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# **Avian Disease**

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We keep a close eye on avian diseases, preventing and controlling their impact on our Nation's birds, people, environment, and economy.

### Avian Influenza

Avian influenza, or bird flu, is a viral disease with two main types: highly pathogenic avian influenza and low pathogenicity avian influenza.

#### Virulent Newcastle Disease

<u>Virulent Newcastle disease, formerly known as exotic Newcastle disease, is a</u> contagious and fatal viral disease of birds and poultry.

## **Disease Prevention and Management Programs**

- National Animal Health Monitoring System Poultry Studies
- National Poultry Improvement Plan
- Defend the Flock