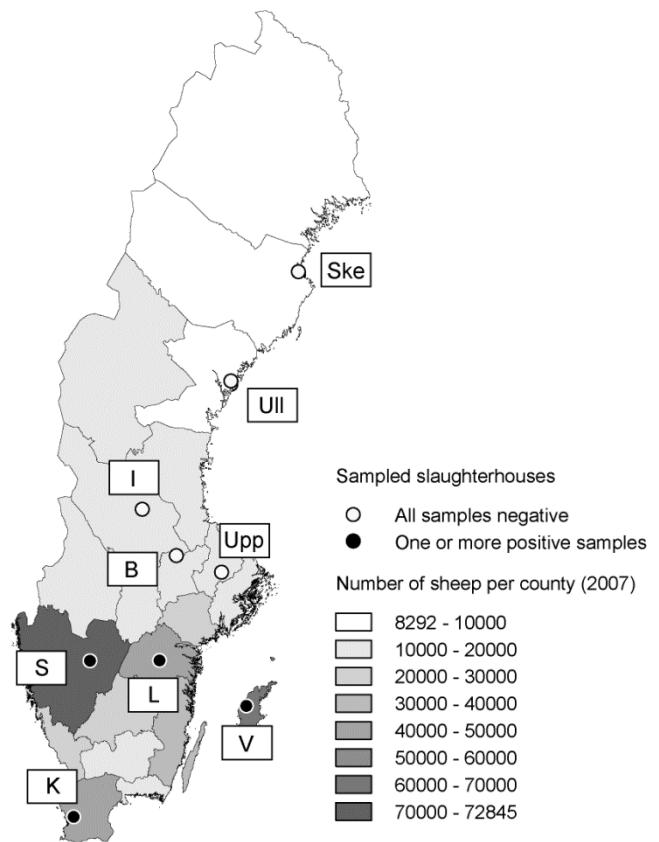


Supplementary file 1

Age distribution of sampled animals and geographic locations of slaughterhouses included in the study

Slaughterhouse location	Tot. samples taken / no. positive	< 6 months old / no. positive	> 6 months old / no. positive
Skellefteå (Ske)	16 / 0	14 / 0	2 / 0
Ullånger (Ull)	14 / 0	12 / 0	2 / 0
Ickholmen (I)	6 / 0	6 / 0	0 / 0
Bässinge (B)	28 / 0	21 / 0	7 / 0
Uppsala (Upp)	35 / 0	33 / 0	2 / 0
Linköping (L)	198 / 5	170 / 5	28 / 0
Skara (S)	158 / 3	127 / 3	31 / 0
Visby (V)	89 / 2	80 / 2	9 / 0
Kävlinge (K)	53 / 1	44 / 1	9 / 0
Total	597 / 11	507 / 11	90 / 0



Map created in Quantum GIS 1.7.3 with administrative boundaries at county level from the GADM database (www.gadm.org), version 2.0. For comparison, total number of sheep per county, data from Yearbook of Agricultural Statistics 2008, Swedish Board of Agriculture. (<http://www.sjv.se/amnesområden/statistik/ja.4.7502f61001ea08a0c7fff104195.html>)