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ASF epidemiological situation and the main control measures in Latvia

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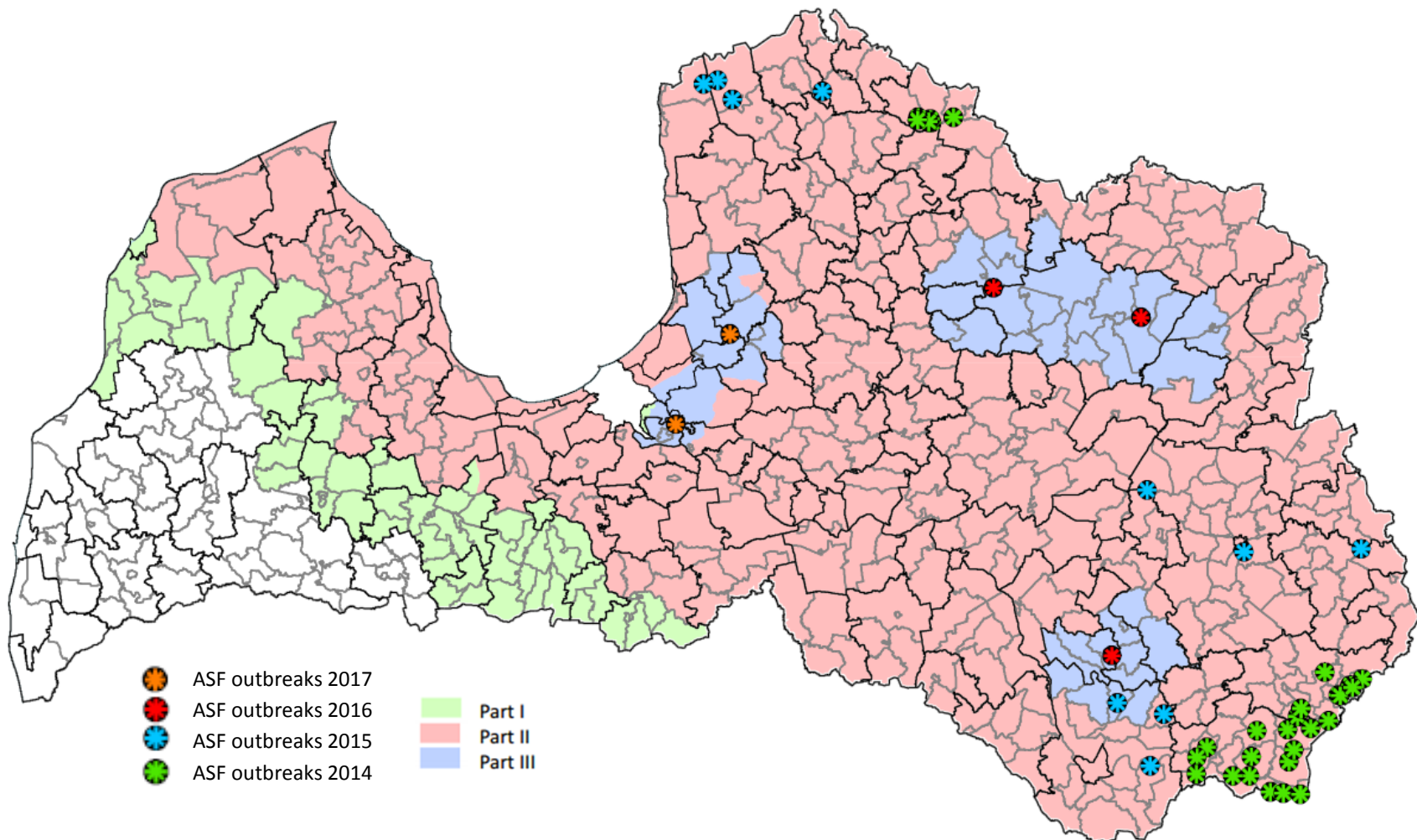
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ASF outbreaks in 2014 - 2017

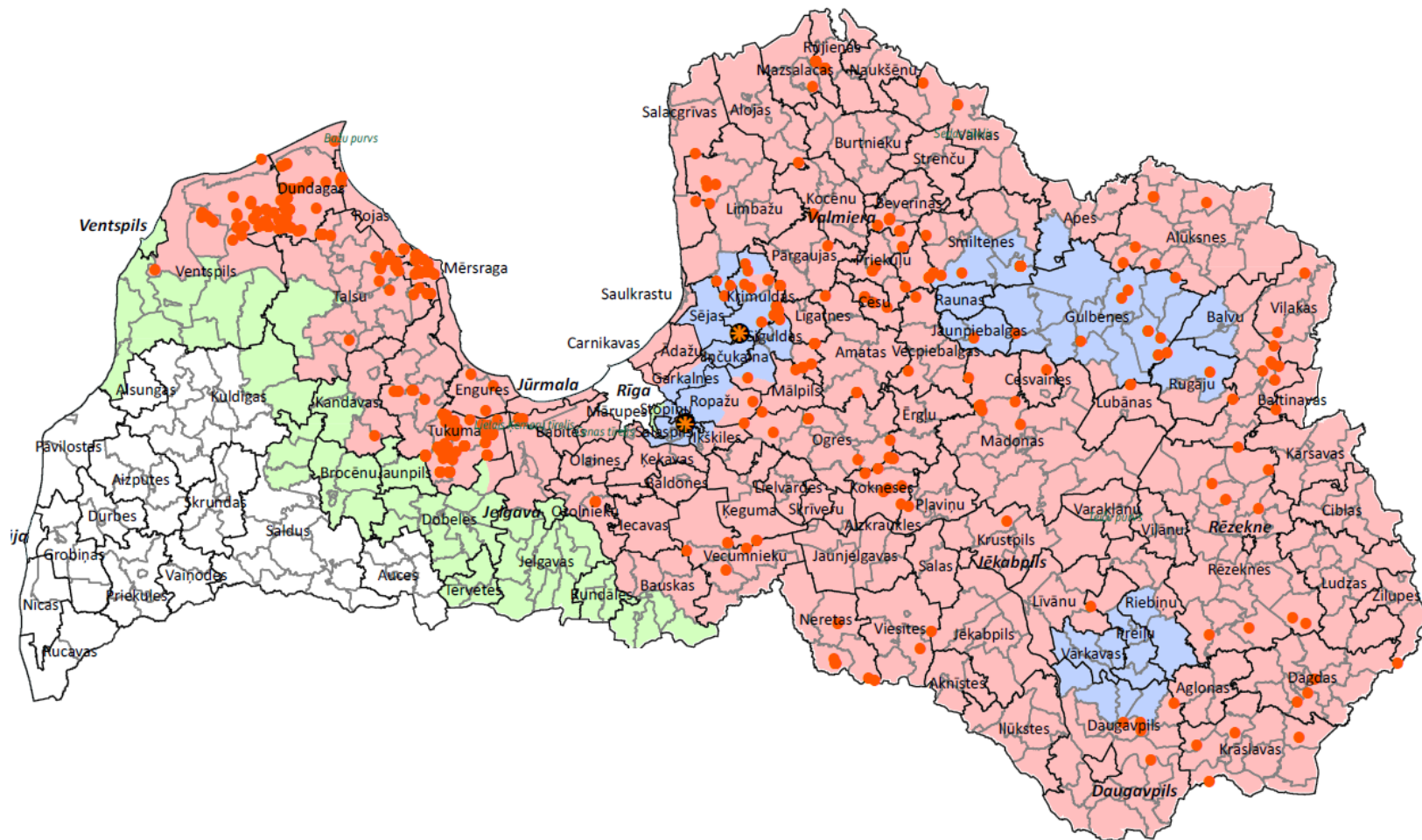


	2014	2015	2016	2017 (1.06.)
Outbreaks	32	10	3	2
Affected pigs	564	213	311	~ 14 000



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ASF cases 2017



In total 543 cases on 31.05.2017.





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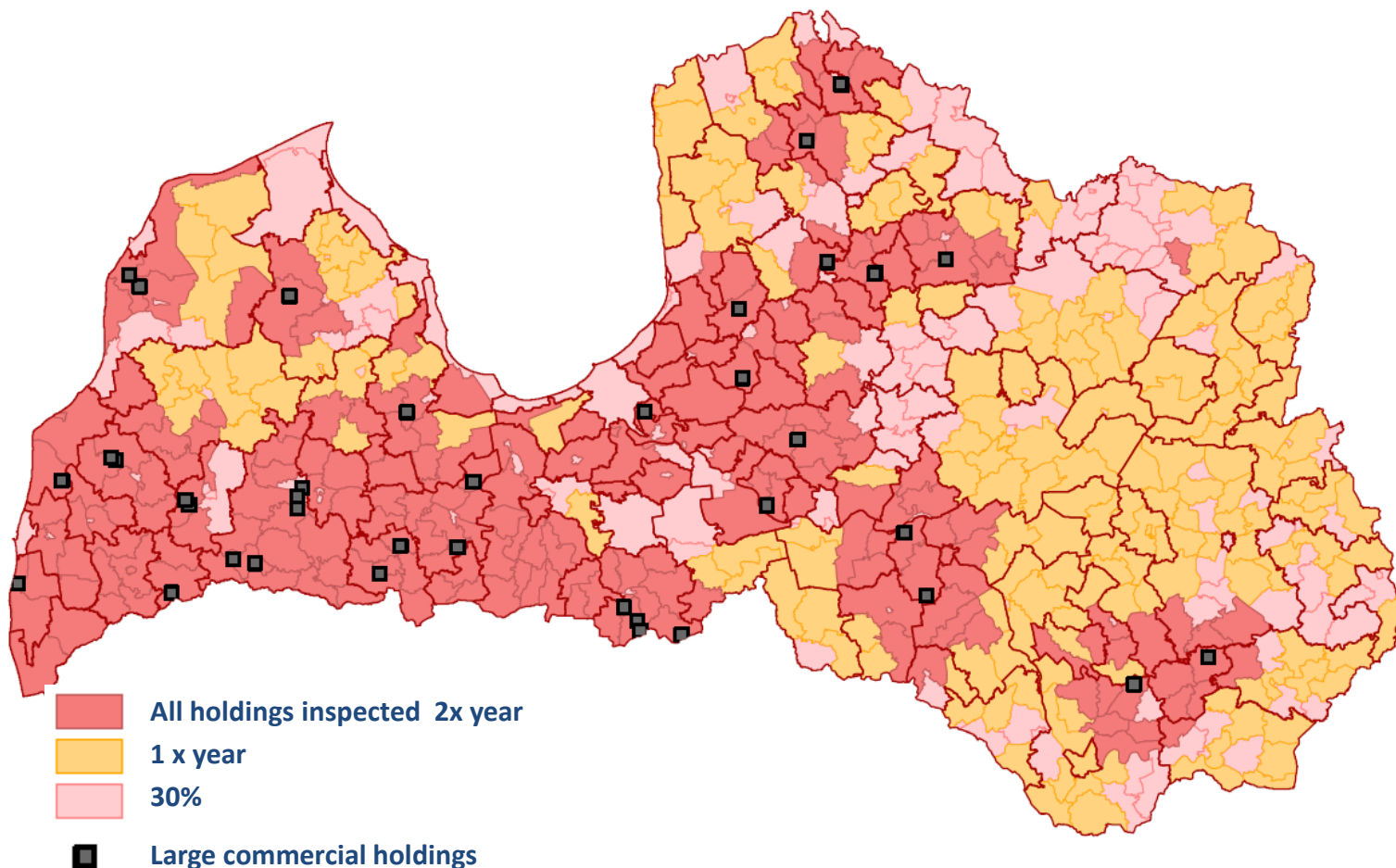
Main control measures in domestic pig holdings

- BIOSECURITY
- ENHANCED PASSIVE SURVEILLANCE
- HEALTH CONTROLS – clinical and laboratory
- MOVEMENT CONTROLS
- CONTINUOUS AWARENESS



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Risk based biosecurity controls – concentrating efforts within and around the commercial holdings





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Main control measures in wild boar population

- SAMPLING AND TESTING OF HUNTED WILD BOAR
- SUSTAINABLE FEEDING RESTRICTIONS
- SELECTIVE HUNTING
- CARCASS COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL
- CONTINUOUS AWARENESS



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Sampling and testing of hunted wild boar

There is a system in place to provide sampling and testing of all hunted wild boar within the infected area. *There are more than 13 500 hunted wild boar tested in 2016.*

There is an investment provided by the State to comply with carcass storage requirements while waiting for lab results - Latvia managed to allocate 1 million EUR for purchase of refrigerators for hunting grounds





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Feeding restriction

Winter feeding is restricted in all territory of Latvia (Regulation of Cabinet of Ministers in place since December 10, 2014)

- Feeding directly on the ground is prohibited
- Use of feeders with dosage option only
- Restrictions on the amount of feed– 400 l to 1000ha





Selective hunting

Targeted female hunting – in the frame of this activity since November 2015 till March 2016 **11 642** female wild boar were hunted.

Since September 2016 till December 2016 **6288** female wild boar were hunted.

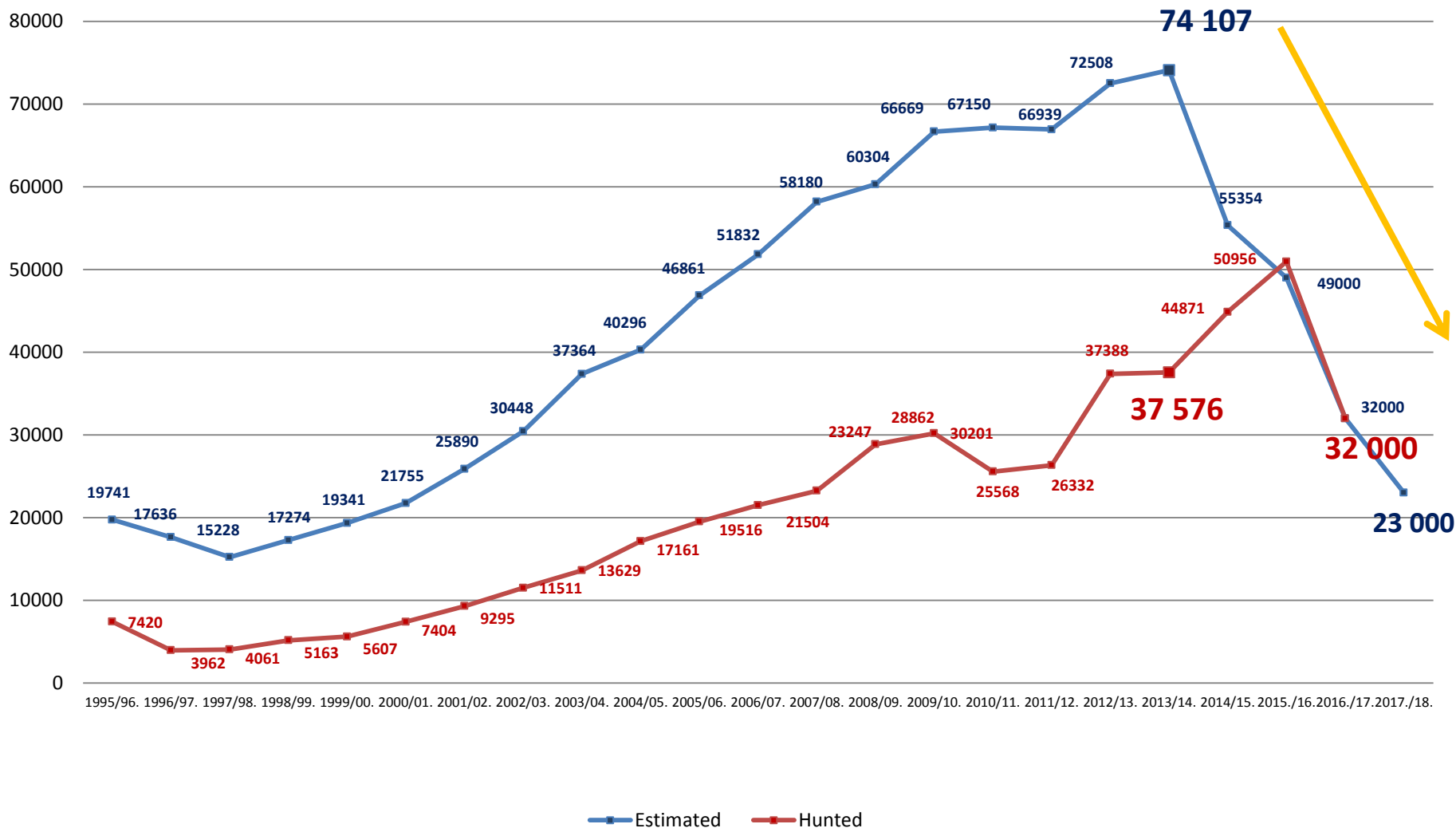
Since March 2017 till now **2375** female wild boar are hunted.

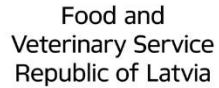
Totally - 20 305



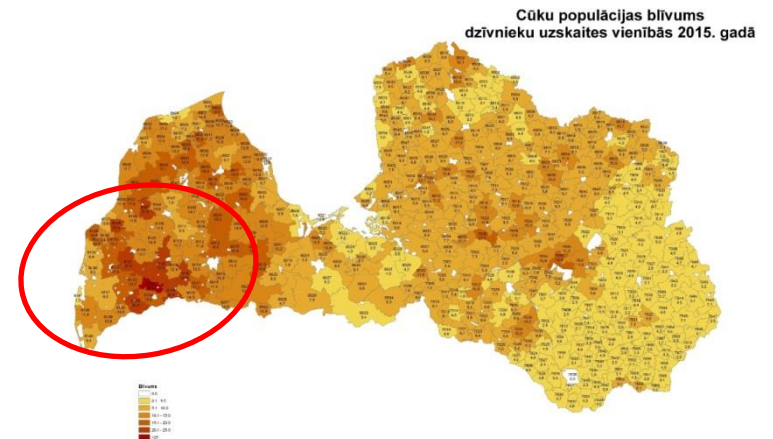
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Estimated and hunted number of wild boar





Year	Estimated	Hunted
14/15	10646	9173
15/16	9856	10847
16/17	7820	10123
17/18	6117	-

WB density
map 2015



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Offal and carcass collection and disposal (1)

Offal should be:

1. buried on the place
2. collected in the special place (pit) at the hunting ground.
3. collected in wild boar by-product containers.





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Offal and carcass disposal (2)

All found dead wild boars are destroyed:

- 1) Buried in the forest or near by (payment 50 EUR)
- 2) Collected in wild boar by-product containers (payment 30 EUR)
- 3) Transported and destroyed in mobile incinerator unit





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BIOSECURITY DURING HUNTING AND IN HUNTING GROUNDS

Food and Veterinary Service in cooperation with State Forest service organize random controls in hunting lodges:

- Storage of carcass till lab results
- Storage conditions
- Disinfectants
- Internal rules for equipment and overalls
- Offal/skin management

Regulation of the Cabinet of Ministers on hunting and hunting ground biosecurity measures is currently drafted.





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