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New bird flu outbreak fear

THAILAND is investigating a possible fresh outbreak of bird flu after 600 chickens at a farm died within a few days.

The country, the world's fourth largest chicken exporter, has been on alert for fresh outbreaks of bird flu after the H5N1 virus - a strain that can kill humans - swept across Asia late last year, killing 24 people and leading to the death or destruction of millions of birds.

Samples from the farm at the centre of the possible fresh outbreak in the Ayuddhaya province are being tested.

Web links

- [Dept of Health - pandemic flu](http://www.dh.gov.uk/PolicyAndGuidance/EmergencyPlanning/PandemicFlu/fs/en)
<http://www.dh.gov.uk/PolicyAndGuidance/EmergencyPlanning/PandemicFlu/fs/en>
- [WHO - Bird Flu fact sheet](http://www.who.int/csr/don/2004_01_15/en/)
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