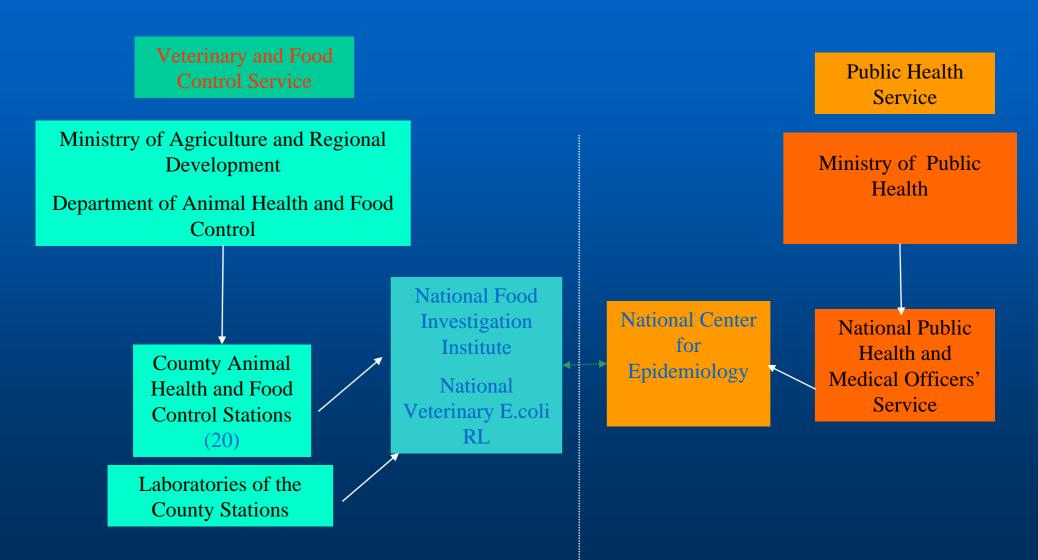
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Activity of the NRL E. coli

Epidemiological situation

Incidence is very low in Hugary, 7 human cases is 2004, (2 non-O157)

Prevalence im meat an raw milk samples is low as well, <0,05

Sampling is incorporated into the microbiological monitoring plan from March, 2005 (before this time: surveys on beef and raw milk supported by research foundations)

Sampling is performed by official veterinarians

At slaughterhauses:

260 beef samples

On the market:

samples of 160 minced meat and meat preparation os beef origin

Methods:

- **EN ISO 16654. Immuno magnetic separation**
- **VIDAS** immuno detection
- -Isolation: CT SMAC agar
- -Chromagar E. coli O157
- **Agglutination: Oxoid latex agglutination test**
- **Toxin production: Denka Saiken reverse passive latex**
- **Merck:** imuno-diffusion test

Plans for the future: PCR method for VT1, VT2, eae gens