Report Summary

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Immediate notification report
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Animal type: Terrestrial
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Disease: Highly pathogenic avian influenza
Date of start of the event: 24/07/2015

Causal Agent: Highly pathogenic avian influenza virus
Date of confirmation of the event: 26/07/2015

Serotype(s): H7N7
Date of last occurrence: 05/03/2015

Reason: Reoccurrence of a listed disease
Diagnosis: Clinical, Laboratory (basic), Laboratory (advanced)

Country or zone: the whole country
Clinical signs: Yes

Number of reported outbreaks: submitted= 1, Draft= 0

Outbreak details

Province: niedersachsen- (this report - submitted)
District: Emsland
Sub-district: Farm
Location: Herzlake
Latitude: 52.6753
Longitude: 7.6233
Start Date: 24/07/2015
End Date: 05/03/2015

Species: Birds
Measuring units: Animals
Susceptible Cases: 10104
Deaths: 50
Destroyed: 50
Slaughtered: 10054

Affected Population: Laying hens

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Epidemiology

Epidemiological comments
The competent authority had immediately placed the affected holding under veterinary restrictions. All poultry of the affected holding has been culled and safely disposed of on 26 July 2015.
The areas under veterinary restrictions have been established. Poultry from three non-commercial holdings situated in a 1-km radius around the infected holding were pre-emptively culled and the carcasses safely disposed of on 27 July 2015.
Epidemiological investigations have been initiated immediately. According to current knowledge no poultry or poultry meat has been dispatched to other Länder, EU Member States or to third countries.
Table eggs have been moved within the Province of Niedersachsen only but not to EU Member States or third countries.

Source of the outbreak(s) or origin of infection
• Unknown or inconclusive

Measures applied

Applied To be applied
• control of wildlife reservoirs • no planned control measures
• stamping out
• quarantine
• movement control inside the country
• screening
• zoning
• disinfection / disinfestation

Animals treated
Vaccination Prohibited
No

Diagnostic test results

Laboratory Type: National laboratory
Name of Laboratory: Friedrich-Loeffler Institute
Species: Birds
Test Type: polymerase chain reaction (PCR)
Date Results Provided: 26/07/2015
Result: Positive

Future Reporting
The event is continuing. Weekly follow-up reports will be submitted.

Outbreak maps