

Important Information Regarding the Discovery of Avian Influenza in Toyama Prefecture

On December 16, 2010, two deceased birds – one of them carrying the highly pathogenic disease avian influenza, also known as bird flu - were found in Takaoka Kojo Park in Takaoka City.

There have been no reports of a worldwide outbreak of the virus through the consumption of poultry or eggs.

If you see the body of a dead bird, do not come in contact with it, please contact the Toyama Prefectural Government or municipal office in your area. In the event you make contact with or come within close proximity of wild bird excrement, please wash your hands and gargle with a mouthwash. There is no need to worry about becoming infected with the virus.

Toyama Prefecture and Takaoka City are committed to taking every step necessary to handle the situation. We appreciate your calm understanding in this matter.