

Indonesia: Bird flu cases down but risk remains high

Indonesia reported fewer deaths from bird flu in 2009, but health specialists warn that the risk to humans remains high.

Indonesia's Health Ministry said 20 people were infected with the H5N1 avian influenza virus last year and cases were fatal. The country recorded 24 cases in 2008, 20 fatal.

Since 2005, Indonesia has had 161 bird flu cases, with 134 deaths, making the country's death toll from the virus the highest in the world.

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