



# ASEAN BIOLOGICAL THREATS SURVEILLANCE CENTRE

## DISEASE ALERT



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**First alert: February 26, 2025**

**Fourth alert: June 16, 2025 | Human Avian Influenza A(H5N1) in Cambodia**

### Sub-Locations Affected

**Takeo Province** (Prey Kabbas District)

### Event Description

On June 13, 2025, the Ministry of Health of the Kingdom of Cambodia issued a press release confirming a human case of avian influenza A(H5N1) in a 65-year-old woman from Prey Kabbas District in Takeo Province. The case was confirmed on June 12, 2025, by the Pasteur Institute of Cambodia through laboratory testing.

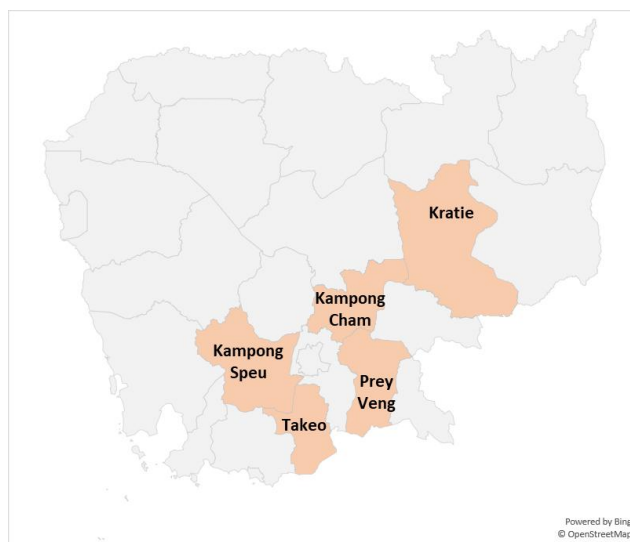


Figure 1. Provinces confirming human cases of Avian Influenza A(H5N1) in 2025

### Epidemiological Information

- On June 12, 2025, the Pasteur Institute of Cambodia confirmed case of avian influenza A(H5N1) in a 65-year-old woman residing in Prey Kabbas District, Takeo Province. The patient presented with symptoms including fever, cough, shortness of breath, and difficulty breathing, and is currently receiving intensive care from a medical team.
- Investigations revealed that the patient had not come into contact with any sick or dead chickens. The patient's neighbor has 10 chickens, but none are sick or dead. There are also no sick or dead chickens in the village where the patient lives. Currently, no further information regarding the source of infection.
- The four previously reported affected individuals had suspected or known recent contact with sick or deceased birds before symptom onset.

- **Cumulatively in 2025, Cambodia has confirmed five cases with four deaths**, all have been located in the neighbouring provinces.

**Case 1:** On January 10, a human death of avian influenza A(H5N1) was confirmed, involving a 28-year-old male from Chamkar Leu District, Kampong Cham Province.

**Case 2:** On February 25, 2025, a case of human avian influenza A (H5N1) was confirmed in a 2-year-old boy from Preah Sdach District, Prey Veng Province.

**Case 3:** On March 22, 2025, a case of human avian influenza A (H5N1) was confirmed in a 3.5-year-old child in Chitr Borei district, Kratie Province.

**Case 4:** On May 27, 2025, a case of avian influenza A(H5N1) was confirmed in an 11-year-old child from Samraong Tong District, Kampong Speu Province.

## Response Measures

- The Ministry of Health's national and sub-national rapid response teams, in coordination with provincial agriculture departments and local authorities, are actively investigating the avian influenza outbreak. Their response follows strict technical protocols, including tracing infection sources in both animals and humans, identifying suspected cases and close contacts, distributing medicines to those exposed, and conducting health education campaigns in the affected village.
- The Ministry of Health advised individuals experiencing fever, cough, runny nose, or breathing difficulties, especially those who have had contact with sick or dead poultry within the last 14 days to avoid crowded areas and seek prompt medical attention to prevent potentially fatal complications from delayed treatment.
- The Ministry of Health underscored the following key preventive measures to reduce the risk of H5N1 infection:
  - a) avoid contact with sick or dead poultry,
  - b) use protective measures (gloves and a mask) when handling poultry for food,
  - c) wash hands frequently, especially before handling food and after contact with poultry or potentially contaminated surfaces,
  - d) ensure thorough cooking before consumption, and
  - e) seek medical attention promptly.
- The Ministry of Health continuously provides updates through the Department of Communicable Disease Control's website ([www.cdcmoh.gov.kh](http://www.cdcmoh.gov.kh)) and official social media channels.

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