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## **Report Highlights:**

The Government of Japan (GOJ) announced that it will expand the areas eligible to vaccinate healthy hogs against Classical Swine Fever (CSF) from 12 to 20 prefectures as the country seeks to stop the spread of CSF which began in September 2018. As of December 26, 2019, approximately 152,000 head have been culled, representing around one percent of Japan's annual hog production.

## **General Information:**

On December 20, Japan's Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) announced its decision to add eight prefectures (Ibaraki, Tochigi, Chiba, Tokyo, Kanagawa, Niigata, Kyoto and Nara) to the recommended list to vaccinate healthy hogs against classical swine fever (CSF). CSF was detected in Japan for the first time in 26 years in September 2018. The disease has since been detected in nine prefectures resulting in the cull of approximately 152,000 hogs as of December 26, 2019. FAS/Tokyo estimates Japan's annual hog production at around 17 million head.

Twelve prefectures were approved to begin vaccinations of healthy hogs in October 2019 (<u>JA2019-0186</u>). Six prefectures (Toyama, Ishikawa, Fukui, Gifu, Aichi and Mie) began vaccinations on October 25.

For more information on Japan's pork market, see FAS/Tokyo's 2019 Livestock and Products Annual Report (JA9105). For more information on Classical Swine Fever, see the USDA Animal Plant Health Inspection Service website.

## Attachments:

No Attachments.