



REGIONE AUTONOMA DELLA SARDEGNA

African Swine Fever in Sardinia Epidemiological situation 9 January 2012

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- From 06.12.2011 to 03.01.2012 N 4 outbreaks of ASF in domestic swine and 1 in the wild boar occurred in the Province of Nuoro (high-risk zone)
- As shown in the maps, the area subject to restrictions has been greatly reduced. At the moment are free the Provinces of Cagliari, Carbonia-Iglesias, Olbia-Tempio and Oristano.

Updated epidemiological situation at 9 January 2012

- Actions by veterinary services:
 - Surveillance on wild boar - from 01.11.2011 to 31.01.2012 in order to evaluate the level of infection in the wild boar after this epidemic period (ongoing),
 - Extra-Plan of checks (Audit/Inspections) on the totality of certified swine herds (about n. 450) and on the slaughterhouse and authorized exporting plants (Dec 2005/363; it will be completed at 31.01.2012. The aim is to detect and correct irregularities about management and structure of the herds.

CONCLUSIONS



- The emergency measures planned in Sardinia are able to control this epidemic and are contained in the Decree of the President of the Sardinia Region No. 154 of 21 December 2011.
- The total ban to the export of the swine meat and products has obliged the regional authority to increase the efforts and, now, this problem is began a political priority, so in the eradication Plan are been involved others Institutions, as Police Force, Agriculture Department to support the activities of veterinary regional authority.

Regional Emergency Measures of control

- Education and information of population about the eradication ASF's Plan;
- Regularization of free-range, not registered swine herds in cooperation with Municipalities and Agriculture Regional Department;
- Restore and build new farms for improve structures and management of bio-security;
- Increase checks on farms, means of transport, restaurant, farmer's restaurant, village festival;
- Aggravate the fines against the transgressions of veterinarian rules and advance the payment.



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Thank you for attention

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