

# **WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT**

April 18th - April 24th 2022

# SUMMARY: RELEVANT EVENTS (includes all events rated ≥ 3.0) Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza Over the past week, Canada has reported an outbreak of HPAI in Manitoba poultry, and Read Mon additional outbreaks in: British Colombia (1), Saskatchewan (3), Quebec (1), Alberta (6), and 3.0 Mexico has reported HPAI H7N3 in two commercial poultry production buildings in Coahuila Read More 3.0 African Swine Fever Haiti has reported additional outbreaks of ASF in domestic swine Read More 3.0 Bhutan has reported an outbreak of ASF in a semi-commercial pig farm in the Chhukha district, Read Mon near its border with India Influenza A (H5N6) China has reported an additional human case of avian influenza A(H5N6) in a 56-year-old male Read More living in Sichuan Province, the 13th of 2022 and the 77th since 2014 Japanese Encephalitis Australia has reported 37 human cases (25 confirmed, 12 suspected) of JEV, the virus has affected more than 70 piggeries a cross four states; experts say JEV will impact Australian pork supply as infected piggeries experience production losses of up to 80%

# NEW EVENTS: (events rated > 2)



# Ebola in the Democratic Republic of Congo

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

① The DRC has declared an outbreak of Ebola after a case was confirmed in Mbandaka, a city in the north-westem Equateur Province. This is the third outbreak in the province since 2018. Genetic testing showed the infection confirmed last week was a new "spillover event", a transmission from an infected animal, and not linked to the last outbreak, which was declared over in December.

Avg. Rating	2.5
No. of Signal	1
No. of Ratings	2

# Hepatitis of Unknown Etiology

<u>Pathogen: Unknown ; Transmission: Unknown ; Species affected in event: Human</u>

① Three weeks ago the UK raised an alarm over a large number of young children presenting to hospitals with acute hepatitis of unknown etiology. A few of the children were sick enough to require liver transplants. As of April 21, acute cases of hepatitis of unknown origin have been reported in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (the United Kingdom) (114), Spain (13), Israel (12), the United States of America (9), Denmark (6), Ireland (<5), The Netherlands (4), Italy (4), Norway (2), France (2), Romania (1), and Belgium (1). Information gathered through investigations suggests that the rise in severe cases of hepatitis may be linked to adenovirus infection but other causes are still being actively investigated.

Avg. Rating	2.0 - 2.4
No. of Signal	9
No. of Ratings	2 - 21



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CONTINUED EVENTS: (events rated  $\geq 2.4$ )

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in North America No. of Signals: 12 No. of weeks in report: 16 Avrg. Rating: 2.0 – 4.0

- Over the last week, <u>Canada</u> has reported an outbreak of HPAI in Manitoba poultry, and additional outbreaks in: British Colombia (1), Saskatchewan (3), Quebec (1), Alberta (6), and Ontario (2)
- Over the last week, the <u>USDA</u> has reported outbreaks of HPAI H5N1 in commercial poultry (Minnesota, Utah, Pennsylvania, Iowa, North Dakota, Indiana, Colorado), in backyard birds (Michigan, Wisconsin, North Dakota, Idaho, Montana, Colorado), and wild birds (New Hampshire, Wisconsin, Vermont, Minnesota, North Dakota)
- Mexico has reported HPAI H7N3 in two commercial poultry production buildings in Coahuila

### Influenza A (H5N6) in China

No. of Signals: 02

No. of weeks in report: 29

Avrg. Rating: 3.0

• China has reported an additional human case of avian influenza A(H5N6) in a 56-year-old male living in Sichuan Province, the 13<sup>th</sup> of 2022; from 2014 to date, 77 human cases of influenza A(H5N6) have been reported by Mainland health authorities

African Swine Fever in the Caribbean

No. of Signals: 01

No. of weeks in report: 15

Avrg. Rating: 3.0

• Haiti has reported additional outbreaks of ASF in domestic swine

Japanese Encephalitis in Australia

No. of Signals: 03

No. of weeks in report: 07

Avrg. Rating: 3.0

• In Australia, there have been <u>37 human cases</u> (25 confirmed, 12 suspected) of JEV and 3 deaths, the virus has affected more than <u>70 piggeries</u> across four states; experts say JEV will impact <u>Australian pork supply</u> as infected piggeries experience production losses of up to 80%.

# **African Swine Fever in Asia**

No. of Signals: 05

No. of weeks in report: 144

Avrg. Rating: 2.0 - 3.0

- Bhutan has reported an outbreak of ASF in a semi-commercial pig farm in the Chhukha district, near its border with India
- India has reported outbreaks of ASF in <u>Mizoram</u> and <u>Tripura</u>
- <u>Thailand</u> has reported ASF in domestics wine in Trang

# Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Europe

No. of Signals: 12

No. of weeks in report: 71

Avrg. Rating: 2.0 - 2.5

- Bulgaria, the Netherlands, Hungary, UK, and the Czech Republic have reported outbreaks of HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry
- Montenegro, Germany, and Belgium have reported cases of HPAI H5N1 in wild birds
- Bulgaria has reported cases of HPAI (not typed) in wild birds
- Denmark has reported one case of HPAI in a harbour seal from 2021
- A summary of the overall HPAI situation in Europe is available here

# Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Asia

No. of Signals: 04

No. of weeks in report: 58

Avrg. Rating: 2.0 - 2.5

- In Japan, HPAI has been reported in an emu farm in Hokkaido
- <u>Taiwan</u> has reported HPAI H5N2 in domestic turkeys
- India has reported HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry in Bihar

# Classical Swine Fever in Japan

No. of Signals: 01

No. of weeks in report: 19

Avrg. Rating: 2.5

• Japan has reported an outbreak of CSF in domestic swine

### Monkeypox in Africa

No. of Signals: 02

No. of weeks in report: 03

Avrg. Rating: 2.5

• The <u>DRC</u> has tallied 1,088 case of monkeypox (52 fatalities) during the first three months of 2022, comparable to the number of cases reported during the same period in 2021 (1,126)

# SCIENTIFIC FINDINGS & REPORTS:

#### <u>Angiostrongylus cantonensis</u>

Angiostrongylus cantonensis in a Red Ruffed Lemur at a Zoo, Louisiana, USA

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#### Clostridium difficile

Study finds superbug C. difficile can jump between pigs and humans, providing evidence of zoonotic spread

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### **Avian Influenza**

♦ Intercontinental Movement of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza A(H5N1) Clade 2.3.4.4 Virus to the United States, 2021

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#### **Lumpy Skin Disease**

Molecular Characterization and Phylogenetic Analysis of Lumpy Skin Disease Virus Collected from Outbreaks in Northern Thailan d in 2021

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#### Vectors & Vector borne disease

Usutu Virus Africa 3 Lineage, Luxembourg, 2020

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