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STUDY REGARDING THE OFFICIAL CONTROLS CARRIED OUT DURING THE PERIOD JANUARY 2020 – DECEMBER 2022 IN THE FOOD FIELD

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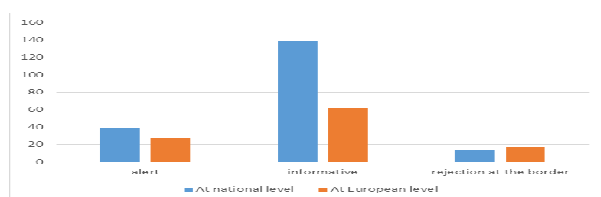
Abstract: Following official controls, which were carried out by specialists in the field, most units were checked in 2020, namely 400 economic operators, being analyzed units in the field of natural mineral waters and spring waters but also in the case of units of soft drinks. The planning and implementation of controls for the years 2021 and 2022 were carried out in the fields of: food and food safety, integration and sanitation at all stages of the production, processing and distribution process of food products and including rules aimed at ensuring practices in the field of trade but also regarding the manufacture and use of materials that will come into contact with food.

• Introduction

Consumer protection first considers the identification of the possibilities of using technological innovation so that it does not embarrass the consumer in any way, along with encouraging any kind of attempt to correlate innovation with consumer prevention [2,4,9]. Care for the individual, in his capacity as a consumer, takes into account the multiple situations in which he can be: consumer of goods (food and non-food), medicines, services, information, free time

• Results and discussions

In 2020, such notifications were sent both at national and European level (figure 1) :



Regarding the activity fields of the economic units that were controlled in the period 2020-2022, it is noted that most units were controlled in 2020, namely 400 economic operators, being analyzed units in the field of natural mineral waters and of spring waters but also in the case of soft drink obtaining units (table 1).

Field of activity	Number of economic units		
	2020	2021	2022
Processing of milk and milk products	200	60	60
Processing of meat products	0	90	90
Processing of fish and fish products	0	60	60
Vegetable and fruit processing	300	90	90
Mineral waters and spring waters	400	120	120
Obtaining refreshments	400	120	120
Processing of bread and bakery products	300	90	90
Sugar, honey, syrups	0	20	20
Prepackaged meat	0	30	30

Conclusions: Food and nutrition represent something essential for the life of every human being, through which every human being can provide energy and the basic substances that are necessary for the development of metabolic processes, representing a regulatory exchange process that takes place between the body and the environment. Considering all this, the importance of the main purpose of the National Veterinary Health and Food Safety Authority (NVHFS) is explained, which is to protect public health by ensuring the safety of food that can be of animal or non-animal origin.

In recent years, hygiene controls have been expanded in the primary production of foods that are of non-animal origin so that they are included in all production stages, even in the pre-harvest and harvest stage, prioritizing the field of vegetables, fruits and of cereals depending on the risks presented. In 2022, several economic units were controlled, of which 90 units are active in the field of product processing, of which 120 units are in the field of obtaining soft drinks.