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Contagious bovine pleuropneumonia

Fact sheet

Introductory statement

Contagious bovine pleuropneumonia is **not present** in Australia. It is a contagious bacterial disease that affects the lungs of cattle, buffalo, zebu and yaks. Sheep, goats, camels, antelope and wild bovids are resistant to the disease. Humans are also unaffected.

The bacterium is widespread in Africa, the Middle East, southern Europe and parts of Asia. It is an airborne bacterium and can travel up to several kilometres under certain conditions.

If you suspect a case of contagious bovine pleuropneumonia you should immediately call the free **Emergency Animal Disease Watch Hotline (1800 675 888)**.

References and other information

The latest information on bovine pleuropneumonia is available from the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) website:

[www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Animal Health in the World/docs/pdf/Disease cards/CONTAGIOUS BOVINE_PLEUROPNEUMONIA.pdf](http://www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Animal_Health_in_the_World/docs/pdf/Disease_cards/CONTAGIOUS_BOVINE_PLEUROPNEUMONIA.pdf),

[www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Animal Health in the World/docs/pdf/Disease cards/CONTAGIOUS BOVINE_PLEUROPNEUMONIA.pdf](http://www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Animal_Health_in_the_World/docs/pdf/Disease_cards/CONTAGIOUS_BOVINE_PLEUROPNEUMONIA.pdf) and

[www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Health standards/tahm/2.04.08 CBPP.pdf](http://www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Health_standards/tahm/2.04.08_CBPP.pdf)

OIE detection, reporting and control measures are located at:

[www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre mycoplasma mycoides.htm](http://www.oie.int/index.php?id=169&L=0&htmfile=chapitre_mycoplasma_mycoides.htm)

The Response Policy Brief for the control and eradication of contagious bovine pleuropneumonia, version 3.6, 2018 is available as part of the AUSVETPLAN series. Wildlife considerations as part of response are addressed in the WARS AUSVETPLAN. Both can be found at: www.animalhealthaustralia.com.au/our-publications/ausvetplan-manuals-and-documents/

Information available on distribution and abundance of feral cattle and buffalo in Australia can be accessed through “Distribution and abundance of significant invasive vertebrate pests” (2008)
www.pestsmart.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2010/03/West2008_3.pdf

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