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World Health Organization (WHO) Pandemic Influenza Alert Phase

The current situation remains at phase 3: novel virus able to infect humans with no or very limited person-to-person transmission

- **The California Department of Fish and Game has updated its website with guidance on reporting sick/dead birds.** Please visit <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/avianflu/index.html> for more information.
- **HIPAA – Sharing information during a disaster or other emergency.** The HIPAA Privacy Rule permits covered entities to disclose protected health information (PHI) for a variety of purposes, including treatment (including coordinating patient care and linking patients to appropriate health services), notification of family members or guardians, and mitigation of a serious or imminent threat to the health or safety of a person or the public. For details, see <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/hipaa/KATRINAnHIPAA.pdf>. For a decision tool for emergency planners re: disclosures for emergency preparedness, see <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/hipaa/decisiontool/>.
- **HHS has contracted with GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) to provide the antiviral zanamivir (Relenza®) to states with a 25% federal subsidy.** In addition to the 31 million federally-subsidized treatment courses (of oseltamivir or zanamivir) available for state purchase, the federal government will purchase 44 million antiviral treatment courses for state use, which will reside in the Strategic National Stockpile. For more information, see <http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2006pres/20060720.html>.
- **Estimates of Influenza Vaccination Target Population Sizes in 2006 and Recent Vaccine Uptake Levels is available at** <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/vaccination/pdf/targetpopchart.pdf>.

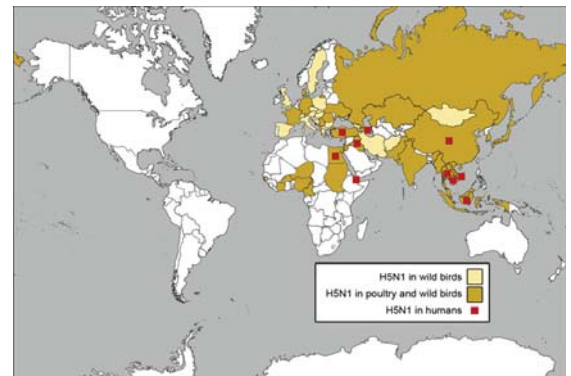
Recommended Resources

General: <http://www.cdc.gov/flu> **OC:** <http://www.ochealthinfo.com/epi/flu/surveillance.htm>
California: <http://www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/dcdc/VRDL/html/FLU/Fluintro.htm> **CDC:** <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/>
HHS: <http://www.pandemicflu.gov/>

Avian Influenza Update

- Thailand has confirmed its first human case of H5N1 infection in 2006. Eight months had passed since its last reported case of avian influenza. This case coincides with a recurrence of a confirmed H5N1 outbreak in animals in the province. For details visit: <http://www.who.int/csr/don/en/>.
- As of July 26, 2006, 232 human H5N1 cases have been confirmed [Azerbaijan (8), Cambodia (6), China (19), Djibouti (1), Egypt (14), Indonesia (54)*, Iraq (2), Thailand (23)*, Turkey (12), Vietnam (93)] and have resulted in 134 deaths. H5N1-infected birds have been reported in multiple areas in Asia, Africa and Europe.
**reported a new case since last update (July 13th)*
- For an up-to-date list of H5N1-affected countries, see <http://www.ochealthinfo.com/epi/af/index.htm>.
- Suspect avian influenza cases should be reported immediately to OC Epidemiology at 714-834-8180.

Nations with Confirmed Cases
H5N1 Avian Influenza (July 7, 2006)



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