

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

February 7th - February 13th 2022

SUMMARY: RELEVANT EVENTS (includes all events rated ≥ 3.0)

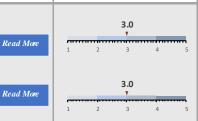
Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza

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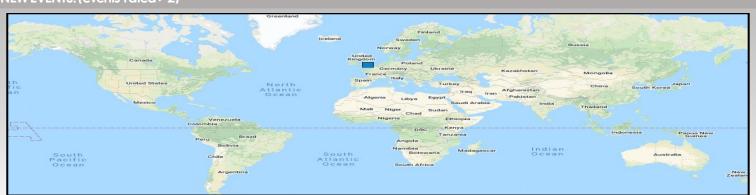


Rabies

- Nunavut seems to be experiencing a peak year for rabies, however it may be due to an increase in the Arctic fox population as well as changing dynamics (environment and animal movement) as a result of climate change
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NEW EVENTS: (events rated > 2)



Lassa fever in travelers in England

Pathogen: Virus; Transmission: Direct contact, fomite; Species affected in event: Human

① The UK has reported three cases (one death) of Lassa fever in East England. The cases are related to recent travel to West Africa and all the cases are from the same house hold. Prior to these cases, there have been eight cases of Lassa fever imported to the UK since 1980, with the last two cases being reported in 2009.

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Avg. Rating	2.0 - 2.3
No. of Signal	3
No. of Ratings	2 - 4

CONTINUED EVENTS: (events rated \geq 2.4)

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in North America No. of Signals: 06 No. of weeks in report: 06 Avrg. Rating: 2.0 - 3.8

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Rabies in Canada No. of Signals: 02 No. of weeks in report: 03 Avrg. Rating: 2.0 – 3.0

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African Swine Fever in Asia

No. of Signals: 04 No. of weeks in report: 137 Avrg. Rating: 2.0 – 2.8

- The Philippines, Malaysia, and Thailand have reported outbreaks of ASF in domestic swine
- South Korea continues to report cases of ASF in wild boar

African Swine Fever in Europe

No. of Signals: 08 No. of weeks in report: 126 Avrg. Rating: 2.0 – 2.8

- <u>Ukraine</u>, <u>Bulgaria</u>, and <u>Moldova</u> have reported outbreaks of ASF in domestic swine
- Italy, Germany, Hungary, Latvia, Romania, Ukraine, and Russia have reported cases of ASF in wild boar



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Bovine Tuberculosis in the USA

No. of Signals: 02 No. of weeks in report: 06

Avrg. Rating: 2.5 – 2.8

- In Michigan, bTB was recently confirmed in one animal from an Oscoda County dairy herd, located in Michigan's Modified Accredited Zone
- Michigan wildlife scientists have found 16 white-taileddeer infected with bTB among those submitted by hunters for screening in 2021, and more may be found as testing wraps up

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Europe

No. of Signals: 17

No. of weeks in report: 61

Avrg. Rating: 2.0 − 2.8

- The Czech Republic, Russia, Portugal, Slovakia, and Denmark have reported outbreaks of HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry
- In <u>Spain</u>, authorities have slaughtered more than 130,000 hens after an outbreak of HPAI was detected at an intensive farming operation in the northern region of Castile and Leon
- Germany, the Czech Republic, Romania, and Slovakia have reported cases of HPAI H5N1 in wild birds
- Germany has also reported HPAI H5N2 in wild birds
- Belgium has reported HPAI H5 in wild birds
- A summary of the overall HPAI situation in Europe is available here

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Asia

No. of Signals: 03

No. of weeks in report: 49

Avrg. Rating: 2.0 - 2.5

- Japan has reported HPAI H5N1 in wild birds
- South Korea has reported another outbreak of HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry
- The HPAI outbreak reported last week from Taiwan has been serotyped as H5N2

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Africa

No. of Signals: 01

No. of weeks in report: 24

Avrg. Rating: 2.0

• Cameroon has reported an outbreak of HPAI H5N1 on a poultry farm in Kongso, West region

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