

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

May 16th - May 22nd 2022

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

Monkeypox

- In Canada, Quebec has confirmed five cases of mokeypox and is investigating about two dozen more; Ontario is also investigating a suspected case of monkeypox in Toronto
 - Numerous countries have been reporting cases of monkeypox in the last week, including: the USA, the UK, the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Italy, Belgium, Australia, Germany, France, Slovenia, Sweden, Czech Republic, Denmark, Austria, Israel, Switzerland, Argentina, Greece (suspected), and Morocco (suspected)
- The majority of cases have been in men who have sex with men and some have been linked to a fetish festival in **Belgium** and an adult sauna in **Spain**

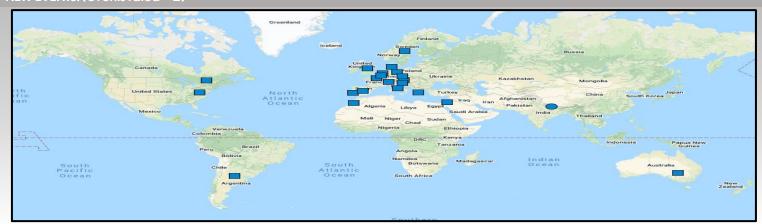
B 114				4.0	
Read More	1	2	3	4	5
Read More			3.0		
Redu More	1	2	3	4	5
			3.0		
Dond Mone					

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza

- Over the past week, Canada has reported additional outbreaks of HPAI in: British Columbia
 (4), Alberta (1), and Ontario (1)
- Over the last week, the USDA has reported outbreaks of HPAI H5N1 in commercial poultry (Minnesota, Pennsylvania) and backyard birds (New Jersey, Illinois, Idaho, Minnesota, Wyoming, Indiana, South Dakota, North Dakota, Oregon, Utah, Washington)

			3.0		
D I M					
Read More	1	2	3	4	5
			3.0		
Read More					
Keaa More	1	2	3	4	5

NEW EVENTS: (events rated > 2)



Monkeypox worldwide

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

① Over the last two weeks, >160 cases of monkeypox have been reported from ~21 countries outside of Africa, including: Canada (Quebec, Ontario), the USA (New York, Florida, Utah, Washington), the UK, the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Italy, Belgium, Australia, Germany, France, Slovenia, Sweden, Czech Republic, Denmark, Austria, Israel, Switzerland, Argentina, Greece (suspected), and Morocco (suspected). Many of the people who've gotten monkeypox in the current outbreak have no history of recent travel to Africa. Cases have largely been identified among young men who have sex with men, leading experts to believe that the disease is being spread through skinto-skin contact, perhaps from exposure to rashes and lesions during sexual activity. Early reports on whole genome sequencing suggest that the outbreak is caused by the milder West African viral clade.

Avg. Rating	2.4 - 4.0
No. of Signal	60
No. of Ratings	2 - 26

African Swine Fever in Nepal

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

① Nepal has reported its first cases of ASF. Six outbreaks of the virus were recorded among farm pigs in the region around Kathmandu, with 934 animals dying of the disease out of 1,364 infections.

Avg. Rating	2.0 - 2.8
No. of Signal	2
No. of Ratings	4 - 5



EEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

May 16th - May 22nd 2022

CONTINUED EVENTS: (events rated ≥ 2.4)

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in North America No. of Signals: 13 No. of weeks in report: 20 Avrg. Rating: 2.3 - 3.0

- Over the last week, Canada has reported additional outbreaks of HPAI in: British Columbia (4), Alberta (1), and Ontario (1)
- In Canada, Quebec has reported HPAI H5N1 in a wild bird in Gaspésie
- Over the last week, the <u>USDA</u> has reported outbreaks of HPAI H5N1 in commercial poultry (Minnesota, Pennsylvania) and backyard birds (New Jersey, Illinois, Idaho, Minnesota, Wyoming, Indiana, South Dakota, North Dakota, Oregon, Utah, Washington)
- In the USA, lowa has also reported findings of HPAI in wild fox kits

Hepatitis of Unknown Etiology Worldwide

No. of Signals: 03

No. of weeks in report: 04

Avrg. Rating: 2.0 – 2.7

• The investigation into the cases of severe and unexplained hepatitis in children continues, with >600 cases being reported from ~30 countries

• Canada has confirmed 10 cases of acute severe hepatitis in children, including: three cases in Alberta, two in Manitoba, four in Ontario, and one in Quebec

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Europe

No. of Signals: 09

No. of weeks in report: 75

Avrg. Rating: 2.0 - 2.5

• The Czech Republic, Portugal, and Hungary have reported HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry

- The Czech Republic, Hungary, and Germany have reported HPAI H5N1 in wild birds
- Norway has reported HPAI H5N5 in wild birds
- HPAI may be responsible for dozens of dead birds at a Highland reserve in Scotland
- A summary of the overall HPAI situation in Europe is available here

Japanese Encephalitis in Australia

No. of Signals: 01

No. of weeks in report: 10

Avrg. Rating: 2.4

• In Australia, there have been 42 human cases (29 confirmed, 13 suspected) of JEV and 4 deaths

Influenza A (H5N6) in China

No. of Signals: 03

No. of weeks in report: 30

Avrg. Rating: 2.0 – 2.4

• China has reported an additional human case of avian influenza A(H5N6) in a 49-year-old male living in Baise City in Guangxi, the 13th of 2022; from 2014 to date, 78 human cases of influenza A(H5N6) have been reported by Mainland health authorities

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Asia

No. of Signals: 04

No. of weeks in report: 62

Avrg. Rating: 2.3

• Taiwan, Nepal, and Japan have reported outbreaks of HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry

• Israel has reported HPAI H5N8 in wild birds

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Africa

No. of Signals: 04

No. of weeks in report: 29

Avrg. Rating: 2.0 – 2.2

- Gabon has reported its first outbreak of HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry in Estuaire
- South Africa has reported an outbreak of HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry in Gauteng

SCIENTIFIC FINDINGS & REPORTS:

Influenza

♦ HPAI H5N1 clade 2.3.4.4b [A/American wigeon/South Carolina/AH0195145/2021] added to CDC Influenza Risk Assessment Tool

Monkeypox

♦ First draft genome sequence of Monkeypox virus associated with the suspected multi-country outbreak, May 2022 (confirmed case in Portugal)

♦ Monkeypox virus isolate MPXV USA 2022 MA001, complete genome

Other

♦ Genetic characterization of porcine sapoviruses identified from pigs during a diarrhoea outbreak in Iowa, 2019

♦ Swine Health Information Centre investigates canine parvovirus 2 potential risk to U.S. swine

Whole genome sequencing shows 2019 and 2021 Strep Zoo. outbreaks caused by different strains

Disclaimer

This intelligence report is intended to provide information to risk managers about emerging and zoonotic disease events that could pose a threat to Canada. It is based on information signals acquired and selected from twenty-one distinct disease surveillance sources via the Knowledge Integration using Web-based Intelligence (KIWI) tool hosted on the Canadian Network for Public Health Intelligence (CNPHI) informatics platform. The report is based on the activities of the CEZD Community of Practice and subject to change based on evolving