



TSE SURVEILLANCE

HELP PROTECT NEW ZEALAND!

Biosecurity New Zealand conducts surveillance for transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (TSEs). This programme is vital to our animal products exports. If you see an animal with clinical signs compatible with TSE, please collect and submit samples to the programme.

Important

Carcasses of animals entering the TSE Programme must be appropriately buried on-farm. Please advise your customer that these carcasses cannot be collected for rendering, including for pet food.



ABOUT TSE SURVEILLANCE

Biosecurity New Zealand performs surveillance to assure New Zealand's export customers that we are free from TSEs.

We test brain and spinal cord samples from cows, sheep, goats and deer with clinical neurological signs such as non-responsive nervous disease.

FINANCIAL INCENTIVES

Biosecurity New Zealand compensates farmers for the loss of their animals, and vets for their time and labour in taking and submitting TSE samples.

	FARMERS	VETS
Cattle:	\$250 + GST	\$380 + GST
Deer:	\$200 + GST	\$250 + GST
Sheep/goats:	\$100 + GST	\$200 + GST

ELIGIBLE ANIMALS

CATTLE 30 MONTHS – 9 YEARS

- Progressive non-responsive nervous disease
- Non-responsive metabolic disorders
- Dairy cattle culled for behavioural reasons
- Abnormal gait or stance without obvious injury

DEER > 2 YEARS

- Progressive non-responsive nervous disease
- Progressive non-responsive ill-thrift
- Acute pneumonia or aspiration pneumonia

SHEEP/GOATS > 2 YEARS

- Progressive non-responsive nervous disease