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# Infection with bluetongue virus Germany - current situation

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# BT outbreaks

- BTV-3 outbreaks occur by now only in the two Länder located in the vicinity of the NL-DE border:  
**Lower Saxony and North Rhine-Westphalia**
- Up to 19 January 2024: **32 outbreaks**
  - 27 bovine keeping establishments (blue dots)
  - 5 ovine keeping establishments (red dots).

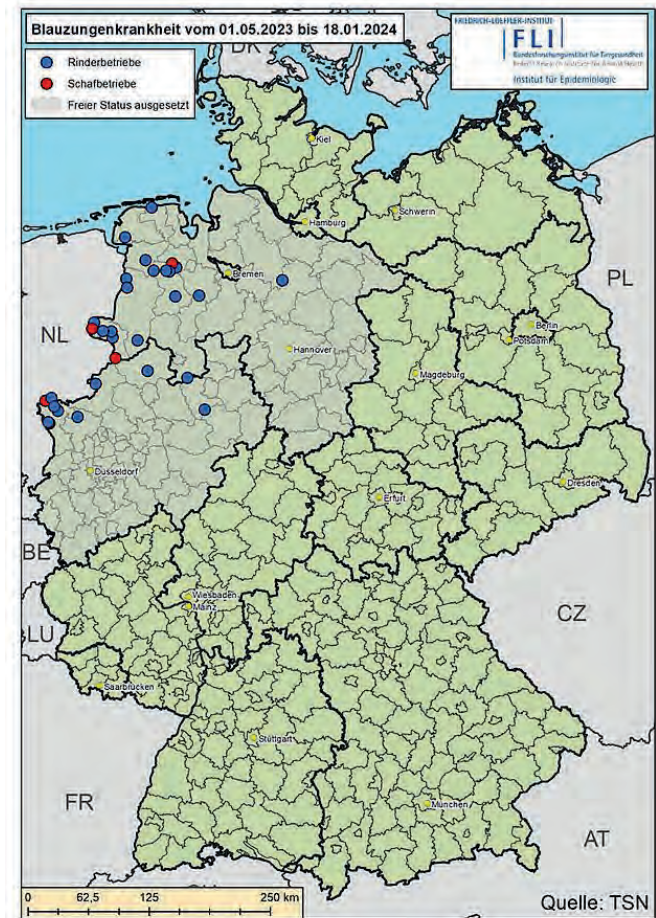
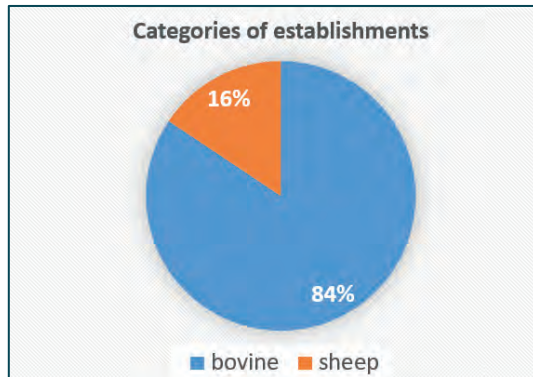


Tabelle: Übersicht der Fälle von Blauzungenkrankheit im Jahr 2024, Stand 18.01.2024

# BTV-zoning unchanged

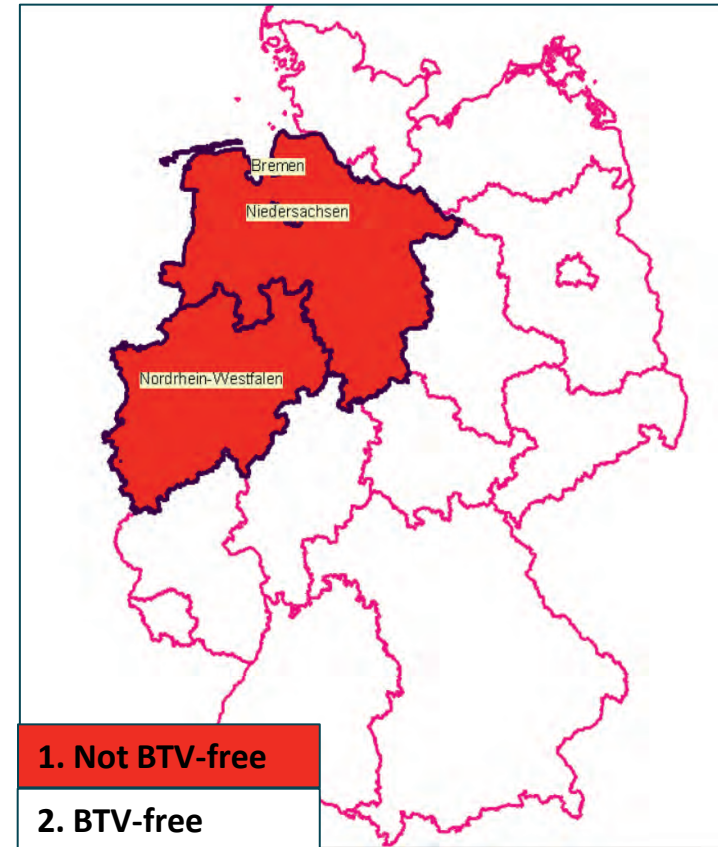
Without status free of BTV three Länder:

1. Free Hanseatic City of Bremen
2. North Rhine-Westphalia
3. Lower Saxony

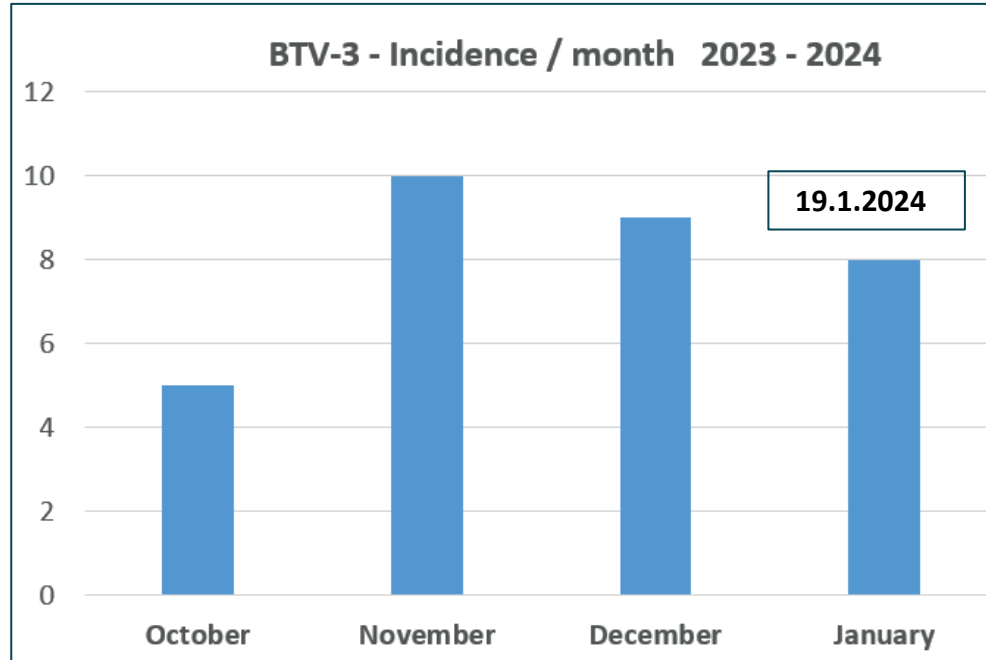
All other **13 Länder**: status **free of BTV** !

- Supplementary movement requirements in force between free and not-free zones;
- Requirements for movement of bovine, ovine and caprine animals have been extended to all species listed for BTV in Annex to CIR (EU) 2018/1882;

[https://food.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2023-12/ad\\_control-measures\\_bt\\_movement\\_deu.pdf](https://food.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2023-12/ad_control-measures_bt_movement_deu.pdf)



# Incidence up to 19 January 2024



# Conclusions

- Winter time:
  - Limited spread of the virus in the affected region;
  - Mostly only one animal positive in an establishment;
- Enhanced awareness and surveillance in the entire territory of Germany;
- Further spread of the disease in springtime expected.
- The availability of an adequate vaccine against BTV-3 would be very useful.

# Thank you for your attention!



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