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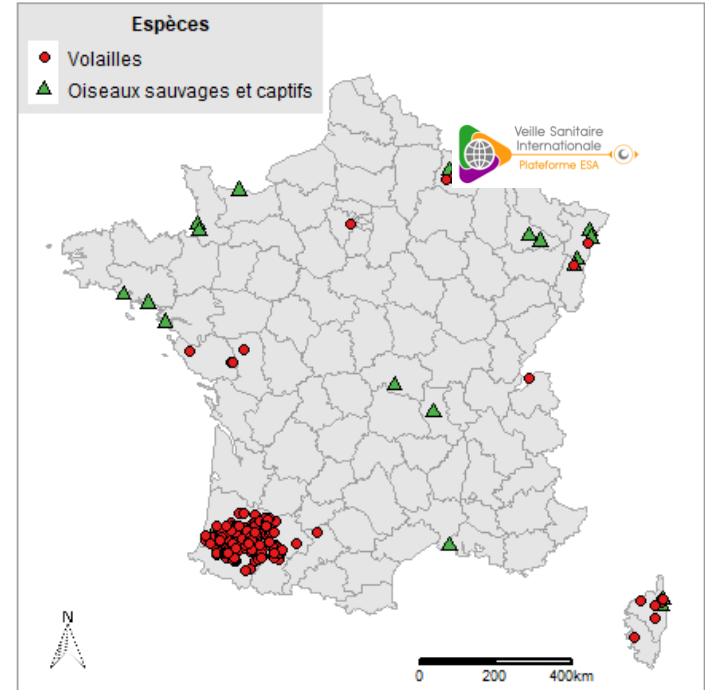
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# **HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA SITUATION IN FRANCE**

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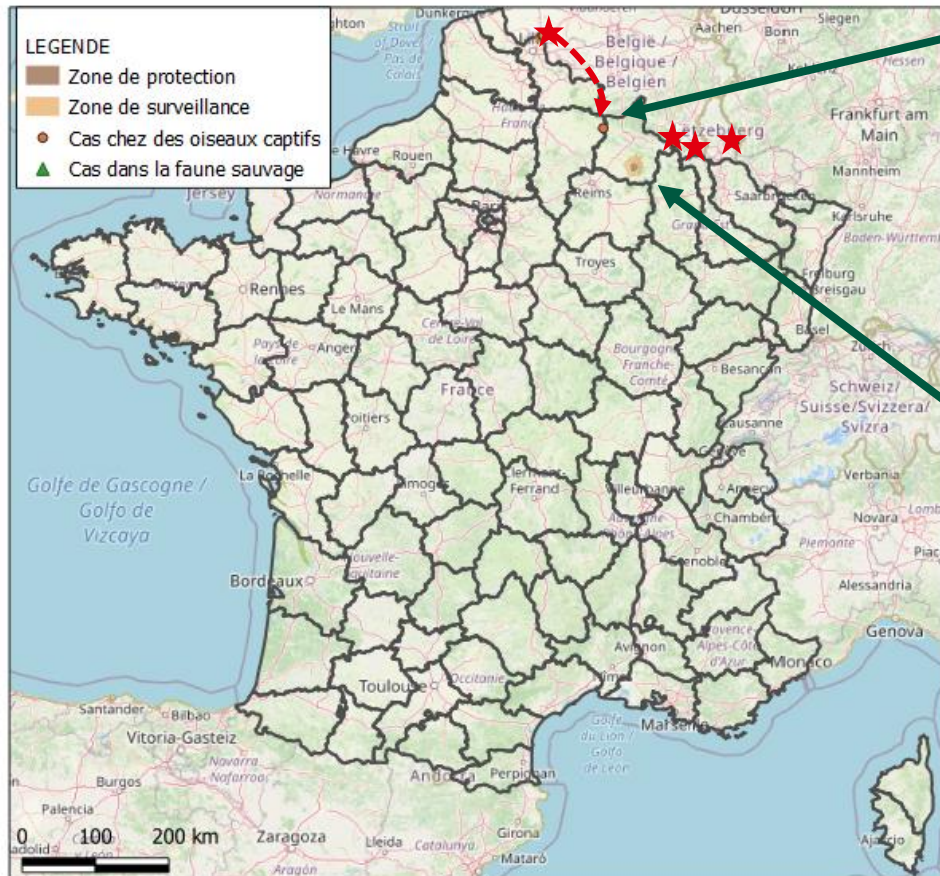
# Summary of 2020/2021 HPAI (August to August)

- Beginning : 16/11/2020 in Corsica
- Last cases
  - Poultry : 29/04/2021 in Ardennes (26/03 in South-West)
  - Wildlife : 03/05/2021 in Meurthe-et-Moselle
  - Backyard : 08/07/2021 in Loiret
- In total
  - 492 outbreaks in kept birds
  - 21 cases in wildlife
  - 3,5 million birds culled



Location of cases in wild fauna and domestic outbreaks of HPAI confirmed between 16/11/2020 and 20/06/2021

# Non poultry HPAI cases notified in September 2021



## AISNE DEPARTEMENT

- Non poultry H5N8 case connected to Menin outbreak in Belgium
- Confirmation 15/09/2021
- 33 Captive birds
- No zoning in agreement with art 21 and 23 of 2020/687

## ARDENNES DEPARTEMENT

- Non poultry H5N8 case
- suspicion 04/09, confirmation 09/09/2021
- 600 birds, low biosecurity
- Strain different from winter 2020/2021
- A backyard found positive on 14/09, 200 m from the previous case

# Prevention measures

- Awareness campaign of stakeholders
- Increase in HPAI risk level (3 levels) from « negligible » to « moderate »
- Strengthening of prevention measures in wetland areas (« zones à risque particulier »)
  - Sheltering of all kept birds
  - Ban on the gathering of birds
  - No homing pigeon competition
  - Limitation of decoys and bird release for hunting purpose

IAHP : zones à risque particulier en France (arrêté du 16/11/2016)



# Conclusion

- France is considered « free from HPAI in poultry » since 2/09/2021
  - No outbreaks in poultry farms
  - No HPAI case in wildlife detected
- Circulation of HPAI virus seems to start earlier in 2021
- Concerns about the beginning of downward winter migration

Thank you for your attention  
Merci pour votre attention

