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Summary

U.S. Value of Production and Sales Up 24 Percent

The combined value of production from broilers, eggs, turkeys, and the value of sales from chickens in 2007 was \$31.9 billion, up 24 percent from the \$25.8 billion in 2006. Of the combined total, 67 percent was from broilers, 21 percent from eggs, 12 percent from turkeys, and less than 1 percent from chickens.

U.S. Value of Broiler Production Up 21 Percent

The value of broilers produced during 2007 was \$21.5 billion, up 21 percent from 2006. The total number of broilers produced in 2007 was 8.90 billion, up slightly from 2006. The total amount of live weight broilers produced in 2007 was 49.2 billion pounds, up 1 percent from 2006. The 2007 average price per pound on a live weight equivalent basis was 43.6 cents per pound, compared with 36.3 cents in 2006.

U.S. Value of Egg Production Up 51 Percent

Value of all egg production in 2007 was \$6.68 billion, up 51 percent from the \$4.43 billion in 2006. Egg production totaled 90.6 billion eggs, down 1 percent from the 91.3 billion eggs produced in 2006. In 2007, all eggs averaged 88.5 cents per dozen, compared with 58.2 cents in 2006.

U.S. Value of Turkey Production Up 4 Percent

The value of turkeys produced during 2007 was \$3.71 billion, up 4 percent from the \$3.57 billion the previous year. Turkey production in 2007 totaled 7.87 billion pounds, up 5 percent from the 7.46 billion pounds produced in 2006. The average price received by producers during 2007 was 47.2 cents per pound, compared with 47.9 cents in 2006.

U.S. Value of Sales from Chickens Down 6 Percent

The value of sales from chickens (excluding broilers) in 2007 was \$50.8 million, down 6 percent from the \$53.8 million a year ago. Prices averaged 5.6 cents per pound, compared with 5.8 cents in 2006. The number of chickens sold in 2007 totaled 167 million, down 3 percent from the total sold during the previous year.

This report contains annual estimates for **Puerto Rico** chickens and eggs. These estimates include chickens (excluding commercial broilers) number lost, sold for slaughter, pounds, price, and value as well as all egg production, price, and value.

**Value of Production: Broilers, Eggs, Turkeys, Chickens,
and Total, United States, 2006-2007**

Year	Broilers ¹	Eggs	Turkeys	Chickens ²	Total
	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
2006	17,739,234	4,431,745	3,573,690	53,754	25,798,423
2007	21,460,211	6,678,147	3,710,846	50,783	31,899,987

¹ Excludes States which produced less than 500,000 broilers.

² Value of sales.

**Broilers: Production, Price, and Value,
by State and Total, 2006**^{1 2 3}

State	Number Produced	Pounds Produced	Price per Pound ⁴	Value of Production
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AL	1,053,400	5,688,400	0.360	2,047,824
AR	1,185,400	6,282,600	0.350	2,198,910
DE	244,500	1,613,700	0.380	613,206
FL	75,000	442,500	0.360	159,300
GA	1,358,800	7,065,800	0.360	2,543,688
KY	289,000	1,589,500	0.360	572,220
MD	297,500	1,606,500	0.380	610,470
MN	45,900	229,500	0.360	82,620
MS	803,800	4,662,000	0.360	1,678,320
NE	5,100	30,600	0.370	11,322
NC	749,900	5,099,300	0.380	1,937,734
OH	45,600	241,700	0.360	87,012
OK	250,400	1,352,200	0.350	473,270
PA	153,500	828,900	0.370	306,693
SC	227,100	1,408,000	0.370	520,960
TN	213,500	1,088,900	0.360	392,004
TX	628,300	3,330,000	0.360	1,198,800
VA	256,200	1,332,200	0.360	479,592
WV	89,700	358,800	0.370	132,756
WI	38,300	168,500	0.370	62,345
Oth Sts ⁵	856,900	4,410,300	0.370	1,630,188
Total ⁶	8,867,800	48,829,900	0.363	17,739,234
19 Weekly Sts ⁷	8,626,200	47,631,900	0.363	17,295,461

¹ Revised.

² December 1, 2005, through November 30, 2006.

³ Broiler production including other domestic meat-type strains.

⁴ Live weight equivalent price, derived from ready-to-cook prices minus processing costs, then multiplied by a dressing percentage.

⁵ CA, IN, IA, LA, MI, MO, NY, OR, & WA, combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

⁶ Excludes States producing less than 500,000 broilers.

⁷ 19 states in the weekly estimating program: AL, AR, CA, DE, FL, GA, KY, LA, MD, MO, MS, NC, OK, PA, SC, TN, TX, VA and WV.

**Broilers: Production, Price, and Value,
by State and Total, 2007^{1 2}**

State	Number Produced	Pounds Produced	Price per Pound ³	Value of Production
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AL	1,014,900	5,582,000	0.430	2,400,260
AR	1,172,300	6,213,200	0.420	2,609,544
DE	245,800	1,597,700	0.460	734,942
FL	73,300	425,100	0.430	182,793
GA	1,398,800	7,413,600	0.430	3,187,848
KY	305,000	1,677,500	0.430	721,325
MD	294,800	1,591,900	0.460	732,274
MN	46,600	242,300	0.430	104,189
MS	824,000	4,614,400	0.430	1,984,192
NE	4,800	27,400	0.450	12,330
NC	781,200	5,390,300	0.460	2,479,538
OH	49,800	273,900	0.430	117,777
OK	242,800	1,286,800	0.420	540,456
PA	151,200	831,600	0.450	374,220
SC	235,000	1,480,500	0.450	666,225
TN	207,000	1,055,700	0.430	453,951
TX	616,300	3,266,400	0.430	1,404,552
VA	250,200	1,301,000	0.430	559,430
WV	88,900	355,600	0.450	160,020
WI	47,100	193,100	0.450	86,895
Oth Sts ⁴	848,400	4,388,400	0.444	1,947,450
Total ⁵	8,898,200	49,208,400	0.436	21,460,211
19 Weekly Sts ⁶	8,643,300	47,965,700	0.436	20,908,747

¹ December 1, 2006, through November 30, 2007.

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⁵ Excludes States producing less than 500,000 broilers.

⁶ 19 states in the weekly estimating program: AL, AR, CA, DE, FL, GA, KY, LA, MD, MO, MS, NC, OK, PA, SC, TN, TX, VA and WV.

Table Eggs: Price, by State and United States, 2006-2007 ¹

State	2006 ²	2007
	<i>Dollars per Dozen</i>	<i>Dollars per Dozen</i>
AL	0.418	0.757
AR	0.394	0.745
CA	0.494	0.775
CO	0.431	0.735
CT	0.495	0.751
FL	0.457	0.746
GA	0.432	0.748
HI	1.000	1.090
ID	0.495	0.831
IL	0.360	0.729
IN	0.383	0.743
IA	0.336	0.698
KY	0.400	0.750
LA	0.418	0.700
ME	0.567	0.944
MD	0.460	0.819
MA	0.650	0.986
MI	0.366	0.727
MN	0.402	0.791
MS	0.396	0.759
MO	0.324	0.690
MT	0.465	0.904
NE	0.370	0.744
NH	0.667	1.020
NJ	0.545	0.920
NY	0.406	0.780
NC	0.383	0.749
OH	0.452	0.802
OK	0.392	0.743
OR	0.495	0.750
PA	0.378	0.694
SC	0.419	0.727
SD	0.365	0.732
TN	0.436	0.757
TX	0.373	0.726
UT	0.394	0.662
VT	0.438	0.759
VA	0.486	0.864
WA	0.465	0.831
WV	0.480	0.862
WI	0.371	0.744
WY	0.460	0.807
Oth Sts ³	0.444	0.770
US	0.403	0.746

¹ December 1, previous year through November 30.

² Revised.

³ AK, AZ, DE, KS, NV, NM, ND, and RI combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

**All Eggs: Production, Price, and Value,
by State, United States, and Puerto Rico, 2006-2007^{1 2 3}**

State	Eggs Produced		Price per Dozen		Value of Production	
	2006 ⁴	2007	2006 ⁴	2007	2006 ⁴	2007
	<i>Million</i>	<i>Million</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AL	2,131	2,098	1.670	1.800	295,990	314,336
AR	3,267	3,288	1.230	1.360	335,499	371,857
CA	4,962	4,938	0.515	0.787	212,889	323,708
CO	1,083	1,059	0.526	0.839	47,452	74,074
CT	791	814	0.513	0.766	33,840	51,938
FL	2,938	2,885	0.489	0.776	119,687	186,471
GA	4,811	4,792	0.920	1.100	368,736	437,491
HI	98.3	81.8	1.000	1.090	8,192	7,428
ID	182	155	0.715	1.030	10,844	13,354
IL	1,307	1,357	0.421	0.770	45,876	87,034
IN	6,745	6,673	0.408	0.760	229,297	422,640
IA	13,811	13,868	0.354	0.714	406,865	824,806
KY	1,150	1,170	0.763	1.230	73,156	120,075
LA	463	446	0.804	0.976	31,011	36,293
ME	1,064	1,013	0.578	0.949	51,288	80,093
MD	733	702	0.490	0.841	29,907	49,170
MA	71	52	0.655	0.990	3,875	4,288
MI	2,391	2,563	0.367	0.728	73,097	155,469
MN	2,940	2,880	0.438	0.805	107,303	193,219
MS	1,546	1,523	1.240	1.350	159,891	171,379
MO	1,903	1,844	0.468	0.801	74,213	123,031
MT	104	107	0.465	0.904	4,031	8,059
NE	3,129	2,984	0.370	0.744	96,358	185,092
NH	36	42	0.794	1.120	2,381	3,916
NJ	446	424	0.545	0.920	20,267	32,507
NY	1,122	1,127	0.420	0.787	39,246	73,945
NC	2,636	2,960	1.170	1.330	257,627	328,664
OH	7,507	7,151	0.459	0.811	287,198	483,441
OK	738	759	0.970	1.120	59,646	71,107
OR	772	726	0.535	0.785	34,444	47,475
PA	6,687	6,392	0.428	0.731	238,351	389,119
SC	1,280	1,188	0.639	0.917	68,135	90,805
SD	865	843	0.365	0.732	26,312	51,420
TN	289	286	1.400	1.440	33,642	34,202
TX	5,053	4,994	0.603	0.897	254,055	373,403
UT	937	954	0.394	0.662	30,727	52,618
VT	55	59	0.530	0.832	2,427	4,091
VA	806	794	0.994	1.190	66,769	78,991
WA	1,458	1,520	0.466	0.832	56,661	105,372
WV	274	272	1.410	1.440	32,210	32,723
WI	1,284	1,370	0.424	0.782	45,323	89,263
WY	3.6	3.6	0.460	0.807	138	242
Oth Sts ⁵	1,459	1,423	0.468	0.789	56,889	93,538
US	91,328	90,581	0.582	0.885	4,431,745	6,678,147
PR	285	236	0.885	0.909	21,025	17,882

¹ December 1, previous year through November 30.

² Includes hatching and market (table) eggs.

³ Totals may not add due to rounding.

⁴ Revised.

⁵ AK, AZ, DE, KS, NV, NM, ND, and RI combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

**Turkeys: Production, Price, and Value,
by State and United States, 2006**

State	Number Raised ¹	Pounds Produced ²	Price per Pound ^{2 3}	Value of Production ²
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AR	30,000	585,000	0.52	304,200
CA	15,800	428,180	0.46	196,963
IL	2,700	90,450	0.48	43,416
IN	13,800	462,300	0.51	235,773
IA	8,200	273,880	0.45	123,246
MD	730	25,550	0.49	12,520
MA	62	1,438	1.68	2,416
MI	4,600	174,800	0.47	82,156
MN	45,000	1,210,500	0.47	568,935
MO	20,000	634,000	0.50	317,000
NJ	33	726	1.16	842
NY	630	14,868	0.50	7,434
NC	37,500	1,125,000	0.46	517,500
ND	1,800	48,420	0.41	19,852
OH	5,100	190,740	0.46	87,740
PA	10,500	195,300	0.54	105,462
SC	9,600	385,920	0.46	177,523
SD	4,200	157,500	0.39	61,425
VT	55	1,238	1.50	1,857
VA	21,500	554,700	0.47	260,709
WV	3,600	92,880	0.47	43,654
Oth Sts ⁴	27,050	810,495	0.50	403,067
US ⁵	262,460	7,463,885	0.479	3,573,690

¹ Based on turkeys placed Sep 1, 2005, through Aug 31, 2006. Excludes young turkeys lost.

² Revised.

³ Live weight equivalent price to producers is used when actual live weight price is not available for the State.

⁴ CO, KS, NE, OK, TX, UT, and WI combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

⁵ 28 State total.

**Turkeys: Production, Price, and Value,
by State and United States, 2007**

State	Number Raised ¹	Pounds Produced	Price per Pound ²	Value of Production
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AR	31,000	601,400	0.52	312,728
CA	16,000	444,800	0.44	195,712
IL	2,800	86,800	0.44	38,192
IN	15,300	543,150	0.46	249,849
IA	8,300	280,540	0.49	137,465
MD	750	26,250	0.52	13,650
MA	59	1,493	1.86	2,777
MI	4,800	182,400	0.46	83,904
MN	48,000	1,291,200	0.43	555,216
MO	20,000	630,000	0.52	327,600
NJ	39	842	1.52	1,280
NY	640	14,976	0.55	8,237
NC	39,000	1,193,400	0.43	513,162
ND	1,900	51,110	0.44	22,488
OH	5,100	193,800	0.46	89,148
PA	11,000	200,200	0.50	100,100
SC	10,500	418,950	0.44	184,338
SD	4,500	169,200	0.43	72,756
VT	51	1,148	1.59	1,825
VA	22,000	574,200	0.52	298,584
WV	3,500	99,050	0.41	40,611
Oth Sts ³	26,450	864,315	0.53	461,224
US ⁴	271,689	7,869,224	0.472	3,710,846

¹ Based on turkeys placed Sep 1, 2006, through Aug 31, 2007. Excludes young turkeys lost.

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³ CO, KS, NE, OK, TX, UT, and WI combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

⁴ 28 State total.

**Chickens: Lost, Sold for Slaughter, Price, and Value,
by State, United States, and Puerto Rico, 2006^{1 2}**

State	Number Lost ³	Number Sold for Slaughter	Pounds Sold	Price per Pound	Value of Sales
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AL	3,273	11,205	85,158	0.089	7,579
AR	5,575	14,165	109,071	0.085	9,271
CA	3,684	6,906	23,480	0.010	235
CO	1,005	1,968	9,446	0.051	482
CT	750	1,846	6,461	0.003	19
FL	3,545	4,441	17,320	0.029	502
GA	6,552	13,843	103,823	0.086	8,929
HI	113	102	408	0.218	89
ID	88	959	3,452	0.010	35
IL	643	1,305	5,220	0.010	52
IN	4,240	8,824	29,119	0.008	233
IA	19,960	9,620	32,708	0.003	98
KY	2,286	2,105	17,261	0.093	1,605
LA	391	1,492	9,847	0.076	748
ME	815	2,444	9,287	0.004	37
MD	307	931	3,910	0.033	129
MA	23	268	1,018	0.005	5
MI	1,013	3,412	11,260	0.001	11
MN	4,403	3,178	11,759	0.003	35
MS	1,834	6,184	49,472	0.096	4,749
MO	1,240	3,960	18,216	0.060	1,093
MT	74	105	326	0.006	2
NE	2,926	5,038	16,625	0.001	17
NH	24	232	1,044	0.019	20
NJ	112	311	995	0.001	1
NY	364	2,509	10,036	0.001	10
NC	3,086	13,269	92,883	0.082	7,616
OH	9,895	9,870	33,558	0.004	134
OK	967	3,125	21,875	0.082	1,794
OR	567	1,194	3,940	0.001	4
PA	2,370	15,803	55,311	0.011	608
SC	1,560	2,696	16,446	0.069	1,135
SD	1,374	522	1,723	0.001	2
TN	748	1,589	12,553	0.095	1,193
TX	9,081	6,121	35,502	0.058	2,059
UT	751	1,451	4,788	0.001	5
VT	26	216	821	0.009	7
VA	864	2,827	22,051	0.084	1,852
WA	886	1,792	5,914	0.001	6
WV	325	1,514	11,658	0.088	1,026
WI	1,220	1,757	7,379	0.036	266
WY	1	10	33	0.001	0
Oth Sts ⁴	2,117	1,639	5,820	0.010	61
US ⁵	101,078	172,748	918,977	0.058	53,754
PR	180	924	4,343	0.206	895

¹ Revised.

² December 1, 2005, through November 30, 2006. Excludes broilers.

³ Includes rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason except sold during the 12-month period.

⁴ AK, AZ, DE, KS, NV, NM, ND, and RI combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

⁵ Totals may not add due to rounding.

**Chickens: Lost, Sold for Slaughter, Price, and Value,
by State, United States, and Puerto Rico, 2007¹**

State	Number Lost ²	Number Sold for Slaughter	Pounds Sold	Price per Pound	Value of Sales
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AL	3,466	10,393	83,144	0.086	7,150
AR	5,985	13,661	107,922	0.084	9,065
CA	2,632	7,334	25,669	0.010	257
CO	626	2,195	10,097	0.042	424
CT	1,108	1,400	4,760	0.004	19
FL	3,176	5,119	28,155	0.029	816
GA	6,421	15,318	114,885	0.080	9,191
HI	100	83	315	0.236	74
ID	76	413	1,404	0.005	7
IL	504	1,838	6,984	0.010	70
IN	3,950	8,821	29,109	0.008	233
IA	24,629	5,165	17,561	0.006	105
KY	1,994	1,946	15,373	0.084	1,291
LA	321	1,543	9,721	0.070	680
ME	642	2,665	8,795	0.001	9
MD	382	1,194	4,776	0.026	124
MA	15	217	716	0.001	1
MI	1,254	3,505	11,567	0.001	12
MN	3,092	4,575	17,843	0.005	89
MS	2,559	6,219	49,752	0.086	4,279
MO	1,005	4,185	19,251	0.040	770
MT	72	108	400	0.006	2
NE	2,522	6,145	20,279	0.001	20
NH	32	183	714	0.022	16
NJ	87	294	941	0.001	1
NY	356	2,536	8,369	0.001	8
NC	3,062	12,487	89,906	0.079	7,103
OH	6,921	10,319	35,085	0.004	140
OK	820	2,590	19,425	0.082	1,593
OR	1,519	409	1,432	0.007	10
PA	2,039	14,749	51,622	0.011	568
SC	1,914	2,767	16,602	0.066	1,096
SD	1,184	660	2,178	0.001	2
TN	616	1,293	10,215	0.086	878
TX	9,111	5,114	30,684	0.063	1,933
UT	1,067	1,533	5,059	0.001	5
VT	25	191	707	0.018	13
VA	621	2,461	19,196	0.084	1,612
WA	1,906	531	1,752	0.001	2
WV	310	1,198	9,464	0.085	804
WI	816	1,909	7,827	0.030	235
WY	1	9	30	0.001	0
Oth Sts ³	1,725	1,974	7,123	0.011	76
US ⁴	100,663	167,249	906,809	0.056	50,783
PR	240	924	4,343	0.214	929

¹ December 1, 2006, through November 30, 2007. Excludes broilers.

² Includes rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason except sold during the 12-month period.

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Reliability of Poultry Production and Value Estimates

Survey Procedures: These estimates were based on inventory, disposition, production, and price estimates as published in various NASS poultry and agricultural prices reports, as well as information on imports, exports, and slaughter obtained from other sources. Individual NASS field offices maintain a list of all known poultry operations and use known sources to update their lists. Data are collected from all known broiler hatcheries and turkey grow-out operations. Also, data are collected from layer and egg contractors and independent producers who have at least 30,000 table egg layers, flocks of hatchery supply layers, or pullet only operations with at least 500 pullets. In every situation, operations are contacted as close to the reference date as possible and given adequate time to respond via mail, fax, or electronic data reporting (EDR). Those that do not respond are contacted by phone. Care is exercised to ensure that all operations of interest are accounted for in the estimates.

Estimation Procedures: Sound statistical methodology is employed to derive the estimates from reported data. All data are analyzed for unusual values. Data from each operation are compared to their own past operating profile and to trends from similar operations. Data for missing operations are estimated based on similar operations or historical data. NASS field offices prepare these estimates by using a combination of survey indications and historic trends. Individual State estimates are reviewed by the Agricultural Statistics Board for reasonableness.

Revision Policy: Revisions to previous estimates are made to improve estimates and are generally the result of late or corrected data. For all species, previous year estimates are subject to revision when the current year estimates are made. Five years of estimates are also reviewed after the Census of Agriculture data are available. Estimates are considered final after Census review and no revisions are made after the final estimates are published.

Reliability: Estimates in this report have no sampling error since they are based on a census of all known contractors and independent producers who have at least 30,000 table egg layers, flocks of hatchery supply layers, pullet only operations with at least 500 pullets, all known broiler hatcheries, and all known turkey grow-out operations. However, estimates are subject to errors such as omission, duplication, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. While these errors cannot be measured directly, they are minimized through strict quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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