



African swine fever is spreading across Europe! Let's fight this disease together!

African swine fever (ASF) is a very contagious viral disease that affects pigs and wild boars.

This disease is spreading across Europe.

The disease appeared in wild boars in Belgium in September 2018 and could be eradicated (which required enormous efforts and cost millions of €), but the risk of re-emergence of the disease is certainly present and poses a real threat to Belgium!

Precautionary measures



1. Do not bring back any food (meat/meat products) from ASF-affected areas.



2. Do not feed kitchen waste to pigs and wild boars.



3. Dispose of leftovers from meals in secure waste bins.

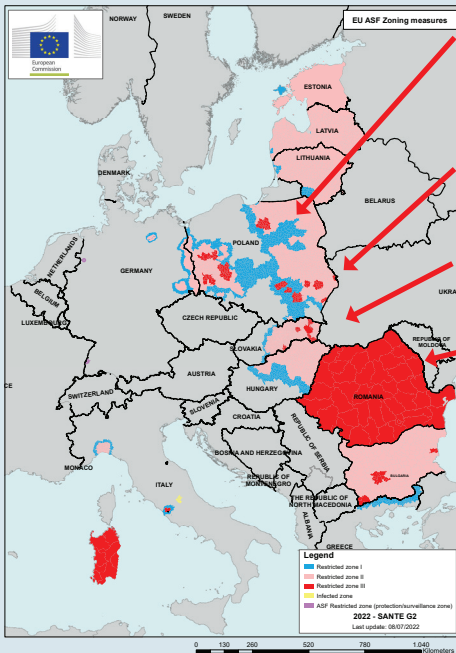
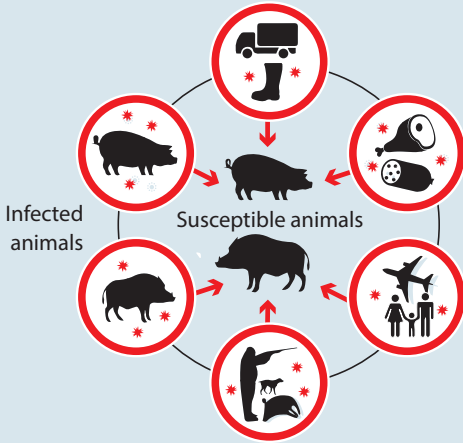


Most common ways of transmission

ASF can be transmitted through:

- **contact with infected pigs or wild boars** (including carcasses or offal)
- **meat/meat products** from infected animals
- **contaminated objects** such as shoes, clothing, vehicles, equipment
- **people** who have come into contact with infected animals or who have recently visited ASF-affected areas.

The virus remains contagious for a long time on cadavers of animals, in the environment and in meat/meat products from infected animals (up to 105 days in the offal and blood and up to 300 days in dried meat!).



ASF is not transmissible to humans, so there is no public health risk.

European countries affected by ASF

Map of the areas where ASF is circulating in pigs and/or wild boars (situation on 08/07/2022).

For an updated list of the countries affected by ASF or for more information on ASF, visit:

<https://www.favv-afsca.be/ppa/>

<https://www.natuurenbos.be/afrikaansevarkenspest>

<http://www.wallonie.be/fr/actualites/mesures-de-lutte-contre-la-peste-porcine-africaine>