

THE GUINNESS TRACTOR RECORDS

South Africa, 1999:

101 vintage tractors take the first record, as created by Wilfred Mole of Sandstone Estates.

Australia, 2001:

The Aussies come on board, taking the record with 298 tractors of all kinds.

South Africa, 2002:

The South-Africans fight back with the 'Great 400 Working' event, stopping the clock at 730 tractors.

Ireland, 2002:

The Cooley Vintage Festival blows the record open with 1,832 vintage tractors.

Australia, 2004:

Tractors of all kinds are gathered at Cootamundra to further raise the bar to 1,897.

England, 2006:

A massive event at Wiltshire results in an amazing 2,141 tractors of all types and ages ploughing their way into the lead.

Ireland, 2007:

The Cooley Vintage Festival once again bursts the boundaries by an unprecedented amount, punching the record to an unbelievable **4,572** vintage tractors.

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