



NACCHO

Communicable Diseases

Bird flu is on Country



HANDS  **OFF.**
EYES  **ON.**
SING  **OUT.**

What it looks like

Dead or dying.
Wobbly. Circling.
Can't stand or fly.
Swollen head.
Runny eyes.
Breathing hard.

When to ring

One - seabird,
waterbird,
shorebird, eagle,
hawk, seal. Five or
more - any other
bird. Chooks count.



1800 675 888
Day or night

All our bird flu resources: naccho.org.au/birdflu

We know this Country.
We know when something's not right.



Q & A

Who turns up if I ring?

- Biosecurity mob from your state. They ask what you saw and where.
- Most reports don't need a visit. If they come, they take samples. That's it.
- Rather not ring? Tell your ranger group or your clinic. They may make the call with you.

Can we still get bush tucker?

- Yes. Handled and cooked properly, it's safe.
- Never take a bird or eggs from one found dead or looking crook.
- Wash your hands with soap and water after plucking or handling raw meat or eggs.
- Cook it right through, with no trace of blood.

Kids and dogs

- Keep them well back from a dead bird.
- A dog will want to go straight for it.

Crook after being near birds?

- See your clinic if you get crook within **10 days** of being near sick or dead birds.
- Make sure you tell them about the birds, as well as your symptoms.
- Fever, cold or flu, sore red eyes.

Get your flu shot

- It stops you from getting sick from two flu viruses at once.
- Everyone from six months up should get their flu shot.

Muttonbirds wash up every year

- True, and that's not bird flu. Birds dying outside that pattern is.
- Not sure? Ring anyway.