## **Key Facts**

The eradication of Bovine TB has been a Departmental policy since 1964. The Department has incurred significant expenditure trying to meet this objective.

£44m In 2017-18

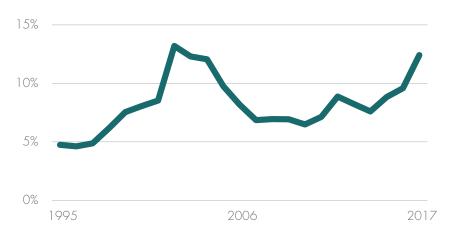
[£10 million of this was funded through salvage receipts and European Union co-funding] [£85 million of this was funded through salvage receipts and European Union co-funding]

£555m

Since 1996

While we acknowledge that without the Department's intervention the prevalence of the disease would have been significantly higher, the rate of Bovine TB still remains high amongst herds in Northern Ireland.

Bovine TB Herd prevalence rates in Northern Ireland 1995-2017



The Northern Ireland prevalence of Bovine TB is similar to Wales and less than England, but greater than the Republic of Ireland:

Scotland 0.2% Republic of Ireland 4.9% Northern Ireland 12.4% Wales 12.5% England 20.4%

Bovine TB herd prevalence by country (2017)