



# EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION OF HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFUENZA IN PORTUGAL – 2025/2026

The following information describes the current epidemiological situation of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in Portugal.

### 1. DGAV organization and contingency plan chain of command

The contingency plan chain of command is shown on figure 1.

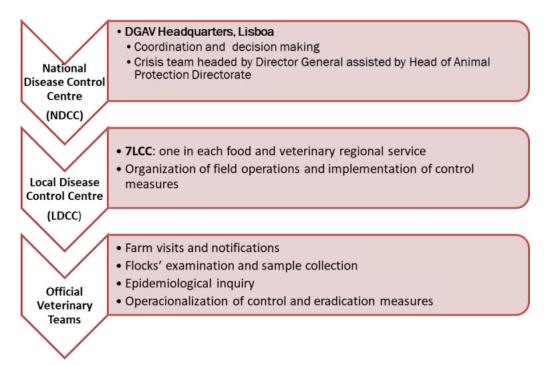


Figure 1 - Contingency plan's chain of command

## 2. Outbreaks confirmed in the 2025/2026 season

All outbreaks mentioned below were confirmed by the Portuguese National Reference Laboratory, INIAV, I.P., by real time reverse transcriptase PCR assays. Determination of virus subtype and level of pathogenicity was also carried out.

### 2.1 - POULTRY AND OTHER KEPT BIRDS

Since 1 October 2025, 15 outbreaks of HPAI H5N1 in kept birds have been confirmed, of which 10 were detected in commercial poultry farms. Further details on these outbreaks are shown in Table 1.





Outbreak	District	County	Parish	Probable origin	Suspicion date	Confirmation date	Type of holding	Species/ category	N° of birds
2025/30	Aveiro	Oliveira do Bairro	Oliveira do Bairro	Entry of infected birds	31/10/2025	01/11/2025	Captive birds exhibition	Several species of poultry, exotic and ornamental birds	1132
2025/31	Santarém	Chamusca	Parreira e Chouto	Possible direct/indirect contact with wild birds	01/11/2025	04/11/2025	Small holding with poultry and captive birds	Several species of poultry, exotic and ornamental birds	374
2025/32	Porto	Penafiel	Irivo	Possible direct/indirect contact with wild birds	07/11/2025	12/11/2025	Small holding with poultry and captive birds	Several species of poultry, exotic and ornamental birds	566
2025/33	Lisboa	Torres Vedras	Ramalhal	Investigation ongoing	17/11/2025	17/11/2025	Commercial poultry holding	Chicken breeders	38209
2025/34	Santarém	Ferreira do Zêzere	Весо	Possible direct/indirect contact with wild birds	18/11/2025	21/11/2025	Backyard flock	Chickens and ducks	57
2025/38	Lisboa	Torres Vedras	Campelos e Outeiro da Cabeça	Investigation ongoing	21/11/2025	21/11/2025	Commercial poultry holding	Fattening turkeys	17186
2025/39	Lisboa	Torres Vedras	Ramalhal	Possible direct/indirect contact with wild birds	19/11/2025	21/11/2025	Backyard flock	Chickens, geese, ducks, quails and guineafowl	62
2025/40	Lisboa	Torres Vedras	A dos Cunhados e Maceira	Possible indirect contact with wild birds	28/11/2025	28/11/2025	Commercial poultry holding	Fattening turkeys	12840
2025/41	Lisboa	Torres Vedras	A dos Cunhados e Maceira	Possible indirect contact with wild birds	01/12/2025	02/12/2025	Commercial poultry holding	Fattening ducks	66366
2025/42	Lisboa	Torres Vedras	Campelos e Outeiro da Cabeça	Possible indirect contact with wild birds	02/12/2025	03/12/2025	Commercial poultry holding	Fattening ducks	23400
2025/43	Lisboa	Torres Vedras	A dos Cunhados e Maceira	Epidemiológic a link to outbreak 2025/40	03/12/2025	03/12/2025	Commercial poultry holding	Free-range broilers	6512
2025/46	Lisboa	Torres Vedras	Campelos e Outeiro da Cabeça	Possible indirect contact with wild birds	06/12/2025	06/12/2025	Commercial poultry holding	Fattening turkeys	14631
2025/47	Santarém	Tomar	Paialvo	Investigation ongoing	10/12/2025	10/12/2025	Commercial poultry holding	Chicken breeders	62435
2025/49	Santarém	Tomar	Paialvo	Investigation ongoing	12/12/2025	12/12/2025	Commercial poultry holding	Fattening turkeys	14640





2025/51 Santarém Toma	Paialvo	Investigation ongoing	14/12/2025	15/12/2025	Commercial poultry holding	Laying hens	580224	
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Table 1 – Poultry and other kept birds outbreaks confirmed in 2025/26

### 2.1.1. Measures to control and eradicate the outbreaks - domestic birds

Upon confirmation of the outbreaks, control and eradication measures were immediately implemented according to Delegated Regulation (EU) n. ° 2020/687 of 17 of December 2019. Besides the measures enforced in outbreaks' restricted zones, the <u>Edict</u> includes also an housing order for all kept birds and certain restrictions regarding live birds markets and other kept birds gatherings in mainland Portugal. Measures applicable to infected holdings and restricted zones are shown below:

- Quarantine and epidemiological enquiry;
- Stamping out (please see table 2 for details):
  - Commercial poultry holdings and backyard flocks:

	Killing date	Date preliminary clean&desinf	Conclusion of final clean&desinf (foreseen)
2025/33	19-20/11/2025	20/112025	30/112025
2025/34	21/11/2025	21/11/2025	01/12/2025
2025/38	23-24/11/2025	24/112025	04/12/2025
2025/39	25/11/2025	25/11/2025	05/12/2025
2025/40	29-30/11/2025	30/11/2025	Information not yet available
2025/41	03/12/2025	03/12/2025	Information not yet available
2025/42	05-06/12/2025	06/12/2025	Information not yet available
2025/43	04/12/2025	04/12/2025	Information not yet available
2025/46	09-11/12/2025	11/12/2025	Information not yet available
2025/47	11-15/12/2025	15/12/2025	Information not yet available
2025/49	15-17/12/2025	17/12/2025	Information not yet available
2025/51	17-23/12/2025	23/12/2025	Information not yet available

Table 2 – Stamping out and cleaning and disinfection details

# Captive birds' exhibition and small holding with poultry and captive birds:

In these outbreaks, following risk analysis and assessment of the conservation status of wild and exotic bird species kept in captivity, a derogation was applied from the mandatory culling of all birds present at the affected site, as provided for in Article 13(2) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 2020/687. Birds eligible for





this derogation were tested for the presence of HPAI virus and those that tested negative were kept in quarantine, including clinical surveillance and testing at the end of the quarantine period. Birds eligible for derogation that were infected and the remaining birds were culled.

- Disposal of carcasses, by-products (manure) and waste;
- Cleaning and disinfection;
- Traceability of poultry, poultry products and by-products;
- Implementation of restriction zones:
  - Protection zone area within a circle of a 3 km radius centred on the infected premises;
  - Surveillance zone area within a circle of a 10 km radius centred on the infected premises.

The map below (Figure 2) shows the location of the poultry and backyard outbreaks as well as the restriction zones implemented.

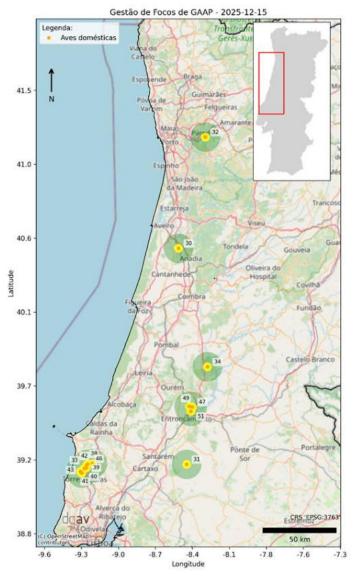


Figure 2 - Location of outbreaks in kept birds- Season 2025/2026





The following table shows the areas included within the protection and surveillance zones implemented as determined by the current Edict:

District	County	Parish	PZ ID focos	SZ ID focos
Castelo Branco	Sertã	Castelo		2025/34
Castelo Branco	Sertã	União das freguesias de Cernache do Bonjardim, Nesperal e Palhais	2025/34	2025/34
Castelo Branco	Vila de Rei	Fundada		2025/34
Castelo Branco	Vila de Rei	Vila de Rei		2025/34
Coimbra	Cantanhede	Covões e Camarneira		2025/30
Coimbra	Cantanhede	Sepins e Bolho		2025/30
Leiria	Alvaiázere	Alvaiázere	2025/34	2025/34
Leiria	Alvaiázere	Maçãs de Dona Maria		2025/34
Leiria	Alvaiázere	Pelmá		2025/34
Leiria	Alvaiázere	Pussos São Pedro		2025/34
Leiria	Ansião	Pousaflores		2025/34
Leiria	Bombarral	União das freguesias do Bombarral e Vale Covo		2025/33, 38, 39, 42, 46
Leiria	Bombarral	Carvalhal		2025/46
Leiria	Bombarral	Roliça		2025/46
Leiria	Figueiró dos Vinhos	Arega	2025/34	2025/34
Leiria	Figueiró dos Vinhos	União das freguesias de Figueiró dos Vinhos e Bairradas		2025/34
Lisboa	Alenquer	União das freguesias de Aldeia Galega da Merceana e Aldeia Gavinha		2025/39, 46
Lisboa	Alenquer	Ventosa		2025/46
Lisboa	Alenquer	Vila Verde dos Francos		2025/33, 38, 39, 42, 46
Lisboa	Cadaval	União das freguesias do Cadaval e Pêro Moniz	2025/46	2025/33, 38, 39, 42, 46
Lisboa	Cadaval	Vilar		2025/38, 39, 42
Lisboa	Lourinhã	Moita dos Ferreiros	2025/46	2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 42, 43, 46
Lisboa	Lourinhã	Reguengo Grande		2025/38, 42, 46
Lisboa	Lourinhã	Ribamar		2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43
Lisboa	Lourinhã	Santa Bárbara		2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 46
Lisboa	Lourinhã	União das freguesias de Lourinhã e Atalaia		2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 46
Lisboa	Lourinhã	União das freguesias de Miragaia e Marteleira	2025/38, 42, 46	2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 46
Lisboa	Lourinhã	União das freguesias de São Bartolomeu dos Galegos e Moledo		2025/38, 42, 46
Lisboa	Lourinhã	Vimeiro	2025/38	2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 46





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Lisboa	Torres Vedras	Ponte do Rol	2025/40, 41	42, 43
Lisboa	Torres Vedras	Ramalhal	2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 46	2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 46
Lisboa	Torres Vedras	Santa Maria, São Pedro e Matacães	2025/33, 40, 41, 43	2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 46
Lisboa	Torres Vedras	São Pedro da Cadeira		2025/40, 41, 43
Lisboa	Torres Vedras	Silveira	2025/40, 41, 43	2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43
Lisboa	Torres Vedras	Turcifal		2025/40, 41, 43
Lisboa	Torres Vedras	União das freguesias de A dos Cunhados e Maceira	2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43	2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 46
Lisboa	Torres Vedras	União das freguesias de Campelos e Outeiro da Cabeça	2025/33, 38, 39, 42, 46	2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 46
Lisboa	Torres Vedras	União das freguesias de Carvoeira e Carmões		2025/39, 41, 46
Lisboa	Torres Vedras	União das freguesias de Dois Portos e Runa		2025/33, 39, 40, 41, 43
Lisboa	Torres Vedras	União das freguesias de Maxial e Monte Redondo		2025/33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 46
Lisboa	Torres Vedras	Ventosa		2025/33, 39, 40, 42, 43
Porto	Lousada	Lodares		2025/32
Porto	Lousada	Meinedo		2025/32
Porto	Lousada	Nevogilde		2025/32
Porto	Lousada	União das freguesias de Cristelos, Boim e Ordem		2025/32
Porto	Lousada	União das freguesias de Figueiras e Covas		2025/32
Porto	Lousada	União das freguesias de Nespereira e Casais		2025/32
Porto	Lousada	União das freguesias de Silvares, Pias, Nogueira e Alvarenga		2025/32
Porto	Marco de Canaveses	Vila Boa de Quires e Maureles		2025/32
Porto	Marco de Canaveses	Vila Boa do Bispo		2025/32
Porto	Paços de Ferreira	Ferreira		2025/32
Porto	Paços de Ferreira	Frazão Arreigada		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Aguiar de Sousa		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Astromil		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Baltar		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Beire		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Cete	2025/32	2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Cristelo		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Duas Igrejas		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Gandra		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Lordelo		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Louredo		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Paços de Ferreira		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Parada de Todeia		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Paredes	2025/32	2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Rebordosa		2025/32





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Porto	Paredes	Recarei		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Sobreira		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Sobrosa		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Vandoma		2025/32
Porto	Paredes	Vilela		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Abragão		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Boelhe		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Bustelo		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Cabeça Santa		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Canelas		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Capela		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Croca		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Eja		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Fonte Arcada		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Galegos	2025/32	2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Guilhufe e Urrô	2025/32	2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Irivo	2025/32	2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Lagares e Figueira		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Luzim e Vila Cova		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Oldrões		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Paço de Sousa	2025/32	2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Penafiel	2025/32	2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Perozelo		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Rans	2025/32	2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Recezinhos (São Mamede)		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Recezinhos (São Martinho)		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Rio de Moinhos		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Termas de São Vicente		2025/32
Porto	Penafiel	Valpedre		2025/32
Porto	Valongo	União das freguesias de Campo e Sobrado		2025/32
Santarém	Abrantes	Martinchel		2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Almeirim	Almeirim		2025/31
Santarém	Almeirim	Fazendas de Almeirim	2025/31	2025/31
Santarém	Almeirim	Raposa	2025/31	2025/31
Santarém	Alpiarça	Alpiarça	-	2025/31
Santarém	Chamusca	Carregueira		2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Chamusca	União das freguesias de Chamusca e Pinheiro Grande		2025/51
Santarém	Chamusca	Parreira e Chouto	2025/31	2025/31
Santarém	Chamusca	Vale de Cavalos	2025/31	2025/31
Santarém	Constância	Constância		2025/47, 51
Santarém	Coruche	São José da Lamarosa		2025/31
Santarém	Entroncamento	Nossa Senhora de Fátima		2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Entroncamento	São João Baptista		2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Ferreira do Zêzere	Águas Belas		2025/34
Santarém	Ferreira do Zêzere	Весо	2025/34	2025/34
Santarém	Ferreira do Zêzere	Chãos		2025/34





Santarém	Ferreira do Zêzere	Ferreira do Zêzere		2025/34
Santarém	Ferreira do Zêzere	Igreja Nova do Sobral		2025/34
Santarém	Ferreira do Zêzere	Nossa Senhora do Pranto	2025/34	2025/34
Santarém	Ferreira do Zêzere	União das freguesias de Areias e Pias		2025/34
Santarém	Golegã	Golegã		2025/47,49, 51
Santarém	Tomar	Asseiceira	2025/47, 49, 51	2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Tomar	Carregueiros		2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Tomar	Paialvo	2025/47, 49, 51	2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Tomar	São Pedro de Tomar		2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Tomar	União das freguesias de Além da Ribeira e Pedreira		2025/47,49
Santarém	Tomar	União das freguesias de Casais e Alviobeira		2025/47, 49
Santarém	Tomar	União das freguesias de Madalena e Beselga	2025/47, 49	2025/47,49, 51
Santarém	Tomar	União das freguesias de Serra e Junceira		2025/47, 49
Santarém	Tomar	União das freguesias de Tomar (São João Baptista) e Santa Maria dos Olivais	2025/47, 49	2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Torres Novas	Assentiz	2025/49	2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Torres Novas	Chancelaria		2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Torres Novas	Meia Via		2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Torres Novas	Pedrógão		2025/49, 51
Santarém	Torres Novas	Riachos		2025/49, 51
Santarém	Torres Novas	União das freguesias de Olaia e Paço	2025/49, 51	2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Torres Novas	União das freguesias de Torres Novas (Santa Maria, Salvador e Santiago)		2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Torres Novas	União das freguesias de Torres Novas (São Pedro), Lapas e Ribeira Branca		2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Vila Nova da Barquinha	Atalaia	2025/47, 51	2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Vila Nova da Barquinha	Praia do Ribatejo		2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Vila Nova da Barquinha	Tancos		2025/47, 49, 51
Santarém	Vila Nova da Barquinha	Vila Nova da Barquinha		2025/47, 49, 51

Table 3 – Areas included in the restriction zones (within the 10 km radius centred on the affected premises)

# 2.1.3. Measures implemented within the restriction zones:

# 2.1.3.1 – Protection zone

- Inventory of all poultry establishments;
- All poultry establishments are visited by official veterinarians for clinical examination of the poultry and other captive birds and sampling for laboratory testing for HPAI virus as foreseen in the contingency plan;





- Poultry keepers must immediately report any increased morbidity or mortality or significant drop in production to allow timely and appropriate investigations by DGAV;
- Movement restrictions and prohibitions:
  - no poultry or other captive birds as well as eggs, for incubation or consumption, may enter or leave poultry establishments except if authorised by DGAV;
  - removal or spreading of used litter, manure or slurry from holdings is prohibited. Removal of manure and used litter may carried out when authorised by DGAV;
  - transport of poultry meat from slaughterhouses, cutting plants and cold stores is prohibited unless authorised by DGAV;
  - fairs, live birds market, shows or other gatherings of poultry and captive birds are prohibited.
  - Release of poultry for game birds restocking is prohibited.
- Reinforced biosecurity measures for poultry keepers:
  - Preventing contacts with wild birds;
  - Entrance in the establishments of staff and visitors only when strictly necessary;
  - Records of each visit must be kept by poultry operators;
  - All staff and visitors entering or leaving poultry establishments must strictly follow disinfection procedures;
  - All parts of vehicles entering or leaving poultry establishments must be cleaned and disinfected;
  - Dead birds (normal daily mortality) must be promptly disposed according to Regulation (EC) n. o 1069/2009;
  - All vehicles and equipment used for transporting live poultry or other captive birds, meat, feed, manure, slurry and bedding and any other material or substances likely to be contaminated are cleaned and disinfected after each transport and allowed to completely dry before any subsequent use.

Measures within the protection zone are lifted, at least, 21 days after the conclusion of the preliminary cleaning and disinfection of the infected holdings. At the end of this period, protection zone is then included in the surveillance zone for 9 days.

#### 2.1.3.2 - Surveillance zone:

Inventory of all poultry holdings;





- A sample of holdings are visited by official veterinarians for clinical examination of the poultry and other captive birds and, if necessary, sampling for laboratory testing for HPAI virus;
- Poultry keepers must immediately report any increased morbidity or mortality or significant drop in production to allow timely and appropriate investigations by DGAV;
- Movement restrictions and prohibitions:
  - no poultry or other captive birds as well as eggs, for incubation or consumption, may enter or leave a poultry establishment except if authorised by DGAV;
  - removal or spreading of used litter, manure or slurry from establishments is prohibited. Removal of manure and used litter may carried out when authorised by DGAV;
  - transport of poultry meat from slaughterhouses, cutting plants and cold stores is prohibited unless authorised by DAGV;
  - fairs, live birds market, shows or other gatherings of poultry or other captive birds are prohibited.
  - Release of poultry for game birds restocking is prohibited.
- Reinforced biosecurity measures for poultry operators:
  - Preventing contacts with wild birds;
  - Entrance of staff and visitors only when strictly necessary;
  - Records of each visit must be kept by establishments;
  - All staff and visitors entering or leaving poultry establishments must strictly follow disinfection procedures;
  - All parts of vehicles entering or leaving poultry holdings must be cleaned and disinfected;
  - Dead birds (normal daily mortality) must be promptly disposed according to Regulation (EC) n. o 1069/2009;
  - All vehicles and equipment used for transporting live poultry or other captive birds, meat, feed, manure, slurry and bedding and any other material or substances likely to be contaminated are cleaned and disinfected after each transport and allowed to completely dry before any subsequent use.

These measures are enforced for at least 30 days after the date of completion of preliminary cleansing and disinfection on the infected holding. Please see table 4 for details regarding duration of control measures within restriction zones.





Outbreak	End of restriction zones
2025/30	12/12/2025
2025/31	21/12/2025
2025/32	26/12/2025
2025/33	21/12/2025
2025/34	22/12/2025
2025/38	26/12/2025
2025/39	26/12/2025
2025/40	01/01/2026
2025/41	03/01/2026
2025/42	06/01/2026
2025/43	04/01/2026
2025/46	11/01/2026
2025/47	15/01/2026
2025/49	17/01/2026
2025/51	23/01/2026

**Table 4 – Restrictions' lifting dates** 

### 2.1.3.3 - Reinforced surveillance within the restriction zones

As part of the reinforced surveillance, official veterinarians teams carry out visits to poultry establishments, including backyard flocks, in the areas under restriction, for clinical inspection and, if needed, sampling.

The criteria recommended by the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), in its scientific opinion on control measures for outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza, available <a href="https://here.com/here.

- Birds of the order Galliformes (chickens, turkeys, quails, etc.) only flocks showing mortality and/or clinical signs compatible with avian influenza are sampled. In this case, 5 dead birds (or all dead birds if there are fewer) and/or 20 oropharyngeal swabs and 20 cloacal swabs shall be taken from sick birds.
- Birds of the order Anseriformes (geese, ducks) In case of mortality and/or clinical signs compatible with avian influenza, 5 dead birds (or fewer if if there are fewer) and/or 20 oropharyngeal swabs and 20 cloacal swabs must be taken from sick birds. In the absence of mortality or clinical signs compatible with avian influenza, oropharyngeal and cloacal swabs shall be taken from 20 healthy birds.

The following tables show the available data regarding this surveillance until now.





Avian Influenza Contingency Plan/2025 (data available until (21/11/2025)							
Surveillance type	N° of tested establishments (including captive birds and backyard flocks)	N° of tested birds	No of positive establishments (including captive birds and backyard flocks)	N° of positive birds			
Clinical suspicions	37	1159	13	87			
Protection zone	93	882	5	33			
Surveillance zone	3	45	1	5			
Epidemiologically linked estab.	66	2242	3	26			
Total	199	4328	22	151			

Table 5 - Avian Influenza Contingency Plan /2025 - No of tested establishments and birds

# 2.1.4. Avian Influenza Surveillance Programme – Active surveillance in poultry

Portugal implements an annual active surveillance plan in poultry, in accordance with Annex II of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 2020/689. This surveillance is risk based, and all establishments located in areas at high risk for avian influenza are tested. In the remaining territory, testing is carried out through representative sampling, considering an expected prevalence of 5% and 95% confidence level, with a particular focus on areas of higher poultry density.

Within the scope of this programme, until now, 323 sampling events were carried out, and 3,620 birds were tested, as shown in the table below:

Active surveillance/2025	N° of tested birds	N° of sampling events	N° of negative sampling events	N° positive establishments
Laying hens	1090	109	109	0
Free range laying hens	580	58	58	0
Fattening turkeys	730	73	73	0
Ducks (breeders and fattening)	680	34	34	0
Game birds - gallinaceous	340	34	34	0
Game birds - ducks	100	5	5	0
Quails	100	10	10	0
Total	3620	323	323	0

Table 6 - Active surveillance in poultry – results from January 1st to December 12th, 2025





#### 2.2 - WILD BIRDS

Since 01/10/2024, and until 12/12/2025, 8 outbreaks of H5N1 HPAI were detected in wild birds. Information regarding these outbreaks is shown on the following table:

Outbreak	District	Municipality	Parish	Confirmation date	Species
2025/29	Faro	Portimão	Portimão	17/10/2025	White stork
2025/35	Aveiro	Ílhavo	Gafanha da Nazaré	21/10/2025	Seagull (unspecified)
2025/36	Aveiro	Ílhavo	Gafanha da Nazaré	21/10/2025	Yellow-legged-gull
2025/37	Aveiro	Ílhavo	Gafanha da Nazaré	21/10/2025	Yellow-legged-gull
2025/44	Faro	Albufeira	Guia	03/12/2025	Eurasian collared dove
2025/45	Aveiro	Murtosa	Torreira	05/12/2025	Seagull
2025/48	Faro	Albufeira	Albufeira e Olhos de Água	12/12/2025	Sanderling
2025/50	Leiria	Pombal	Carriço	12/12/2025	Northern gannet

Table 7 – HPAI cases confirmed in wild birds during the 2025/2026 epidemiological season.

Whenever HPAI cases are confirmed in wild birds, an inventory of poultry establishments located within a radius of 1 kilometre of the place where the birds were collected is carried out, for the purposes of reinforced surveillance. As part of this surveillance, no outbreaks of infection have been recorded to date.

# 2.2.1 - Geographical distribution of HPAI outbreaks in wild birds

The geographical distribution of the above-mentioned outbreaks is shown in the following map:





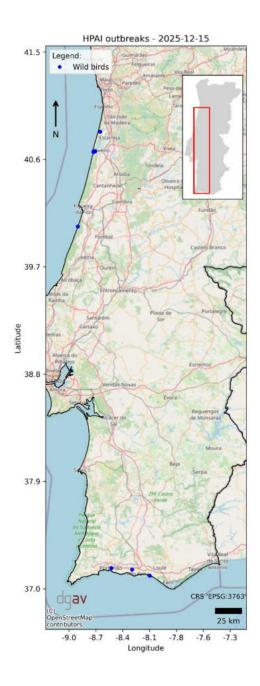


Figure 3 – HPAI outbreaks in wild birds in the 2025/2026 epidemiological season

# 2.2.2 - Al passive surveillance in wild birds

The avian influenza surveillance plan implemented annually by the DGAV includes passive surveillance in wild birds, the aim of which is to monitor the circulation of viruses to assess the risk of disease dissemination.

In this context, until now, 159 birds were tested, of which 33 were positive, corresponding to 27 outbreaks of HPAI, being 26 of subtype H5N1 and one H5N6. The following table summarises the data from this testing.





	Latina	NO to to the late	N° positive
Common name	Latin name	Nº tested birds	birds
Cory's Shearwater	Calonectris borealis	16	0
White stork	Ciconia ciconia	5	1
Barn owl	Tyto alba	4	0
Great cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo	2	1
Common kestrel	Falco tinnunculus canariensis	1	0
Gadwall	Mareca strepera	1	1
Seagull	Larus sp.	14	4
Lesser black-backed gull	Larus fuscus	5	5
Audouin's gull	Larus audouinii	2	0
Yellow-legged-gull	Larus michahellis	39	14
Herring gull	Larus argentatus	4	3
Coot	Fulica atra	1	0
Common moorhen	Gallinula chloropus	1	0
Northern gannet	Morus bassanus	8	1
Grey heron	Ardea cinerea	1	0
Little egret	Egretta garzetta	5	1
Blackbird	Turdus merula	2	0
Sparrow	Passer domesticus	1	0
Manx Shearwater	Puffinus puffinus	2	0
Common shelduck	Tadorna tadorna	1	0
Muscovy duck	Cairina moschata	1	0
Common scoter	Melanitta nigra	1	0
Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos	8	0
Red partridge	Alectoris rufa	3	0
Budgerigar	Melopsittaccus undulatus	1	0
Sanderling	Calidris alba	1	1
Rock dove	Columba livia	15	0
Wood pigeon	Columba palumbus	1	0
Ноорое	Upupa epops	2	0
Dove	Streptopelia sp.	5	0
European turtle dove	Streptopelia turtur	2	0
Eurasian collared dove	Streptopelia decaocto	4	1
Total	<u> </u>	159	33

Table 8 – AI surveillance programme in wild birds – from 01/01/2025 to 12/12/2025





#### 3. Information and communication

In addition to measures mentioned above, official information regarding the outbreaks was sent to the Ministries of Agriculture, Health and Environment and Climate Action as well as to counties, law enforcement, and civil protection authorities.

Information concerning the outbreaks were also sent to all stakeholders, namely: poultry industry associations, racing pigeons associations, hunters associations, zoos, and wildlife rescue centres, including instructions regarding preventive measures and biosecurity.

Press notes about the outbreaks and public information and awareness leaflets including advice on biosecurity and HPAI preventive measures are available on DGAV webpage at:

- https://www.dgav.pt/
- <a href="https://www.dgav.pt/animais/conteudo/animais-de-producao/aves-de-capoeira/saude-animal/doencas-das-aves/gripe-aviaria/">https://www.dgav.pt/animais/conteudo/animais-de-producao/aves-de-capoeira/saude-animal/doencas-das-aves/gripe-aviaria/</a>.
- Prevention and biosecurity video <a href="https://youtu.be/NqdEeNNAPPk">https://youtu.be/NqdEeNNAPPk</a>
- #NoBirdFlu: clear communications for better biosecurity

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