



## African swine fever in Lithuania

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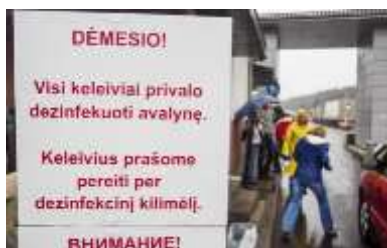


- **Disinfection of vehicles.** Vehicles transporting live animals must provide a justifying document that the vehicle was cleaned and disinfected after animals had been unloaded last time. Additional disinfection of such vehicles is provided at BIPs.

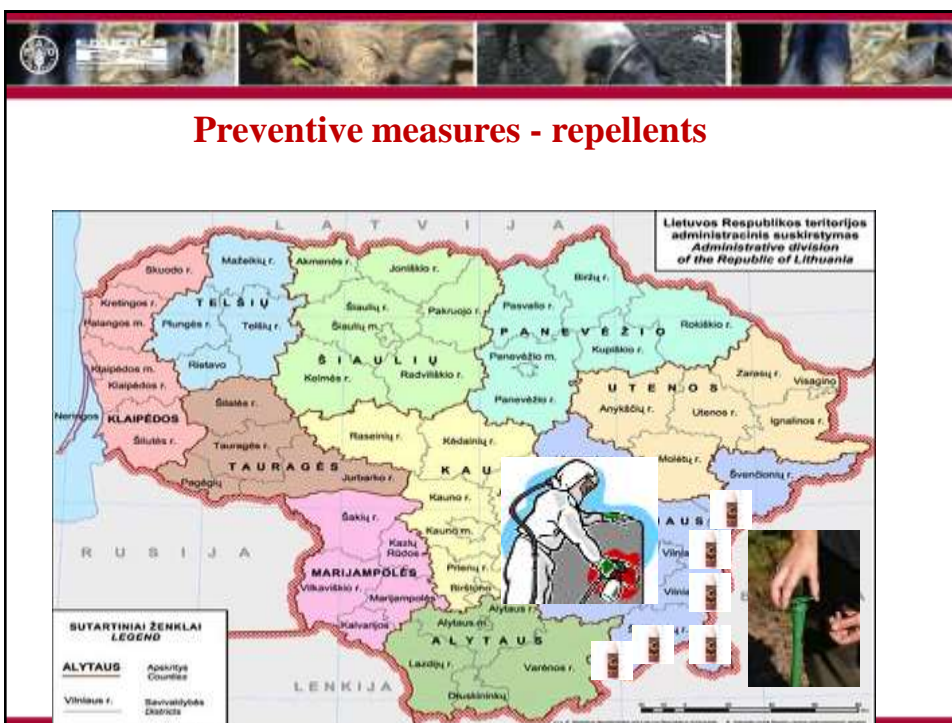


Installation of disinfection barriers for:

- Truck, car and bus wheels (in each of the 4 BIPs and in each of the 10 BCPs)
- persons crossing the border by foot (in each of the 4 BIPs and in each of the 10 BCPs)
- use of motorized backpack sprayers for truck disinfection.

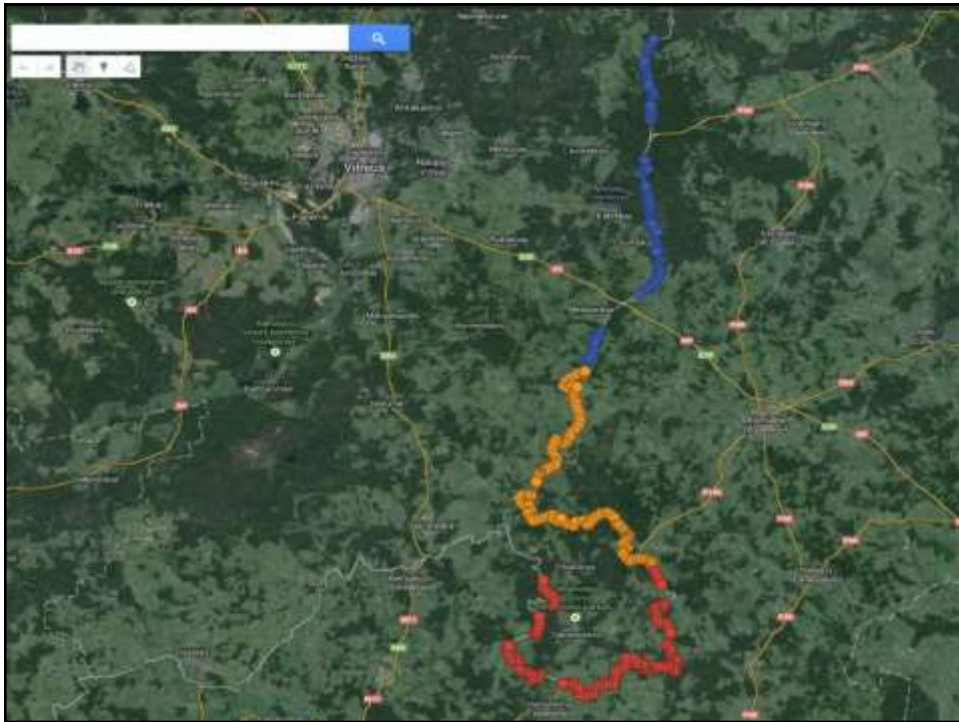




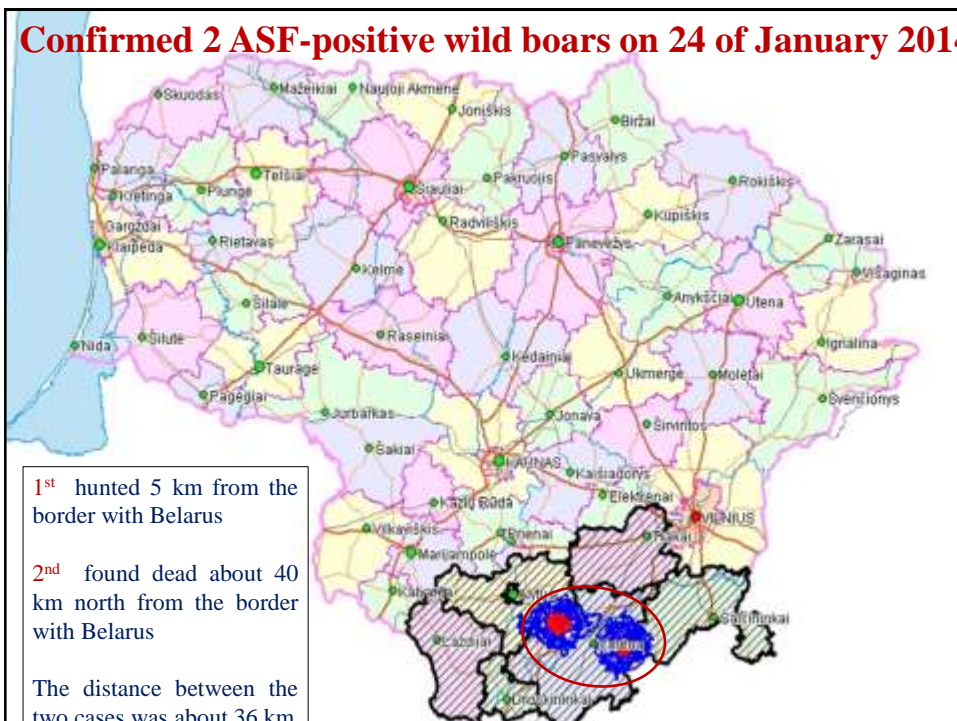


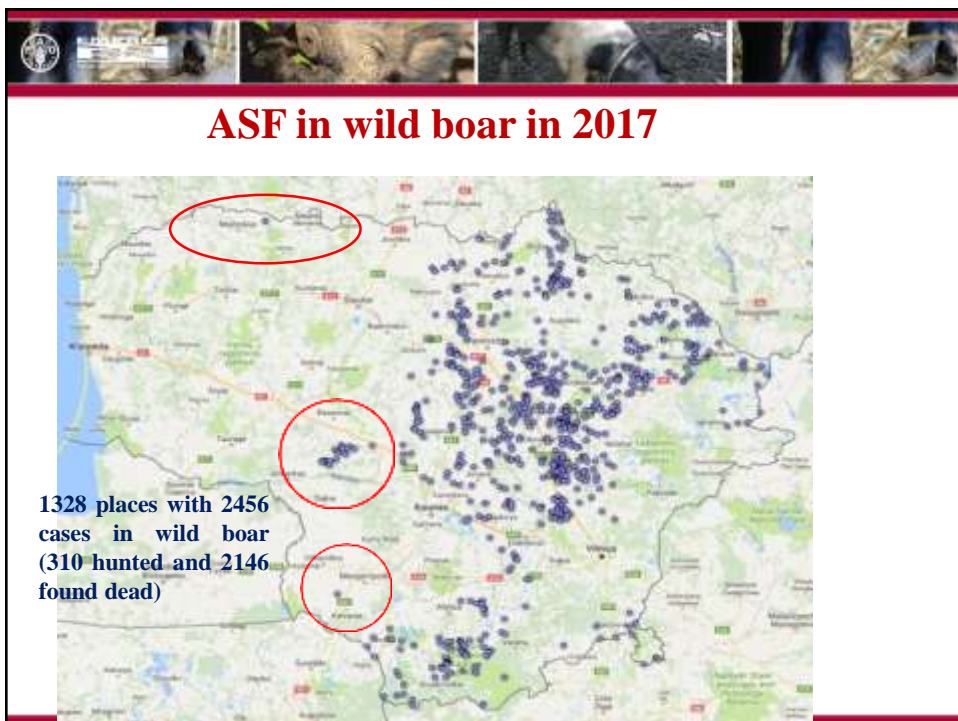


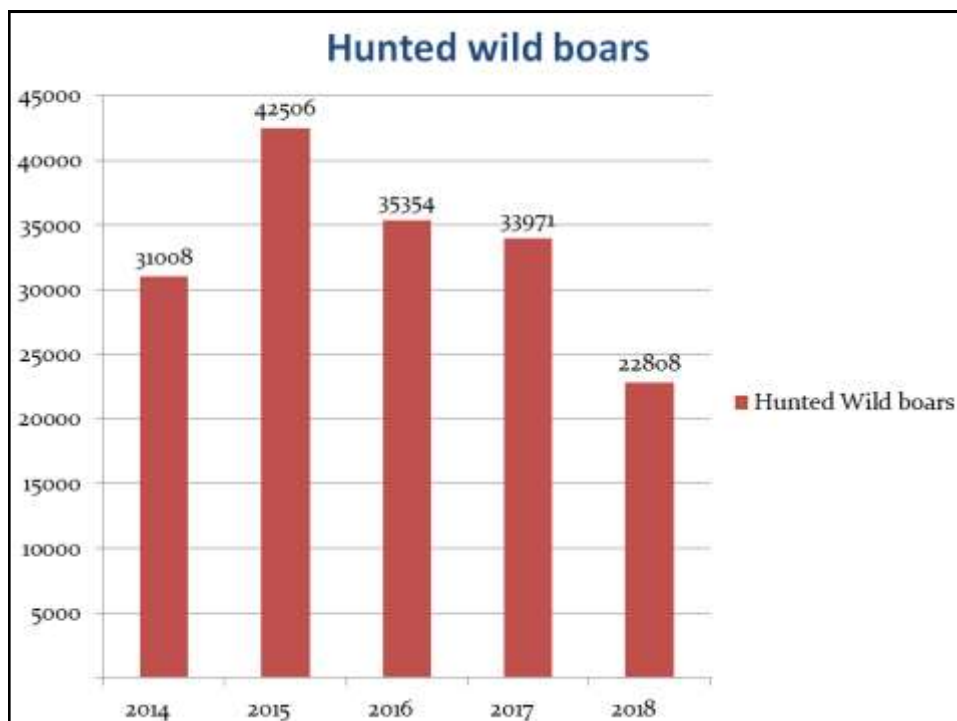
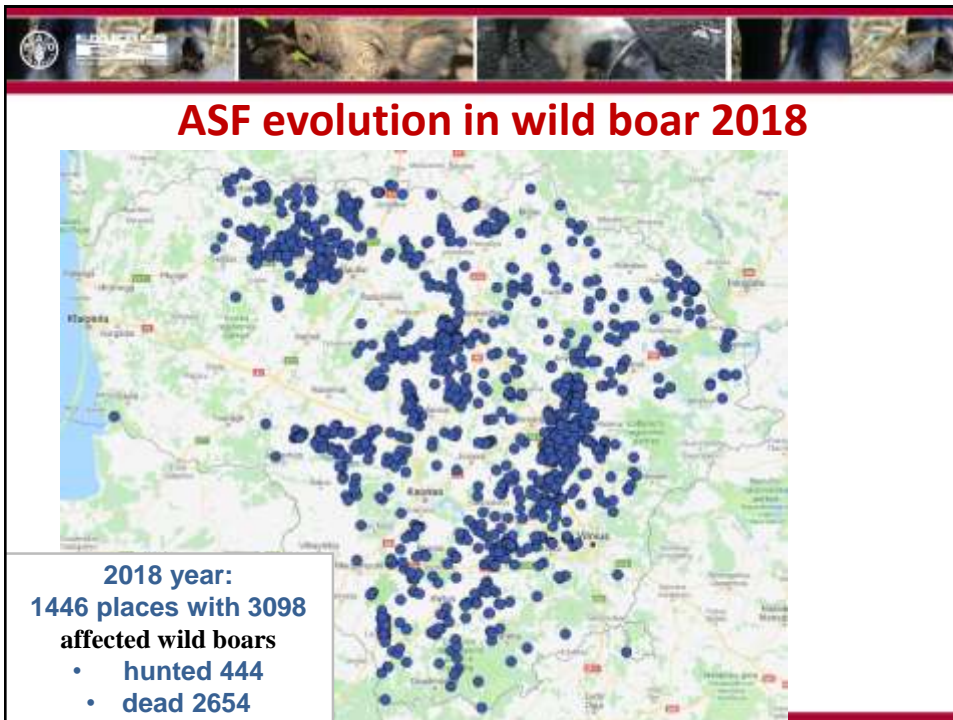




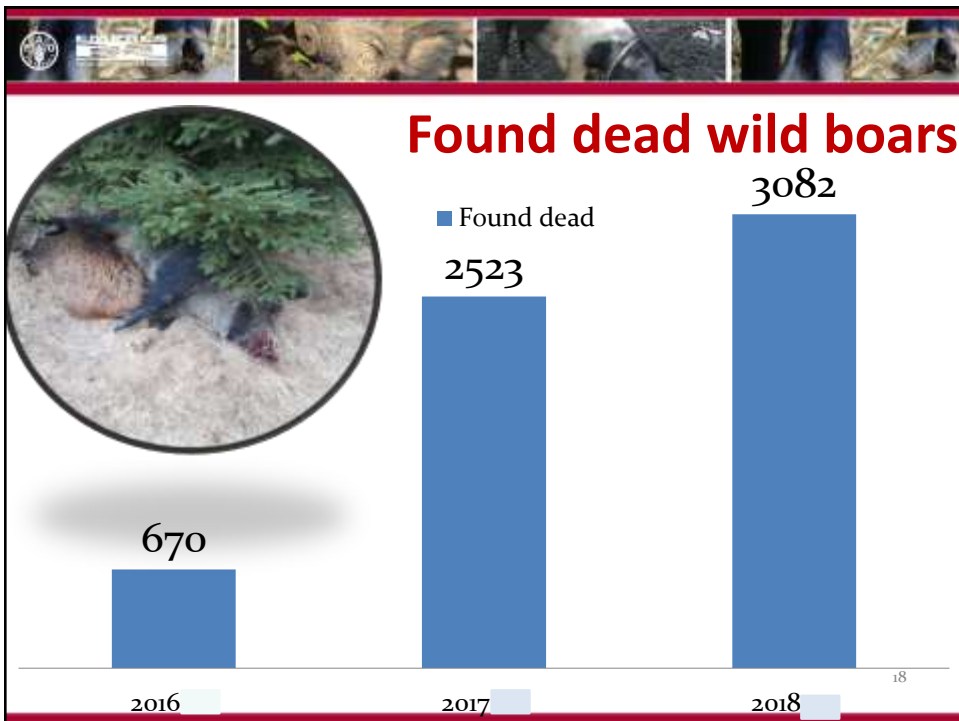
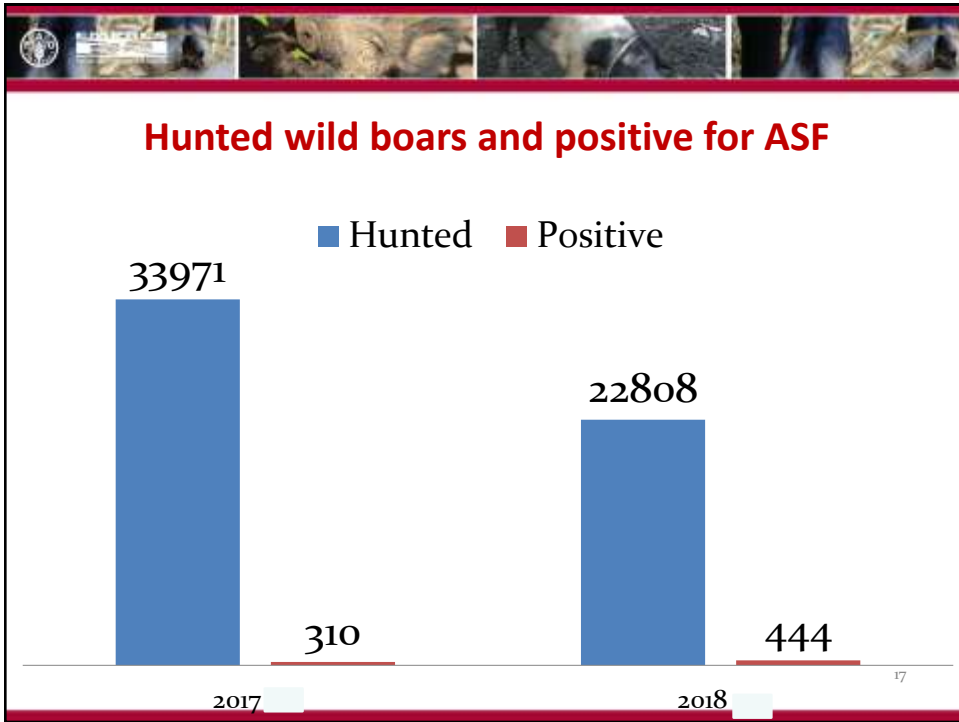
## Confirmed 2 ASF-positive wild boars on 24 of January 2014

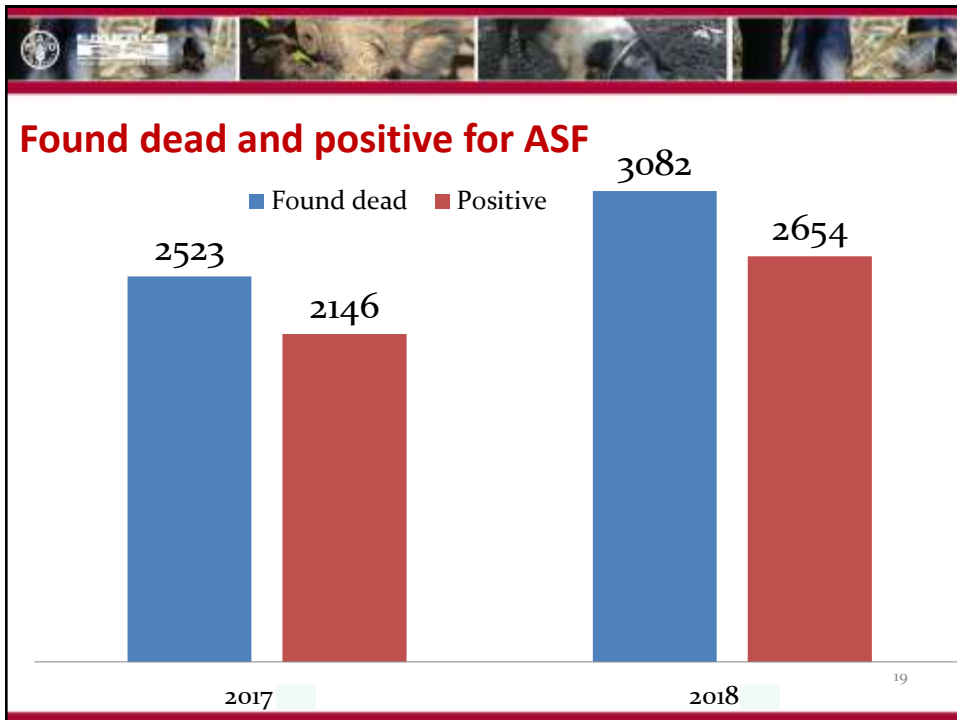












### ASF surveillance in Lithuania

- All found dead or killed in road incidents wild boar **are tested!**
- Any hunted** wild boar showing any abnormal behavior **are tested !**
- Pooling for dead wild boars are implemented (not more than 5 found dead wild boars can be pooled for sampling)

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## Wild boar control measures

- Feeding of wild boars was prohibited by a Decision of CVO from 10 October 2014, only attractive feeding for hunting purposes is allowed;
- Hunt with beaters was prohibited in the buffer zone, in Part III and the municipalities where ASF was detected since 2014 until 2016;
- Since 2016 - hunting is organized in a unit of the hunting area once per month in the Part I-III;
- The hunting rules were amended accordingly.












## ASF CONTROL MEASURES IN WILD BOAR

- Wild boar feeding is forbidden – only baiting is allowed.
- Collection, testing and disposal of wild boar carcasses – **SFVS pays 30 euro for the information regarding found dead wild boar.**
- All hunted wild boars within infected area are subject to **laboratory tests** for ASF. If positive hunted wild boar is detected – **100 euro compensation for meat destruction was payed for the hunters.**
- It is forbidden to use the meat of hunted wild boars and to move the meat from the hunting place within the infected area **before the results of ASF testing** have been obtained from the laboratory.
- Hunters should **process hunted wild boars** in special designated places and all ABPs should not be moved outside but kept in special tightly closed animal waste pits.
- Biosafety requirements for hunters clubs.





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## ASF control

Payment for adult wild boar females:


- **for adult wild boar females only (older than 24 month)** – **100 EUR** (was paid for 12-24 months – 50 EUR , for older than 24 months – 100 EUR);
- **for information and destruction of wild boar carcass (for hunting clubs)** – **60 EUR** (currently it is paid for information regarding found dead wild boar – 30 EUR and veterinary service perform sampling. Only for destruction of carcass hunters receive 20 EUR).



## Information campaign

Information campaign Articles in national newspapers and regional press, movies through TV about ASF, information per radio, preparation of leaflets, posters, signs. 13000 pig keepers are informed about ASF biosecurity requirements.





## Biosecurity during hunting?

Each involved hunting ground in the infected country should think and develop it's own biosecurity plan, including:

- The road web,
- Location of the hunting towers,
- Distribution of the feeding / baiting points,
- availability of hunting lodges and related animal dressing facilities,
- storage of the offal's (containers or animal waste pits),
- Storage of the hunted wild boars.



## Supervision

Places at specified high risk for the introduction and spread of ASF, such as those where wild boars are gathered by the hunters and inspected, should be kept under strict supervision of veterinarians and personnel well-trained in recognizing the signs and lesions caused by the disease and on the measures to be adopted to avoid its spread.









## Disposal of carcasses

Carcasses of wild boars found dead shall be processed under official supervision and tested! Carcasses should be collected and processed - by burning, burial or disposal in the rendering plant.





## How to make the hunters involved?

- Communication and collaboration;
- Legislation (including contingency plan);
- Motivation (including financial - for activities carried out by hunters);
- Regular training.





**Thank you for your attention!**

