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## Kuwait

### Poultry and Products

### High Path H5N1 Found in Kuwait

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**Report Highlights:** Kuwaiti media and newspapers are reporting that 32 cases of the highly pathogenic H5N1 virus have been confirmed among poultry in Kuwait. ATO will provide additional details once the Government of Kuwait resumes full operations following the observance of Kuwaiti National Day.

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Kuwaiti newspapers are reporting that government officials in Kuwait have confirmed 32 cases of the high pathogenic H5N1 strain of Avian Influenza in falcons, chickens, and turkeys. The first cases were reportedly discovered in three turkeys and nine chickens in backyard flocks. No cases have been reported among humans. The health Ministry has instructed a temporary enclosure of the Kuwait Zoo and live bird markets in order to prevent the spread of virus.

While officials are responding to the emergency, Government offices in Kuwait are currently closed in observance of Kuwait National Day. ATO will follow up with officials once they return to their offices to confirm press reports and obtain additional information.