

Immediate notification report

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Report Summary

Disease	Highly pathogenic avian influenza	Animal type	Terrestrial
Causal Agent	Avian influenza virus	Serotype(s)	H5
Clinical Signs	Yes	Reason	First occurrence of listed disease
Date of confirmation of Event	01/02/2006	Date of Start of Event	18/01/2006
Date of report	03/02/2006	Diagnosis	Clinical, Laboratory (basic)
Number of reported outbreaks	Submitted= 2, Draft= 0	Name of Sender of the report	Mr Dawood Sharief
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Outbreak (this report - submitted)

Province	District	Sub-district	Unit Type	Location	Latitude	Longitude	Start	End
AS SULAYMANIYAH	Raniyah		Village	Dawan	35,5217	45,3525	18/01/2006	
Species	Measuring units	Susceptible	Cases	Deaths	Destroyed	Slaughtered		
Birds	Animals	1200	200	200	1000	0		
Affected Population								

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Province	District	Sub-district	Unit Type	Location	Latitude	Longitude	Start	End
AS SULAYMANIYAH	Raniyah		Village	Sarkapkan	35,5841	45,3733	18/01/2006	
Species	Measuring units	Susceptible	Cases	Deaths	Destroyed	Slaughtered		
Birds	Animals	1950	450	450	1500	0		
Affected Population All outbreaks in poultry occurred in backyard flocks which generally included chickens, geese, turkeys and ducks.								

Outbreak summary: Total outbreaks = 2 (Submitted)

Species	Susceptible	Cases	Deaths	Destroyed	Slaughtered
Birds	3150	650	650	2500	0

Epidemiology

Epidemiological comments

In addition, huge numbers of poultry were destroyed in Iraqi Kurdistan after the declaration by Turkey of confirmed occurrence of avian influenza within the borderline.

The first confirmed case of human bird flu in Iraq (a 15-year-old girl, in her house, where 18 chicks died) occurred in the village of Sarkapkan.

Source of Infection	• Unknown or inconclusive
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Control Measures

Applied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Movement control inside the country • Screening • Disinfection of infected premises/establishment(s) • Dipping / Spraying • Quarantine • Stamping out • Zoning 	To be applied	• No Planned Control Measures
		Vaccination Prohibited	Yes
Animals treated	No		

Country / Zone

Country or zone	the whole country
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Diagnostic test results

Laboratory Type	Name of Laboratory	Species	Test Type	Date Results Provided	Result
National laboratory	Central Veterinary and Research Laboratory, Baghdad	Birds	haemagglutination inhibition test (HIT)	01/02/2006	Positive

Future Reporting

What further reports will be submitted in relation to this event?
There are 3 outbreaks that are still recorded as unresolved. It is not possible to declare this event resolved until these individual outbreaks are resolved.

Outbreak map

