

Implementation Subcommittee for Food Regulation

Coordinated Food Survey Plan

1 July 2022 – 30 June 2025

This Plan was developed by the Implementation Subcommittee for Food Regulation (ISFR) to prioritise, plan and implement key survey activities of national and bi-national significance.

The priorities for the Coordinated Food Survey Plan are to:

- (i) Address ISFR, Food Regulation Standing Committee and the Food Ministers' Meeting priorities, as appropriate.
- (ii) Align with priorities detailed in the Protocol and Strategy for the Establishment and Operation of a Coordinated Food Survey Plan.
- (iii) Generate or compile data and other relevant information to inform the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code (the Code) development and implementation.
- (iv) Promote greater coordination and consistency in the testing of both imported and domestically produced food.
- (v) Contribute to our knowledge, in support of scientific assessments and the management, of microbiological & chemical emerging issues, including outbreaks and food incidents.

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Tier 1: National and Binational Coordinated Surveillance and Monitoring Activities

Lead Agency	Survey Description	Participants	2022/23 (Qtr)				2023/24 (Qtr)				2024/25 (Qtr)				Comments
			Jul 22	Oct 22	Jan 23	Apr 23	Jul 23	Oct 23	Jan 24	Apr 24	Jul 24	Oct 24	Jan 25	Apr 25	
APPLIED RESEARCH SURVEYS															
FSANZ	Pilot Survey of Pyrrolizidine Alkaloids in Australian Foods	NSW, QLD, TAS, VIC Health,	→				→								Sampling completed July 2022. Sample analysis and data validation to be undertaken in late 2022.
FSANZ	National Surveillance of Antimicrobial Resistant Bacteria in Retail Foods	All (except MPI NZ and DAFF)	→				→								Sampling being undertaken from September 2022 – July 2023.
FSANZ	Patulin in Apple Juice and Apple Products	All (except MPI NZ and DAFF)	→												Pilot study completed in May 2021. Stage 2 sampling and analysis completed in second half of 2021. Survey report anticipated for completion mid-2023.
TAS DHHS	Survey of mercury in fish	All – data submission													Currently on-hold. A survey report has been prepared and will be considered in the context of FSANZ's review of mercury.

Key

- Planning
- Sampling and Laboratory Testing
- Data Analysis and Preparation of Report

DAWE – Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment
 FSANZ – Food Standards Australia New Zealand
 MPI NZ – Ministry for Primary industries, New Zealand

NSW – New South Wales Food Authority
 PIRSA – Primary Industries and Regions South Australia
 QLD – Queensland Health
 SA – South Australia Health

TAS – Department of Health and Human Services, Tasmania
 VIC Health – Department of Health, Victoria
 VIC DJPR – Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions, Victoria
 WA – Western Australia Department of Health