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# **ASF epidemiological situation in Latvia – update**

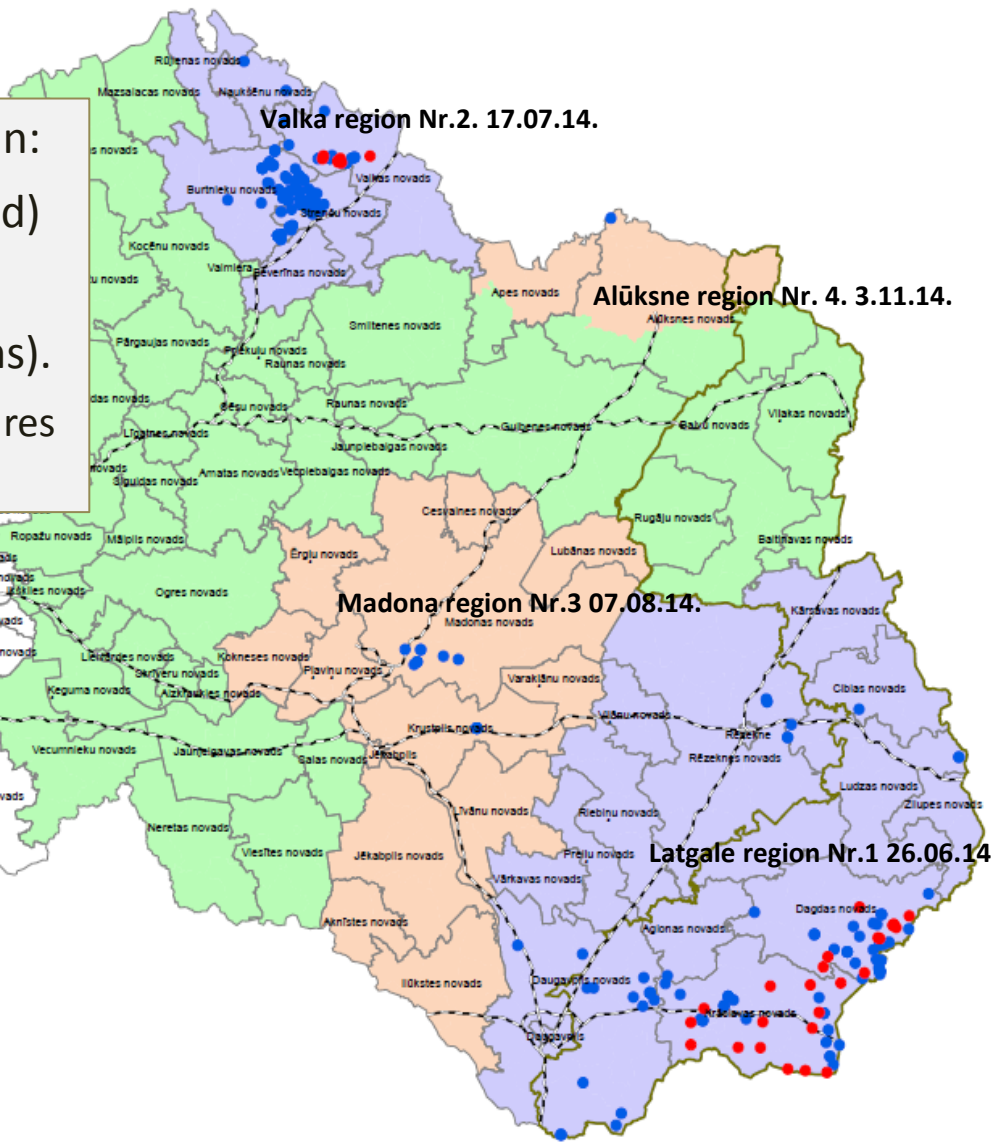
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# ASF summary for 2014

## and restriction territories according to Decision 2014/709/EU

By the end of 2014 ASF has been confirmed in:

- 217 wild boar (176 found dead and 41 hunted)
- Sampled and tested 4532 wild boars
- 32 domestic pig farms (mostly backyard farms).
- In the framework of disease eradication measures destroyed 564 pigs



- ASF outbreaks in pigs
- ASF cases in wild boar

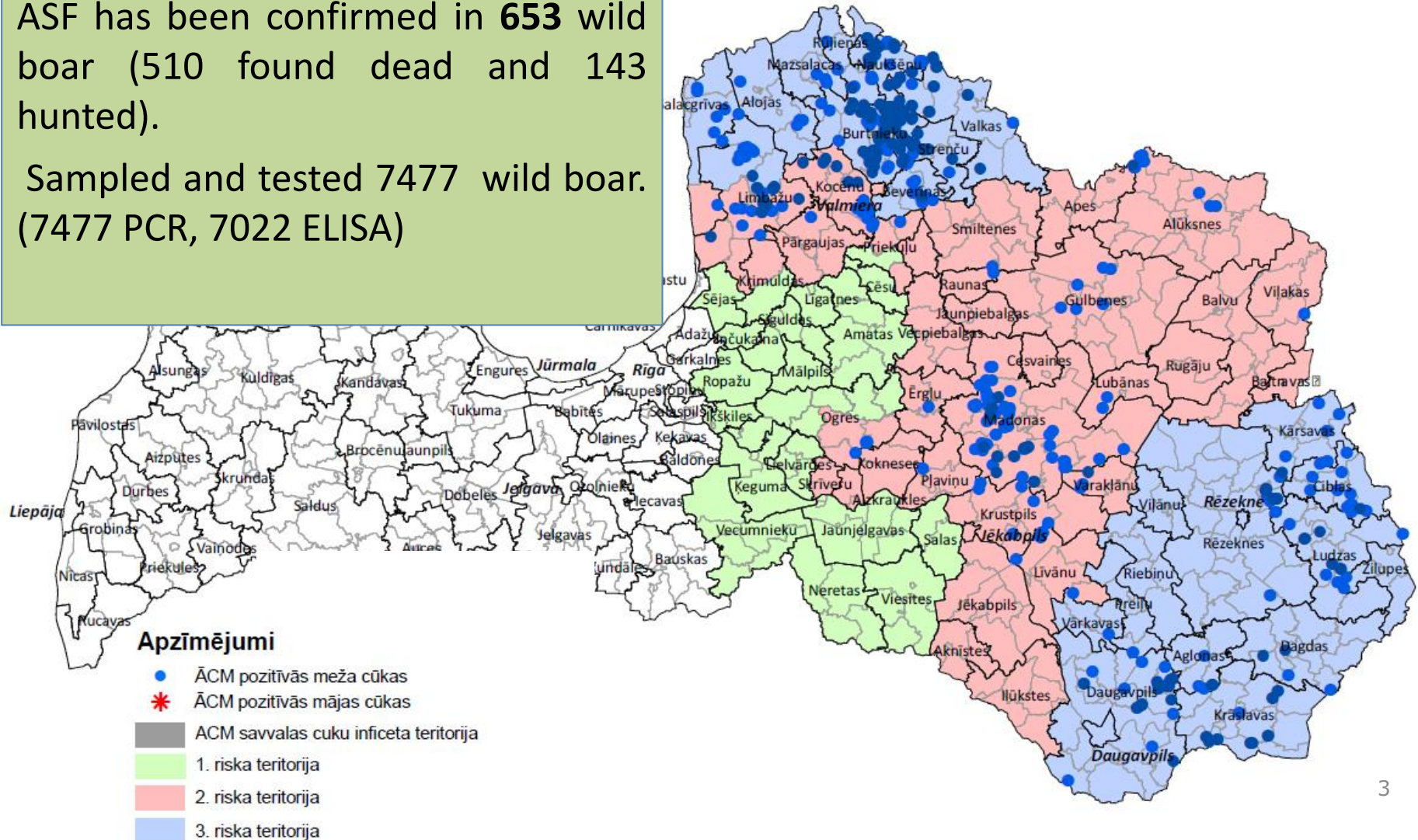
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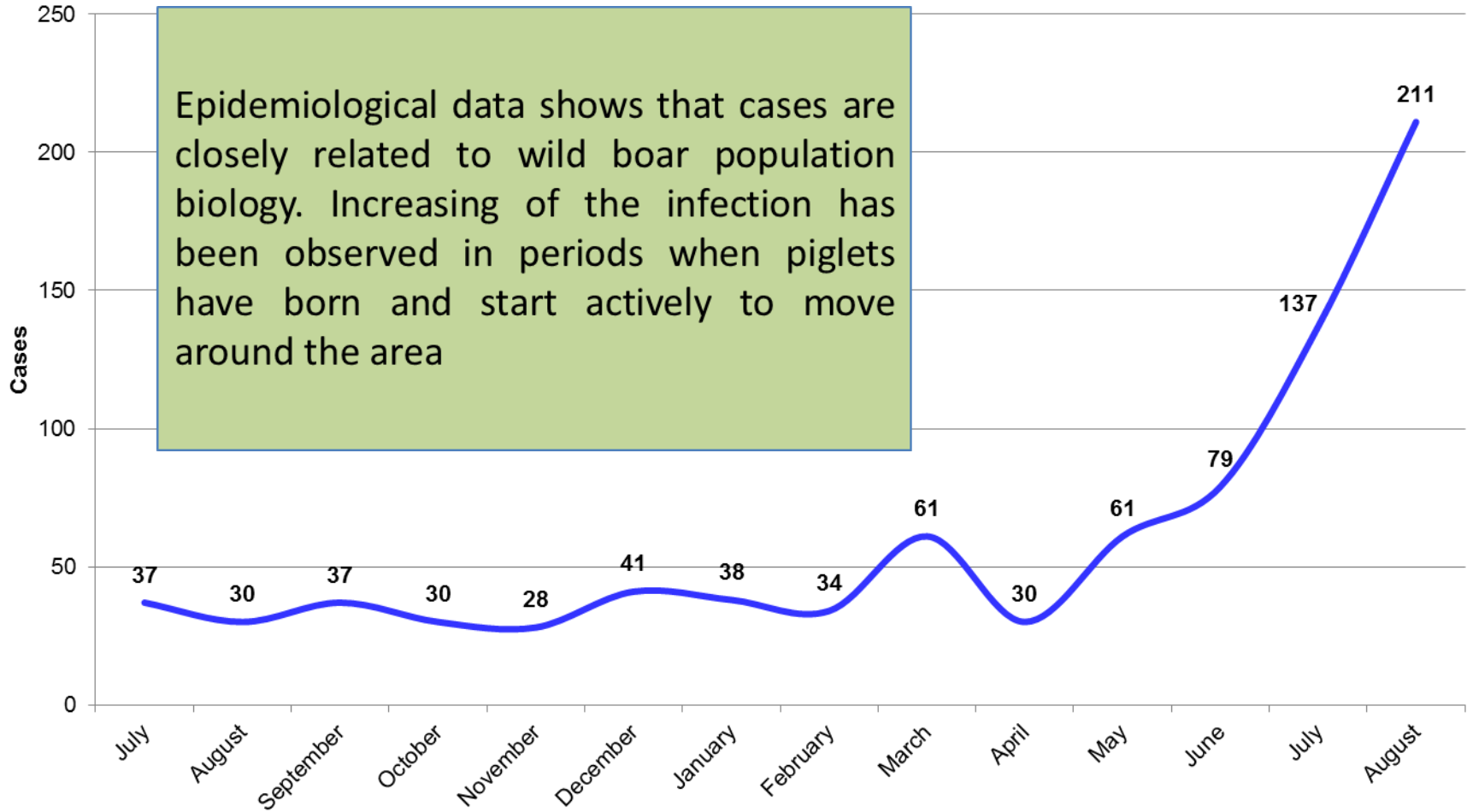
# ASF in wild boar 1.01. - 4.09.15. and restriction territories according to Decision 2014/709/EU

ASF has been confirmed in **653** wild boar (510 found dead and 143 hunted).

Sampled and tested 7477 wild boar. (7477 PCR, 7022 ELISA)



# ASF cases in wild boar (monthly) 2014-2015



# ASF outbreaks – domestic pigs farms (2015)

Totally 9 outbreaks in domestic pig\* farms (backyard and small farm).

Due to the disease eradication 201 pig has been destroyed.

The most probable source of the infection in the most of the outbreaks is feeding of contaminated grass.



# **The last ASF outbreak (No.9, 31.08.2015.)**

**Suspicion notified by the farmer – 29<sup>th</sup> August**

**Confirmation – 31st of August**

Number of pigs – 144

(One pig with clinical signs and one dead)

Type of the farm – small farm

Location - Griškānu parish, Rēzekne county. Territory already defined as Part 3 by the Decision 2014/709/EU

All measures according to Council Directive 2002/60/EC implemented

**Stamping out and primary disinfection carried out on 31.08.2015**

**Possible source of the infection: sawdust used for bedding, obtained from the forest**



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# Conclusions

High level biosecurity is essential to protect domestic pig population from the infection, but in backyard type holdings it is hard to maintain **permanently** a high biosecurity level, especially during the summer period.

Infection in wild boar population is slowly spreading to new areas from one wild boar family / inhabited area to another.

Awareness of disease must be maintained permanently, especially for owners of backyard type holdings, as well as for hunters and forest labourers.



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Thank you for your attention!