

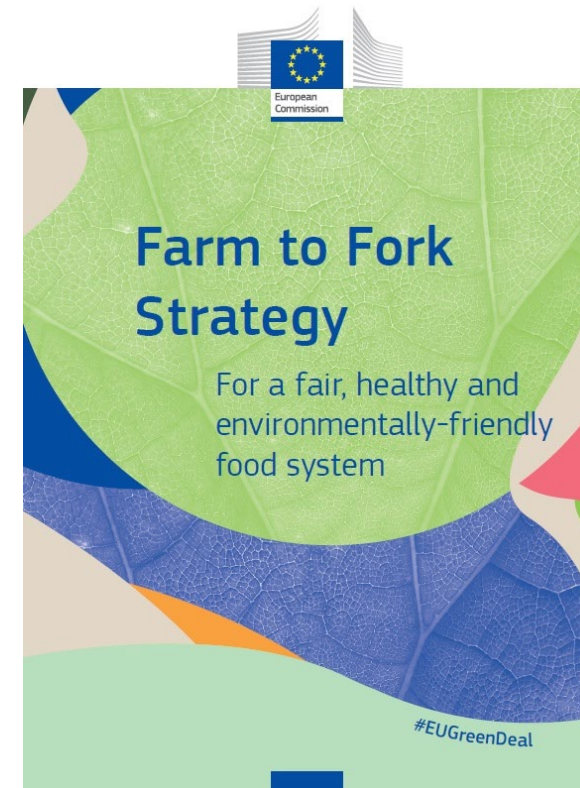
# Public consultation on the fitness check and revision of the EU animal welfare legislation – main outcomes

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# Better regulation steps towards the revision

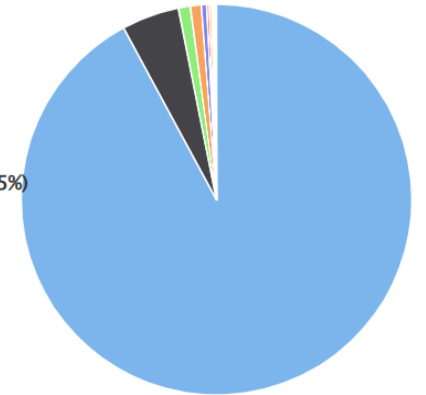
- Stakeholder interviews
- Targeted surveys
- **Public Consultation**
- Case studies
- Thematic subgroups



# Public Consultation contributions

- From 15 October 2021 to 21 January 2022.
- Fitness check + future policy options.
- A total of 59 281 contributions (of which 92% from EU citizens).
- Most respondents from Germany (23%), France (15%), Poland (10%), Italy (8%) and Sweden (7%).
- Very few campaigns identified.

By category of respondent



# Fitness check – some examples

- Compared to 25 years ago, there is **more uniform protection** of farmed animals across EU countries (49%).
- The current EU animal welfare legislation does **not ensure adequate and uniform protection of all animal species in need** (92%)
- Having common rules on animal welfare has **facilitated trade and improved competition** in Europe (48%)
- The current EU animal welfare legislation does **not ensure that businesses can compete fairly** across the EU (66%).
- **Not sufficiently informed** about the conditions under which animals are farmed in the EU (65%; *or 84% of the EU citizens*).



# Future policy options – some examples

- The maximum transitional period for the **phasing out the use of cages** should be 5 years (93%).
- **Maximum journey times for animal transports** should be introduced (95%; *or 53% of business organisations and companies*).
- Specific rules for **the killing of farmed fish** (93%).
- An **EU animal welfare label** would be a useful tool for informing consumers on the conditions in which animals are treated (90%).



# Further details

- **Factual summary report** published on 30 March 2022:  
[https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/12950-Revision-of-the-EU-legislation-on-animal-welfare-/public-consultation\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/12950-Revision-of-the-EU-legislation-on-animal-welfare-/public-consultation_en)
- **Individual contributions published** on 24 June 2022.
- **In-depth analysis** in the external studies supporting the Commission's impact assessment.



# Thank you



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