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***Invited Review: Culling: Nomenclature, Definitions, and Recommendations.*** *By Fetrow et al., page 1896.* Replacing cows on a dairy is a major cost of operation. There is a need for the industry to adopt a more standardized approach to reporting the herd turnover rate and to reporting the reasons why cows are replaced and their destination as they exit the dairy. Recommendations are made that address those issues and some more general observations about culling are presented.