

## Report on control of animal transports in 2010

Control of animal transports is carried out by the Norwegian Food Safety Authority's district level. There are 54 District Offices throughout the country. The most extensive surveillance of animal transports is the inspection of animal transport vehicles and animals on arrival at slaughterhouses. In addition, checks are performed on vehicles during transport, loading and unloading, e.g. when sheep are taken to and from summer pasture during a few hectic weeks in the spring and autumn, on horses and transport vehicles to be found on trotting arrangements, and sometimes on the road. The inspections carried out are reported from the District Offices to the Regional Offices, who provides regional reports to the Head Office. The tables in this report are mainly based on these regional reports. Below is a table providing an overview of the surveillance and control of animal transport in 2010:

<b>TABLE 1</b>	Under transport <i>During transport</i>	Ved avgangssted <i>At departure</i>	Ved ankomststed <i>At destinations (e.g. slaughter)</i>	På stoppested, omlastingssted, marked <i>Staging points, transfer points, markets</i>	Ved grensekontroll <i>Border control</i>	I alt <i>Total</i>
Type transport		/pålasting	/avlasting (inklusive slakteri)			(antall tilsyn fordelt på type transport)
Veitransport <i>Road transport</i>	13	17	5671	58	0	5759
Jernbane <i>Railway</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fly <i>Air transport</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ferger <i>Roll-on-roll-off vessels</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dyretransportskip <i>Sea transport</i>	0	1	0	0	0	1
I alt <i>Total</i>	13	18	5671	58	0	5760
Antall registrerte anmerkninger og avvik <i>Registered infringements</i>	3	0	2915	4	0	2922
Antall pålegg om utbedring (vedtak) <i>Administrative decisions (written)</i>	1	0	30	1	0	32
Antall andre tiltak <i>Other means*</i>	0	3	399	12	0	414
Antall anmeldelser <i>Reports to the police</i>	0	0	3	0	0	3
Antall melding til annet medlemsland <i>Notice to other member states</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0

\* = e.g. oral communication, guidance, notice that a written, administrative decision will follow etc.

A total of 5760 inspections have been reported. Of these, 5671 inspections took place at destinations, which usually means at slaughterhouses. What is considered an "inspection" seems to vary between staff and units. Some units report a fair share of all incoming transports due to their routine checks of all animals on arrival, whilst others only report controls performed using the standard inspection forms. The central administration has however emphasised that only inspections resulting in a written report may be reported. As mentioned in our report last year, inspections regarding transport of live animals are now supposed to be handled in our new system MATS. Unfortunately, we have not yet managed to include all the inspections in this system, and we have decided to accept manual reports also for 2010. In the future, only inspections

handled within this system will be registered and reported, and we hope that we can report more uniform and accurate for the whole country for 2011.

As regards railway transport, we do not have commercial transport of animals by rail in Norway. The same is true for sea transport. Air transport of animals is also not commonly occurring in Norway. Most of the animals transported by air in Norway are pets. As regards roll-on-roll-off vessels, these are frequently used when transporting animals for slaughter.

As previous years, the focus for inspections of animal transport has been on arrival at slaughterhouses, and except for one inspection regarding transport by sea, only transport by road has been inspected in 2010.

Table 2 deals with infringements according to regulation requirements:

<b>TABLE 2</b> Bestemmelser i transportregelverket <i>Regulation requirement</i>	Samlet anmerkninger og avvik  <i>Total number of infringements</i>	Antall pålegg om utbedring (vedtak, inkl. anmeldelse, melding til annet medlemsland)  <i>Administrative decisions (written)</i>	Antall andre tiltak  <i>Other means (e.g. oral communication, guidance, notice that a written, administrative decision will follow etc.)</i>	Antall politianmeldelser  <i>Reports to the police</i>
Plass og tetthet (§ 4) <i>Space allowance</i>	28	0	30	0
Skille mellom dyr (§ 5) <i>Separation of animals</i>	21	0	23	0
Temperatur (§ 6) <i>Temperature</i>	103	3	98	0
Behandling av dyra <i>Treatment of animals</i>	232	10	224	3
Krav til transportmiddel, container, transportkasse (§ 18, § 19) <i>Design and maintenance of the means of transport</i>	2520	5	40	0
Rengjøring og desinfeksjon (§ 20) <i>Cleaning and disinfection</i>	8	0	11	0
Journal/loggbok føring (§17) <i>Transport documentation</i>	7	1	58	0
Dagbok ( vedlegg II) <i>Journey log</i>	1	0	2	0
Transporttid (§ 23) <i>Journey times</i>	7	0	20	0
Vanning, føring, melking (§ 8, § 23 b.) <i>Watering, feeding, milking</i>	3	1	2	0
Godkjenning transportør (§ 12), medbrakt opplæringsbevis dyretransportsjåfør (§ 13), <i>Authorization transporter, education driver</i>	21	2	25	0
Godkjenning av transportmiddel (§ 21) <i>Authorization of means of transport</i>	10	1	6	0
Annet <i>Other</i>	11	0	11	0
I alt <i>Total</i>	<b>2972</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>3</b>

Comparing table 1 and table 2 show that the numbers of infringements and subsequent reactions vary between the two, despite the fact that these numbers should add up to equal amounts. This is a well known problem during the past years, prevailing despite the central administration's efforts to harmonize reporting routines. NFSA has been working for several years with developing our new electronic system for registration of inspections etc (MATS). As mentioned above, transport of live animals and operations related to transport of live animals are now included in the new system and we assume this will give us more reliable reports in the future.

As previous years, treatment of animals and design and maintenance of the means of transport is among the most frequently occurring infringements. We also register an increase in infringements regarding temperature. At the moment we do not have any information to tell if the problem is high temperatures in the summer, or low temperatures in the winter. Especially for poultry, we are aware of some problems associated with transport on very cold days in winter. This year, we carry out a campaign, including both keeping and transporting the poultry (broiler), and temperatures during transport in winter is one of the key priorities in this campaign.

A considerable part of infringements regarding design and maintenance of the means of transport is due to the transport cages which are used for transporting poultry. In this matter, we refer to our report for 2007.

## **Report on surveillance and control according to Commission Decision 2006/778/EC in 2010**

Inspections on holdings with production animals are carried out by the NFSA district level. There has not been any specific guidance from the central level of the NFSA regarding the number of inspections during the year. The regional/district level have had the responsibility to decide the numbers and the share of the different species and production systems to be inspected, but are instructed from the head office to ensure that all species and production systems are inspected annually.

The level of inspections on farm animals in 2010 has been approximately 10-12 % of the total number of production sites. For poultry the share of production sites inspected was higher (57 % of holdings with laying hens). Also in 2010, the NFSA has had extra focus at fur farms, and almost 70 % of the fur farms have been visited during 2010.

Animal welfare inspections in holding are often combined with inspections of other tasks, such as animal health surveillance programmes etc. The inspections carried out are reported from the District Offices to the Regional Offices, who provides regional reports to the Head Office.

The tables in this report (below) are mainly based on these regional reports.

Table 1 - 2010

## Commission Decision 2006/778/EC

	Laying hens, Free range	Laying hens, Barn	Laying hens, Enriched cage	Laying hens, Unenriched cage	Calves	Pigs
<b>Number of:</b>						
<i>Production sites subject to inspection</i>	36	293	108	395	17488	3170
<i>Production sites inspected</i>	29	134	95	220	1999	391
<i>Production sites without non compliance</i>	24	108	81	207	1357	333
<b>Number of non-compliance concerning:</b>						
<i>Staffing</i>	1	0	0	3	13	0
<i>Inspection</i>	0	2	0	1	40	8
<i>Record keeping</i>	0	0	0	2	24	2
<i>Freedom of movement</i>	1	1	0	1	63	5
<i>Space allowances</i>	1	2	2	4	223	18
<i>Minimum lighting</i>	1	1	0	1	14	1
<i>Flooring surfaces (for pigs)</i>					4	20
<i>Manipulable materials</i>	0	1	7	0	0	34
<i>Automatic and mechanical equipment</i>	3	1	0	3	6	10
<i>Feed, water and other substances</i>	2	2	0	0	20	11
<i>Haemoglobin (calves)</i>					0	
<i>Fibrous food (calves and sows)</i>					3	5
<i>Mutilations</i>	0	0	0	0	1	0
<i>Breeding procedures</i>					0	0
<i>Non-compliance A</i>	0	3	0	3	195	47
<i>Non-compliance B</i>	0	1	0	0	25	2
<i>Non-compliance C</i>	1	1	0	3	38	9

Table 2 - 2010  
 Commision Decision 2006/778/EC

	Cattle (except calves)	Sheep	Goats	Domestic fowls*	Ostrich	Ducks	Geese	Fur animals	Turkeys
<b>Number of:</b>									
<i>Production sites subject to inspection</i>	19364	17618	1475	1450	3	17	27	307	45
<i>Production sites inspected</i>	2369	1686	170	419	0	6	3	206	32
<i>Production sites without non- compliance</i>	1278	1111	146	363	5	1	1	127	21
<b>Number of non-compliance concerning:</b>									
<i>Staffing</i>	35	11	0	5	0	0	0	3	0
<i>Inspection</i>	70	95	4	7	0	0	0	13	1
<i>Record keeping</i>	120	133	19	6	0	0	0	11	0
<i>Freedom of movement</i>	52	28	0	2	0	0	0	5	0
<i>Buildings and accomodation</i>	710	260	24	7	0	0	1	77	3
<i>Automatic and mechanical equipment</i>	116	51	1	18	0	0	0	2	0
<i>Feed, water and other substances</i>	98	148	12	5	0	0	0	4	0
<i>Mutilations</i>	10	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Breeding procedures</i>	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	9	0
<i>Non-compliance A</i>	593	363	19	17	0	0	0	57	1
<i>Non-compliance B</i>	298	124	1	0	0	0	0	19	0
<i>Non-compliance C</i>	75	53	4	9	0	0	0	14	1

\* Poultry of the species Gallus gallus except laying hens