



**POLICY TO IMPROVE THE PROTECTION
AND WELFARE OF FARM ANIMALS**
September 2024 (consolidated figures for 2023)



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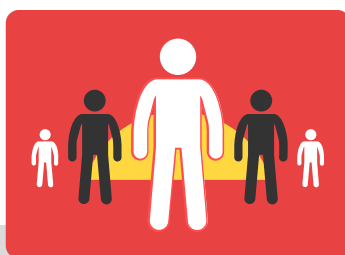
1. WHO ARE WE?

The activities of the LDC Group in France and Europe are hatching, storage of cereals, manufacturing of feed for livestock, organization of production, packaging of eggs, slaughtering and cutting of poultry, the manufacturing of processed poultry products and catering products (products based on meat, eggs and egg products, dairy products, seafood and plant products), and the marketing of the products. The Group is present in France, Poland, Hungary, Belgium and the United Kingdom. This policy of improving animal welfare and health concerns all activities over which the Group has operational control in these countries.

Breeding in France is an activity carried out by independent breeders, contractually engaged with the Group or with partner organizations (cooperatives, groups).



102 PLANTS
14 PLATFORMS
(at 31/05/2023)



23,400
EMPLOYEES
(at 28/02/2023)



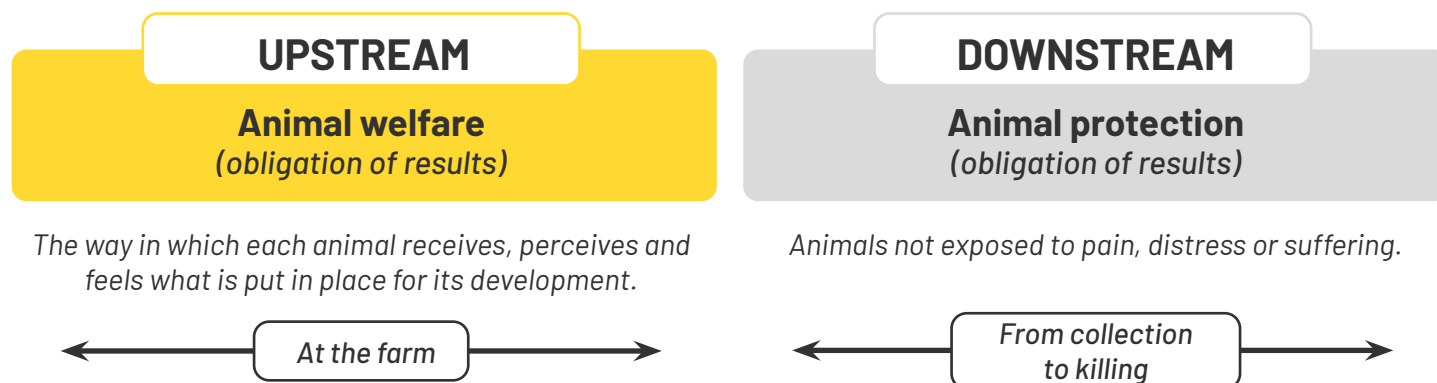
8,300
BREEDERS PARTNERS
including 6,800 in France

The leading historical player in poultry raised under official quality signs (15 Labels in France supported by LDC, organic poultry, AOP Volaille de Bresse, etc.), the LDC Group meets the needs of its customers and consumers by promoting the different methods of production breeding of both traditional free-range poultry and also poultry raised in henhouses.

Concerning associations linked to the protection and welfare of animals, the Group is a member of the Humane Slaughter Association and regularly communicates with several NGOs including CIWF. Since 2017, the Group has been included in the global ranking of the Business Benchmark on Farm Animal Welfare (BBFAW), and is ranked at level 4 at the last assessment.

2. THE LDC GROUP'S APPROACH TO ANIMAL WELFARE

The LDC Group is committed to improving the welfare and protection of animals. It is about considering all animals as **be sensitive** with respect and decency, ensuring their welfare from birth to breeding, and their protection during the collection/transport/slaughter stages.



The Group adheres to the definition given by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) which is now the reference and integrates it, in all of its purchases with its ingredient suppliers, through a paragraph specific in the Purchasing framework contract and its associated "quality and CSR" charter. This definition refers to **5 main principles set out by the Farm Animal Welfare Council (FAWC)**. LDC's actions therefore focus on:

- the **free access to water** fresh and a **diet** able to maintain health and vigor;
- an **environment appropriate**, including rest areas and allowing the animal to have a certain physical comfort;
- the **preservation of health** through prevention or diagnosis and rapid treatment;
- an **adequate space and equipment** for animals, and **contact between animals** of the same species;
- breeding conditions and treatment **avoiding fear and stress**.

As such, the protection and welfare of animals are a priority for LDC, in all countries where the Group is present, for all species and for all products marketed within the Group. Thus, in addition to respecting regulations and interprofessional approaches, LDC deploys the Nature d'Éleveurs approach within the meat breeding sectors and reproduction and hatching activities. This progressive approach aims to improve the living conditions and welfare of meat poultry raised in henhouses by addressing several concepts such as the layout of henhouses, the available space, the presence of natural light, the preservation of health, etc.

In addition to official controls of compliance with animal protection regulations by authorities, operational responsibility for animal welfare and protection and monitoring of compliance is carried by:

- **at hatching:** via daily monitoring of hatching activities, supervised by the site's animal welfare representative; as well as via audits carried out by independent organizations based on various customer and internal Group standards;
- **within farms:** on a daily basis by breeders, accompanied by technical teams, monitored by veterinarians who supervise the health of the animals, and audited by independent organizations according to the quality approaches in which the actors are engaged;
- **as part of slaughtering activities:** via monitoring and internal controls by the teams in charge of animal protection, and via controls carried out by independent organizations based on different customer and internal LDC standards developed by the quality department.

Governance

The policy for improving animal protection and welfare is proposed by a steering committee **Welfare and Protection** at the Poultry COPIL (Management of the Upstream division and regional divisions of the Group's Poultry activity), and validated by the Group Management Committee.

The Animal Welfare and Protection COPIL is responsible for ensuring the coordination of this policy, monitoring and leading action plans, and collecting and reporting data to report on performance on this subject. The objective is more precisely to ensure the operational coordination of the policy, to monitor, to define and monitor the key performance indicators specific to animal welfare and animal protection, to capitalize on the good practices observed , to propose and manage improvement plans.

This steering committee is made up of a **multidisciplinary team** involving representatives of the Group's upstream and downstream activities: Management of the Upstream Pole and each profession (harvesting, breeding (organization of production), Collection), Management of the Poultry Pole and the Poultry Sector, Upstream-downstream technical coordination, Directions Upstream and Group Quality, Commerce, Marketing and CSR Departments.

3. LDC GROUP ANIMAL WELFARE POLICY

Our general practices and commitments

In France, in 2023, 80% (compared to 74% in 2022) of the 6,800 partner poultry farms slaughtered by the Group will be audited by an independent body which guarantees a better level of animal welfare through the following procedures: AOP, Organic, Label Rouge, Free-range, European Chicken Commitment, Product Conformity and Nature of Breeders Certification. 100% of broiler and rabbit farms are audited according to certifications of good basic breeding practices. The Group is committed to ensuring that by the end of 2025, all chicken farms be audited as part of the procedures guaranteeing a better level of animal welfare.

In addition, the Group sets up training programs at all levels to support performance and continuous improvement with breeders and our employees concerned throughout the sector, at the breeding level as well as at the production site level. production. These training courses concern the protection and welfare of animals, the preservation of animal health, the behavior of humans in the presence of animals, etc.

Support and well-being of breeders

In accordance with regulations, each LDC partner farm participates in official “animal welfare” training, provided by an approved training organization, providing an animal welfare representative within each farm. The referent can be the farm manager or an employee of the farm. He is in particular responsible for raising awareness of animal welfare among all people carrying out their activity in contact with animals on the farm.

Breeders benefit from specific support linked to the quality approaches to which they adhere. Training and information meetings are also organized regularly for all breeders, during which BEA is discussed. Breeding advisors within producer groups advise and support breeders on a daily and individual basis. The quality managers of each upstream production organization (OPA) also audit the breeders in order to ensure control of the quality of the breedings and verify compliance with the specifications, including in terms of BEA, an integral part of the specifications. loads.

A production contract makes it possible to guarantee prices and protect the income of breeders. Bonuses and penalties for product quality, based on animal health and welfare indicators, are put in place. Investment aid is also paid to breeders, in order to support them in their work to adapt livestock farms. This aid allows in particular the establishment d’installations to improve the atmosphere, straw blowers or windows in livestock buildings. In addition to ensuring animal welfare, these measures offer comfort and undeniable quality of work to our breeders.

Our policy and its upstream support systems contribute to the well-being of breeders, which is an essential prerequisite for animal well-being. The economic security of contracts over time, the technical support and the human relations shared with the breeders aim at good working conditions and daily satisfaction, conditions necessary for good monitoring and care of the animals.

Genetics and biodiversity

The Group firmly prohibits, for any animal, the practices of genetic modification of animals and cloning for all its activities, in all the countries in which it operates and for all its products manufactured and marketed.

From its inception, the Group has positioned itself on the protection and diversity of species, with Loué farm poultry, then, with its gradual establishment in all French production areas, on the red label and regional poultry, notably through example with Landes poultry, Ardèche farm poultry (IGP) or Bresse poultry (AOP). Other contributions to the preservation of ancient breeds are also being made.

Breeding methods

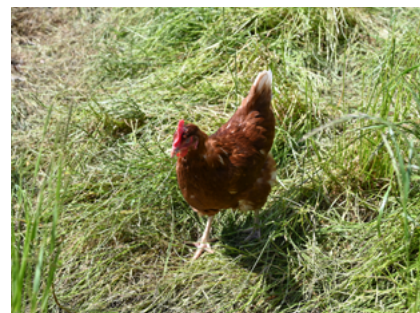
Through discussions with stakeholders (customers, breeders, suppliers, partners, associations, research organizations, public authorities, etc.), the Group adapts its practices and recommendations, always seeking the right balance for everyone. LDC is thus developing outdoor production for all species in France and Europe (red label and organic poultry, outdoor laying hens).

air, certified poultry going outside etc.), in henhouses (everyday poultry and certified poultry, poultry access to verandas), as well as in new types of housing for rabbits, according to the needs of all markets and all consumer trends.

Eggs

In the table egg sector, the Group is strengthening every day its historical position as a specialist and leader in eggs from farms of alternative chickens to cages (label, organic and free-range). The LDC Group leads in has always had a policy in favor of alternative breeding methods, and is also recognized for this action by its customers and partners. He continues in particular to contribute to the development of label free-range eggs red and organic. 98% of partner farms in its historic egg sector already exclusively practice alternative breeding methods to cages. Rented has always only offered 100% alternative eggs. And for the whole of its recipes, Marie and Traditions of Asia already opt exclusively for eggs and egg products all from free-range hens.

Following the buyouts, first of the Matines (shell egg) activities in 2022, then recently Ovoteam (produced eggs) in 2023, LDC remains determined to support the transformation of the new breeders concerned for a transition to alternative farming methods throughout its scope. On the new scope of shell eggs produced and marketed, 90% eggs come from hens raised in alternative systems to cages and **the Group confirms the 100% cage-free commitment by the end of 2025.**



Nature d'Éleveurs

The Nature d'Éleveurs approach is deployed within the rabbit and meat poultry breeding sectors (chickens, turkeys, guinea fowl, ducks) and reproduction and hatching activities.

The LDC Group is committed to ensuring that 100% of chicken farms slaughtered in France comply with the Nature d'Éleveurs progress contract by the end of 2025, by being referenced after audit by an independent body. The approach is currently being deployed by all LDC partner organizations and groups. It contractually commits the players in the sector to respect its requirements.

Each actor is controlled internally by the quality departments of the production organizations, and externally **by independent organizations** each year via an audit grid of 67 control points. Farms are approved on the basis of a specific audit grid with 33 points to check, including 27 relating to the control of animal welfare and health (such as natural light) and some of which are essential for referencing. (KO). No KO is a prerequisite. The evaluation must demonstrate a minimum of 80% compliance and absence of KO for the breeding to be approved. If this threshold is not reached, the breeding may be approved subject to compliance of the various points within 3 months.

For farms that have not reached the 90% rating, the continuous improvement approach requires at least audits to renew the approval each year with the requirement of an improvement in the score compared to the initial audit. and increasing the number of compliant points.

Each breeder is supported in the process on a technical and financial level by their partner production organization, and has the support of quality teams carrying out internal audits. In the event of breeding not complying with the Nature d'Éleveurs approach after an external audit, breeders are again supported to join Nature d'Éleveurs within a reasonable and ambitious period of 9 months. **Batches of poultry (including rabbits) from breeders which do not comply with the Nature d'Éleveurs specifications are downgraded and not marketed under the approach.**

The Nature d'Éleveurs approach, for all of the Group's activities in France, also allows broiler poultry farms in henhouses without access to the outside to respect commitments that go beyond compliance with regulations:

- **Space available:**

Density reduction of 10% compared to standard practices in the French sector (example for chickens: objective of 38 kg/m², compared to 42 kg/m² maximum authorized by derogation from EU regulations). The Group's commitment to ensuring that 100% of farms respect Nature d'Éleveurs will therefore enable the production of chickens raised at densities of 42 kg/m² to cease from 01/01/2026.

The freedom of movement of animals is also preserved through the total absence of cages and tiered systems.

In the rabbit industry, the density in Nature d'Éleveurs farms is 800cm²/rabbit.

- **Layouts of henhouses:**

Availability of food and water distribution equipment, as well as equipment to guarantee air quality. LDC is also committed to ensuring that 100% of the poultry and rabbits involved in the process have environmental enrichment adapted to the needs and expression of natural behaviors specific to the species:

In the poultry sector

- **with perches:**
 - linear (bars): 2m linear/1000 chickens, 5m linear/1000 turkeys, 600m linear/1000m² guinea fowl,
 - platforms: 20m²/1000m² for chickens/turkeys/ducks
- **and substrates for pecking** (1/500 chickens/ducks and 2/500 turkeys)

In the rabbit farming sector

The environment is enriched with platforms, gnawing objects and/or hiding places to allow the rabbits to express their natural behaviour.

- **Natural light:**

At a rate of 3% minimum window area in relation to the breeding area.

➤ *minimum rest time for all species, control of environmental parameters and litter (dry and friable).*

- **Preservation and monitoring of health:**

Good breeding practices, biosecurity, animal care, plan to reduce antibiotic treatments and eliminate critically important antibiotics with the development of alternative natural solutions (plant extracts, probiotics, etc.). Antibiotics can only be used as a last resort as a treatment to restore the health and welfare of a sick flock, after diagnosis and under veterinary prescription, for all species and products concerned.

- **Food:**

Made in France, adapted to each species and age, compliant with Nature d'Éleveurs requirements and based on 100% French whole grains.

- Compliance with **good collection practices** for poultry and rabbit at the end of breeding.

- **Animal welfare assessment:**

➤ in breeding: monitoring of mortalities and health, deployment of the EBENE application to monitor health and behavior indicators (reliable and complete evaluation tool developed by Itavi in conjunction with the sector and professionals for following species: chicken, hen, duck, turkey, guinea fowl, quail and rabbit), such as reaction to humans, comfort, expression of natural behaviors specific to the species (resting, perching, dust bathing, positive interactions between conspecifics, etc.)

➤ at slaughter: condition of legs and wings, homogeneity of batches, etc.

- **Audit by independent control bodies.**

For the French rabbit industry, the Nature d'Éleveurs Lapin approach obtained an honorable mention at the CIWF's Lapin d'Or in June 2021. It supports breeders and commits them to respecting requirements concerning the quality of the products, the environment, animal health and is based in particular on the deployment of new habitats promoting the well-being of rabbits in fattening farms (more space for rabbits, provision of objects to gnaw, presence of tubes, burrows and platforms to facilitate the expression of the natural behaviors of animals, etc.). This award was given to encourage the development of this cage-free breeding system, which is more respectful of the property.

Be fattening rabbits and deploy it in all farms producing under this initiative.



For poultry farms, the LDC Group already supplies chicken meat meeting all the criteria covered by the European Chicken Commitment, to all its customers who request it and is committed to developing its production across its entire scope in all countries to meet the needs of all customers who wish it. It offers and develops own-brand brands and ranges which meet at least all ECC criteria. In addition to chickens produced and marketed according to breeding criteria with access to the outdoors, more than 270,000 chickens per week in 2023 were dedicated to ECC (compared to 250,000 in 2022), taking into account all of the criteria specific to ECC.

The LDC Group is the leader in the production of ECC chickens in Europe, which it develops to meet the needs of customers who request them and for its own brands. 100% of chickens intended for the brand **Nature & Respect** are raised and slaughtered in compliance with all ECC criteria and with access to the outdoors.

Biosecurity

In addition to the strict rules applied in breeding and monitored as part of the quality procedures relating to the various productions, the Group has put in place prevention and crisis management tools and is deploying a detailed action plan with:

- of the **simulation exercises**, with the support of the services of the Departmental Directorates of Population Protection; ;
- of the **specific training** teams involved in biosecurity (drivers, dock operators, quality teams, production managers, slaughterhouse managers, site directors, etc.);
- the distribution of a **repository** intended for all Group subsidiaries adapting to developments in avian zoonotic diseases;
- of the **regular checks** on site as part of internal audits by the Quality team;
- measures **controlled cleaning and disinfection** rolling stock (trucks, loaders, etc.) and installations (chicken coops, equipment, etc.).

Also, during loading, breeders and transporters collaborate and visually check that the transport equipment is clean and in good condition, also in order not to injure the animals. Control plans exist to ensure compliance with cleaning and disinfection of sensitive equipment.

Food

In addition to the commitments linked to the specifications governing each sector, all the food production sites in the upstream division comply with the OQUALIM control and surveillance plan for the quality of raw materials and finished products.

For plant proteins, they preferentially favor local raw materials such as rapeseed, sunflower or pea meals and also develop French soya, or by default imports offering the greatest guarantees of sustainability.

The Upstream division, as well as its partners external are engaged in the DURALIM approach, the first collaborative platform for sustainable feeding of farm animals with the mission of promoting and improving the sustainability of feeding farm animals in France. The common objective is in particular to achieve 100% sustainable sourcing with a zero deforestation objective.

The group's internal and external food manufacturers have signed the "Zero Imported Deforestation" commitment manifesto. The Group has strengthened its action in favor of sustainable animal feeding by supporting since 2021 the manifesto "for the mobilization of French stakeholders to fight against imported deforestation linked to soy" and by calling for the establishment of legislation European Union on responsible soy. An ambitious new regulation has just been published in the official EU journal on June 9, 2023, to which the Group and its partners are committed will conform. From the end of 2024, it prohibits the placing on the market or export from the European market of products which would have contributed to deforestation or forest degradation after December 31, 2020.

The Group adapts, for some of its product ranges, the composition of poultry feed (feed based on flaxseed for example) in particular to meet certain nutrition-health expectations.

To find out more about the LDC Group's sustainable poultry feeding policy, go to <https://www.ldc.fr/ldc-partage-sa-politique-alimentation-des-volailles/>.

The Group requires a diet **containing neither growth factor antibiotics nor hormones**, for its entire scope: for all countries of operation, species and all products manufactured and marketed.

Through its contractual relationships with breeders and breeding specifications, LDC also monitors the quality of the water distributed to the animals, in particular through the control of the potability of poultry drinking water and the regular control and maintenance of water equipment and pipes.

Animal health

The Group relies on a plan to preserve animal health, for all species and countries in which the Group operates, prioritizing:

- biosecurity procedures and strict hygiene measures;
- mastery and application of good breeding practices;
- participation in official monitoring plans;
- the use of reference vaccination programs;
- continued reduction in the use of antibiotics;
- by reserving their use only for curative purposes and only on veterinary prescription to restore the health and well-being of animals when they are sick, in other words, by prohibiting their preventive use for meat poultry raised in the entire scope of the Group. The Nature d'Éleveurs Lapins approach prohibits the systematic use of antibiotics and the use of critical antibiotics after weaning in alternative housing, and by requiring the prudent use of antibiotics, limits their use;
- by developing alternative natural solutions in conjunction with the breeders' veterinarians.

The efforts made by LDC and its partners, breeders and veterinarians, have made it possible to drastically reduce antibiotic use in recent years. This is the case for all players in the French poultry industry. In its report on the monitoring of sales of veterinary medicines containing antibiotics in France in 2020, ANSES published in November 2022 that exposure to antibiotics decreased for poultry in France compared to 2011 by 68%. The Group's objective is to continue this dynamic to increase its contribution to the fight against antibiotic resistance.

For example, in 2023, 87% of batches of chickens raised by the Group's upstream division as part of the Nature d'Éleveurs approach have not received antibiotic treatment.

Intervention on animals

The Group and its upstream partners, particularly in hatchery, have been researching and developing for several years **alternative solutions to the elimination of day-old chicks** in all poultry species either by in ovo sexing or by breeding all the animals. LDC is part of the inter-professional framework which prohibits the systematic elimination of male chicks for all shell eggs marketed in France. In 2021, the Group initiated a new breeding sector for the brothers of laying hens. In September 2022, the LDC Group obtained recognition from the public authorities by obtaining the certification of new specifications for breeding roosters that are brothers of laying hens, certified going outside. 20,000 cockerels have already been produced and marketed in 2023. The Group's sales teams are currently working on the development of this new sector.

The Group and its suppliers **avoid routine mutilations** and interventions on animals when possible, and develop alternative solutions. Working groups were formed to identify possible areas of progress and carry out tests. The development of alternatives to the treatment of beaks and claws within the sectors concerned (chickens, turkeys, ducks) is in particular underway as part of a continuous improvement process.

When caponing is practiced, it is carried out by specialized teams and the Group acts to provide veterinary supervision of this practice.

In 2023, 89% of all animals (poultry, layers and rabbits) raised and slaughtered within the Group throughout its scope (in France and internationally) are free from any mutilation. It was 86% in 2021.

4. LDC GROUP POLICY RELATING TO ANIMAL PROTECTION

Inspection and training

Each slaughter site is specifically trained in animal protection by an independent organization. Also, all staff in contact with live animals must undergo regular training to become either Animal Protection Manager (RPA) or Animal Protection Operator (OPA). In order to strengthen the role of RPA and bring the approach to life within the Group, inter-site discussion meetings and an information sharing platform have been put in place.

The LDC Group is also developing a framework of good practices controlled by an independent body, in order to assess animal protection on all of its slaughter sites. This is a voluntary approach aimed at having an animal protection audit carried out by an independent external veterinarian and expert in animal protection at the slaughterhouse.

The Group invests and deploys video surveillance systems within its slaughterhouses. LDC is committed, by 2025, to the deployment of cameras in all of its chicken and turkey slaughterhouses in France.

Collection, transport and reception

Regarding the removal of poultry for transfer to the slaughterhouse, as soon as the transport arrives on the farm, the breeders organize and direct the operations, from preparation to loading, until collection with their removal teams. . Through his know-how, his training and the technical partnership with LDC, the breeder guarantees the correct application of procedures to respect the animals. LDC has also set up a progress contract between the teams of collectors, breeders, production organizations and slaughterhouses in order to guarantee biosecurity, safety at work and the protection of animals.

At the same time, the Group has set up catching observation sites, carried out by an external organization.

For rabbits, work on the removal has been initiated since 2021: it consists of the use of carts to facilitate this operation, both for the well-being of the breeders and for animal well-being. This innovation was born from the collaboration of all the players in the sector (food suppliers, breeders, production organizations and LDC Group teams). This service is supported financially by the LDC Group slaughterhouses in order to democratize its use: 20% of our sector already uses this equipment. Deployment is underway in order to achieve, in the coming years, availability for 100% of our farms.

For 100% of poultry and rabbits transported from farms to slaughterhouses throughout the Group, journey times are limited to less than 3 hours on average. **They do not exceed 8 hours for meat poultry and 4 hours for Nature d'Eleveurs rabbits.**

Stunning and slaughter

Across its entire scope, the Group has implemented a vast development plan for its reception platforms in order to improve the comfort conditions for animals in the waiting areas and in the access area to the stunning by limiting human contact, controlling light, ventilation and misting, if necessary. Comfort ramps are installed for poultry before electronarcosis.

The Group, for all species and its geographical scope, practices prior stunning systematically, even in the event of ritual slaughter. The stunning techniques used are either electronarcosis or stunning under a controlled atmosphere. The effectiveness of stunning is monitored on the lines by regularly trained and authorized operators.

The Group continually seeks to improve its techniques and facilities, and regularly invests in this context, by developing controlled atmosphere stunning as much as possible.

Thus, 100% of animals slaughtered by the Group (for all species and countries) are stunned before slaughter.

5. CONVENIENCE FOOD

The activity policy is particularly oriented towards the French origin of the meats. Marie and Asian Traditions brand products use 100% French beef, pork and poultry. For all of her recipes, Marie opted exclusively for eggs free-range chickens.

In 2023, a new animal welfare charter was created by the Marie and Espri Restauration teams. It is deployed to encourage suppliers to respect good practices in governance, breeding, transport and slaughter.

6. VEGETARIAN AND PLANT PRODUCTS

The LDC Group produces and markets numerous vegetarian offerings, and plant products complementary to products based on animal proteins, as well as meat products supplemented with plant proteins. It is committed to the development of these activities to meet the needs of customers and consumers.

The LDC Group, through the reputation of its brands, is aware of its responsibility to contribute to the transition towards eating less, eating better and towards products that are good for your health, good for the planet and simply good. Thus, as for all of its products, this approach to structuring a plant sector is part of the Group’s policy of relocalization of French food, with products based on cereals and legumes grown in France. The quality and R&D teams work to offer a healthy offer with a successful clean label approach.

As part of its Climate and Biodiversity mitigation and adaptation strategy currently under construction, the LDC Group aims to reduce greenhouse gases by acting on animal feed and transport within its chain. value and diversification of proteins for human nutrition. The carbon footprint is calculated using the GHG Protocol method with the support of two firms (Carbone 4 and Axa Climate). This strategy applies to all of the Group’s activities, in France and internationally.

In 2022, LDC has set itself the objective of accelerating the development of its vegetarian and plant-based offering in order to achieve an annual production of more than 10,000 tonnes to multiply its current production approximately by 5 by 2030.

	TONNAGES OF PLANT PRODUCTS
2022	2 000 T
2023	3 000 T
Forecast 2030	10 000 T

7. REPORTING OF OUR INDICATORS

In addition to the historical reporting of qualitative and quantitative data carried out each year within this policy, the Group is currently focusing its action to report publicly and more completely on its website by November 2025, data to illustrate its level of consideration of animal protection and welfare.

In order to monitor the welfare of meat poultry within the Nature d'Éleveurs approach (chicken, hen, turkey, guinea fowl, duck, rabbit, etc.), various indicators are collected and analyzed. This action is part of a continuous improvement process and allows corrective actions to be implemented quickly and efficiently in order to maintain the most satisfactory level of BEA possible.

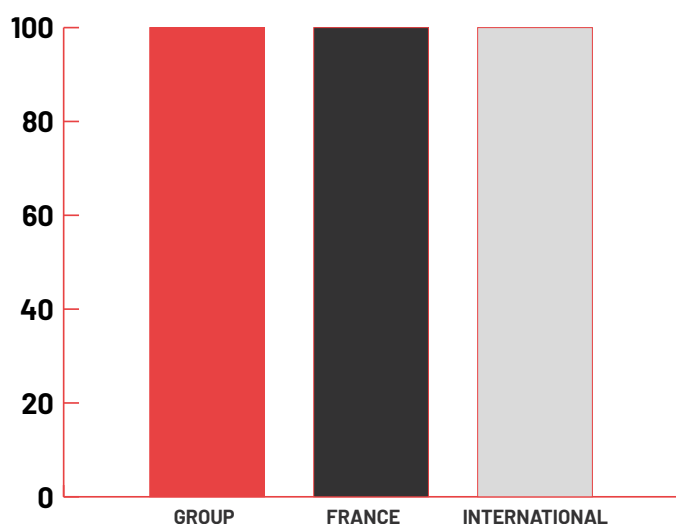
- **The animals' environment:** availability of feeders and drinkers, density and mortality, atmosphere and air quality, litter quality;
- **Animal behaviors:** the distribution of animals in the henhouse, interactions between conspecifics, exploration of the environment, grooming, time spent resting, perching, dust bathing, interactions with other conspecifics... As well as freedom psychological: absence of fear, comfort, reaction to humans, etc.;
- **Health information:** such as mobility, the weight of animals, lesions and wounds (pododermatitis, breast blisters, etc.), the use of health products and in particular the precise monitoring of the use of antibiotic treatments. In addition to weight monitoring, each chicken or turkey slaughtered is subject to an assessment at the slaughterhouse of the condition of the legs and wings. The indicators are collected and transmitted to breeders, and financial bonuses (bonus or penalty) are applied by the slaughterhouses in order to encourage the continuous improvement of these criteria in breeding and during the transport stages;
- **Transport of animals:** duration of transport, health indicators, etc.;
- **Concerning sustainable breeding approaches** on all poultry species:
 - ➔ 80% of the 6,800 partner farms in France are now engaged in sustainable breeding approaches (AOP, Organic, Label Rouge, Certified including export, ECC and Nature d'Éleveurs).
 - ➔ red label sectors are supported by LDC in the different regions French.
- **Concerning the chicken sector, regarding Loué:**
 - ➔ Since 2020, the farmers of Loué affix the AEBEA label on any chicken-based product to indicate to the consumer the level of animal welfare.
 - ➔ Since 2022, Loué has also applied the Planet-score environmental rating to its Loué chickens and eggs. All specifications for Loué chickens (Red Label, Organic and Product Conformity Certification) comply with all of the criteria of the Loué better chicken commitment and are based primarily on access to a vast range. To find out more about the animal welfare commitments of Loué chickens, click [here](#).

These indicators are listed upstream (at the breeding level) and downstream (at the slaughter site level). All these indicators are stored and analyzed. The gaps are analyzed and cross-referenced with the technical-economic results and then communicated to breeders and production organization teams (technical, quality, planning). **Action plans and progress plans are then put in place in a concerted manner to eliminate non-compliance.**

CHICKEN REPORTING FOR ALL LDC GROUP ACTIVITIES IN 2023

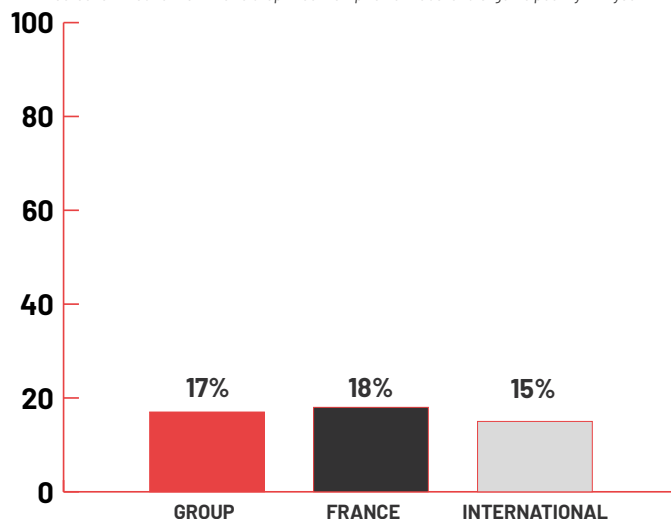
IN BREEDING

% of chickens reared in compliance
EU regulations

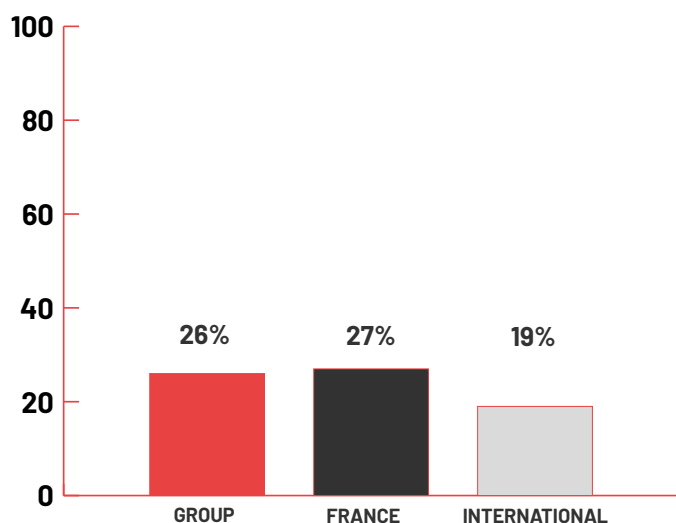


% of chickens reared
with access to the outdoors

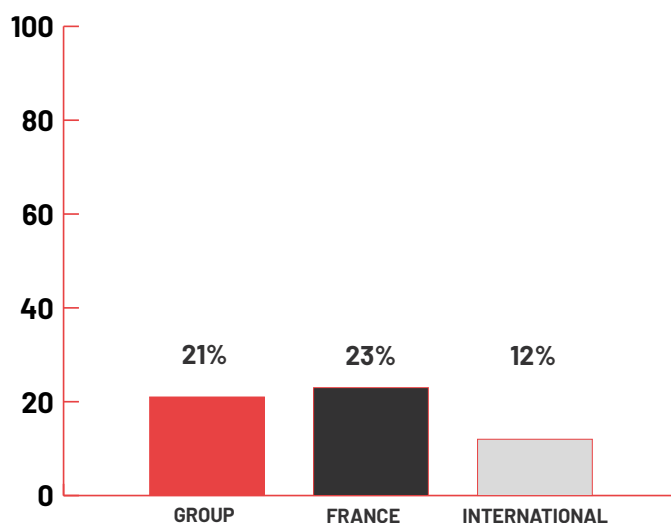
*Decrease linked to the historic drop in consumption of Label and Organic poultry this year



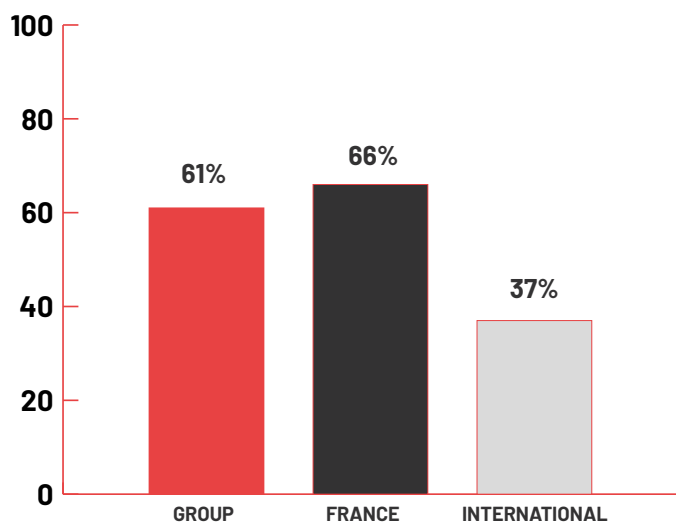
% of chickens from breeds compatible
with the RSPCA protocol



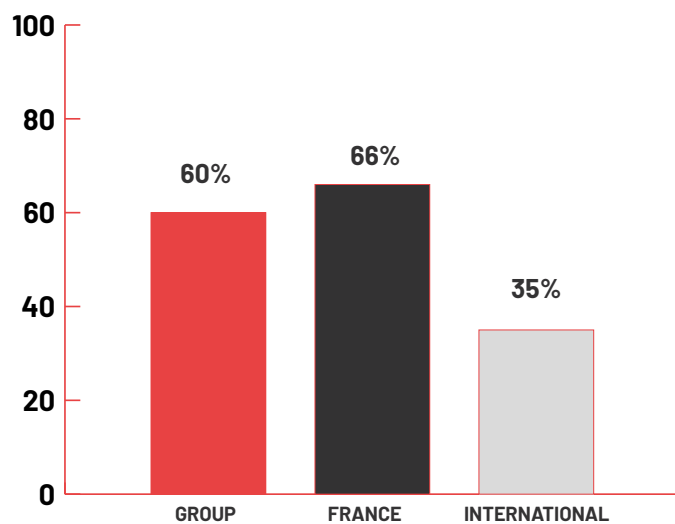
% of chickens reared at densities
less than 30 kg/m² in poultry houses



**% of chickens reared
in enriched environments**
(natural light)



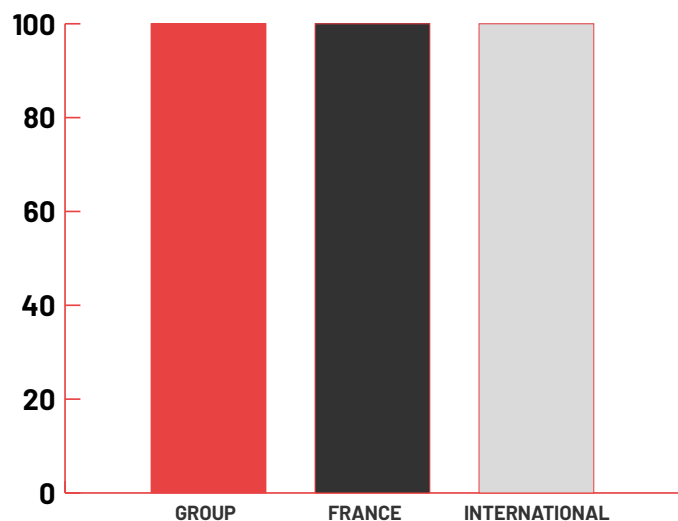
**% of chickens reared
in enriched environments**
(perching and/or pecking substrates)



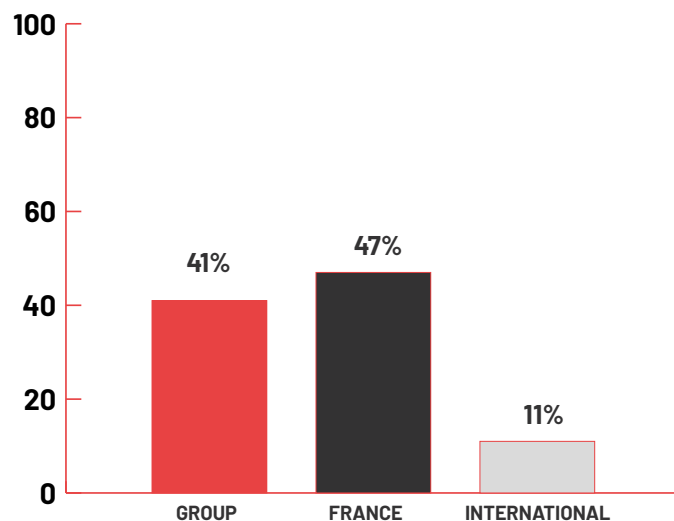
IN SLAUGHTERHOUSES

% of chickens slaughtered with prior stunning

(compliance with current European regulations)



% of chickens slaughtered with prior stunning in a controlled atmosphere



% of chickens slaughtered in a slaughterhouse equipped with video surveillance cameras

