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**EU Actions**

**VETERINARY**
- EU Reference Lab
- 28 National Reference Labs
- Import ban on colonies
- Training of 100s of officials
- Fight against small hive beetle

**PESTICIDES**
- New risk assessment schemes
- Strengthening approval process
- Restriction of uses
- Integrated pest management

**BEEKEEPING**
- Re-stocking of hives
- Combat varroasis and beehive invaders
- Technical assistance
- Applied research

**ENVIRONMENT**
- Life programme
- Protection and restoration of habitats for bees
- European Red List of bees

**AGRICULTURE**
- Greening measures
- Agri/Environmental/Climate measures
- Rural development measures

**Fast facts**

- **630,000** Beekeepers in the EU
- **16,000,000** Hives in the EU
- **1884** wild bee species in the EU
- **1** domestic bee species (Apis mellifera)
- **33,100,000 €/year** EU co-financing for beekeeping
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- Average number of medicines authorised per EU Member State
  - bees = 3
  - pigs = 426
  - dogs = 592
In 17 Member States

WHO?

1573 Bee inspectors

177 000 Checks done by inspectors

WHERE?

Winter 2012 - Summer 2014

3 visits each year

Winter, spring, summer

WHAT?

Around 62 500 colonies were checked in over 6 200 apiaries

HOW MANY?

Almost € 5,2 million EU contribution allocated

HOW MUCH?

SURVEY RESULTS:

Mortality rate

Winter 2012-2013

Winter 2013-2014

Spring-summer 2013

Spring-summer 2014

Mortality

>20%

15-20%

10-15%

5-10%

<5%

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