

Highly pathogenic avian influenza, or HPAI, has been affecting dairy herds in the United States since early 2024. This disease causes cows to show a sharp drop in milk production and go off feed. It can affect from five to 20 percent of the lactating herd. Because of the continued spread around the United States and the devastating effect of this disease on poultry operations, USDA is offering a voluntary Dairy Herd Monitoring Program for dairy producers

Enrollment

- Three consecutive weekly bulk tank tests
- Hospital tank test on week three
- Monitor herd for signs of HPAI
- Enhanced biosecurity plan

Ongoing Monitoring

- Weekly bulk tank testing
- Hospital tank test every four weeks
- Monitor heard for sign of HPAI

Why Particpate?

- Move lactating cattle without individual tests.
- Access USDA funding for biosecurity plans.
- Assures public health that we are monitoring for the disease

For enrollment or more information, contact: Utah Department of Agriculture and Food Animal Health Program (801) 982-2235 statevet@utah.gov