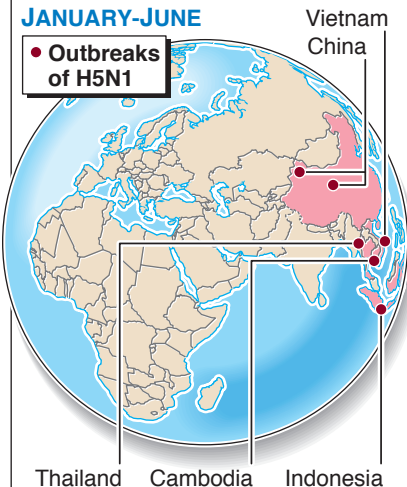


# How bird flu has spread during 2005

A 35-year-old man in Vietnam has been confirmed as the latest victim of bird flu, which has now claimed 64 lives in Southeast Asia, as global leaders draw up a strategy to halt the spread of the deadly H5N1 virus and avert a global pandemic which could kill millions of people

## JANUARY-JUNE

● Outbreaks of H5N1



Vietnam  
China

Thailand Cambodia Indonesia

**Jan 7, 2005:** Number of human deaths from H5N1 virus since 2003 stands at 34, all in **Thailand** and **Vietnam**

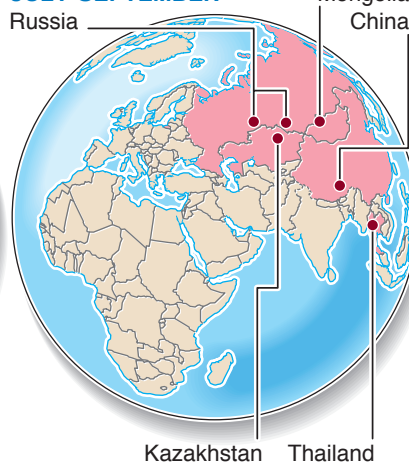
**Feb:** First human case in **Cambodia**

**Apr:** H5N1 detected in wild birds at **China's Qinghai Lake**, key breeding area for migratory birds

**May:** Rumours of human deaths from H5N1 in China are unconfirmed

**June:** **Indonesia** says man exposed to sick chickens has bird flu virus

## JULY-SEPTEMBER



Mongolia  
China

Kazakhstan Thailand

**July:** Bird flu outbreak in **Pavlodar** region of **Kazakhstan**

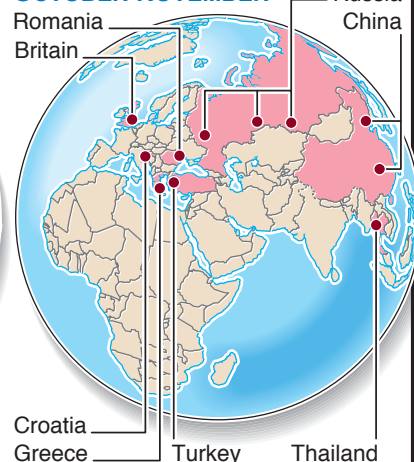
**July 20:** Indonesia confirms first human deaths from bird flu

**Late July:** Carried by migratory birds, H5N1 virus spreads from **Siberia** towards western **Russia**

**Aug:** H5 virus found in wild birds in **Mongolia** and China's **Tibet** region

**Aug 15:** Virus reaches Russia's **Ural Mountains**

## OCTOBER-NOVEMBER



Romania  
Britain

Russia  
China

Croatia  
Greece  
Turkey  
Thailand

**Oct 13:** **Turkey** confirms H5N1 virus present in domestic birds

**Oct 15:** Wildfowl deaths in **Romania's Danube delta** confirmed as first incidence of H5N1 in Europe

**Oct 18-21:** H5 virus is reported in wild birds in **Greece** and **Croatia**

**Oct 23:** **Britain** says parrot that died in quarantine had H5N1 virus

**Nov 7:** China announces three people have suspected bird flu

**Cumulative number of confirmed human cases of H5N1 avian influenza:** Since outbreak began in December 2003

**June 28, 2005 Cases: 108 Deaths: 54**

**September 29 Cases: 116 Deaths: 60**

**November 8 Cases: 125 Deaths: 64**