

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

September 5th - September 11th 2022

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

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza

- Over the last week, Canada has reported one outbreak of HPAI in commercial poultry in Saskatchewan
- Dead birds continue to be found along the shores of Eastern Canada, with a recent report of hundreds of dead gulls discovered on the shores of Bear Island near Digby, Nova Scotia



NEW EVENTS: (events rated > 2)

No new events to report this week

CONTINUED EVENTS: (events rated ≥ 2.4)

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in North America No. of Signals: 11 No. of weeks in report: 35 Avg. Rating: 2.0 - 3.4

- Over the last week, Canada has reported one outbreak of HPAI in commercial poultry in Saskatchewan
- Hundreds of dead gulls have been discovered on the shores of Bear Island near Digby, Nova Scotia, their deaths likely due to HPAI
- Over the last week, the <u>USDA</u> has reported outbreaks of HPAI H5N1 in commercial poultry in Minnesota and California, as well as backyard poultry in California
- In Florida, a bottlenose dolphin found dead in Dixie County in March was confirmed positive for HPAI (clade 2.3.4.4b of the Eurasian H5 viral lineage), making it the first cetacean to be found with the virus in America and only the second known case in the world

Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease Virus in Canada

No. of Signals: 01 No. of weeks in report: 05 Avg. Rating: 2.8

• In <u>Calgary</u>, over the last week, veterinarians and rescue groups have received dozens of reports of dead feral rabbits from the public; testing is underway to confirm the cause of their deaths, suspected to be RHDV2 (which was confirmed in an indoor rabbit in Calgary in May)

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Europe

No. of Signals: 13

No. of weeks in report: 91

Avg. Rating: 2.0 - 2.7

- Germany, Portugal, England, and Wales have reported outbreaks of HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry
- Portugal, Ireland, France, Belgium, and Germany have reported cases of HPAI in wild birds
- A summary of the overall HPAI situation in Europe is available here

Monkeypox worldwide

No. of Signals: 18

No. of weeks in report: 18

Avg. Rating: 1.4 - 2.4

- As of Sept 12 2022, the CDC is reporting 57,995 confirmed cases of monkeypox across 103 different countries
- Canada has reported 1,321 cases of monkeypox to date (2 in the Yukon, 143 cases in British Columbia, 34 in Alberta, 3 in Saskatchewan, 1 in Manitoba, 631 in Ontario, 505 in Quebec, 1 in Nova Scotia, and 1 in New Brunswick)



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<u>Chronic Wasting Disease</u>
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SARS-CoV-2
 Compellingly high SARS-CoV-2 susceptibility of Golden Syrian hamsters suggests multiple zoonotic infections of pet hamsters during the COVID-19 pandemic
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<u>Vectors & Vector borne Diseases</u>
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