

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI)
situation in France

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An outbreak of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) has been confirmed by the national reference laboratory on the 12 of August 2024 in a multi-species, non-vaccinated farm of 1200 birds in the department of Ille-et-Vilaine, commune of Combourg.

The first symptoms were reported on the 07 of August 2024. A regulated zoning (3 km ZP protection zone and 10 km ZS surveillance zone around the farm) has been put in place since the suspicion, with the reinforcement of biosecurity measures, the census of farms and the ban on the movement of poultry.

An epidemiological investigation is underway. The main hypothesis is contamination via marine wildlife.

All birds in the outbreak were eliminated the 13 of August 2024.

INFECTED DEPARTMENT	Outbreaks number	Date of last outbreak	Theoretical date of recovery of the free status
ILLE et VILAINE (35)	1	7 August 2024	10 September 2024

No other outbreak have been confirmed in poultry farming. This is an isolated event.

As a reminder, France has been free of HPAI since the 16 of February 2024, in accordance with the provisions of the Terrestrial Code of the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) and the self-declaration validated and published by WOAH on the 29 of February 2024.

This outbreak was duly notified to WHOA.

In the absence of a new outbreak, France will once again be free from the 10 of September 2024.