Ministry of Agriculture

Update on African swine fever in Hungary epidemiological situation and recent measures



Meeting of the Standing Committee of Plants, Animals Food and Feed 23.01.2023.

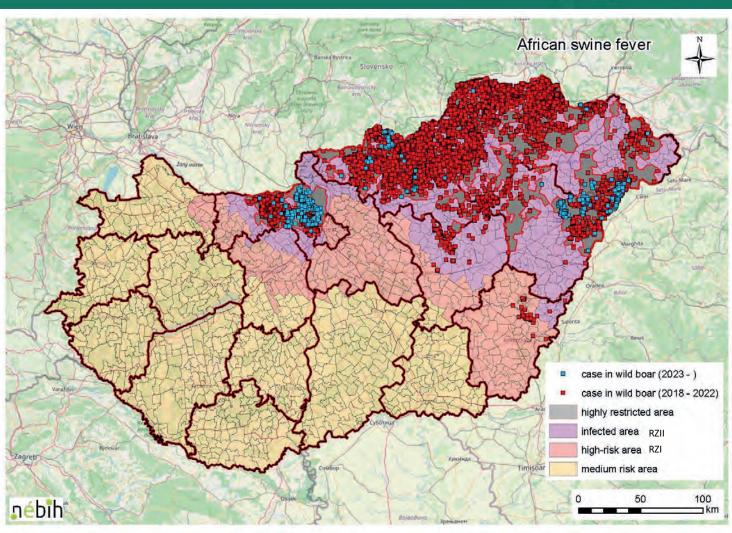




Wild boar

Cases within 1 year vs. since 2018

 Cases still in wild boars only, and only in already affected areas, South-West still unaffected



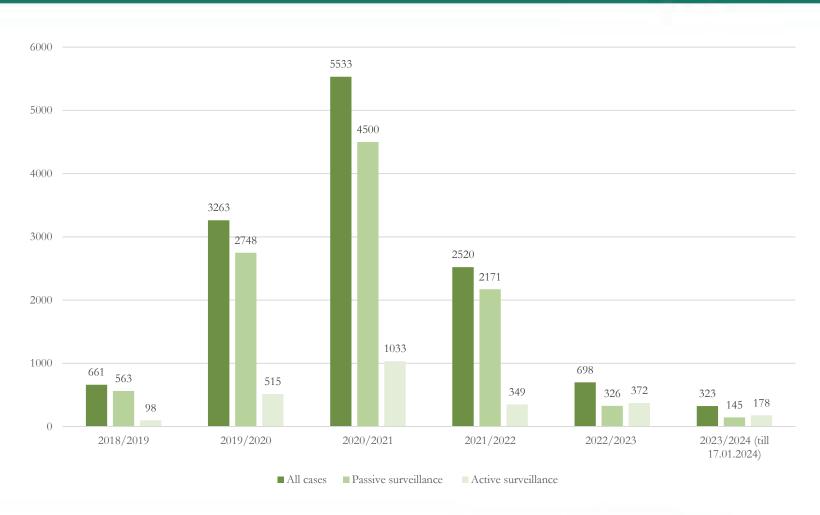




Wild boar

Cases since 2018

- 12 998 cases in total since 2018
- Peak in 2021
- Since 2021 gradual improvement







Wild boar

Cases since 2018

Total PCR testing

2018: 32.000

2019: 52.000

2020: 89.000

2021: 68.000

2022: 60.000

2023: 50.000

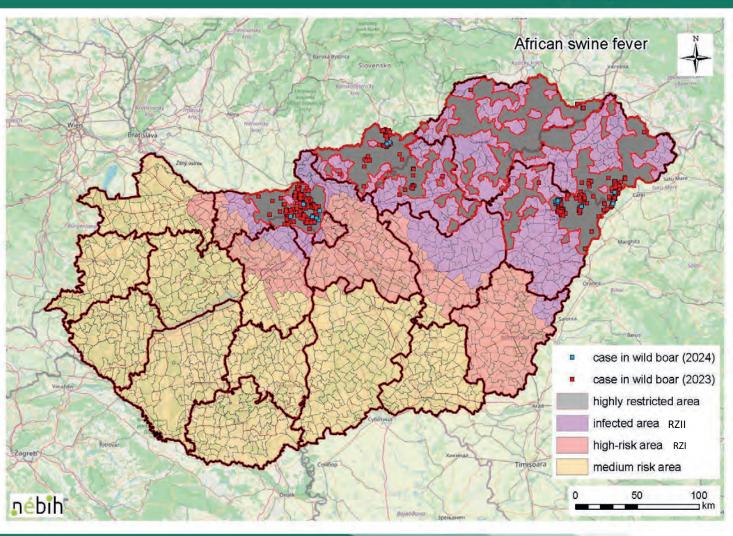
Hunting year	Passive	surveillance	Activo		Passive surv. %
	Total	Found dead	Active surveillance	All cases	
2018/2019.	563	553	98	661	86,17
2019/2020.	2748	2703	515	3263	84,22
2020/2021.	4500	4464	1033	5533	81,33
2021/2022.	2171	2156	349	2520	86,15
2022/2023.	326	308	372	698	46,70
2023/2024 (till 17.01.2024)	145	138	178	323	44,89
Total so far	10453	10322	2545	12998	80,42





Wild boar

Cases within 2024 vs. 2023







Wild boar All surveillance data 2020-2024

Surveillance data still show low virus circulation

	Passive surveillance							
	All passive		Found dead		Active surveillance		Total	
County	Negative	Positive (case)	Negative	Positive (case)	Negative	Positive (case)	Negative	Positive (case)
HU total 2021/22	1762	2171	1404	2156	63081	349	64803	2520
HU total 2022/23	1188	326	859	308	57333	372	58521	698
HU total 2023/24 (till 17.01.2024)	740	145	524	138	43607	178	44347	323





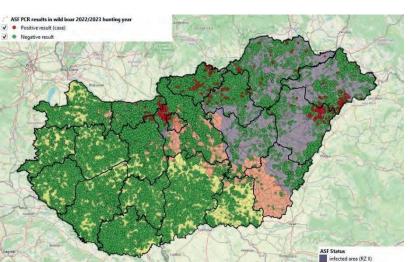
Wild boar- All surveillance data

infected area (RZ II) high risk area (RZ I)

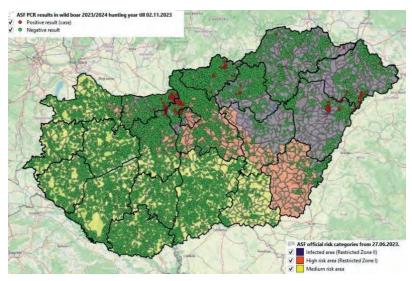
2021/22: 2520

✓ ● Positive result (case)

2022/23: 698



2023/24: 323



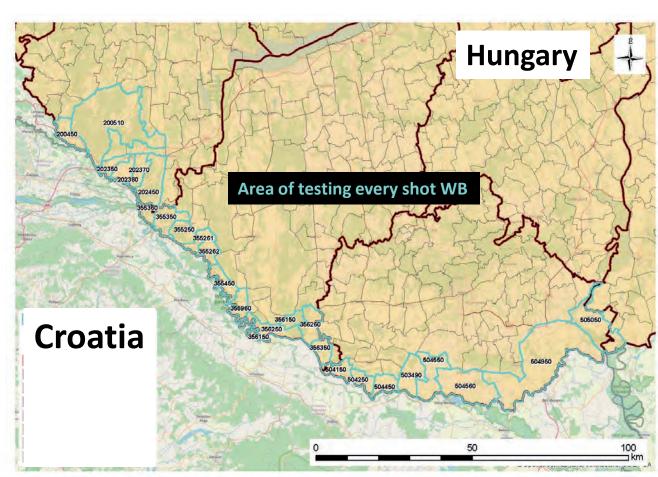




Measures due to disease situation near the South border

Prevention of ASF introduction via wild boars

- Intensified WB population reduction
- Intensified search for WB carcases and sampling, disposal-in areas near the CR border
- Sampling and testing of every WB shot near the CR border (southern GMUs in Somogy, Baranya, Zala counties); -carcases can be used, but traceability must be ensured
- Awareness-raising waste disposal
 - disease control- keepers, slaughterhouses





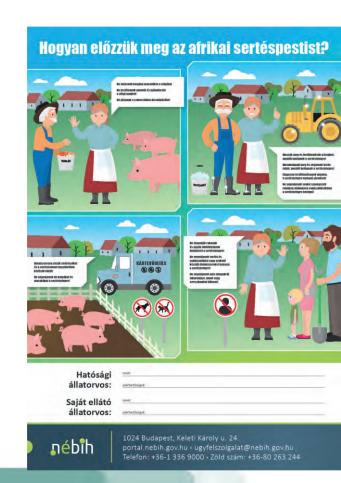


Actions in response to the recommendations of the Commission audit, 2022

- 1. Maintenance of an uptodate pig database
- risk assessment and data analysing group (June 2023)

Bringing pig holding database uptodate in progress

- 2. Enforcing the notification obligation of operators
- Information campaign (September 2023)
 Infographics, articles- websites, newsletters, printed press
 on basis of the frequency of visits of these platforms by keepers







Actions in response to the recommendations of the Commission audit, 2022

- 3. Regular risk based control of pig establishments (especially small scale and non-commercial holdings)
- Quarterly checks by the central authority on completion of inspection plans

Corrective actions requested in case of non-compliance: compliance improved

- 4. Contingency plans ensuring prompt actions in case ASF occurs in domestic pigs
- Revision and approval of plans- completed





Actions in response to the recommendations of the Commission audit, 2022

5. Inspection and approval of biosecurity plans – Continuous central revision of list of approved establishments

Checks by central authority:

- full documentary checks of more than 10% of establishments in a year, risk based (July 2023)
 - removal of non-compliant establishments
- checks on inspections carried out by LA (December 2023, done every 3-6 months)
 - further establishments taken off the list
- any new applicants: after at least 2 completed checks at least 4 months apart in 12 months by LA +

approval at county level +

CA risk based documentary checks





Actions in response to the recommendations of the Commission audit, 2022

- 6. Ensuring that live pigs and meat are not transported outside RZs from non-approved establishments
- Extra step: slaughterhouse OVs do checks before each transport
- 7. To verify the effectiveness and consistency of official controls
- Legislative proposal is under consultation with the government
- 8. Passive surveillance system in kept pigs- ensuring it's representative + early detection of ASF
- Reminder of obligation to test all pigs dead during transport in RZII -CVO letter to county government offices- (Nov 2023)
- 10 trainings for OVs in RZII in 2023, 3 monthly meetings of central and local disease control centres
 - -enhanced passive surveillance
 - -consistency in determining suspicious cases

Thank you!

