

## **Transport data 2012**

### **Table 1: Total performed inspections**

Table 1 indicates the total numbers of all relevant inspections and checks of all relevant species. The other tables give more detailed information where applicable and available.

Prior to departure of a transport of animals destined to go abroad, there is a 100% check at the spot. Possible irregularities must be solved before the certificate is issued by the official veterinarian. Unfortunately, refused transports of animals and the reasons for refusal are not uniformly registered yet so there are no suitable data on this. The IT-system that will be implemented nationally to provide such feedback is still under construction.

The following inspections related to welfare and transport are performed at slaughterhouses:

- a) All arriving animals are checked on fitness to travel. If an animal is considered to be not fit for travel and if this condition was clearly apparent at the time of loading, appropriate actions are taken;
- b) A smaller proportion of the arriving consignments are checked on loading density, condition of the vehicle etc. This is performed either on indication or risk based. Non-compliances are registered and the infringements lead to interventions (e.g. warnings, fines) which are centrally registered. Since the end of 2010 the administrative fine became available. It replaces the prosecutorial sanction in most cases. Verbal warnings are not centrally registered.

**TABLE 1**

	At point of departure (going abroad) <sup>1</sup>		During the journey (national & international)	At point of destination (slaughter-house)	At point of destination (other)		>8h with journey log
	Number of consignments	Number of animals	Number of consignments	Number of animals	Number of transport units	Number of animals	Number of journey logs
<b>Total checks/ inspections</b>	66.528	15.900.952 <sup>2</sup>	1.624	560.947.741	1.990	9.517.104	8.666
<b>Of which</b>							
- bovines	5.554	218.571	354	1.935.122	990	68.251	1.911
- caprines/ovines	1.343	311.823	50	710.996	29	5.153	346
- porcines	42.794	11.385.109	602	14.155.675	29	3.854	6.259
- equines	1.012	9.989	98	8.372	194	627.219	150
- poultry	>14.919 <sup>3</sup>	>89.689.709 <sup>3,4</sup>	72	544.134.280	136	3.962.054	0
- other	906	3.975.460	10	3.296 <sup>5</sup>	612	4.850.573 <sup>6</sup>	0
<b>Empty</b>			438				
<b>Total number complying</b>	66.528	15.900.952 <sup>2</sup>	1439	- 7	- 7		5.980
<b>Total number not complying</b>	- 1	- 1	185	- 7	- 7		2.686

<sup>1</sup> If the official veterinarian is not satisfied the transport will not receive a certificate and will not be registered in TRACES. The number of refused certificates/animals is not registered in national systems or databases.

<sup>2</sup> Excluding slaughter poultry as these animals are not inspected individually.

<sup>3</sup> This number represents slaughter poultry and excludes one-day old chickens (these consignments are only randomly checked).

<sup>4</sup> Source: TRACES

<sup>5</sup> Red deer and fallow deer

<sup>6</sup> Includes also live oriental fish arriving from third countries

<sup>7</sup> Infringements are only registered if severe enough to lead to an intervention. See also table 4-6 for more details

**Table 2: Notifications**

We receive and we send notifications regarding infringements or requests for information related to Council Regulation (EC) 1/2005. We distinguish several categories to characterise the main aspects of notifications. Often combinations of more than one category can be found in a single notification. Thus the total sum of received and sent notifications is smaller than the sum of the numbers in the separate categories.

This table includes all notifications ranging from minor to severe.

Notifications included in the table are sent by competent authorities of other Member States and bodies e.g. NGO's alike. Both types of notifications are investigated. However, the information provided by NGO's can not be used directly and has to be backed by our own (additional) findings or findings of competent authorities in the Member State concerned. Furthermore, the information in the reply to NGO's concerning their notification is usually more limited due to privacy legislation.

Category	Received notifications 2012	Still under scrutiny	Sent notifications 2012
<b>Total received/sent in 2012</b>	<i>45</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>58</i>
<b>Non-compliance of the means of transport</b>	11	2	2
<b>Transporter authorisation invalid</b>	4	1	6
<b>Incomplete journey log</b>	12	2	37
<b>Stocking density exceeded</b>	8	1	2
<b>Journey time exceeded</b>	4	1	15
<b>Cruelty or negligence to animals</b>	18	2	2
<b>Other</b>	2	0	0
<b>Total sum of the different categories</b>	<i>59</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>64</i>

**Table 3: Journey log**

A 100% check of journey logs accompanying consignments that depart from the Netherlands is performed. Also other journey logs from transporters with a Dutch authorisation under article 11 of Council Regulation (EC) 1/2005 are checked. Further investigations can be performed on part of the journey logs upon request or signals or as part of a project.

In the table the total number of infringements does not discriminate for the severity of the infringement. Therefore small administrative infringements and severe infringements alike are included.

In table 1 the total number of journey logs which did not comply were stated. A large amount consists of minor administrative flaws. Part of these minor administrative flaws do not lead to any further action. In other cases the transporter receives a warning letter explaining the infringement. Such a letter is not considered to be an intervention.

This table shows the number of journey logs with infringements leading to an intervening action. In a large number of cases the infringements are pooled. An intervention is in those cases based on infringements found in several journey logs. Therefore in Table 6 the number of interventions is far less than the number of journey logs leading to an intervention as stated in table 3.

When a severe infringement is found, after scrutiny, the appropriate intervention is taken immediately, overruling the normal pooling of infringements procedure.

<b>Journey logs</b>	<b>Non returned journey logs</b>	<b>Journey logs with infringement leading to intervention</b>
<b>Dutch transporter</b>	5	26
<b>Non-Dutch transporter</b>	332	53
<b>Total</b>	337	79

A total of 28 Non-Dutch transporters were requested to provide additional information (such as satellite navigation data, temperature, etc)

**Table 4: Fit to travel**

If a veterinarian encounters an animal which is not fit to travel and was clearly not so prior to the journey, he will draw up an official veterinary declaration. As all animals are checked prior to slaughter, most unfit animals will be found on slaughterhouses.

An official veterinarian will also perform on the spot checks prior to international journeys. If he finds an animal unfit on an assembly centre he takes the appropriate action (the animal may not be transported) and in addition an official veterinary declaration is drawn up.

The veterinary declaration may in most cases result in administrative interventions (official warnings, administrative fine), sometimes in prosecutorial sanctions. Furthermore, all people involved in a particular infringement may be sanctioned, like e.g. keeper at place of departure or organiser of the transport.

<b>Veterinary declarations unfit animal</b>	<b>Slaughterhouse</b>	<b>Assembly centre</b>	<b>Market place</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Number of vet. Declarations</b>	442	33	-	40	515

**Table 5: Checks during the journey (incl. during unloading at slaughterhouses and assembly centres)**

A separate division of the NVWA focuses on the checks during the journey and at those moments prior to the official veterinarian arriving (e.g. night arrivals slaughterhouse) or after the official veterinarian has left (for export certification). In 2012, there were no specific inspections from this division on the farms related to Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005.

The inspections at slaughterhouses and assembly centres are additional to the inspections stated in table 1 and table 4. The inspections stated in table 5 are always of the more elaborate type including checking of the vehicle and loading density.

Checks during the journey	Road-side checks	slaughterhouse	Assembly centre
<b>Total number of consignments</b>	1624	519	78
- bovines	354	304	40
- caprines/ovines	50	7	
- porcines	602	64	9
- equines	98		15
- other	10	1	
- poultry	72	124	
- empty	438	14	14
- unknown /different species	-	5	
<b>Total complying</b>	1439	412	57
<b>Total not complying</b>	185	107	21
<b>Official Warning</b>	71	25	2
<b>PV</b>	23	6	5
<b>Minor infringement</b>	71	50	9
<b>Reports for Administrative fine</b>	20	26	5

<sup>1</sup> Reports for administrative fines, like veterinary declarations do not always do lead to an administrative fine. Sometimes it leads to an official warning, depending on the history of the offender. Sometimes, due to lack of evidence, it does not lead to intervention.

**Table 6: Interventions**

If an infringement is detected by the NVWA or brought to the attention of the NVWA, an suitable intervention will be taken. First and foremost if possible, the line of action will be discontinuation of the infringement. If necessary and if possible sanctions can be imposed. These sanctions can be imposed on all actors involved in animal transport. For one infringement several actors can be sanctioned. E.g. an animal which was clearly not fit to travel at the time of loading arriving at a slaughterhouse will result in taking appropriate actions against the transporter and keeper at the place of departure alike.

The sanctions available during 2012 are: Notification, official warning, administrative fine (since September 2010). Duty backed by astreinte (imposing & forfeiting), temporary suspension, withdrawal, PV (official declaration for prosecutorial law) are used less then in former years, since the administrative fine is considered to be more effective. Notification can be sent to another Member State (or third country) for requesting assistance or action.

	Transporter	Keeper	Organiser/driver	Assembly Centre	Slaughterhouse
<b>Official warning</b>	90	281	26	9	20
<b>Imposing duty</b>	-	-	-	11	10
<b>Forfeiting duty</b>	-	-	-	1	4
<b>Temporary suspension</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Withdrawal authorisation</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>official declaration for prosecutorial law</b>	29		0		
<b>Administrative fine</b>	98	7	0	2	0
<b>Notification to competent authority abroad (concerning non-Dutch transporter)</b>	53				