



**DG Health and Food Safety  
key priorities for enforcement  
on animal welfare:  
Export of live animals &  
Tail-docking of pigs**

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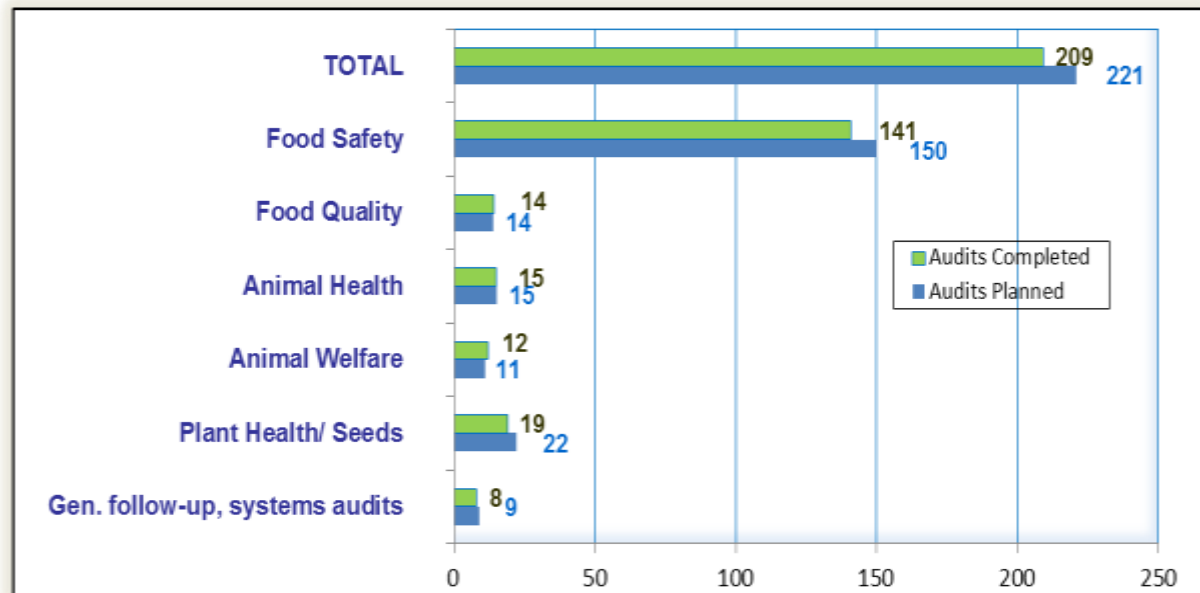
# Prioritisation Process

*"What do we want to do?"*

*"Why do we want to do it?"*

*"What do we want to achieve?"*

*"How will we know we have achieved this?"*



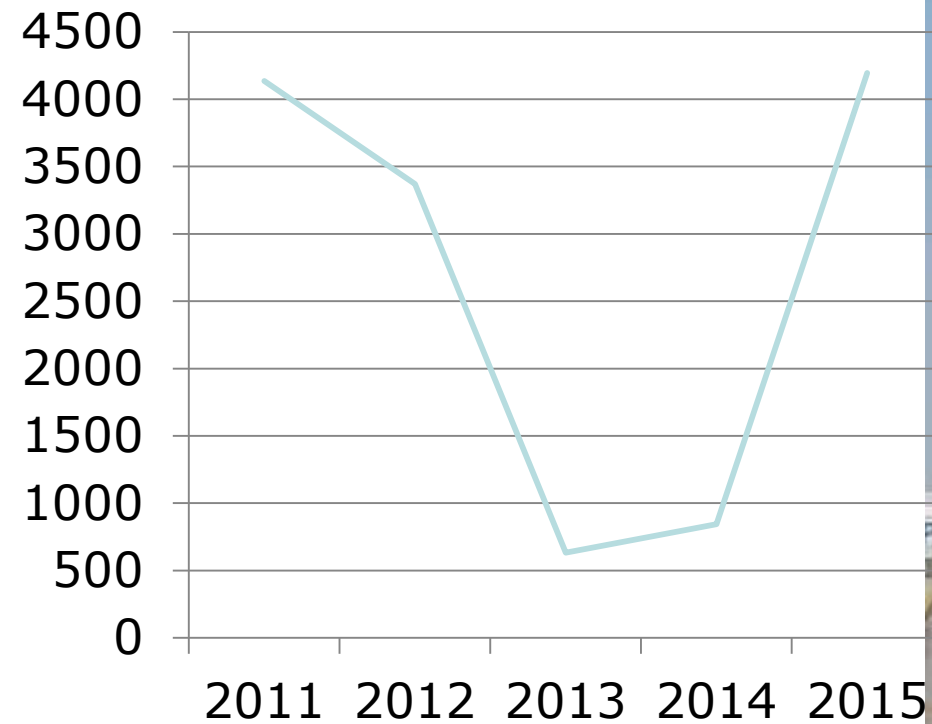


# Export of live animals



# Tail-docking of pigs

# Consignments exported



# KEY ROLE AT PLACES OF DEPARTURE FOR CERTIFYING VETS



We will be visiting NL, DE, FR, HU, PL & CZ (in addition to BG/TR exit point)

# How will we measure progress?

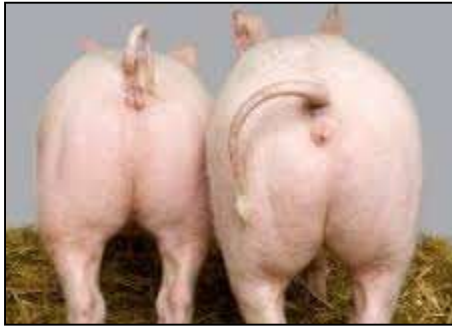


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# Tail-docking of pigs – a complex problem

- ❑ Tail docking masks problems
- ❑ Manage farms to achieve high standards
  - Health
  - Environmental conditions
  - Stockmanship

Webstream of first meeting at:

<https://webcast.ec.europa.eu/meeting-on-actions-to-prevent-tailbiting-and-reduce-tail-docking-of-pigs-4>



## State of Play

- Sweden and Finland have a full ban in place.
- Germany, Denmark, France and Netherlands active strategies.
- CAs in ten Member States considering good practices in developing future strategy.
- Farm assessments already in place in 4 MS  
4 other MS planning to put in place,  
2 more awaiting risk assessment tools,  
1 will ask farm advisory service to perform.





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# “How will we achieve this?”

Tail Docking%:

DK (industry estimate) 97%

IRL (2010 SH study) 99%

PT 65%

LT 50%

Not recorded in almost all MS:  
Need to measure to manage it.

**CA + industry + funding**





## Commission's actions

- Sharing good practice = solution oriented outputs as well as better communication between CAs,
- Audits in 2017 and
- Additional work to audits to support objectives and desired impact.

Thank you for your attention!