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Part II, Section 1 of Annex - Food and food safety, integrity and wholesomeness at any stage of production, processing and distribution of food, including rules aimed at ensuring fair practices in trade and protecting consumer interests and information, and the manufacture and use of materials and articles intended to come into contact with food

Country	Greece	Year	2021
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Have you any data to report in this period ?	Yes
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1.1 Overall conclusion on the level of compliance achieved

In the year 2021, the number of controls in the food sector fluctuated around the same levels as in 2020. Planning and priorities of the official controls, took into account the difficulties of the extended pandemic specific condition resulting in the development of a realistic control program utilizing risk analysis. In addition, care was taken to prevent fraudulent practices and fraud. It is pointed out, however, the significant reduction of human resources of the Competent Authorities at regional-local level over time and the difficulty of their response to the multiple responsibilities with which they are responsible. Nevertheless, the effort has been intensified for their more rational management with proportional coverage of companies in all stages of production, processing and distribution of food. The compliance rate of food business companies improved compared to previous years, with a total compliance of 97.7%. The infringements mainly concern general hygiene issues related to deviations in the operating procedures and issues of application of self-control systems. Also, the percentage of non-compliances in relation to the volume of import cargo remains low. Laboratory testing of biological and chemical risk factors as well as quality parameters, showed non-compliance rates slightly raised compared to previous years, with a total non-compliance of 4,1%.

1.2 Official controls on operators / establishments

Approved establishments	Number of establishments	Number of official controls performed
General activity establishments (cold stores, re-wrapping and re-packing establishments, wholesale markets, reefer vessels)	993	381
Meat of domestic ungulates	712	1493
Meat from poultry and lagomorphs	347	917
Meat of farmed game	0	0
Wild game meat	0	0
Minced meat, meat preparations and mechanically separated meat (MSM)	569	485
Meat products	562	215
Live bivalve molluscs	107	26
Fishery products	378	565
Colostrum, raw milk, colostrum-based and dairy products	1107	522
Egg and egg products	279	58
Frogs' legs and snails	13	2
Rendered animal fats and greaves	3	0
Treated stomach, bladders and intestines	46	8
Gelatine	0	0
Collagen	0	0
Highly refined chondroitin sulphate, hyaluronic acid, other hydrolysed cartilage products, chitosan, glucosamine, rennet, isinglass and amino acids (HRP)	0	0
Honey	463	118
Sprouts	0	0

Registered operators/establishments	Number of operators/establishments	Number of official controls performed
Growing of crops	0	0
Animal production	10220	118
Mixed farming	0	0
Hunting	0	0
Fishing	2800	251
Aquaculture	0	0
Processing and preserving of fruit and vegetables	1613	471
Manufacture of vegetable oils and fats	2756	370
Manufacture of grain mill products, starches and starch products	284	46
Manufacture of bakery and farinaceous products	27306	9629
Manufacture of other food products	1828	875
Manufacturers of beverages	1681	1810
Wholesale	30011	2526
Retail	67991	27625
Transport and storage	43783	6395
Food and beverage service activities	78351	21219
Others	3797	591
Establishments producing food contact materials	550	36

1.3 Official controls requiring continuous or regular presence of staff or representatives of the competent authorities on the operator's premises

Types of operators' premises	Number of establishments	Number of official controls performed (number of carcasses or weight in tonnes)	Rejections
Meat of domestic ungulates slaughterhouses	230	53	0
Meat from poultry and lagomorphs slaughterhouses	60	10	0
Meat of farmed game slaughterhouses	0	0	0
Wild game meat - Game-handling establishments	0	0	0

1.4 Official controls on products/goods by horizontal rule and food category

By horizontal rule / By food category	Microbiological criteria			Pesticides in food			Contaminants in food			Residues of veterinary medicinal products in food			Labelling, nutritional and health claims	Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs) in food	Improvement agents (additives, enzymes, flavourings, processing aids)			Irradiation			Contamination by/migration of food contact materials			Others
	ESFA Data	Additional	Total	ESFA Data	Additional	Total	ESFA Data	Additional	Total	ESFA Data	Additional	Total			ESFA Data	Additional	Total	ESFA Data	Additional	Total	ESFA Data	Additional	Total	
1. Dairy products	800	8613	9413	0	0	0	0	13	13	0	600	600	120	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	394
2. Dairy alternatives	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Fats and oils and fat and oil emulsions	0	0	0	0	267	267	0	12	12	0	0	0	179	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	354
4. Edible ices	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5. Fruit and vegetables	36	27	63	0	3062	3062	0	131	131	0	0	0	67	13	0	83	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39
6. Confectionery	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	0	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
7. Cereals and cereal products	0	1	1	0	119	119	0	95	95	0	0	0	80	123	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55
8. Bakery wares	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	2	0	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
9. Fresh meat	834	0	834	0	7	7	0	0	0	0	1954	1954	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1740
Domestic ungulates	0	146	146	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	956

By horizontal rule / By food category	Microbiological criteria			Pesticides in food			Contaminants in food			Residues of veterinary medicinal products in food			Labelling, nutritional and health claims	Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs) in food	Improvement agents (additives, enzymes, flavourings, processing aids)			Irradiation			Contamination by/migration of food contact materials			Other
	ESFA Data	Additional	Total	ESFA Data	Additional	Total	ESFA Data	Additional	Total	ESFA Data	Additional	Total			ESFA Data	Additional	Total	Sante Data	Additional	Total	Sante Data	Additional	Total	
Poultry and lagomorpha	0	90	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	785	
Farmed game	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Wild game	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
10. Minced meat, meat preparations and MSM	1435	0	1435	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Minced meat	0	23	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Meat preparations	0	124	124	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
MSM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
11. Meat products	252	0	252	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
12. Fish and fisheries products	566	0	566	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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	ESFA Data	Additional	Total	ESFA Data	Additional	Total	ESFA Data	Additional	Total	ESFA Data	Additional	Total			ESFA Data	Additional	Total	Sante Data	Additional	Total	Sante Data	Additional	Total	
Live bivalve molluscs	0	817	817	0	63	63	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3466		
Fishery products	0	72	72	0	1	1	0	60	60	0	0	6	0	0	42	42	0	0	0	0	0	20		
13. Eggs and egg products	255	10	265	0	30	30	0	9	9	0	154	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9		
14. Sugar, syrups, honey and table-top sweeteners	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200	42	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	158		
15. Salts, spices, soups, sauces, salads and protein products	169	7	176	0	44	44	0	12	12	0	0	90	0	0	32	32	0	10	0	0	22			
16. Foods intended for particular nutritional uses as defined by Regulation (EU) No 609/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council	9	0	9	0	23	23	0	17	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14		
17. Beverages	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Non-alcoholic beverages	0	40	40	0	0	0	0	6	6	0	0	82	0	0	35	35	0	0	0	0	0	18		
Alcoholic beverages, including alcohol-free and low-alcohol counterparts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	570		

1.6 Non-compliances and Actions/measures

Approved establishments	Detected during official controls performed	Total number of controlled operators/establishments	Number of controlled operators/establishments where non-compliances were detected	Administrative	Judicial
General activity establishments (Cold stores, re-wrapping and re-packing establishments, wholesale markets, reefer vessels)	34	334	19	19	4
Meat of domestic ungulates	721	1442	694	118	
Meat from poultry and lagomorphs	21	167	16	11	
Meat of farmed game	0	0	0	0	
Wild game meat	3	0	0	0	
Minced meat, meat preparations and mechanically separated meat (MSM)	61	401	40	40	
Meat products	12	177	9	8	
Live bivalve molluscs	1	21	1	0	
Fishery products	49	499	49	2	
Colostrum, raw milk, colostrum-based and dairy products	40	411	26	32	
Egg and egg products	6	52	1	1	
Frogs' legs and snails	0	2	0	0	
Rendered animal fats and greaves	0	0	0	0	
Treated stomach, bladders and intestines	1	8	1	1	
Gelatine	0	0	0	0	
Collagen	0	0	0	0	
HRP	0	0	0	0	
Honey	12	95	10	7	
Sprouts	0	0	0	0	

Registered operators/establishments	Detected during official controls performed	Total number of controlled operators/establishments	Number of controlled operators/establishments where non-compliances were detected	Administrative	Judicial
Growing of crops	0	0	0	0	0
Animal production	43	106	43	0	
Mixed farming	0	0	0	0	
Hunting	0	0	0	0	
Fishing	0	251	0	0	
Aquaculture	0	0	0	0	
Processing and preserving of fruit and vegetables	16	410	12	12	
Manufacture of vegetable oils and fats	13	321	12	12	
Manufacture of grain mill products, starches and starch products	2	39	2	2	
Manufacture of bakery and farinaceous products	321	8295	241	241	
Manufacture of other food products	31	754	24	24	
Manufacturers of beverages	11	790	7	9	
Wholesale	38	2203	29	29	
Retail	718	24371	586	586	
Transport and storage	47	5619	35	35	
Food and beverage service activities	301	18644	266	266	

Registered operators/establishments	Detected during official controls performed	Total number of controlled operators/establishments	Number of controlled operators/establishments where non-compliances were detected	Administrative	Judicial
Others	24	309	17	17	
Establishments producing food contact materials	0	25	0	0	

Non-compliances of food								Actions/measures	
Non-compliances detected during official controls performed									
	Microbiological criteria	Pesticides in food	Contaminants in food	Residues of veterinary medicinal products in food	Labelling, nutritional and health claims	Improvement agents (additives, enzymes, flavourings, processing aids)	Others	Administrative	Judicial
1. Dairy products	2	0	5	0	5	0	22	46	2
2. Dairy alternatives	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
3. Fats and oils and fat and oil emulsions	0	2	0	0	3	0	43	10	
4. Edible ices	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
5. Fruit and vegetables	1	103	0	0	0	2	3	80	
6. Confectionery	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	
7. Cereals and cereal products	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	
8. Bakery wares	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	1	
9. Fresh meat	0	0	0	10	0	0	1084	82	
Domestic ungulates	4	0	7	0	0	0	581	2	
Poultry and lagomorphs	6	0	1	0	0	0	503	5	
Farmed game	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Wild game	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
10. Minced meat, meat preparations and MSM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Minced meat	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
Meat preparations	8	0	11	0	2	0	0	8	
MSM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
11. Meat products	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
12. Fish and fisheries products	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Live bivalve molluscs	158	0	2	0	0	0	482	0	
Fishery products	1	0	1	0	1	4	0	2	
13. Eggs and egg products	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
14. Sugar, syrups, honey and table-top sweeteners	0	0	0	1	3	0	15	2	
15. Salts, spices, soups, sauces, salads and protein products	0	3	3	0	0	2	2	5	
16. Foods intended for particular nutritional uses as defined by Regulation (EU) No 609/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
17. Beverages	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Non-alcoholic beverages	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	3	
Alcoholic beverages, including alcohol-free and low-alcohol counterparts	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	
18. Ready-to-eat savouries and snacks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
19. Desserts excluding products covered in categories 1, 3 and 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Non-compliances of food								Actions/measures	
Non-compliances detected during official controls performed									
	Microbiological criteria	Pesticides in food	Contaminants in food	Residues of veterinary medicinal products in food	Labelling, nutritional and health claims	Improvement agents (additives, enzymes, flavourings, processing aids)	Others	Administrative	Judicial
20. Food supplements as defined in point (a) of Article 2 of Directive 2002/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council excluding food supplements for infants and young children	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
21. Processed foods not covered by categories 1 to 17, excluding foods for infants and young children	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
22. Others – foods not covered by categories 1 to 21	67	0	8	0	2	0	71	147	

Non-compliances related to horizontal rules		Actions/measures	
Non-compliances detected during official controls performed		Administrative	Judicial
GMOs in food:			
Unauthorised GMOs	0	0	0
Labelling of GMOs	0	0	

Non-compliances related to horizontal rules		Actions/measures	
Non-compliances detected during official controls performed		Administrative	Judicial
Irradiation	0	0	0
Novel foods	0	0	0
Food contact materials	9	5	0

Fraudulent and deceptive practices

24 non-compliances detected during official controls performed and 11 administrative & 6 judicial sanctions were imposed.

1.7 Comment box

Comment 1. Table 1.6 "Non-compliances of operators/establishments", due to inability to insert data in column "Judicial Actions/measures" data in specific column for the following categories are : Meat of domestic ungulates = 6, Minced meat, meat preparations and MSM = 6, Colostrum, raw milk, colostrum-based and dairy products = 7, Egg and egg products = 1, Honey = 2 Processing and preserving of fruit and vegetables =1, Manufacture of bakery and farinaceous products =9, Manufacture of other food products =4, Manufacturers of beverages = 3, Wholesale = 2, Retail =7, Transport and storage -5, Food and beverage service activities =5, Others =5. Comment 2. Table 1.6 "Non-compliances of food", due to inability to insert data in column "Judicial Actions/measures" data in specific column for the following categories are : 3. Fats and oils and fat and oil emulsions=7, 5. Fruit and vegetables =54, 8. Bakery wares =1, 9. Fresh meat/Poultry and lagomorphs =2, 10. Minced meat, meat preparations and MSM/ Meat preparations* =1, 15. Salts, spices, soups, sauces, salads and protein products =1.

Attachments

