

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

March 7th - March 13th 2022

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

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza

- ♦ HPAI has been confirmed in all **North American** flyways
- Over the last week, the USDA has reported outbreaks of HPAI in commercial poultry (Wisconsin, South Dakota, Maryland, Iowa, Missouri, Delaware), in backyard birds (Maine, Kansas, Illinois), and wild birds (Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Kentucky, Tennessee)
- Canada has confirmed the presence of HPAI in a black-backed gull in Riverview, New Brunswick

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Japanese Encephalitis Virus

JEV has spread rapidly through four Australian states in the past week, infecting pigs, horses and people. The virus has been detected in Victoria, Queensland, New South Wales and South Australia

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NEW EVENTS: (events rated > 2)



Japanese Encephalitis in Australia

Pathogen: Virus ; Transmission: Vector ; Species affected in event: Porcine, Equine, Human

① JEV has spread rapidly through four Australian states in the past week, infecting pigs, horses and people. The virus has been detected in Victoria, Queensland, New South Wales and South Australia with cases now confirmed at six piggeries in Victoria, and 14 in total across the country. As of March 10, 2022 there have been 15 confirmed cases in humans: New South Wales (4), Queensland (1), South Australia (4) and Victoria (6). Two deaths have been reported.

Avg. Rating	2.3 - 3.3		
No. of Signal	2		
No. of Ratings	3 - 23		

Lumpy skin disease in Singapore

Pathogen: Virus; Transmission: Vector; Species affected in event: Cattle

① Singapore has reported an outbreak of LSD for the first time. The outbreak occurred on farm in the locality of Lim Chu Kang on March 9, 2022 and was confirmed by PCR on March 11, 2022.

Avg. Rating	2.3	
No. of Signal	1	
No. of Ratings	4	



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CONTINUED EVENTS: (events rated ≥ 2.4)

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in North America No. of Signals: 19 No. of weeks in report: 10 Avrg. Rating: 2.0 – 4.0

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African Swine Fever in Asia No. of Signals: 03 No. of weeks in report: 141 Avrg. Rating: 2.3 – 2.8

• Vietnam, Thailand, and the Philippines have reported outbreaks of ASF in domestic swine

<u>Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Europe</u>
<u>No. of Signals: 13</u>
<u>No. of weeks in report: 65</u>
<u>Avrg. Rating: 2.0 – 2.8</u>

- Scotland, Poland, Portugal, and the Netherlands have reported outbreaks of HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry
- As of March 10, 2022, a total of 662 clusters of HPAI have been detected in France between Nov 2021 and Feb 2022, ~ 4.18 million birds have been culled
- France, Slovakia, Scotland, Greece, Belgium, and Spain have reported cases of HPAI H5N1 in wild birds
- A summary of the overall HPAI situation in Europe is available here

<u>Lumpy Skin Disease in Asia</u> <u>No. of Signals: 02</u> <u>No. of weeks in report: 13</u> <u>Avrg. Rating: 2.3 – 2.6</u>

• In Pakistan, ~54 animals have died due to LSD and over 20,000 animals have been infected, including 15,100 in Karachi

Influenza A (H5N6 & H9) in China & Cambodia

No. of Signals: 03

No. of weeks in report: 26

Avrg. Rating: 2.0 – 2.5

No. of Signals: 03

- China has reported two fatal human cases of avian influenza A(H5N6), both with onset dating November 2022; from 2014 to date, 73 human cases of influenza A(H5N6) have been reported by Mainland health authorities
- Cambodian health authorities have confirmed a human case of influenza A(H9) in a one-year-old girl from Siem Reap province's Chi Kraeng district

• A second case of CWD has been confirmed in Alabama, in a white-tailed deer in Lauderdale County

- <u>Virginia</u> has reported 3 positive CWD test results from surveillance of the 2021-2022 hunting season
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<u>Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Africa</u> <u>No. of Signals: 02</u> <u>No. of weeks in report: 26</u> <u>Avrg. Rating: 2.0</u>

• South Africa and Niger have reported outbreaks of HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry

SCIENTIFIC FINDINGS & REPORTS:

Chronic Wasting Disease in the USA

SARS-CoV-2

 Evidence of SARS-CoV-2 Related Coronaviruses Circulating in Sunda pangolins (Manis javanica) Confiscated From the Illegal Wildlife Trade in Vietnam

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Avian Influenza

Spatiotemporal Dynamics, Evolutionary History and Zoonotic Potential of Moroccan H9N2 Avian Influenza Viruses from 2016 to 2021

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African Swine Fever

Multiple variants of African swine fever virus circulating in Vietnam

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Chronic Wasting Disease

Increased Attack Rates and Decreased Incubation Periods of Chronic Wasting Disease in Raccoons after Passage through Meadow Voles

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Hepatitis E

Orthohepevirus C infection as an emerging cause of acute hepatitis in Spain: first report in Europe

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<u>Herpesvirus</u>

♦ Fatal Human Alphaherpesvirus 1 Infection in Free-Ranging Black-Tufted Marmosets in Anthropized Environments, Brazil, 2012–2019

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Vectors & Vector Borne Disease

Pennsylvania has confirmed higher than expected rates of Deer Tick Virus in ticks across multiple counties during the 2021 surveillance season including: Clearfield, Centre, and Wyoming (at each of these locations, the infection rate exceeded 80% of ticks sampled)

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