A BSE case born in February 1997

BSE has been diagnosed in a Freisian cow, born on 13 February 1997, 6 months after 01 August 1996, when extra control measures on animal feed containing mammalian meat and bone meal (MMBM) were considered to have been fully implemented. The animal was taken under the compulsory TSE surveillance programme, an aspect of which requires the UK to test all animals aged over 30 months and taken as fallen stock. Its farm of origin was in Wiltshire, where it remained until it was submitted for slaughter on 21 September 2003. Disease was officially confirmed on 28 October 2003.