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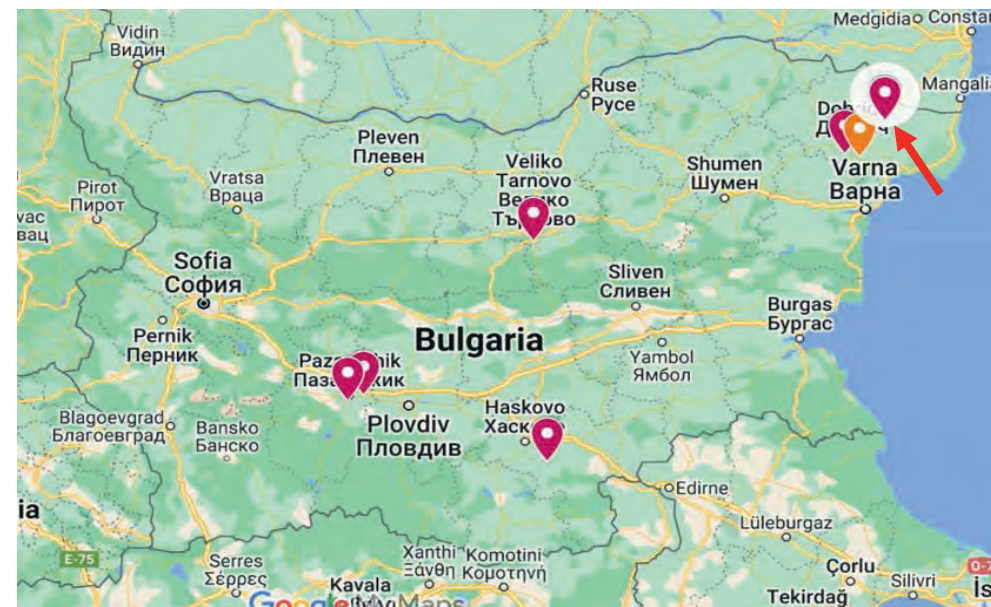
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HPAI (H5) in Bulgaria

Update : Oct - Dec 2023

Map: geographical location of the HPAI outbreaks, Oct-Dec 2023

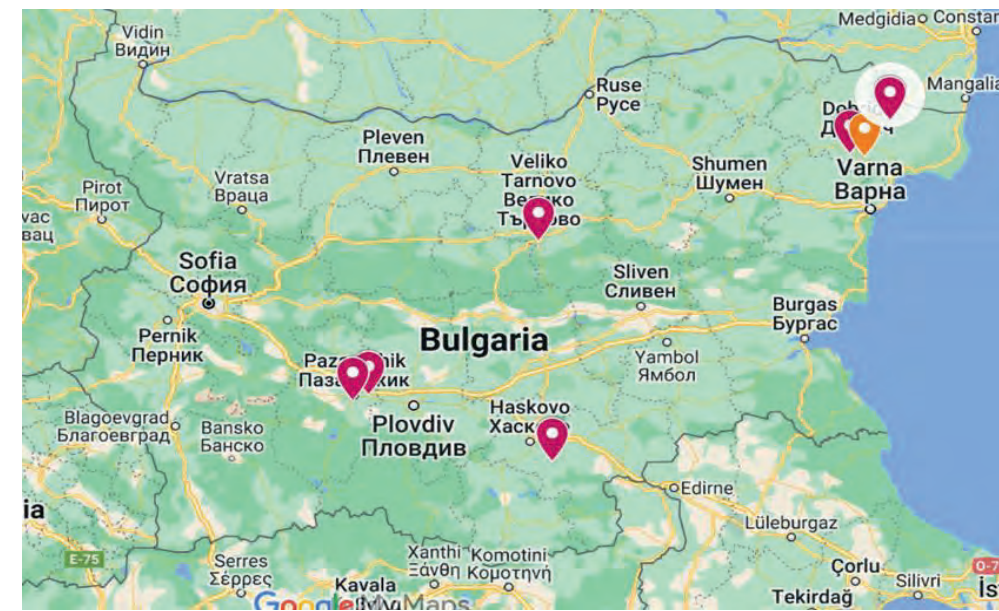


Region	ADIS ref N	HPAI	Date of suspicion	Date of confirmation	Poultry category	Affected poultry, n	Date of preliminary C&D	Additional comments
Veliko Turnovo	BG-HPAI(P)-2023-00003	H5N1	22.10.2023	24.10.2023	Laying hens	395045	11.11.2023	Confirmed during passive surveillance; preventive culling in the epidemiological linked holding
Pazardzhik	BG-HPAI(P)-2023-00004	H5N1	25.10.2023	26.10.2023	Laying hens	171911	17.11.2023	Confirmed during passive surveillance; preventive culling in the epidemiological linked holding
Haskovo	BG-HPAI(P)-2023-00005	H5N1	26.10.2023	27.10.2023	Laying hens	39950	5.11.2023	Confirmed during passive surveillance
Pazardzhik	BG-HPAI(P)-2023-00006	H5	31.10.2023	31.10.2023	Laying hens	248	14.11.2023	Confirmed during the surveillance in 10 km zone of HPAI 00004
Dobrich	BG-HPAI(P)-2023-00007	H5N1	7.11.2023	7.11.2023	Laying hens	189100	20.11.2023	epidemiological linked holdings
	BG-HPAI(P)-2023-00008	H5N1	8.11.2023	8.11.2023	Laying hens	320274		
	BG-HPAI(P)-2023-00009	H5N1	14.11.2023	14.11.2023	Breeder Pekin ducks	11840	24.11.2023	Confirmed within the passive surveillance, located in 10 km zone of HPAI 00007 -8
	BG-HPAI(P)-2023-00010	H5N1	25.11.2023	27.11.2023	Laying hens	129 027	8.12.2023	epidemiological linked holdings
	BG-HPAI(P)-2023-00011	H5N1	29.11.2023	01.12.2023	Laying hens	66969	8.12.2023	

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- Restriction zones established and surveillance activities carried out:
 - 1 commercial holding (7450 fattening duck) in 3 km zone;
 - 31 commercial holdings (516144 different poultry spp) in 10 km zone



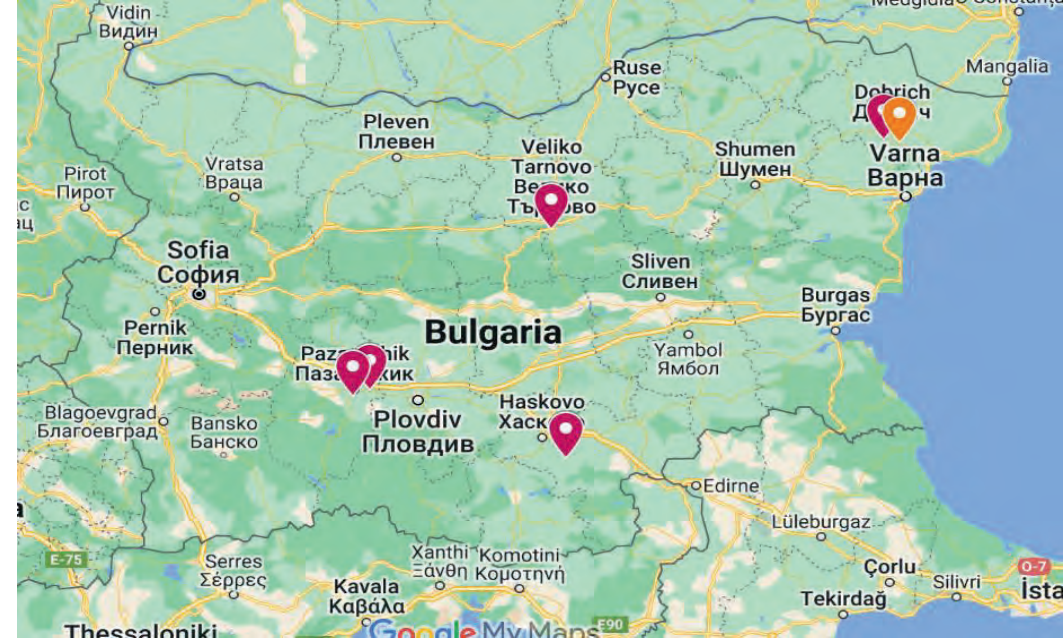
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Region	Restriction zones	Commercial farms,n	Poultry, n	Backyards,n	Poultry, n	Surveillance activities in 3 and 10 km	Restrictions until
V.Turnovo	3 km zone	0	0	60	480	Finalized as by 30.10.2023, negative	14.12.2023
	10 km zone	5	113044	175	2264		
Pazardik	3 km zone	0	0	74	1517	Finalized as by 06.11.2023 (one positive ADISBG-HPAI(P)-2023-00006	14.12.2023
	10 km zone	6	132000	12	1439		
Haskovo	3 km zone			13	242	Finalized as by 30.10.2023, negative	8.12.2023
	10 km zone	8	25600	17	2044		
Dobrich	3 km zone	1	7450	121	1600	Finalized as by 22.11.2023, negative	22.01.2024 (ADIS 007-008) 17.01.2024 (ADIS 009)
	10 km zone	9	204500	256	3058		
	3 km zone	0	0			On going	12.01.2024 (ADIS 010 and 011)
	10 km zone	3	41000				

HPAI (H5) in Bulgaria 2023, situation from October to November 2023 in poultry

Control measures in place:

- No movement from restriction zones for EU trade;
- Intensified official control in the commercial farms – continuing;
- Intensified laboratory control - pre-movement testing;
- Enhanced surveillance in wild birds;
- Epidemiological investigation - still going on;
- Phylogenetic analyzes of viruses are still in progress;
- Ban for outdoor keeping of poultry, live poultry market, exhibitions and competitions in the whole country;
- Enhancing the passive surveillance through awareness campaigns focused on farmers and veterinarians;
- Meeting with stakeholders – local authorities, poultry association, farmers for ensuring early detection, emergency response and preparedness.



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Thank you for the attention!

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