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African swine fever in Europe

African swine fever (ASF) was introduced into Georgia in 2007 and from there it spread to neighbouring countries and subsequently to Central/Eastern/Southeastern Europe. In 2018, ASF was also detected in Western Europe, with outbreaks in wild boar in Belgium. Outbreaks in Europe have predominantly been in wild boar and the disease has proven difficult to eradicate due to the continuous movement of these animals.

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• **Spread in Europe:** reasons include trade activities, movement of wild boar and the lack of a vaccine.

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