



ASEAN BIOLOGICAL THREATS SURVEILLANCE CENTRE

DISEASE ALERT



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Ninth alert : July 4, 2025 | **Human Avian Influenza A(H5N1)
in Cambodia**

Sub-Locations Affected

Kampot Province (Angkor Chey)

Event Description

On July 3, 2025, the National Institute of Public Health of Cambodia confirmed a new human case of avian influenza A(H5N1) in Kampot Province through laboratory testing. The Ministry of Health of the Kingdom of Cambodia announced this finding on the same day. This brings Cambodia's total confirmed H5N1 human infections in 2025 to 12.

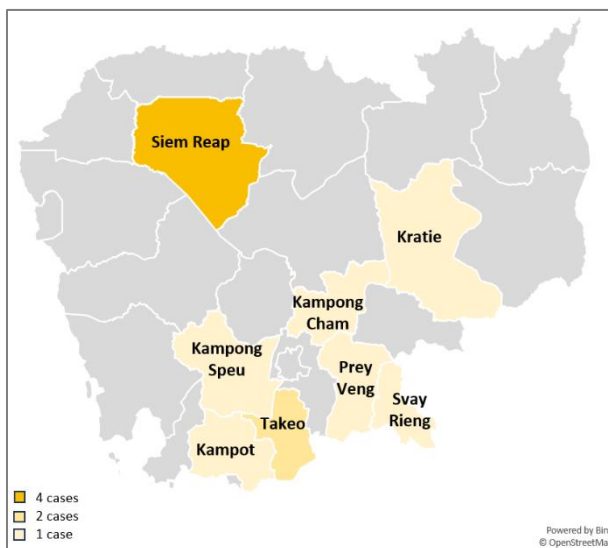


Figure 1. Provinces confirming human cases of Avian Influenza A(H5N1) in 2025 (As of July 3)

Epidemiological Information

- On July 3, 2025, the Ministry of Health of the Kingdom of Cambodia announced an additional cases of avian influenza A(H5N1) in a 5-year-old boy from Angkor Chey District, Kampot Province. The patient, who developed symptoms of fever, cough, shortness of breath, and difficulty breathing, is currently receiving intensive treatment. The case was confirmed by the National Institute of Public Health on the same day.
- The child was likely exposed from contact with domestic chicken at the family's home, as investigations revealed that the patient's family had around 40 chickens with two sick and dead reported.

- **Cumulatively in 2025, Cambodia has confirmed 12 cases with six deaths.**

Case Number	Age in years, sex	Region	Exposure	Date of Confirmation	Health Status
Case 1	28, male	Chamkar Leu District, Kampong Cham Province	Direct contact with chickens	January 9	Died
Case 2	2, male	Preah Sdach District, Prey Veng Province	Direct contact with chickens	February 25	Died
Case 3	3, unstated	Chitr Borei district, Kratie Province	Unknown	March 23	Died
Case 4	11, male	Samraong Tong District, Kampong Speu Province	Direct contact with chickens	May 27	Died
Case 5	65, female	Prey Kabbas District, Takeo Province.	Direct contact with chickens (no sick)	June 12	Under treatment
Case 6	52, male	Svay Chrum District, Svay Rieng Province	Direct contact with chickens	June 20	Died
Case 7	41, female	Puok District, Siem Reap Province	Direct contact with chickens	June 23	Under treatment
Case 8	46, female	Puok District, Siem Reap Province	Direct contact with chickens, Case 7	June 29	Under treatment
Case 9	16, male	Puok District, Siem Reap Province	Direct contact with chickens, Case 7	June 29	Under treatment
Case 10	36, female	Puok District, Siem Reap Province	Direct contact with chickens,	June 30	Under treatment
Case 11	1.5, male	Takeo Province	Unknown	June 30	Died
Case 12	5, male	Angkor Chey District, Kampot Province	Direct contact with chickens	July 3	Under treatment

Response Measures

- The Ministry of Health, with local partners, is investigating the avian influenza outbreak, following strict protocols: tracing sources in animals and humans, identifying cases and contacts, distributing medicines, and conducting health education in affected areas.
- The Ministry of Health urges the public to follow preventive measures and remain vigilant against avian influenza A(H5N1). Individuals with fever, cough, runny nose, or breathing issues, especially after contact with sick or dead poultry in the past 14 days, should avoid crowds and seek immediate medical care to prevent serious complications.
- 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 official social media channels, the Department of Communicable Disease Control's website (www.cdcmoh.gov.kh) and Facebook page.

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