

CURRENT RESPONSE:

Level 2 under WA's State Hazard Plan

Bird flu tests undertaken:

This week: **26**

Since 19 June: **255**

Positive bird flu cases:

This week: **0**

Since 19 June: **10**

- There have been no additional positive cases this week.
- All previous detections in Western Australia have been in migratory seabirds.
- Training in Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) use and sampling techniques continues to be delivered to biosecurity officers, fisheries officers and rangers across the State.
- PPE is being distributed to wildlife rehabilitators to support their work with wildlife through enabling biosecurity measures.
- Private veterinary practices are being engaged to help inform response planning and prepare veterinarians to continue to provide care for wild and domestic birds.
- The WA Government announced a grants program to support community-based projects that directly address the impacts of H5 bird flu on wildlife. Applications for small grants will open on August 10.
- A Bird Flu Wildlife Advisory Group has been established to strengthen collaboration with the wildlife sector and support preparedness and resilience in the wildlife sector.
- A webinar for the poultry industry was held to discuss the current situation, measures to reduce the likelihood of incursion into poultry, and preparedness and response arrangements.
- A survey was distributed to help better understand the communication and information needs of Traditional Owners.
- WA Health continues to monitor the situation, and the risk to humans remains low.
- Properly prepared chicken meat and eggs are safe to eat.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

If you see dead or sick birds or marine mammals showing signs of bird flu, you should:



AVOID

contact and keep your distance.



RECORD

the date, time, location and take photos.



REPORT

it to the 24-hour Emergency Animal Disease Hotline on

1800 675 888