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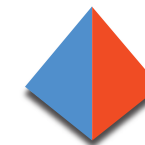
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# 1<sup>st</sup> GF-TADs Regional Conference in the European region

Country experience: **Lumpy Skin Disease  
in France**

French Ministry of Agriculture and Food  
Sovereignty

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## GF-TADs

GLOBAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE  
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# Global strategy for quick and total eradication

- **Total culling on spot**
- **Protection and surveillance zones with prohibited/restricted movements of cattle**
- **Emergency protective vaccination**

# Situation as of September, 22

**79** outbreaks

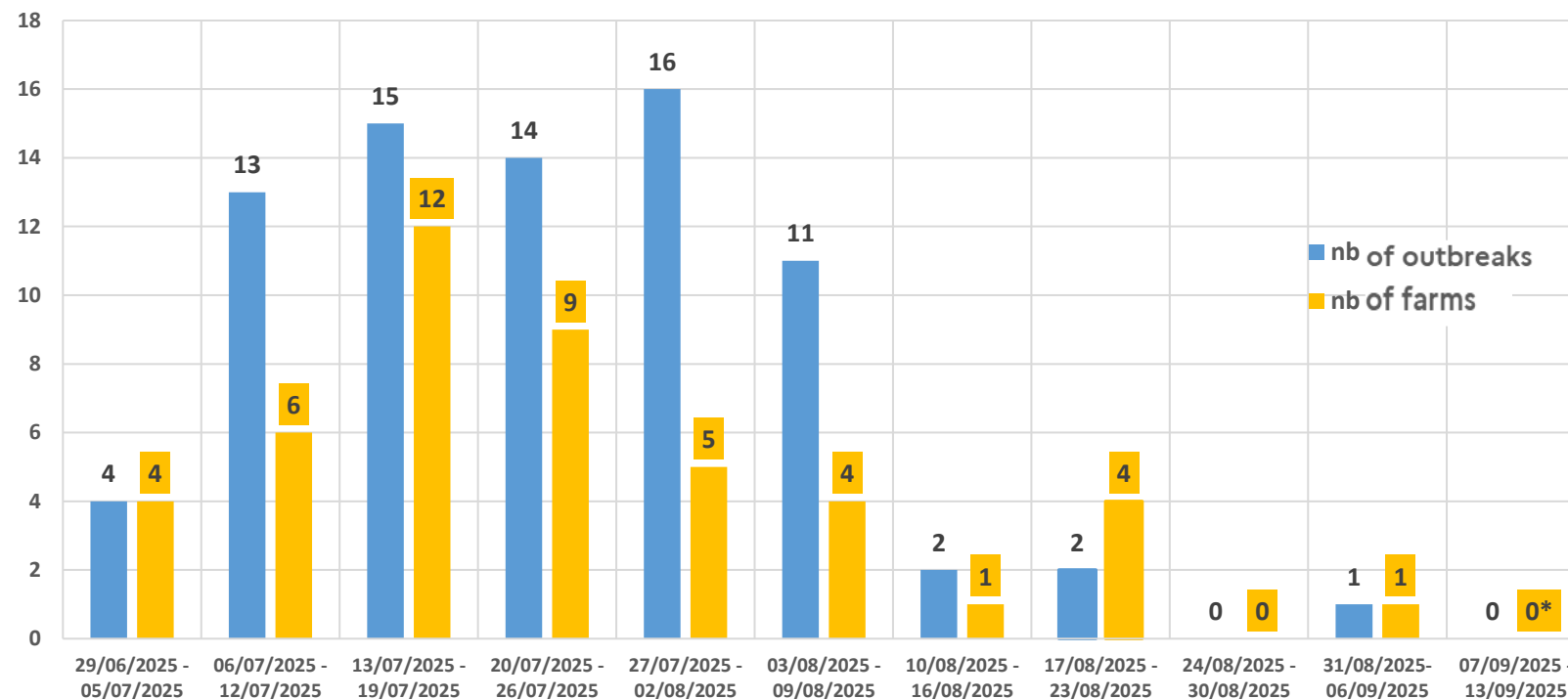
(70% with less than 20 cattle)

**47** farms

**Over 1800** cattles culled



n (outbreaks & farms)



# Situation as of September 22

**June 20**

1<sup>st</sup> outbreak in **Italy (Sardinia)**

**June 29**

1<sup>st</sup> outbreak in **France** in Savoie.

**July 12**

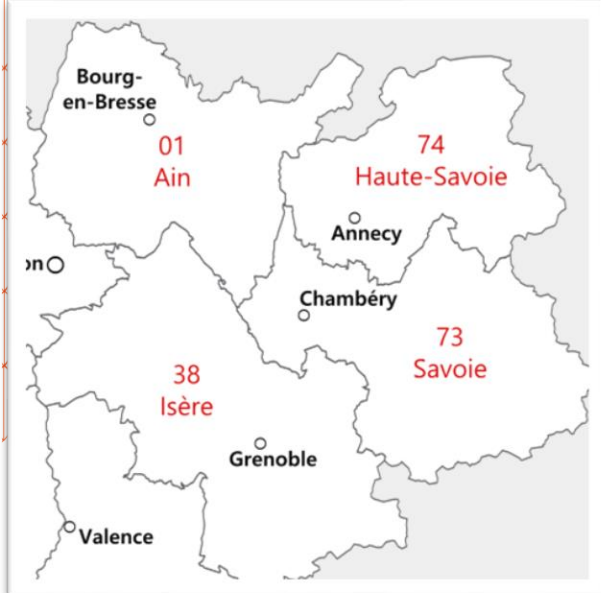
1<sup>st</sup> outbreak in Haute-Savoie

**August 23**

1<sup>st</sup> outbreak in Ain

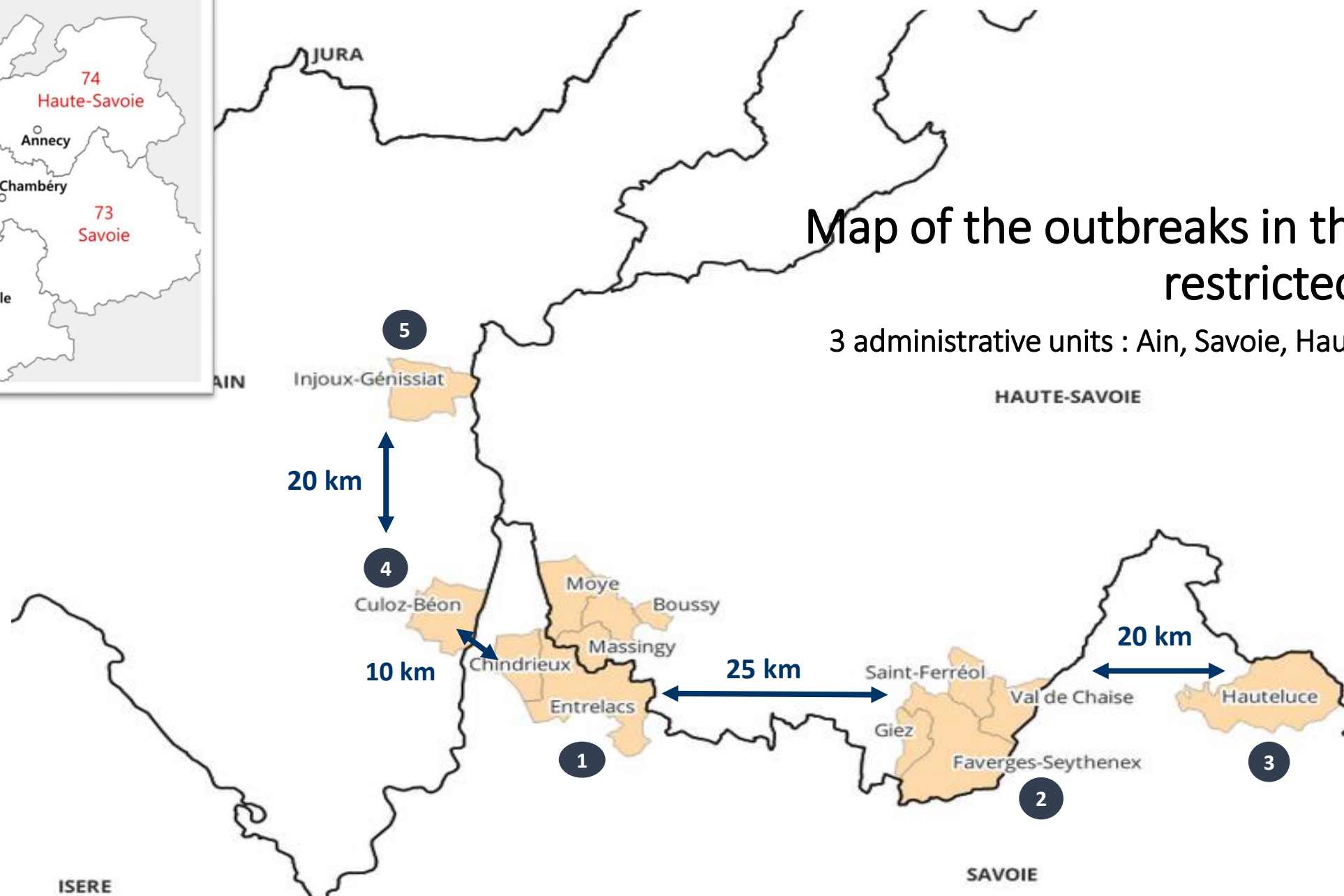
**Sept 18**

1 outbreak in Rhône



## Map of the outbreaks in the first restricted zone

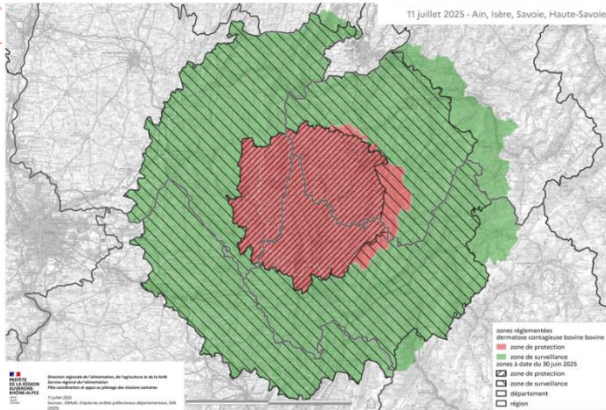
3 administrative units : Ain, Savoie, Haute-Savoie



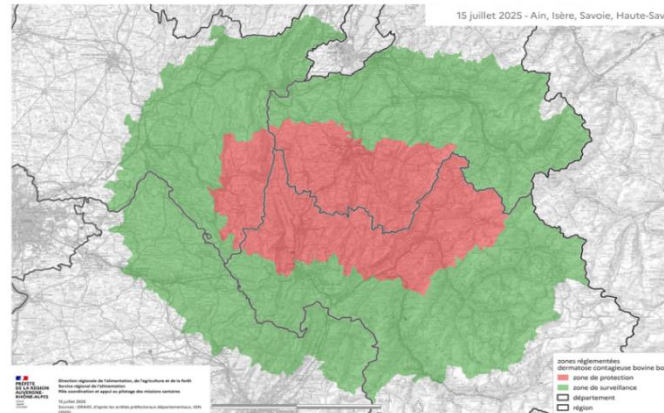


# Evolution of the Restricted Zone 1/2

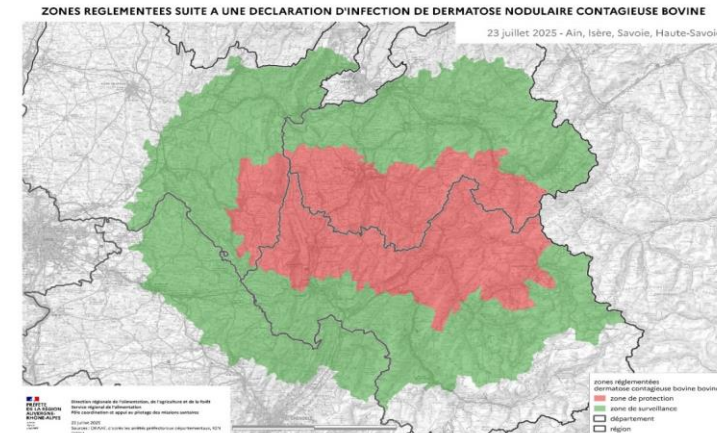
## 1 1st Restricted zone



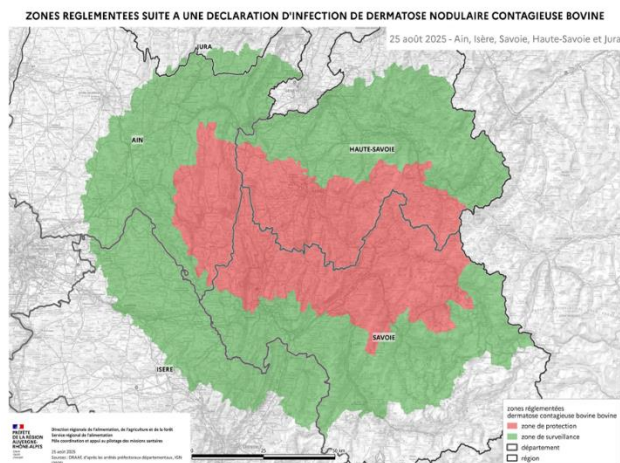
## 2 Restricted zone as of 2025/07/15



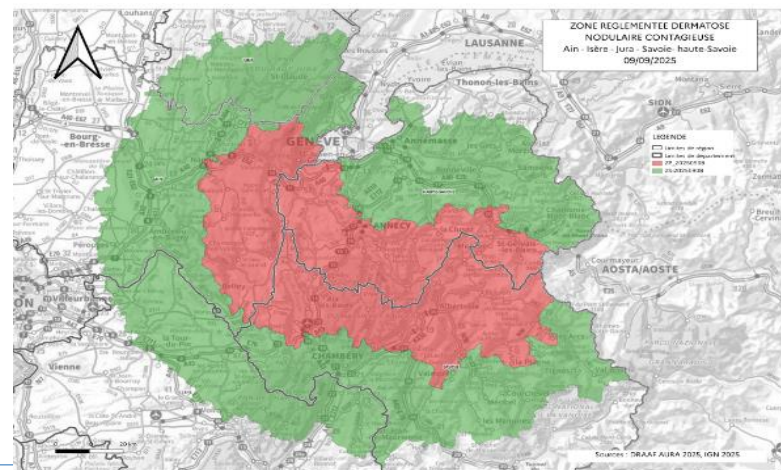
## 3 Restricted zone as of 2025/07/25



## 4 Restricted zone as of 2025/09/04



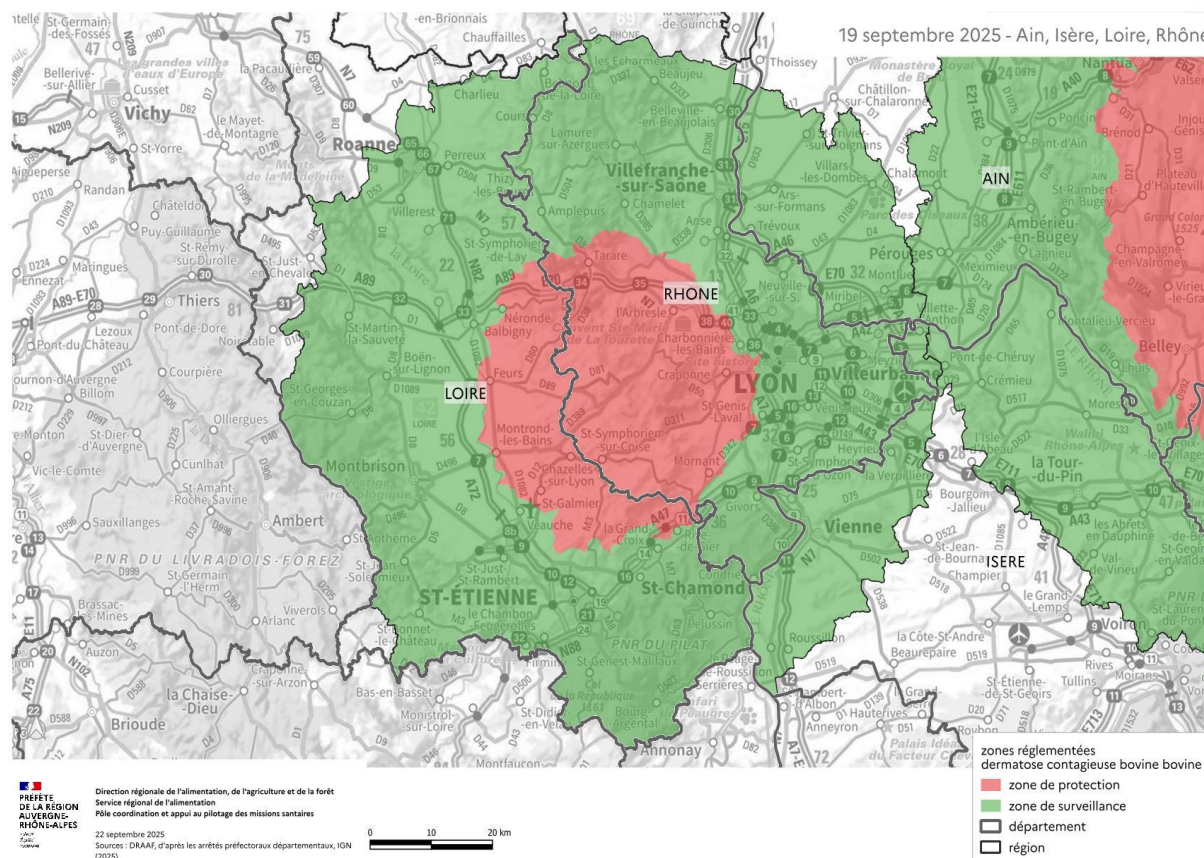
## 5 Restricted zone as of September 9, 2025



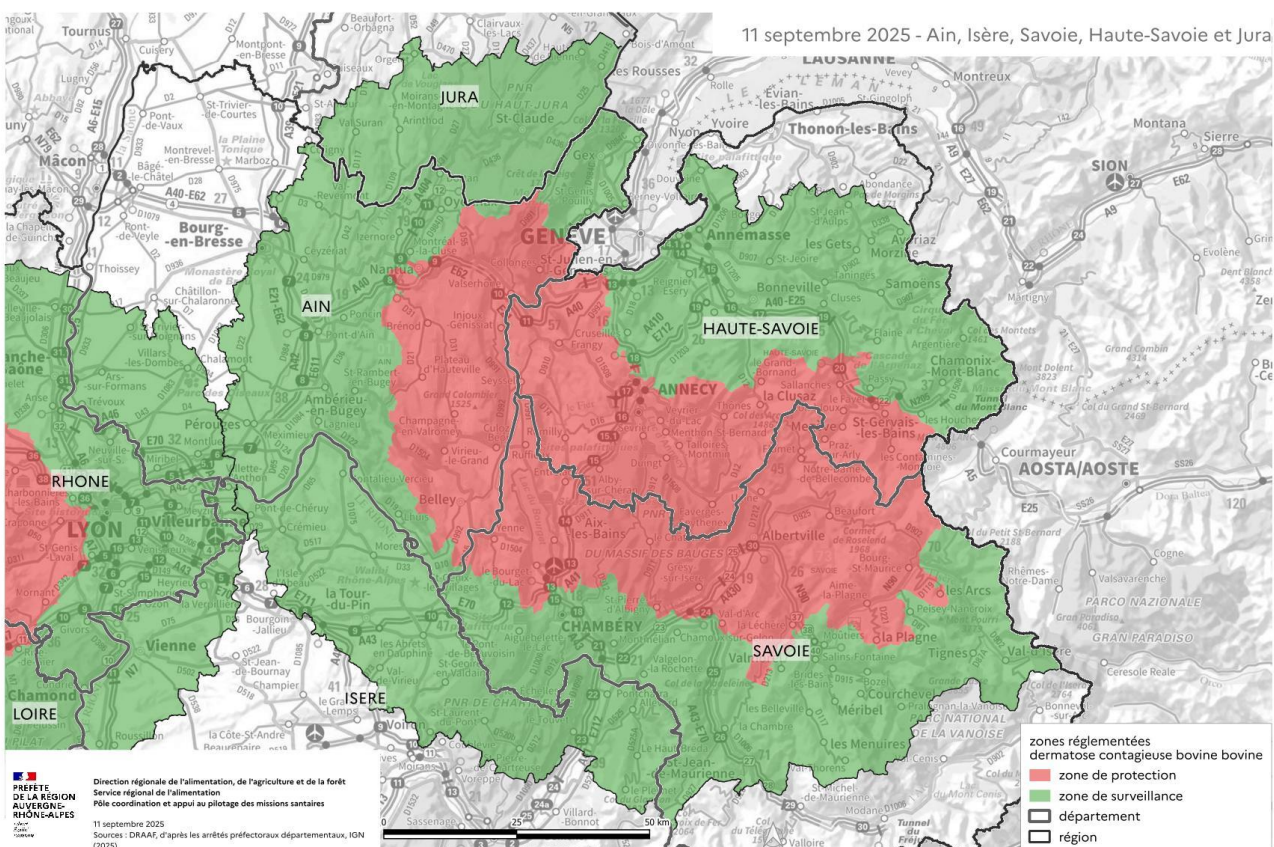


# Evolution of the Restricted Zone 2/2

## ZONES REGLEMENTEES SUITE A UNE DECLARATION D'INFECTION DE DERMATOSE NODULAIRE CONTAGIEUSE BOVINE



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# Vaccination campaign in the first restricted Zone

**86%** of vaccinated cattle in the restricted zone (as of today)

*Vaccination will be launched ASAP in the second restricted zone*

**July 1<sup>st</sup>**

Ordering doses to the European Commission

**July 15**

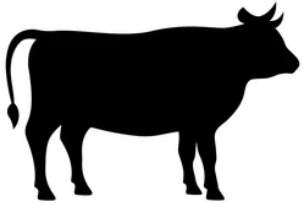
Delivery of doses in France

**July 18**

First vaccinations, covered by the government, administered by veterinarians



# Vaccination in Corsica : No outbreak



**40 413** cattle

Started on September 1st



**941** cattle farm

**75%** cattle in **442** holdings



# Total Culling : how to explain this measure and implement it?

Arguments	Details
<b>Scientists</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 1 outbreak = 1 Epidemiological unit approach;</li><li>- No reliable test available for asymptomatic animals</li><li>- Demonstration by EURL of transmission by asymptomatic animals.</li></ul>
<b>Definition of the strategy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Culling = in addition to movement control and emergency vaccination</li><li>- Approach defined in consultation with professional representatives and then validated collectively</li></ul>
<b>Legal</b>	Legal and technical support from the central level
<b>Financial</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Evaluation of the value of animals</li><li>- Rapid compensation for farmers</li></ul>
<b>Culling process</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Method in accordance with R(EU) 1099/2009 (anesthesia and subsequent culling by injection);</li><li>- Support from law enforcement ;</li><li>- Immediate removal of cadavers</li></ul>
<b>Crisis communication</b>	Many posts on social media and press communicates

# Financial support : compensation for farmers affected



**Urgent** need to quickly replenish the cash reserves of affected farmers and provide maximum support for herd recapitalization.  
→ **Exceptional and rapid measures** taken.

Shortening of the payment period and cash advance to the owner of the animals within days of slaughter.

**Over 3 millions€** paid to date



# Illustrations





## In a nutshell

- Early detection **is key**
- Movement prohibition/restriction **of cattle in the restricted area**
- Total culling **on spot**
- Emergency protective **vaccination**
- Communication **with all stakeholders and the public**



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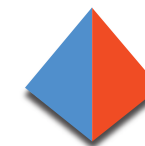


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**To know more about LSD  
management and  
communication in France :**

<https://agriculture.gouv.fr/tout-savoir-sur-la-dermatose-nodulaire-contagieuse-dnc>



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