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Inter-agency Wild Bird Avian Influenza Survey Update

A report of samples collected and tested as of June 16, 2025

PLEASE NOTE: The data displayed in the following report are the most recent AIV **PRELIMINARY** test results provided to the CWHC by participating program partners unless otherwise stated. All survey numbers are displayed for the current calendar year.

DEAD BIRD SURVEY 2025

Number of birds tested and number matrix positive* since January 1, 2025

	June 17	-30, 2025	Year to Date				
Region	Tested	Matrix Positive*	Tested	Matrix Positive*	H5 Positive*	H7 Positive*	
British Columbia	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alberta	24	1	313	81	35	0	
Saskatchewan	35	2	79	12	12	0	
Manitoba	1	0	52	11	11	0	
Ontario	25	2	571	199	200	0	
Quebec	5	0	104	9	9	0	
New Brunswick	3	0	16	2	1	0	
Nova Scotia	36	3	202	45	43	0	
Prince Edward Island	1	0	36	18	15	0	
Newfoundland & Labrador	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Yukon Territory	0	0	10	0	0	0	
Northwest Territories	0	0	17	1	1	0	
Nunavut	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	130	8	1400	378	327	0	

^{*}Matrix positive includes all birds that tested 'not negative' by PCR for one or more Influenza A viruses. The number of positive test results included both those birds that tested POSITIVE (Ct value less than 36) and those that had an INCONCLUSIVE test result (Ct value greater than or equal to 36).

Any samples found to be matrix POSITIVE or INCONCLUSIVE are then tested by PCR for H5 and H7 strains at the regional level. Any samples that are then found to be either H5 or H7 POSITIVE or INCONCLUSIVE are immediately sent to the NCFAD for confirmation and identification. Authorities from the province or region where the bird was sampled will be notified when preliminary H5 or H7 positive results are found at the regional lab. When the CFIA confirms and identifies the virus, authorities from across the country will be notified. This update reports all POSITIVE or INCONCLUSIVE **PRELIMINARY** matrix results unless otherwise stated.

For confirmed presence of High Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI), subtype H5N1 and H5N5, please visit the CFIA dashboard. You can visit the dashboard here: <a href="https://example.com/creativecom/c



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LIVE BIRD SURVEY 2025

Number of live birds tested and number matrix, H5 and H7 PCR positive* since January 1, 2025

	Tested	Matrix Positive*	H5 Positive*	H7 Positive*	HPAI**
British Columbia	5	0	0	0	0
Alberta	0	0	0	0	0
Saskatchewan	49	0	0	0	0
Manitoba	157	0	0	0	0
Ontario	259	9	6	0	6
Quebec	166	0	0	0	0
New Brunswick	17	0	0	0	0
Nova Scotia	153	7	7	0	31
Prince Edward Island	200	12	9	0	1
Newfoundland & Labrador	26	3	3	0	4
Yukon Territory	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest Territories	0	0	0	0	0
Nunavut	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1032	31	25	0	42

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This information as well as historical data are available on the CWHC AIV portal at: http://www.cwhc-rcsf.ca/avian influenza testing results.php

^{**}The CFIA has confirmed the presence of High Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI), subtype H5N1.



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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Tested - The number of birds that were screened for avian influenza virus by real time reverse transcriptase PCR (RRT-PCR) for the M1 gene.

Matrix positive - The number of birds that tested positive for the M1 gene by RT-PCR.

H5 positive - The number of birds that tested positive for the H5 virus subtype by RT-PCR.

H7 positive - The number of birds that tested positive for the H7 virus subtype by RT-PCR.

HPAI - Confirmed at the CFIA NCFAD laboratory to be positive for highly pathogenic avian influenza through virus isolation or sequencing.

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