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HPAI epidemiological situation in Bulgaria /update/

PAFF AH&AW committee 25.04.2024



2024 HPAI (H5) in Bulgaria Since 01/01/2024

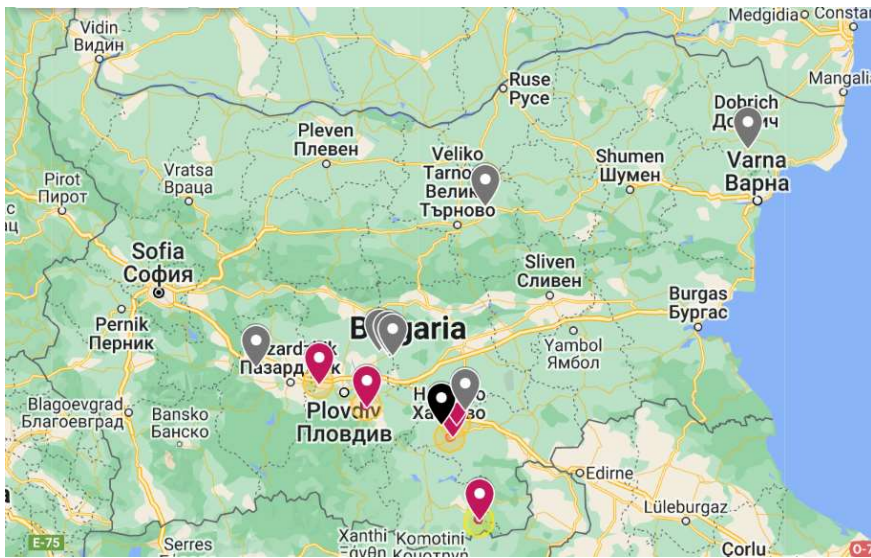


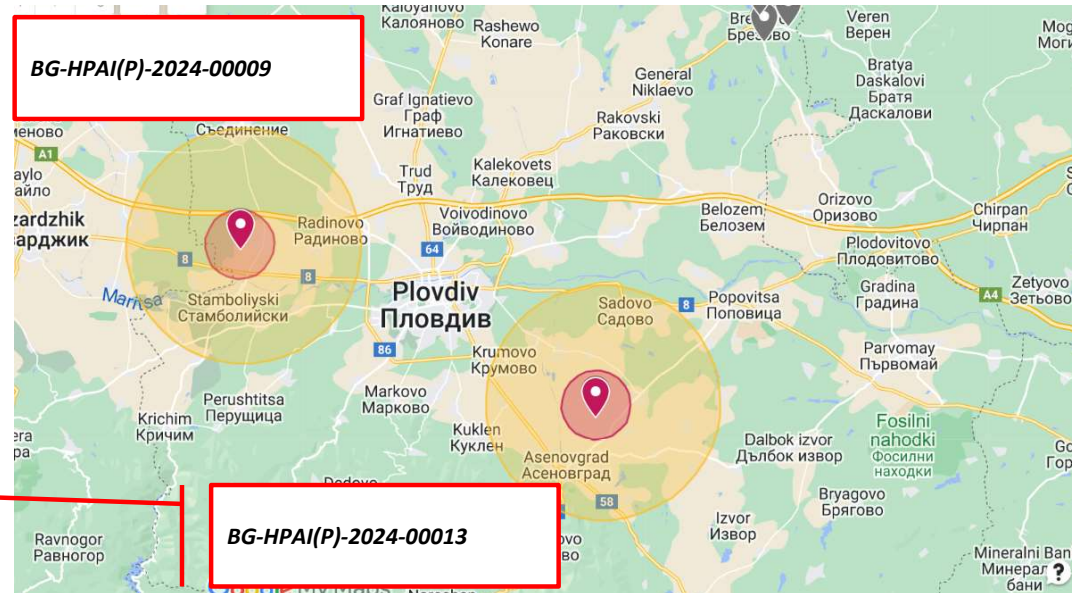
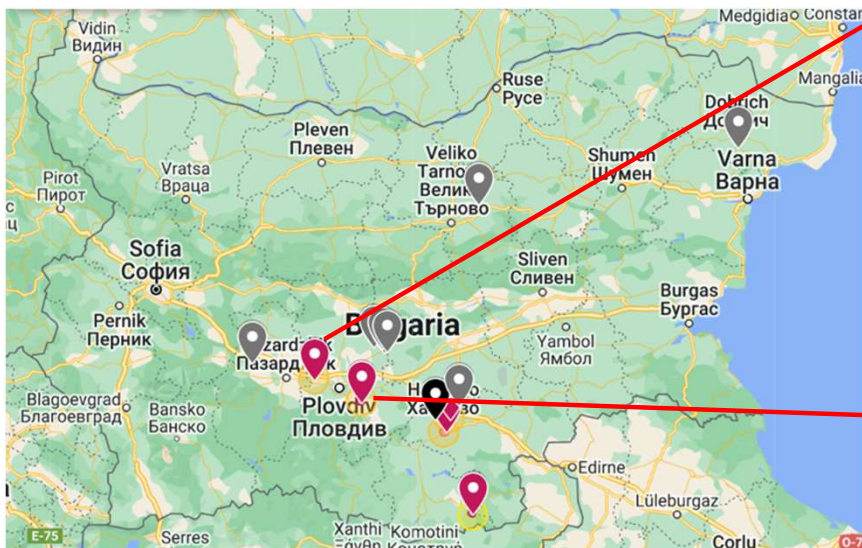
Table – HPAI outbreak confirmed since 1st of Jan 2024 in Bulgaria and restriction zones in place as at 25.04.2024

Outbreaks confirmed within the period 15/03/ - 25/04/2024:

- Farms affected per poultry category:
 - 3 laying hen farms;
 - 1 backyard;
 - 1 Broiler farm.

- Regions affected:
 - Haskovo;
 - Plovdiv;
 - Kurdzhali.

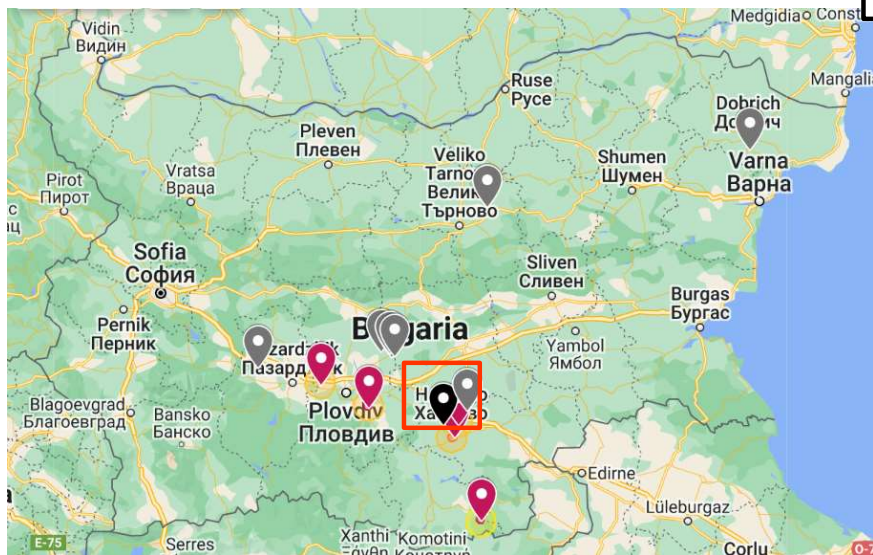
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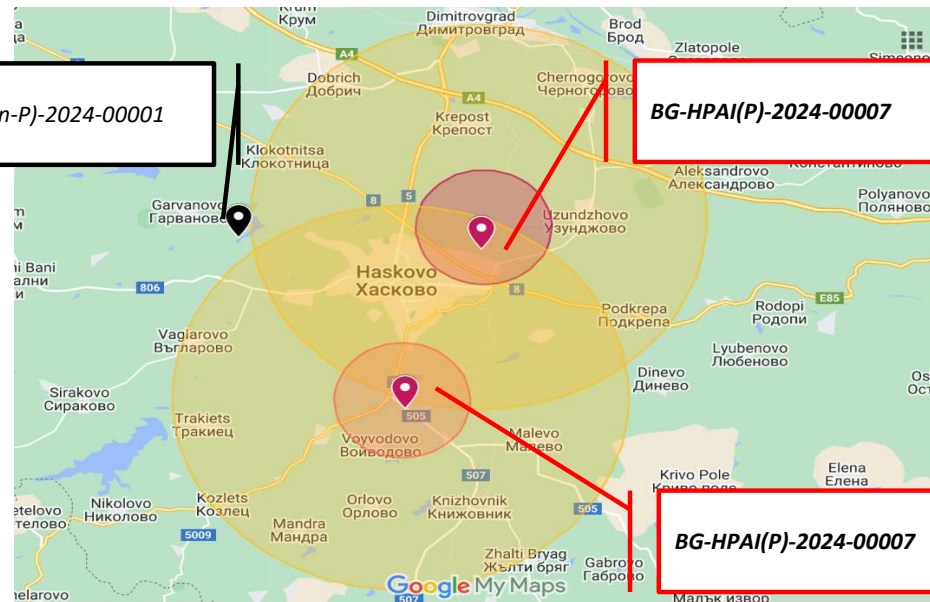
Map - location of the HPAI outbreak ADIS BG-HPAI(P)-2024-00009/13, Plovdiv region and the established 3 and 10-km restriction zones

Region	ADIS ref N	HPAI	Date of suspicion	Date of confirmation	Poultry category	Affected poultry, n	Date of culling of poultry	Date of preliminary C&D	Additional comments
Plovdiv	BG-HPAI(P)-2024-00009	H5	27.03.2024	27.03.2024	Laying hens	86054	03.04.2024	19.04.2024	Confirmed within the passive surveillance. Surveillance in the RZ (clinical inspection and sampling) - completed, negative for HPAI Vi
Plovdiv	BG-HPAI(P)-2024-00013	H5	16.4.2024	16.4.2024	Laying hens	153893			Confirmed within the passive surveillance. Eradication activities and surveillance in the RZ are going on

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BG-HPAI(non-P)-2024-00001



BG-HPAI(P)-2024-00007

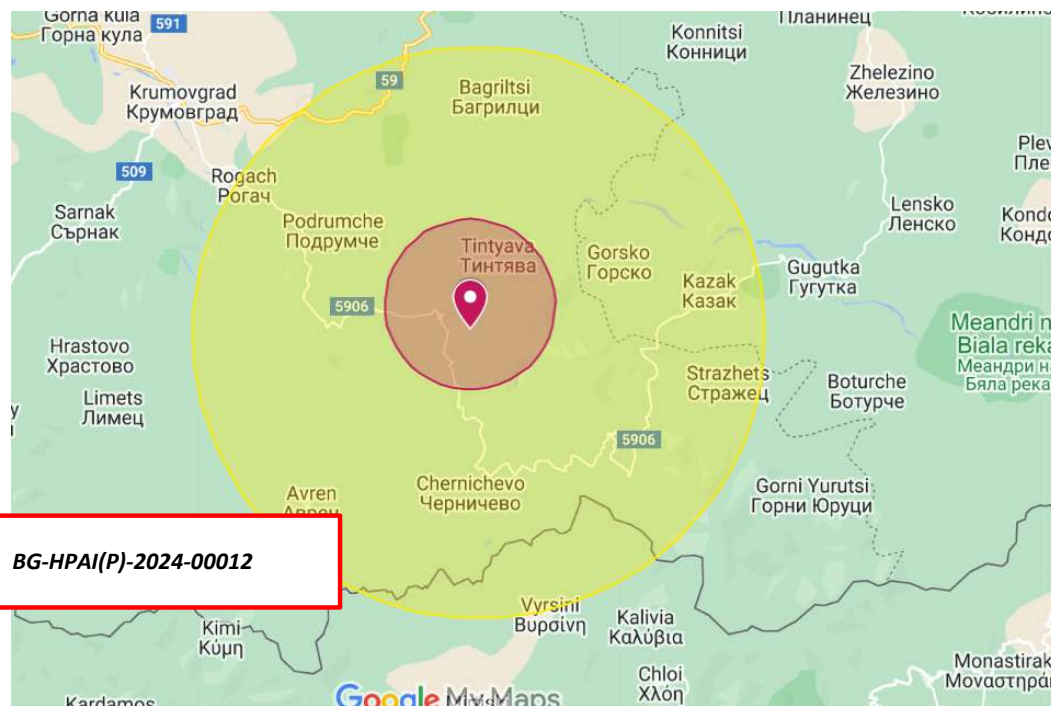
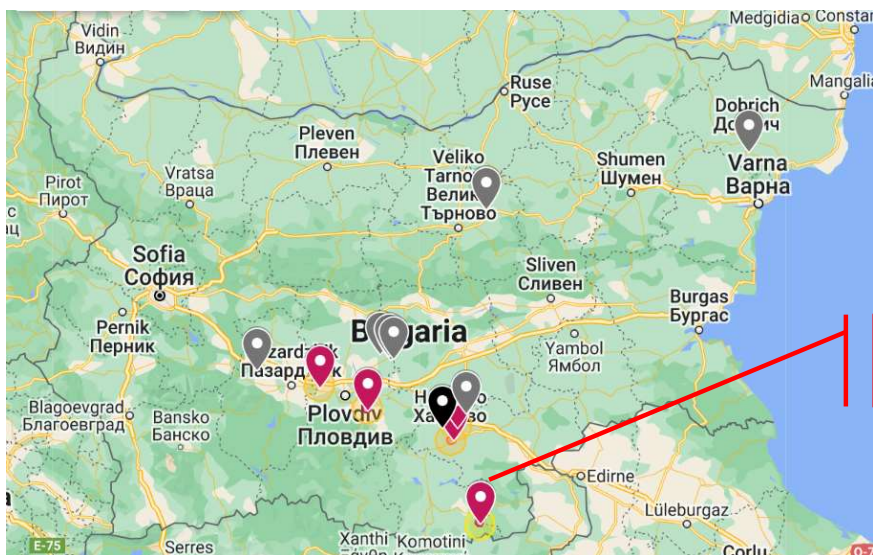
BG-HPAI(P)-2024-00007

Map - location of the HPAI outbreak ADIS BG-HPAI(P)-2024-00010/11, Haskovo region and the established 3 and 10-km restriction zones

Region	ADIS ref N	HPAI	Date of suspicion	Date of confirmation	Poultry category	Affected poultry, n	Date of culling of poultry	Date of preliminary C&D	Additional comments
Haskovo	BG-HPAI(P)-2024-00010	H5	9.4.2024	10.4.2024	Laying hens	25049	14.04.2024	22.04.2024	Confirmed within the passive surveillance. Surveillance in the RZ (clinical inspection and sampling) - completed, negative for HPAI Vi
Haskovo	BG-HPAI(P)-2024-00011	H5	11.4.2024	11.4.2024	Broilers	396561			Confirmed within the passive surveillance. Eradication activities and surveillance in the RZ are going on.
Haskovo	BG-HPAI(non-P)-2024-00001	H5	23.04.2024	23.04.2024	Ciconia ciconia	2	Found dead		

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BG-HPAI(P)-2024-00008



BG-HPAI(P)-2024-00012

Map - location of the HPAI outbreak ADIS BG-HPAI(P)-2024-00012, Kardzhali region and the established 3 and 10-km restriction zones

Region	ADIS ref N	HPAI	Date of suspicion	Date of confirmation	Poultry category	Affected poultry, n	Date of culling of poultry	Date of preliminary C&D	Additional comments
Kardzhali	BG-HPAI(P)-2024-00012	H5	09.4.2024	11.4.2024	backyard	104	15.4.2024	16.4.2024	Confirmed within the passive surveillance. Preventive culling in entire village. Surveillance in the RZ (clinical inspection and sampling) - completed, negative for HPAI Vi

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Control measures in place (1):

- Early detected outbreaks and measures in accordance with CDR (EU) 2020/687 applied;
- Movement of poultry and captive birds in RZs are restricted. No movement from restriction zones for EU trade;
- Intensified official control in the commercial farms and laboratory control - pre-movement testing;
- Biosecurity measures in poultry holdings in place;
- Epidemiological investigations:
 - the poultry establishments affected are surrounded by forestry or crops areas;
 - Clinical signs: drop of water and food intake, increased mortality in a short period;
 - No link between affected holdings and/or previously affected holdings.
- Phylogenetic analysis is going on;

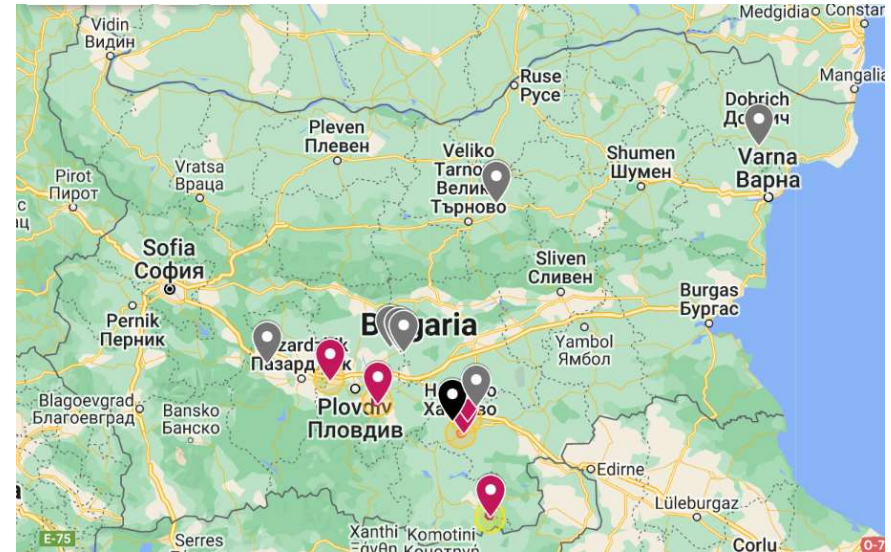
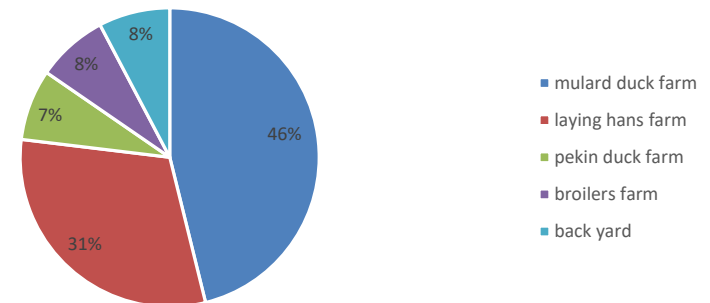


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H5 outbreaks per poultry farms



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Control measures in place (2):

- Surveillance in wild birds;
- Ban for outdoor keeping of poultry, live poultry market, exhibitions and competitions in the whole country;
- Regular meetings with poultry industry for enforcing further control measures;
- Awareness campaigns and prescriptions for enhancing biosecurity measures, focus on farmers and veterinarians;
- Multi-institutional plan for control and prevention of HPAI adopted.

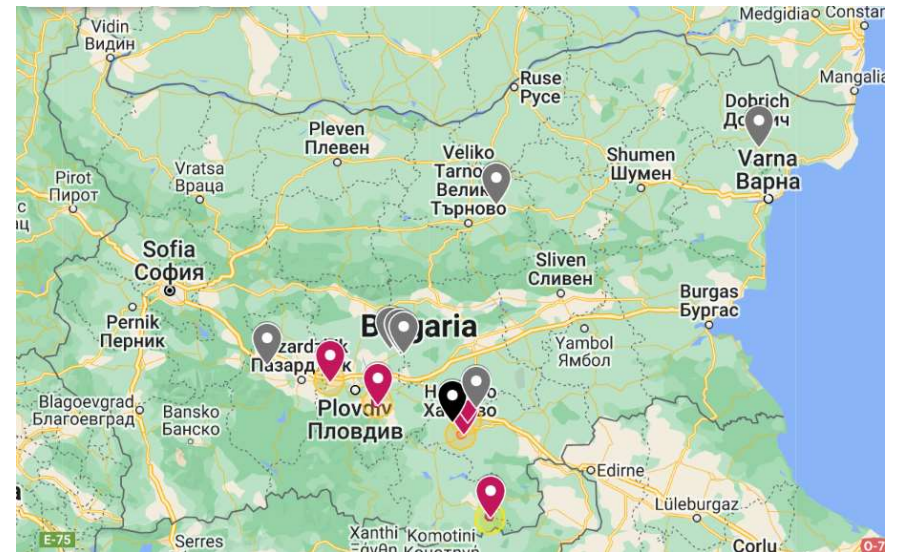


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Thank you for the attention!

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