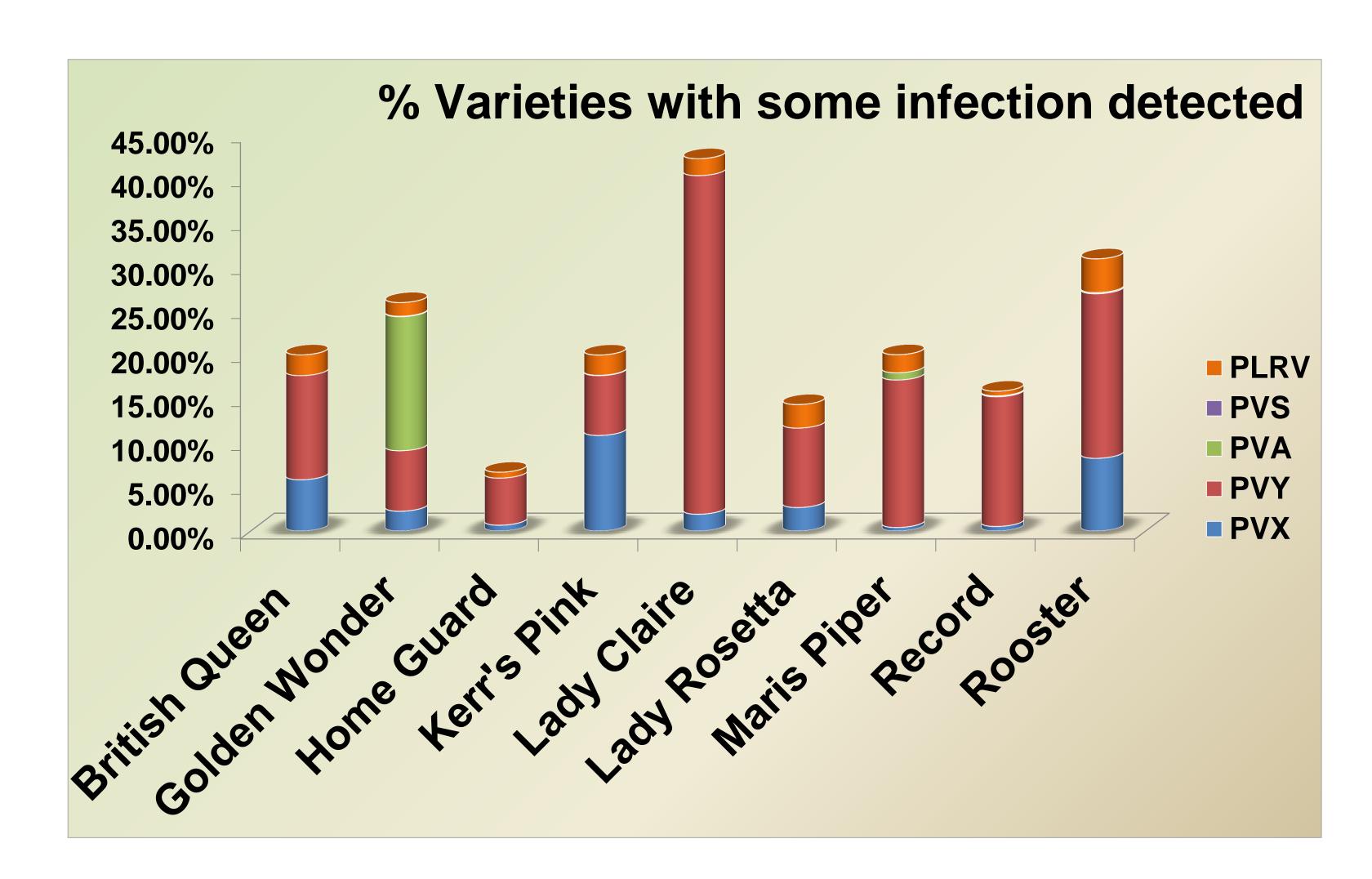


Virus Incidence In Seed Crops Entered For Certification



Virus present in a high % of crops but at very low levels

Virus levels will increase quickly in successive generations



Virus risks of key varieties

British Queen - PVY

Golden Wonder - PVA

Kerr's Pink - PVX

Lady Claire - PVY

Rooster - PVY

Key points

- Certified seed guarantees low virus levels
- Pay attention to susceptible varieties, particularly in highest risk regions e.g.

PVX – Donegal

PVY – North East

PVY is the most common and economically important potato virus



