A BSE case born in March 1997

BSE has been diagnosed in a Guernsey cow, born on 31 March 1997, eight months after 1 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 passive surveillance as a clinical suspect. Its farm of origin was in Somerset. When it was sixty-six months old, it was sold to a farm in Cumbria where it remained until it was slaughtered as a BSE suspect on 18 November 2003. Disease was officially confirmed on 09 December 2003.