




# Reporting and Testing of Sick and Dead Birds in California

	<p><b>California Department of Food &amp; Agriculture</b></p> 	<p><b>California Department of Fish &amp; Wildlife</b></p> 	<p><b>California Department of Public Health</b></p> 
<b>Reporting phone</b>	866-922-2473	916-358-2790	877-968-2473 (mid-April to mid-October)
<b>Online reporting (year-round)</b>	No online reporting. Please call the CDFA Sick Bird Hotline: 866-922-2473	<a href="https://wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Laboratories/WildlifeHealth/Monitoring/Mortality-Report">CDFW Mortality Reporting webpage</a> <a href="https://wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Laboratories/WildlifeHealth/Monitoring/Mortality-Report">https://wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Laboratories/WildlifeHealth/Monitoring/Mortality-Report</a>	<a href="https://westnile.ca.gov/">California West Nile Virus website</a> <a href="https://westnile.ca.gov/">https://westnile.ca.gov/</a>
<b>Birds accepted</b>	<p>Sick or dead:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poultry (commercial and residential)</li> <li>• Domesticated waterfowl (geese, ducks, swans)</li> <li>• Doves, quail, pigeons</li> <li>• Pet birds, backyard chickens *</li> </ul>	<p>Sick or dead:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wild birds</li> <li>• Increased mortality in (5 or more) wild birds</li> <li>• Endangered, threatened, or protected wild birds</li> </ul> <p>Not all dead birds will be collected, but reporting is still encouraged.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dead wild birds of all species</li> <li>• Dead domestic or exotic pet birds, <b>except chickens</b></li> </ul> <p>Not all dead birds can be tested, but reporting is still encouraged.</p>
<b>Testing performed</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Avian Influenza (as indicated)</li> <li>• Newcastle disease</li> </ul> <p>* California Animal Health Food Safety Laboratory will test for a reduced fee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dead pet birds and backyard chickens (owners may submit their dead chickens)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• West Nile virus</li> <li>• Avian Influenza</li> <li>• Other infectious diseases</li> <li>• Pesticide exposure</li> </ul> <p>Also provides postmortem examination</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• West Nile virus</li> </ul>