Explanatory notes to the Annual Report

Explanation of the composition, context and/or source of the data, broken down by type of data.

Animals transported (units)		
a slaughtered	The numbers of slaughtered animals are recorded here. These figures are obtained from the Food and Consumer Product Safety Authority (VWA) data base, which records slaughtered animals by slaughterhouse location. The figures include animals which are transported within the Netherlands to a slaughterhouse and animals which arrive from abroad at a Netherlands slaughterhouse. Animals which are moved from the Netherlands to a foreign slaughterhouse are not included here, but rather, in the next row.	
b exported	These figures are compiled on the basis of the results of searches in the TRACES database. They relate to consignments of animals from the Netherlands to foreign destinations, i.e. both intra-Community and extra-Community exports. The animals can be slaughter, utility or breeding animals.	
c imported for breeding	All animals recorded in Traces as being destined for the Netherlands and which are intended for breeding are included. Animals imported by approved bodies are also counted. These are also breeding animals.	
d other	These are all animals recorded in Traces and destined for the Netherlands, except animals which are imported for slaughter. These come under (a) and animals which come under (c). This heading therefore also includes pet animals and fatteners. [This section is poorly written and not entirely intelligible – translator.]	

Number of inspections

a during transport by road	The number of animals transported is given here. These figures do not provide a complete picture. Checks are performed on all types of animals, but the numbers are not recorded, which is why assumptions have had to be made.
b at place of destination	The column "means of transport" shows the checks on destination which have been carried out. The checks performed at the slaughterhouses by the General Inspection Service (AID) are also included. In addition, all animals which are presented for slaughter at the slaughterhouse are inspected by VWA both for live examination and to check their suitability for transport. The figures in the row [<i>animals transported a slaughtered</i>] are repeated here in the appropriate species columns. Animals which undergo extensive destination checks at the primary sector establishment or slaughterhouse are therefore only recorded in column 1. [Sentence not entirely intelligible – translator.] These checks on destinations are carried out pursuant to Directive 90/425/EEC.
c1 markets	These are animals at export assembly centres.
c2 place of departure	All animals which are legally transported from the Netherlands to another country are inspected and certified at their place of departure (the primary sector establishment or assembly centre). This row therefore tallies with the row [<i>animals transported a exported</i>]. The animals are also counted in the course of farm certification.
C3 staging point	No activities at the approved inspection posts other than assembly centre activity
C4 transfer point	Not applicable
D documents checks	Document checks are also performed on all exports. Moreover, all travel logs are checked if a consignment is returned, and papers are checked on arrival at the slaughterhouse. This cannot be expressed in terms of consignments. The number in column 1 therefore comprises all export consignments and all travel logs which have been returned. The latest number is 14 222.

Number of infringements

a during	This heading shows the numbers of transported animals in respect of which an
transport by	infringement has been detected. These figures do not provide a complete
road	picture. Checks are performed on all types of animals, but the numbers are not

	recorded, which is why assumptions have had to be made.
b at place of destination	VWA has drawn up 178 veterinary declarations. Most were drawn up at the slaughterhouse, although they can also be drawn up at assembly centres or
	other locations to which animals are transported. This happens where animals are unsuitable for transport.
c1 markets	These are animals at export assembly centres.
c2 place of departure	This relates to farm certification.
C3 staging point	No activities at the approved inspection posts other than assembly centre activity
C4 transfer point	Not applicable
D documents checks	The purpose of export certification is solely to certify that everything is satisfactory, i.e. papers, animals and material. Therefore, there are (or no longer are) any discrepancies in export certification. No record is kept of whether there were discrepancies before the approval or whether no certification took place because of discrepancies. The discrepancies referred to here are accounted for entirely by discrepancies identified in the returned travel logs (the occasional error was detected among a
	total of 3 444 such logs).