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PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about Avian Influenza cases in housed caged birds, which the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) received on 10 March 2023. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000.

The information you requested and the response is detailed below:

"How many outbreaks of Avian Influenza H5N1 have originated solely in housed Cage Birds?

Please stipulate where these cases occurred."

APHA have recorded two sites where an outbreak of Avian Influenza occurred where birds were solely housed caged birds.

The location and reference numbers are indicated in the table below:

AIV	Town	County
2022/218	Preston	Lancashire
2022/135	Horsham	West Sussex

For all the latest information on Avian Influenza cases can be found here:

Bird flu (avian influenza): latest situation in England - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

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Yours sincerely

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Annex

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