

# **ASF in Italy**

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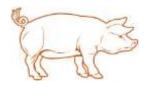
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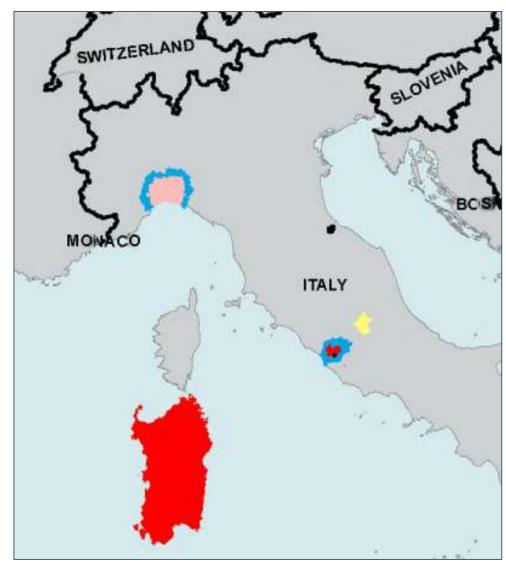
## **ASF in Italy**

#### Zoning according Regulation 605/2021:

- Sardinia: Zone III;
- Piedmont and Liguria: Zone I and II;
- Lazio:
  - o Rome: Zone I and III;
  - Rieti: infected zone.





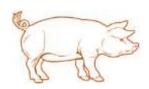




- last outbreak ASFV+ in domestic pig holdings was confirmed on September 2018
- Last outbreak ASFV+ in illegal free-ranging pigs was confirmed on January 2019
- no virus positive in the last two hunting seasons and during passive surveillance since 8 April 2019 until now

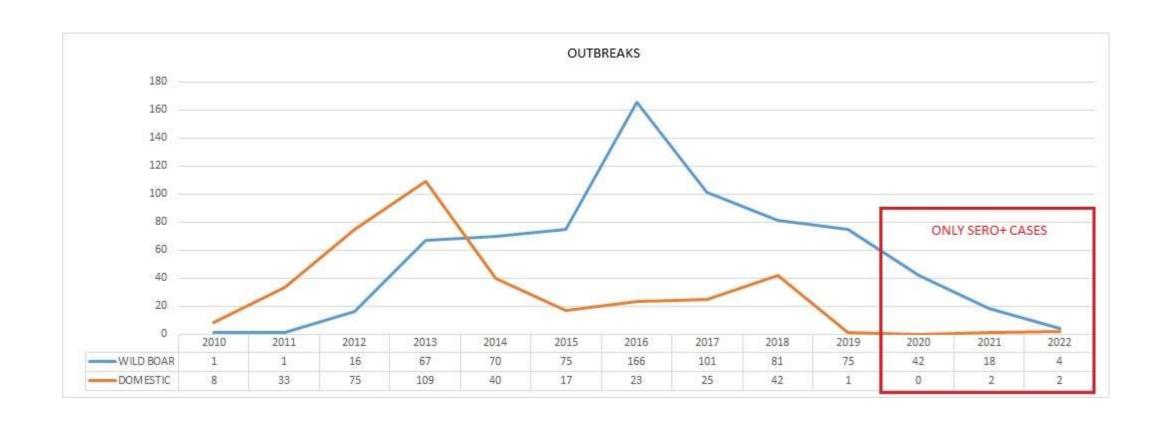








#### **Cases trend since 2010**





Actions taken in relation to Recommendations Audit 9-19 November 2021 - DG(SANTE) 2021-7344

#### **Recommendation 1**

- To take action to improve compliance with the requirements on identification and registration of pigs and the ones for keeping free-range pigs, in particular as regards:
  - a. adequate keeping of records in the holding registers of all new-born of pigs and their notification to the competent authority, and
  - b. the prohibition on keeping pigs outside registered semi-enclosed or enclosed premises.

#### **Action taken**

• A new procedure has been implemented in addition to the records of the new-born of pigs in the holding registers and in the National Data Bank (NDB). The procedure is included in the II provision of the Extraordinary ASF Eradication Program containing rules about the control of the disease in pigs and pig meat productions for the 2022-2023. The provision has been issued on 11/03/2022 by the ASF Project Unit



Prohibition and culling actions are ongoing



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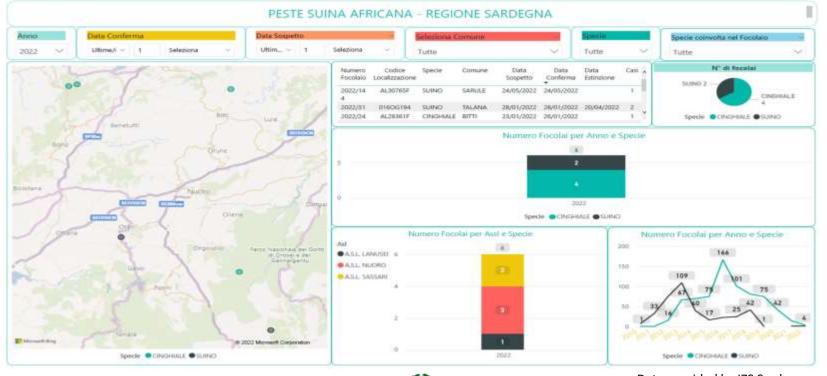


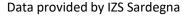
#### **Recommendation 2**

• To ensure that holdings with seropositive pigs are • The relevant legislation has been applied starting to the Commission and Member States.

### **Action taken**

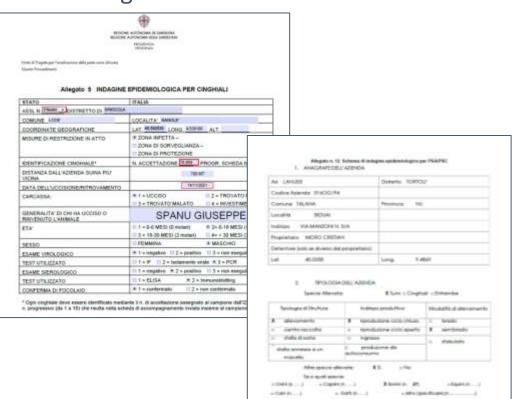
considered as confirmed ASF outbreaks and notified from December 2021, as can be seen from the notification of the ASF outbreaks in SIMAN and ADIS





#### **Recommendation 3**

 To carry out effective epidemiological investigations in cases where ASF is confirmed, ensuring that they provide accurate and timely conclusions on the possible origin of the disease and the likely duration of its presence in the affected holding.



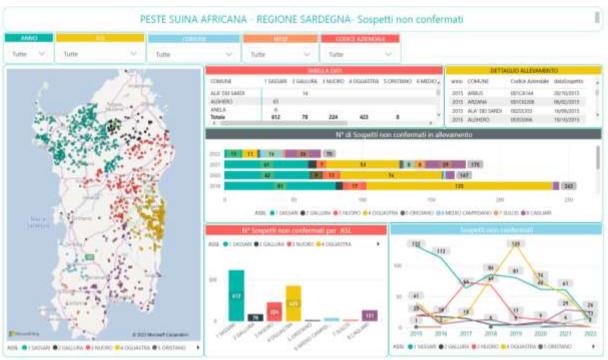
#### **Action taken**

• The OEVR in collaboration with the National Reference Centre for ASF, supports the veterinary services in carrying out the epidemiological investigation. The digital compilation of the epidemiological investigations on the SIMAN database is mandatory.

Training plan for vet and hunters

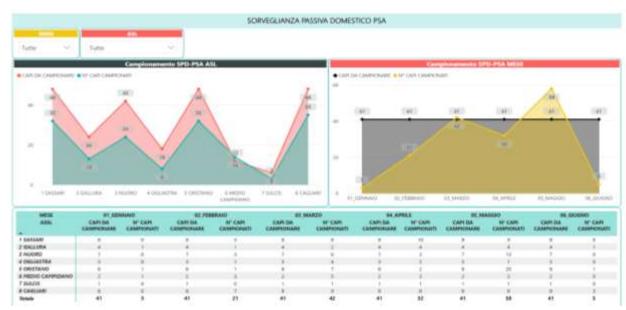
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#### **Recommendation 4**



#### **Action taken**

 To ensure that passive surveillance covers and is representative for the entire kept porcine population and meets the objectives of early detection of the presence of ASF virus in this population.
The new procedure on passive surveillance in domestic pigs was adopted with UdP note prot. 77 del 09/02/2022 (Annex 2) and is included in the II provision of the Extraordinary ASF Eradication Program. The procedure is aim at ensure adequate and uniform passive surveillance all over the region. The procedure is based on a sample size representative of the expected dead pigs population, aim at detect a disease prevalence less than 0.5% (confidence level 95%).



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#### **Recommendation 5**

 To ensure practical arrangements are put in place to increase the number of dead wild boar sampled and tested for ASF in order to make passive surveillance representative for the entire wild porcine population and meet the objectives of early detection of the presence of ASF virus in this

**WBC-Counter Tool** 

#### **Action taken**

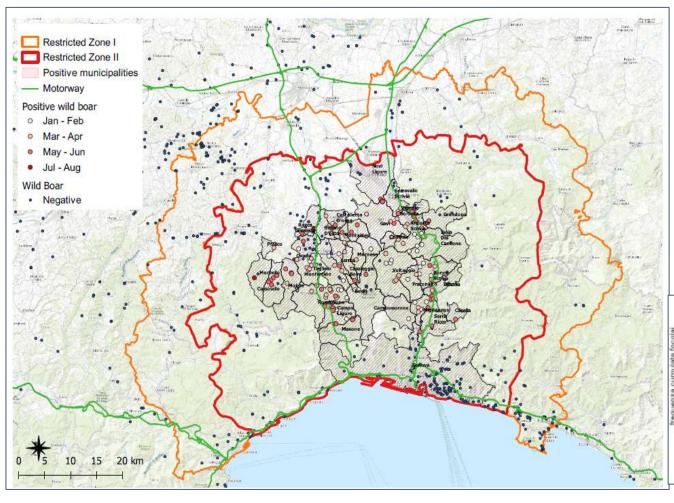
• The wild boar passive surveillance is already in place throughout the region and will be ensured and strengthened. The OEVR has already delivered a specific procedure for implementing the EFSA Exit strategy for Sardinia. The UdP is implementing an intervention plan to enhance the search for wild boar carcasses throughout the region, according to EFSA guidelines.



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## **ASF in Piedmont and Ligury**

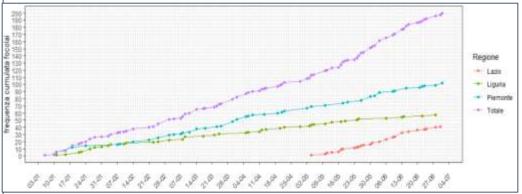


#### **Piedmont:**

- 102 positive wild boars

#### Ligury:

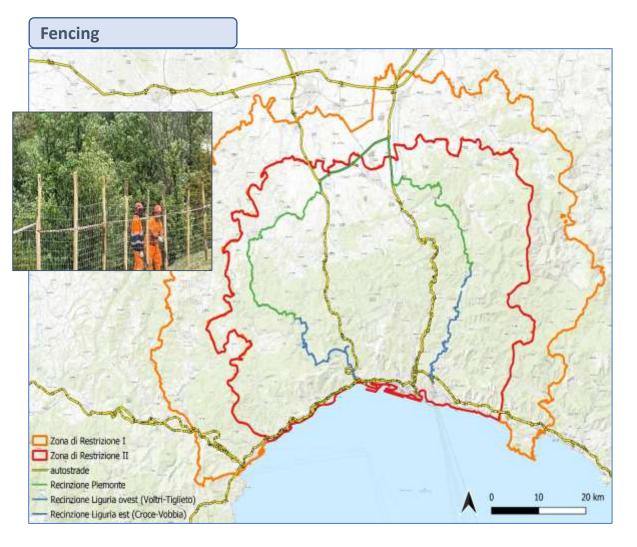
- 57 positive wild boars

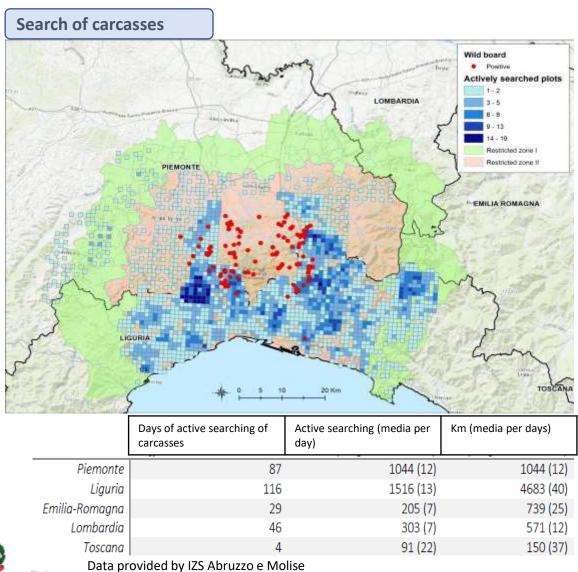


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## **ASF in Piedmont and Ligury**







## **ASF** in Lazio





Rome:

40 positive wild boars

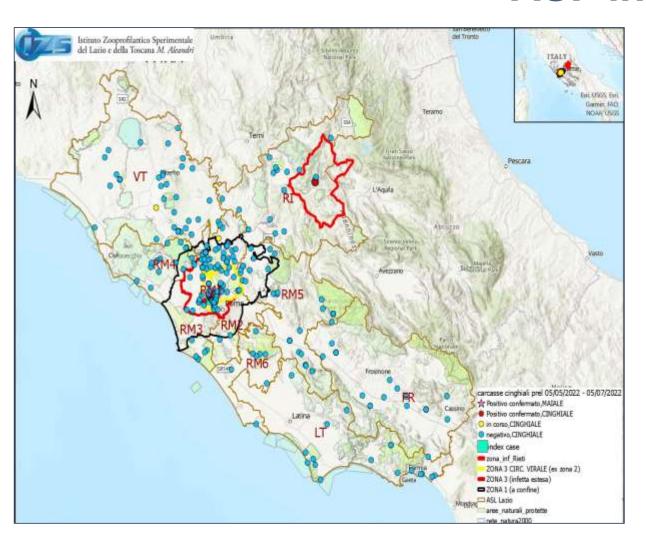
1 outbreak in domestic

Rieti:

- 1 positive wild boar



## **ASF in Lazio**



Zones	ASL	Position GRA	N samples	Positives	Negatives	ongoing
ROME						
Zone IIIP (ex zone II)		within GRA	62	38	24	
-core in (corecond in)	RM1	outside GRA	36	2	34	
Zone III (new part)	RM1	outside GRA	10		10	
Total Zone III	RM1		108	40	68	0
zone I	RM 3		0		0	
	RM2		1		1	
	RM4	40		39	1	
	RM5		9		9	
Total zone I and III			50	0	49	1
free area (Rome)	RM2	1		1		
	RM3		6		6	
	RM4		14		13	1
	RM5		23		23	
	RM6		8		8	
Totale free area			52	0	51	1
Total ROME			210	40	168	2
RIETI						
infected zone	RIETI		2	1	1	
free zone	RIETI		14		14	
Total			16	1	15	
OTHER FREE AREA LAZIO						
	FROSINONE		21		21	
	LATINA		18		18	
	VITERBO		35		34	1
Total OTHER FREE AREA LAZIO			74	0	73	1
Total LAZIO			300	41	256	3

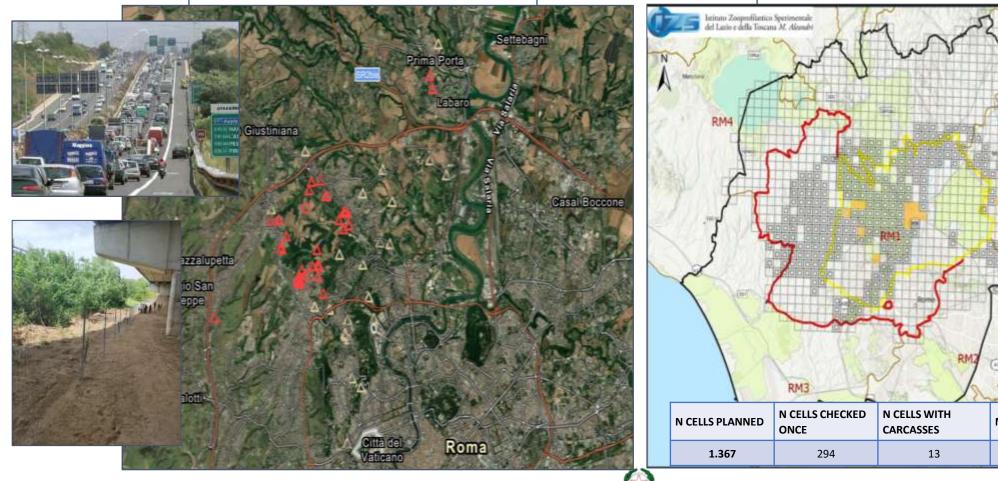
Data from 05/05/2022 provided by IZS Lazio e Toscana

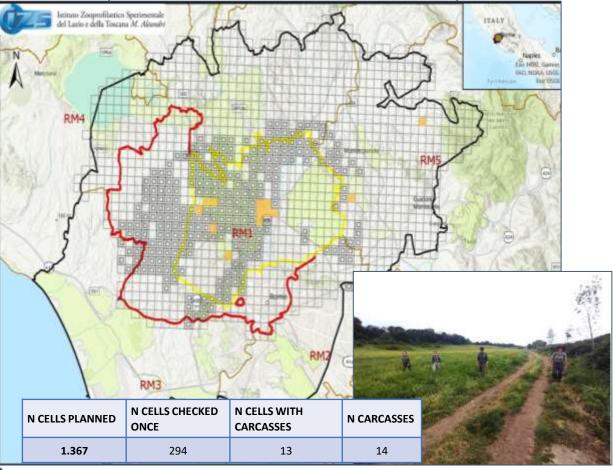


## **ASF in Rome**

Closing of passes in the GRA

#### Active search of carcasses





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**ASF in Rome** 

Measures taken after outbreak confirmation

in the farm 10/06/2022

Preventive slaughter of pigs at all holdings within a radius of 10 km from the outbreak

- 7 holdings within 3 km radius
- 50 holdings within 10 km radius
- 37 holdings not subject to killing because:
  - 15 no food production;
  - 1 zoo;
  - 1 stabulary;
  - 15 no animals;
  - 4 closed
- 20 holdings subject to preventive slaughter: 1297 animals killed

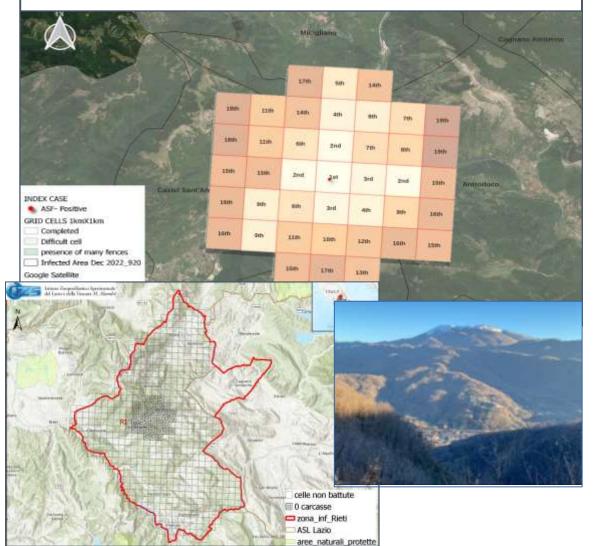


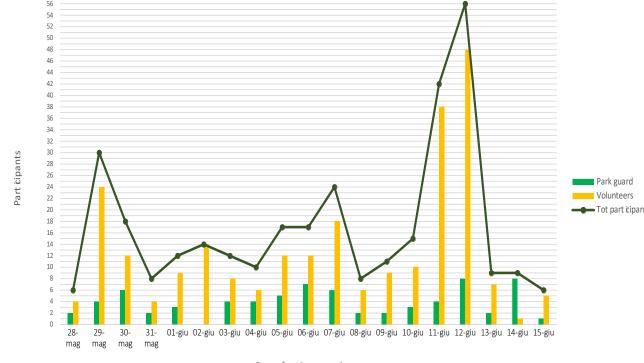


Data provided by Local veterinary service Roma 1

### **ASF** in Rieti

#### Grid cells 1kmx1km for active search of dead wild boar





Days of act ive research

- 19 days of active research
- **39**/41 Total of cells: n. 38 Presence of fences n.41 Difficult orography (crevasses, ravines)
- **Zero** carcasses detected in active surveillance
- **5552** minutes total of active search
- **N. 326** total participants

Data provided by Local veterinary service Rieti



#### **ASF in Rieti**

- Total movements restriction of pig farms
- Inform the veterinary Service of any suspicious (dead or sick animals)
- Commercial Farms: Biosecurity control and consistencies update
- Backyard Farms: consistencies updated, farms without official movements have been closed, strengthening of biosecurity measures

	Farms	Heads	Commercial farms	Backyard farms	Other farms	Commercial heads	backyard heads	Other holdings
Province	2024	3944	324	1689	11	3720	156	68
Infected area	44	303	13	31	0	238	65	0

Data provided by Local veterinary service Rieti





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