

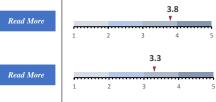
WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

December 15th 2025 - December 21st 2025

SUMMARY: RELEVANT SIGNALS (includes all signals rated ≥ 3.0)

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza

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- Over the last week, Canada has reported outbreaks of HPAI in commercial poultry in: Ontario(3) and British Columbia(2); and in non-commercial non-poultry in: British Columbia(1)
- Alberta has reported a case of HPAI H5N1 in a 10-year-old goldendoodle that had exposure to a snow goose, and subsequently died



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Chronic Wasting Disease

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NEW EVENTS: (events rated > 2)



Foot and mouth disease SAT-1 in Cyprus

Pathogen: virus; Transmission: direct contact, aerosol, fomite; Species affected in event: cattle

① Two separate outbreaks of FMD have been confirmed in Turkish-controlled Northern Cyprus. These are the first FMD outbreaks in Cyprus since 2007. One outbreak was detected in Ayios Sergios, and four cases were reported in cattle at a farm in Lapithos, ~75 kms to the north-west of Ayios Sergios. Laboratory testing by the Turkish Foot and Mouth Research Institute in Ankara identified the SAT1 serotype as the causative agent. Approximately 13,000 animals, including cattle, sheep, and goats, are being vaccinated by 35 teams across Northern Cyprus. The spread of FMD into Cyprus, and several other countries, was considered as "likely" by a recent FAO risk assessment.

Avg. Rating	2.7 - 2.8
No. of Signal	2
No. of Ratings	6



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CONTINUED EVENTS: (events rated \geq 2.4)

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in North America

No. of weeks in report: 197 No. of Signals: 10 Avg. Rating: 1.8 - 3.8

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- Over the last week, the USDA has reported outbreaks of HPAI in commercial poultry in: Indiana(2), Texas(1), and South Dakota(1); in WOAH poultry in: Kansas(1) and Indiana(1); in WOAH non-poultry in: Texas(1), Minnesota(1), Washington(1) Nebraska(1), Indiana(1), Illinois(1), California(1), and Arkansas(1); and in a live bird market in: New York(1)
- As of December 22, 2025, the USDA has reported influenza A (H5N1) in 1084 dairy herds across 19 states: Wisconsin(1), Nebraska(1), Wyoming(1), North Carolina(1), Ohio(1), Oklahoma(2), Kansas(4), Arizona(5), South Dakota(7), Minnesota(9), New Mexico(9), Nevada(11), Iowa(13), Utah(13), Texas(30), Michigan(31), Colorado(64), Idaho(108), and California(773); no new outbreaks were reported in the last week
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- In Pennsylvania, hundreds of dead snow geese found dead at a quarry in Northampton County are suspected to have died from HPAI
- In the USA, despite increased reports of infected birds in 2025, there has been a reduction in reports of infected wildlife since last spring
- Wastewater surveillance dashboards for influenza can be found at the CDC and Stanford University's WastewaterSCAN

Chronic Wasting Disease in Canada

No. of Signals: 01 No. of weeks in report: 16

Avg. Rating: 3.0

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African Swine Fever in Europe

No. of Signals: 11 No. of weeks in report: 167 Avg. Rating: 2.0 – 2.7

- Spain has confirmed an additional case of ASF in a wild boar, bringing the total number of positive detections to 27; police have carried out a search at the IRTA-CRESA laboratory, as part of the investigation into the origin of the outbreak of ASF
- Bosnia and Herzegovina has reported cases of ASF in domestic swine
- Poland, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Croatia, Estonia, Bulgaria, and Moldova have reported cases of ASF in wild boar

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Africa

No. of Signals: 02 No. of weeks in report: 90 Avg. Rating: 2.2

• Namibia has confirmed HPAI H5N1 in wild birds in the Karas region

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Europe

No. of Signals: 32 No. of weeks in report: 254 Avg. Rating: 2.0 - 2.2

- England, the Netherlands, France, Italy, Poland, Germany, Sweden, and Denmark have reported outbreaks of HPAI in domestic poultry
- France, Austria, Poland, Spain, Italy, Czech Republic, Luxembourg, Lithuania, Slovenia, Hungary, and Norway have reported HPAI in wild birds
- Albania has reported the deaths of hundreds of birds in the village of Krapes, suspected to be due to HPAI
- A summary of the overall HPAI situation in Europe is available here

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Asia

No. of Signals: 07 No. of weeks in report: 218 Avg. Rating: 2.0 - 2.2

- South Korea and Japan have reported additional outbreaks of HPAI in domestic poultry
- India has reported suspected HPAI in poultry in Kottayam
- Taiwan has reported HPAI H5N1 in wild birds



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SCIE	ENTIFIC FINDINGS, REPORTS, AND GUIDANCE:	
Coro	onavirus en	
\&	The threat of another coronavirus pandemic: how are we preparing for it?	
Foot and Mouth Disease		
*	FAO Rapid risk assessment: foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) virus serotype SAT1 Read More	
<u>Influenza</u>		
*	The potential of H5N1 viruses to adapt to bovine cells varies throughout evolution Read More	
*	Inactivation of avian influenza virus in yogurt made from raw milk Read More	
*	Novel Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza A(H5N1) Virus, Argentina, 2025 Read More	
*	Cats are more susceptible to the prevalent H3 subtype influenza viruses than dogs Read More	
*	A taxonomically harmonized global dataset of wild bird hosts for avian influenza virus surveillance Read More	
*	WOAH Statement on the impact of HPAI on wildlife worldwide Read More	
*	Highly pathogenic avian influenza: a One Health perspective on risks, surveillance, and resilience Read More	
*	EFSA: introduction of bird flu from US dairy cattle to Europe very unlikely, but vigilance urged Read More	
*	PAHO - Briefing note - Influenza A(H3N2) subclade K (J.2.4.1), considerations for the Americas Region - 11 December 2025	
*	Influenza Virus Characteristics in Department of Defense Populations, 2024–2025 Read More	
\oint\oint\oint\oint\oint\oint\oint\oint	Antiviral susceptibility of clade 2.3.4.4b highly pathogenic avian influenza A(H5N1) viruses from humans in the United States, October 2024 to February 2025	
♦	Development of a portable avian influenza virus characterisation system: bringing the inside-out Read More	
Vectors and Vector Borne Diseases		
	Detection and response to Haemaphysalis longicornis and Theileria orientalis Ikeda on a cow-calf farm in Tennessee (USA)	
	ECDC Surveillance of West Nile infections in humans in Europe, weekly report Read More	
	Prevalence of bluetongue serotype 3 following the 2023 epidemic and associated risk factors in Dutch dairy cattle	
*	Two autochthonous cases of Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever and the One Health response, Thessaly, Greece, 2025 Read More	
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*	Case of Congenital Tularemia with Neuroinvasive Disease, Utah, USA Read More	
*	Rapid emergence of <i>Trichophyton indotineae</i> (Trichophyton mentagrophytes ITS genotype VIII) observed in the United Kingdom, up to August 2025	
	A new member of the novel, non-core Brucella clade: An exotic frog isolate closely related to atypical Brucella isolates from recent human brucellosis cases in Australia	
	New York Global Health Update Report – 12/18/2025 Read More	
	France - Weekly Bulletin for International Animal Health Surveillance 23/12/2025 Read More	
	ECDC - Communicable disease threats report, 13 - 19 December 2025, week 51	
	European Commission Animal Disease Information System – Weekly Outbreak Summary **Read More**	

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