

## Seasonal sexual activity of chinchilla females on the oldest Polish farms

### S u m m a r y

The aim of the study was to examine the seasonal changes in the sexual activity of chinchilla females maintained in the three oldest Polish farms, located in the south, north and central parts of the country. The investigations were conducted on 1877 litters from 346 females mated and kidded over the years 1973-1993. The examination of chinchilla reproductive performance revealed a considerable seasonal differences in reproductive activity of females. The most intensive kidding was observed in the spring and autumn months. The chinchillas bred on the examined farms displayed distinct periods of a decreased sexual activity, resulting in the low numbers of produced litters.