

# WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

July 25<sup>th</sup> - July 31<sup>st</sup> 2022

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

## Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza

- Over the last week, Canada has reported HPAI in commercial poultry in Alberta as well as wild birds in the Mingan Archipelago, Quebec
- Norway has reported HPAI H5N1 in two red foxes from Stad municipality; this is the first time the virus has been detected in species other than birds in Norway

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#### Melioidosis

Burkholderia pseudomallei has been reported for the first time in environmental samples in the US; the bacterium was identified in soil and water samples in the Gulf Coast region of southern Mississippi

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# White Nose Syndrome

WNS has been reported for the first time in a bat found in southwestern Saskatchewan in Grasslands National Park

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### **Salmonellosis**

Alberta is investigating an outbreak of Salmonella infections across the province, with links to reptiles and feeder rodents; twelve cases have been identified so far



## NEW EVENTS: (events rated > 2)



# Burkholderia pseudomallei in the USA

#### Pathogen: Bacteria; Transmission: N/A; Species affected in event: N/A

① The CDC has identified the bacterium *Burkholderia pseudomallei* (*B. pseudomallei*) for the first time in the environment in the continental United States. *B. pseudomallei* was identified through environmental sampling of soil and water in the Gulf Coast region of southern Mississippi during an investigation of two human melioidosis cases. It is unclear how long the bacterium has been in the environment prior to 2020 or how widespread the bacterium is in the continental United States; modeling suggests that the environmental conditions found in the Gulf Coast states are conducive to the growth of *B. pseudomallei*.

Avg. Rating	3.0
No. of Signal	2
No. of Ratings	1 - 8

# Salmonellosis in Alberta

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

① Alberta Health Services (AHS) is investigating an outbreak of *Salmonella* infections across the province, with links to reptiles and feeder rodents. Twelve cases have been identified in four of five AHS Zones (North, Edmonton, Central, and Calgary). Investigation findings have identified exposure to both snakes and feeder rodents (used as reptile food) as a likely source of the outbreak. Investigation into the facilities carrying feeder rodents is still ongoing.

Avg. Rating	2.3 - 3.0
No. of Signal	2
No. of Ratings	2 - 3



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

# White nose syndrome in Saskatchewan

No. of Signals: 01 No. of weeks in report: 02 Avg. Rating: 3.0

• WNS has been reported for the first time in a bat, found in late May, in southwestern <u>Saskatchewan</u> in Grasslands National Park; the fungus that causes WNS was found for the first time in Saskatchewan in <u>September 2021</u>

# <u>Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in North America</u> <u>No. of Signals: 06</u> <u>No. of weeks in report: 29</u> <u>Avg. Rating: 2.7 – 3.0</u>

• Over the last week, Canada has reported HPAI in commercial poultry in Alberta as well as wild birds in the Mingan Archipelago, Quebec

• Over the last week, the USDA has reported outbreaks of HPAI H5N1 in commercial poultry (Utah) and backyard birds (Oregon, Montana, Washington)

#### Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Europe

No. of Signals: 11

No. of weeks in report: 85

Avg. Rating: 2.0 - 3.0

• Norway has reported HPAI H5N1 in two red foxes from Stad municipality; this is the first time the virus has been detected in species other than birds in Norway

- Poland, Germany, Russia, and France have reported outbreaks of HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry
- Norway, Scotland, France, and England have reported cases of HPAI H5N1 in wild birds
- A summary of the overall HPAI situation in Europe is available here

#### Monkeypox worldwide

No. of Signals: 28

No. of weeks in report: 12

Avg. Rating: 2.0 - 2.7

• As of August 1 2022, the CDC is reporting 23,620 confirmed cases of monkeypox across 80 different countries

- Canada has reported 803 cases of monkeypox to date (1 in the Yukon, 61 cases in British Columbia, 13 in Alberta, 2 in Saskatchewan, 367 in Ontario, and 359 in Quebec)
- In the USA, monkeypox has been reported in a pregnant women and additionally in wastewater in California
- Spain has linked a cluster of monkeypox cases to a tattoo salon

### Foot and Mouth Disease in Indonesia

No. of Signals: 02

No. of weeks in report: 05

Avg. Rating: 2.5

• In Indonesia, FMD outbreaks have been reported across 22 provinces, 263 counties/cities, 2197 subdistricts, 10 913 villages

• As FMD continues to spread across Indonesia, Australia is on high alert and invoking <u>new biosecurity measures</u> at Australian airports – these measures include the use of foot mats, shoe cleaning, and tougher biosecurity checks (most recently a passenger was fined ~\$2000 for sneaking in <u>sausage</u> McMuffins)

# Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Asia

No. of Signals: 03

No. of weeks in report: 69

Avg. Rating: 2.0

- Vietnam has reported HPAI H5N1 in domestic poultry
- China has reported HPAI H5N1 in wild birds
- Taiwan has reported HPAI H5N2 in domestic poultry



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### <u>Other</u>

First identification of bovine hepacivirus in wild boars

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