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## Philippines

### Poultry and Products

## Philippines Lifts Ban on Poultry from Virginia

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**Report Highlights:**

Effective January 25, 2008, the Philippine Department of Agriculture lifted the temporary ban on imports of poultry and poultry products from the State of Virginia.

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On January 25, 2008, the Philippine Department of Agriculture (DA) issued Memorandum No. 2 (MO#2) lifting the temporary ban on imports of poultry and poultry products from the State of Virginia. The ban was imposed last year after a report from USDA of a detection of low pathogenic avian influenza in the State.

DA Memorandum Order No. 2 (2008) was issued by the Philippine Secretary of Agriculture upon completion of an evaluation by the Bureau of Animal Industry on the risk contamination from importing poultry and poultry products from Virginia. This evaluation was based on a USDA/APHIS final report to the Office International des Epizooties (OIE) on the cleaning and disinfection activities conducted on August 4, 2007.

The United States exported over US\$25 million worth of poultry and poultry products to the Philippines last year, up nearly 60 percent from the previous year. With the lifting of the ban on Virginia, Nebraska (GAIN RP8004) and West Virginia (in December 2007), all poultry and poultry products from all states are now eligible for export to the Philippines.