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PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about Lepto which we received on 17 September 2018 via the Defra correspondence team. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

"I would appreciate it if you could provide me with the upto date data for the years 2015-216: 2016-2017:2017-2018 for the following (which I am sure you will be able to):-

1. the number of cases of Lepto in the UK that was the same servors as in the vacine.

There are a number of Lepto vaccines available. As you have not requested a specific type, APHA have provided a summary of the test results of all serovars that we have data for. Please see Appendix 1

2. Of the cases of the same lepto servor as in the lepto vaccine, how many dogs had already received the vaccine prior to developing Lepto.

APHA do not collect information about the vaccination status of the dogs.

This data is not held.

3. how many cases of Lepto did not have the same servors of the servors included in the Lepto vaccine

There are a number of Lepto vaccines available. As you have not requested a specific type, APHA have provided a summary of the test results of all serovars that we have data for. Please see Appendix 1.

4. How many cases of unvaccinated dogs developed the same servor of Lepto found in the Servors of the Lepto vaccine.

The Animal and Plant Health Agency is an Executive Agency of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs working to safeguard animal and plant health for the benefit of people, the environment and the economy.

APHA do not collect information about the vaccination status of the dogs.

This data is not held.

5. how many cases in unvaccinated dogs that developed Lepto has a servor of Lepto not found in the servors of Lepto."

APHA do not collect information about the vaccination status of the dogs.

This data is not held.

APHA record the number of positive and negative tests undertaken. However the submission forms received from vets are not a compulsory declaration, therefore the data cannot be relied upon to be a complete record.

Please refer to the GOV.UK link below. This is an article that provides some information on the number of Lepto vaccines available. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/leptospira-vaccination-in-dogs

Please see Appendix 1, which is an information sheet on the testing undertaken by APHA to identify specific Leptospira serovars from dog samples submitted by private veterinary, which may assist you with your enquiries.

Information disclosed in response to this FOI request is releasable to the public. In keeping with the spirit and effect of the FOI and the government's Transparency Agenda, this letter and the information disclosed to you may be placed on GOV.UK, together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context. No information identifying you will be placed on the GOV.UK website.

I attach an Annex which explains the copyright that applies to the information being released to you and contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the Access to Information Team at the email address below or postal address at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

ACCESS TO INFORMATION TEAM

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Annex

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