

## About this dossier

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## Part II, Section 6 - Welfare requirements for animals

**Country** Greece **Year** 2023

**Have you any data to report in this period ?** Yes

### 6.1 Overall conclusion on the level of compliance achieved

Despite the recruitment of some new official veterinarians in local veterinary services during 2023 there is still to be seen an increase in achieving the target of control plans in local veterinary services which remain understaffed, remaining this as a political decision to be made. The lack of personnel has acquired a systematic character with long-term impacts in Greek society and market. National legislation is robust and promotive, national procedures and criteria are well-established, the remaining inspectors are experienced and trained. They exercise official controlling and verification, monitoring and guidance for operators and dissemination of good practices and animal welfare improvements for all animal sectors. Their performance is correct but the operational work overload makes them not to obtain the action plan's strategic objectives. Parallel, for local veterinary services, there is a lack of financial resources too ( which is also a systematic and political issue too).

Official controls were performed in mixed sheep and goat farms (declared in both species' relevant sections). As far as welfare in slaughterhouses is concerned, regional veterinary services use the joint inspection protocol template for welfare and hygiene sectors during a slaughterhouse audit which in effect since 2021. Finally higher stocking densities, lack of complying with journey times quoted in documents, bad maintained vehicles with unsuitable drinkers and unprofessional behavior of drivers at road checks still remain the most frequent non-compliances in transports with destination to Greece from other neighboring MSs.

### 6.2 Official controls, non-compliances and actions/measures on animal welfare on farms

Animals kept for farming purposes (animal category)	Number of production sites	Number of official controls performed	Non-compliances		Actions/measures	
			Total number of controlled production sites	Number of controlled production sites where non-compliances were detected	Administrative	Judicial
Pigs (as defined in the Council Directive 2008/120/EC)	1283	20	20	8	0	0
Laying hens (as defined in the Council Directive 1999/74/EC)	794	46	46	6	0	
Chickens (as defined in the Council Directive 2007/43/EC)	841	31	31	4	0	
Calves (as defined in the Council Directive 2008/119/EC)	9926	110	110	4	0	
Other (specify)						
Cattle (except calves)	5261	32	32	5	0	
Sheep	41456	84	84	0	0	
Goats	41456	84	84	0	0	
Fur animals	115	0	0	0	0	
Turkeys	31	0	0	0	0	

### 6.3 Analysis and action plan for animal welfare on farms

Please read the attached document

### 6.4 Animal welfare during transport

Protection of animals during transport (by species)	Number of official controls performed	Number and category of non-compliances						Actions/measures	
		Fitness of animals	Transport practices, space allowance, height	Means of transport	Water, feed, journey and resting times	Documents	Other	Administrative	Judicial
Bovine	261	0	0	0	3	6	6	4	0
Porcine animals	78	0	1	1	1	2	4	3	
Ovine/caprine	255	0	1	4	3	10	3	13	
Equidae	5	0	0	0	0	4	6	1	
Poultry	259	0	2	1	2	3	1	5	
Other species									

### 6.5 Analysis and action plan for animal welfare during transport

Please read the attached document.

### 6.6 Animal welfare at the time of killing

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### 6.7 Comment box

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### Attachments

Yes

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File Name: GREECE\_2023\_TRANSPORT\_NON\_COMPLIANCES\_AND\_ACTION\_PLAN.pdf

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