

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

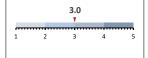
May 17th - May 23rd, 2021

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

COVID-19

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NEW EVENTS: (events rated > 2)

No new events to report this week

CONTINUED EVENTS: (events rated \geq 2.4)

COVID-19 Worldwide (as of May 24, 2021)

No. of Signals: 54

No. of weeks in report: 51

Avrg. Rating: 1.0 - 3.0

- Worldwide, there have been 167,252,150 confirmed cases of COVID-19 with 3,467,663 deaths reported
- In Canada, there have been 1,361,564 cases of COVID-19 with 25,265 deaths reported
- Another BC mink farm has been placed under quarantine after one mink tested positive for SARS-CoV-2; two other mink on the farm, which has about 25,000 animals, are suspected to be positive for the virus
- In Thailand, a dog has tested positive for SARS-CoV-2

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Asia

No. of Signals: 03

No. of weeks in report: 23

Avrg. Rating: 2.0 - 2.7

• China has reported an outbreak of HPAI H5N8 in wild birds In Nagqu, Tibet

African Swine Fever in Asia

No. of Signals: 01

No. of weeks in report: 109

Avrg. Rating: 2.6

• Vietnam has reported an outbreak of ASF in domestic swine

Streptococcus zooepidemicus in North America

No. of Signals: 02

No. of weeks in report: 03

Avrg. Rating: 2.4 - 2.5

- CWSHIN is warning pork producers about a new strain of *Strep. zooepidemicus*; the strain has only been identified in five barns in <u>Canada</u> but it's also been identified in a couple of culled sow shipments going to assembly yards or it's been detected when they arrive at the slaughter plants
- Research conducted on behalf of the SHIC suggests outbreaks across the <u>US</u> of *Strep. zooepidemicus* were the result of different strains of the bacteria and are unrelated

Chronic Wasting Disease in the US

No. of Signals: 03

No. of weeks in report: 12

Avrg. Rating: 2.0 - 2.4

- CWD has been discovered at deer breeding facilities in Matagorda and Mason Counties, Texas
- Virginia has confirmed a deer killed in Montgomery County and brought to a taxidermist in late November 2020 has tested positive for CWD

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Europe

No. of Signals: 04

No. of weeks in report: 29

Avrg. Rating: 2.0 - 2.2

- Finland, Croatia, and Sweden have reported cases of HPAI H5N8 in wild birds
- Germany has reported an outbreak of HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry in Drensteinfurt
- A summary of the overall HPAI situation in Europe is available here

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Circovirus in Blood of a Febrile Horse with Hepatitis

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Novel Canine Coronavirus Isolated from a Hospitalized Pneumonia Patient, East Malaysia

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Research team finds additional CWD prions at dump site of Beltrami County [Minnesota] deer farm

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