

Eradication: Final report for Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies 2018

For each approved annual or multi-annual programme Member States shall submit to the Commission by the 30 April each year an annual detailed technical and financial report covering the previous year. That report shall include the results achieved and a detailed account of eligible costs incurred (Art 14 of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014).

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Reporting period

From: 2015

To: 2020

Year of implementation: 2018

1. Technical implementation of the programme

1.1 Description and evaluation of the evolution of the epidemiological situation, the technical implementation of the activities foreseen under the programme and the cost-effectiveness of the programme.

The epidemiological situation regarding TSE in Belgium remained unchanged in 2018. The last BSE case in bovines dates from 2006. The last TSE case in ovines dates from 2007. All activities are implemented as foreseen in the officially approved 'TSE 2018 programme'.

In bovines rapid tests are performed on:

- Fallen stock (> 48/24 months. 48 months for bovines born in EU-26 / 24 months for bovines born in RO, BG and 3rd countries)
- Emergency slaughtered animals (> 48/24 months. 48 months for bovines born in EU-26 / 24 months for bovines born in RO, BG and 3rd countries)
- Healthy slaughtered animals (> 30 months for bovines born in RO, BG and 3rd countries)
- Clinical suspects

In ovines and caprins rapid tests are performed on:

- Fallen stock (> 18 months): random selection of 1500 ovines and 500 caprines
- Clinical suspects

Confirmatory tests are performed on all clinical suspected animals.

1.2 Details on the level of achievement of the targets set in the approved programme and technical difficulties.

All targets, laid down in the officially approved 'TSE 2018 programme', have been achieved.

1.3 Epidemiological maps for infection and other relevant data on the disease/activities (information on serotypes involved,...) (Please attach files of data using the PDF attachment feature) Use the textbox below to provide clarifications for the maps you attach, if needed.

No confirmed TSE cases in Belgium in 2018.

2. Tables for TSE monitoring outcome of the year

VERY IMPORTANT: Please fill out the following tables with figures corresponding to measures performed during the implementing period (1/1 to 31/12).

NB: the Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 is thereafter quoted as the TSE Regulation.

Table A

	Total positive cases detected during the implementing period		
	Classical cases	Atypical cases	Unknown
TSE	0	0	0
Scrapie (ovine animals)	0	0	0
Scrapie (caprine animals)	0	0	0

Table B

RAPID TESTS ON BOVINE ANIMALS		
	Age limit applied (in months)	Number of tests cases
Risk bovine animals from MSs listed in Annex to Decision 2009/719/EC	48	25,941
Risk bovine animals from MSs NOT listed in Annex to Decision 2009/719/EC	24	1
Healthy slaughtered bovine animals from MSs listed in Annex to Decision 2009/719/EC	0	0
Healthy slaughtered bovine animals from MSs NOT listed in Annex to Decision 2009/719/EC	30	1
Suspect animals and confirmatory tests		222
Total		26,165

Table C

Population of ewes and ewe lambs put to the ram in the Member State

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RAPID TESTS ON OVINE ANIMALS	
	Number of tests
Healthy slaughtered ovine animals	0
Dead ovine animals	1,568
In the context of measures of control/eradication on holdings affected by TSE as described in Annexes III and VII of the TSE regulation	
Ovine animals from holdings affected by classical scrapie	0
Ovine animals from holdings affected by atypical scrapie	0
Ovine animals from holdings affected by BSE	0
Suspect animals	2
Total number of tests	1,570

Table D

Population of goats which have already kidded and goats mated in the Member State

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RAPID TESTS ON CAPRINE ANIMALS

	Number of tests
Healthy slaughtered caprine animals	0
Dead caprine animals	546
In the context of measures of control/eradication on holdings affected by TSE as described in Annexes III and VII of the TSE regulation	
Caprine animals from holdings affected by classical scrapie	0
Caprine animals from holdings affected by atypical scrapie	0
Caprine animals from holdings affected by BSE	0
Suspect animals	0
Total number of tests	546

Table E

Confirmatory and discriminatory tests	
	Number of tests
Confirmatory tests other than rapid tests on bovine animals	31
Confirmatory tests on ovine and caprine animals	3
Discriminatory tests on bovine animals	0
Discriminatory tests on ovine and caprine animals	0
Total number of confirmatory tests	34
Total number of discriminatory tests	0

Table F

Genotyping tests	
	Number of tests
Positive TSE case	0
Randomly selected ovine animals	211
Animals in scrapie infected flocks	0
Breeding programme - ewes	0
Breeding programme - rams	0
Total of number of tests	211

Table G

COMPENSATION FOR ANIMALS In the context of suspicion, control and eradication of TSEs	
Animals culled and destroyed	Number of animals compensated
Bovine animals	2
Ovine animals	0
Caprine animals	0
Animals slaughtered	Number of animals compensated
Ovine animals	0
Caprine animals	0
Total Bovine	2
Total Ovine + Caprine	0

COMMENT / ADDITIONAL CLARIFICATION

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