In Denmark, 0.5 million cattle and 18.5 million pigs were slaughtered and 9 million pigs were exported in 2013. A total of 27 Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD)/swine fever (SF) preventive activities were identified. The estimated total costs amounted to €32 million in 2013. The single most costly FMD/SF related activity, amounting to €8 million or 26% of total costs, was a national legal requirement to clean lorries immediately after transportation of live animals. The following expenses in decreasing order were:

2) establishing and continuously cleaning of farm facilities after delivery of live animals; 3) publicly funded FMD certified laboratory; Low costs were found of testing of suspicious clinical symptoms and of border controls of private imports of meat. The distribution of costs between stakeholders was estimated to be as follows: pig industry 63%, cattle industry 27%, and the public authorities 10%. Most of the activities focused on reducing the probability of spreading FMD/SF, while only a few activities were directed mainly towards reducing the probability of introduction of disease. Legally required FMD/SF activities (mainly based on EU legislation) accounted for 60% of the activities, while FMD/SF related measures agreed on at sector level and measures implemented due to individual initiatives, such as farmer’s investment in specially built facilities as part of a farm biosecurity plan, each accounted for 20%.