

# WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

October 30<sup>th</sup> 2023 – November 5<sup>th</sup> 2023

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

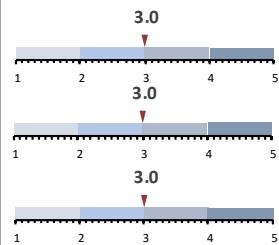
### Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza

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- ❖ **Argentina** has confirmed HPAI H5N1 in elephant seal pups found on the **Valdes Peninsula** at the sites of the mass mortality event; positive kelp gulls and South American terns were found at the same sites
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## NEW EVENTS: (events rated > 2)

No new events to report this week

## CONTINUED EVENTS: (events rated ≥ 2.4)

### Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Europe

**No. of Signals: 07    No. of weeks in report: 150    Avg. Rating: 2.0 - 3.0**

- **Finland** has reported an additional HPAI H5N1 positive mink farm, bringing the total number of infected farms to 32; active surveillance of fox and raccoon kennels has also begun
- **Austria**, **Russia**, and **Romania** have reported HPAI H5N1 in domestic birds
- **Germany** has reported LPAI on a farm in Cuxhaven
- A summary of the overall HPAI situation in Europe is available [here](#)

### Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in North America

**No. of Signals: 12    No. of weeks in report: 89    Avg. Rating: 2.0 - 3.0**

- Over the last week, **Canada** has reported outbreaks of HPAI in commercial poultry in: British Columbia(3) and Saskatchewan(5)
- Over the last week, the **USA** has reported outbreaks of HPAI in commercial poultry in: South Dakota(2), Arkansas(1), Minnesota(2), and Alabama(1); in WOAH poultry in: Iowa(2); in WOAH non-poultry in: Tennessee(1) and Oklahoma(2)
- **Mexico** has detected HPAI H5 at a second poultry farm in Cajeme, Sonora, located 3km from the first confirmed farm

### Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in South America

**No. of Signals: 07    No. of weeks in report: 50    Avg. Rating: 2.0 - 3.0**

- **Argentina** has confirmed HPAI H5N1 in elephant seal pups found on the Valdes Peninsula at the sites of the mass mortality event; positive kelp gulls and South American terns were found at the same sites
- In **Chile**, ~3,000 Humboldt penguins have died due to HPAI so far in 2023
- In Rio Grande do Sul, **Brazil**, a total of 608 aquatic mammals (sea lions and fur seals) have died from HPAI
- **Brazil** has reported additional cases of HPAI H5N1 in wild birds

### Dengue in the USA

**No. of Signals: 01    No. of weeks in report: 03    Avg. Rating: 2.8**

- **California** has reported a second locally acquired case of Dengue, this time in Long Beach; the first local case was reported last week in Pasadena

### Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Asia

**No. of Signals: 02    No. of weeks in report: 116    Avg. Rating: 2.0**

- **Vietnam** has reported HPAI H5N1 in domestic birds in Dien Phuong, killing >2000 ducks

## SCIENTIFIC FINDINGS & REPORTS:

### African Swine Fever

- ◆ Detection of African Swine Fever Virus from Wild Boar, Singapore, 2023 [Read More](#)

### Influenza

- ◆ Mass Mortality of Sea Lions Caused by Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza A(H5N1) Virus [Read More](#)
- ◆ Neurotropic Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza A(H5N1) Virus in Red Foxes, Northern Germany [Read More](#)
- ◆ Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza A(H5N1) Virus–Induced Mass Death of Wild Birds, Caspian Sea, Russia, 2022 [Read More](#)
- ◆ Evolution and international transmission of H3N2 canine influenza A viruses from Korea during 2014–2017 [Read More](#)
- ◆ Exploring the responses of smallscale poultry keepers to avian influenza regulations and guidance in the United Kingdom, with recommendations for improved biosecurity messaging [Read More](#)

### Vectors and Vector-borne Disease

- ◆ First detection of Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever virus in southern France [Read More](#)
- ◆ Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever Virus Seropositivity among Dromedary Camels, Algeria, 2020–2021 [Read More](#)
- ◆ Culicoides-borne Orbivirus epidemiology in a changing climate [Read More](#)
- ◆ The role of wildlife in the expansion of tick populations in eastern North America [Read More](#)

### Other

- ◆ Microfilaremic *Dirofilaria repens* Infection in Patient from Serbia [Read More](#)
- ◆ Detection and characterization of novel luchacoviruses, genus *Alphacoronavirus*, in saliva and feces of meso-carnivores in the northeastern United States [Read More](#)
- ◆ Historical trends demonstrate a pattern of increasingly frequent and severe spillover events of high -consequence zoonotic viruses [Read More](#)
- ◆ Backyard zoonoses: The roles of companion animals and peri-domestic wildlife [Read More](#)
- ◆ Whole-Genome Sequence and Pathogenicity Analysis of *Providencia Heimbachae* Causing Diarrhea in Weaned Piglets [Read More](#)
- ◆ ECDC - Communicable disease threats report, 15-22 October 2023, week 42 [Read More](#)

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