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TURKEYS TESTED BY OFFICIAL STATE AGENCIES
February 1954

The number of heavy breed turkeys tested for pullorum disease during February totaled 140,070 compared with 109,363 in February last year, an increase of 28 percent, the Crop Reporting Board reported today. The most significant increases over February last year occurred in Massachusetts, Michigan, Wisconsin, Missouri, Virginia, Texas, Idaho and Utah. The number of heavy breeds tested from July 1953 through February 1954 totaled 2,161,555 compared with 2,213,619 during the same months a year earlier -- a decrease of 2 percent.

Light breed testings during February totaled 81,416 compared with 58,015 in February last year, an increase of 40 percent. Significant increases over February a year ago occurred in Ohio, Minnesota, Missouri and Virginia. The number of light breeds tested from July 1953 through February 1954 totaled 621,326 compared with 431,808 tested July 1952 through February 1953, an increase of 44 percent.

This report is made possible through the State Testing Agencies, Animal and Poultry Husbandry Research Branch, Agricultural Research Service and the Agricultural Estimates Division, Agricultural Marketing Service.

TURKEYS RECORDED BY OFFICIAL STATE AGENCIES

State and Division	Heavy breeds		During February Light breeds		Total all breeds	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
	Number					
Maine	0	1,508	0	486	0	1,994
N.H.	1,119	2,604	12	168	1,131	2,772
Vt.	94	145	0	0	94	145
Mass.	6,012	9,272	202	0	6,214	9,272
R.I.	631	318	101	0	732	318
Conn.	2,106	2,235	50	800	2,156	3,035
N.E.J.	9,962	16,082	365	1,454	10,327	17,536
N.Y.	6,736	6,925	0	43	6,736	6,966
N.J.	2,207	1,997	135	4	2,342	2,001
Pa.	16,081	9,890	2,361	1,439	18,442	11,329
M.A.	25,024	18,310	2,495	1,485	27,520	20,295
Ohio	2,199	1,935	2,302	5,102	4,501	8,097
Ind.	1,716	1,175	414	0	2,130	1,175
Ill.	0	16	0	0	0	16
Mich.	1,094	17,162	275	0	1,369	17,162
Wis.	2,190	7,963	245	0	2,435	7,963
E.N.C.	7,199	28,251	3,236	6,162	10,435	34,413
Minn.	223	605	5,862	17,845	6,085	18,450
Iowa	3,959	---	0	---	3,959	---
Mo.	7,240	10,634	575	5,930	7,815	16,564
N.Dak.	0	0	84	0	84	0
S.Dak.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nebr.	854	1,287	0	0	854	1,287
Kans.	1,947	2,455	16	30	1,963	2,485
W.N.C.	14,223	14,981	6,537	23,805	20,760	38,786
Del.	319	869	0	0	319	869
Md.	1,919	1,892	289	0	2,208	1,892
Va.	18,974	32,358	25,490	40,119	44,464	72,477
W.Va.	2,384	0	11	609	2,395	609
N.C.	1,504	755	233	390	1,737	1,145
S.C.	1,269	54	6,694	1,117	7,963	1,171
Ga.	0	54	0	0	0	54
Fla.	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.A.	26,369	35,982	32,717	42,235	59,086	78,217
Ky.	1,005	0	0	0	1,005	0
Tenn.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ala.	43	628	0	454	43	1,082
Miss.	197	0	0	0	197	0
E.S.C.	1,245	628	0	454	1,245	1,082
Ark.	634	1,156	3,663	4,116	4,297	5,272
La.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Okla.	2,062	965	0	830	2,062	1,795
Tex.	2,482	7,022	35	97	2,517	7,119
W.S.C.	5,178	9,143	3,698	5,043	8,876	14,186
Mont.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	0	2,268	0	0	0	2,268
Wyo.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colo.	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.Mex.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ariz.	0	325	6	0	6	325
Utah	168	4,710	653	91	821	4,801
Nev.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mount.	168	7,303	659	91	827	7,394
Wash.	1,623	1,645	215	0	1,838	1,645
Oreg.	837	173	323	39	1,160	212
Calif.	17,535	7,072	7,769	647	25,304	7,719
Pac.	19,995	8,890	8,307	686	28,302	9,576
U.S.	109,363	140,070	58,015	81,416	167,378	221,486

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State	July through February					
	Heavy breeds		Light breeds		Total all breeds	
Division:	1952-53	1953-54	1952-53	1953-54	1952-53	1953-54
	Number					
Maine	5,121	6,976	4,034	6,406	9,155	13,382
N.H.	5,594	5,293	223	365	5,817	5,658
Vt.	6,659	5,885	25	0	6,684	5,885
Mass.	22,197	20,105	459	0	22,656	20,105
R.I.	1,417	1,413	101	137	1,518	1,550
Conn.	7,146	7,743	873	808	8,019	8,551
N.J.	48,134	47,415	5,715	7,716	53,849	55,131
N.Y.	33,459	40,453	840	201	34,299	40,654
N.J.	8,252	7,015	2,612	1,718	10,864	8,733
Pa.	47,419	39,462	7,275	13,813	54,694	53,275
M.A.	89,130	86,930	10,727	15,732	99,857	102,662
Ohio	64,117	84,739	21,087	38,429	85,204	123,168
Ind.	19,550	18,450	8,467	4,569	28,017	23,019
Ill.	13,339	18,194	1,693	3,267	15,032	21,461
Mich.	77,306	70,878	14,160	11,315	91,466	82,193
Wis.	8,178	35,293	245	0	8,423	35,293
E.N.C.	182,490	227,554	45,652	57,580	228,142	285,134
Minn.	174,586	171,362	66,418	110,232	241,004	281,594
Iowa	54,823	27,704	1,083	2,607	55,906	30,311
Mo.	140,935	127,694	20,854	41,161	161,789	168,855
N.Dak.	9,926	11,174	2,428	1,437	12,354	12,611
S.Dak.	3,086	3,169	874	906	3,960	4,075
Nebr.	26,087	23,242	133	527	26,220	23,769
Kans.	25,977	31,525	1,789	2,491	27,766	34,016
W.N.C.	435,420	395,870	93,579	159,361	528,999	555,231
Del.	2,739	3,625	391	982	3,130	4,607
Md.	18,572	18,554	2,398	2,533	20,970	21,087
Va.	91,856	97,213	139,468	175,787	231,324	273,000
W.Va.	7,499	4,958	91	8,629	7,590	13,587
N.C.	30,086	36,779	3,489	3,359	33,575	40,138
S.C.	60,885	74,098	13,489	12,554	74,374	86,652
Ga.	6,742	5,076	1,647	0	8,389	5,076
Fla.	4,295	3,742	1,253	2,103	5,548	5,845
S.A.	222,674	244,045	162,226	205,947	384,900	449,992
Ky.	30,357	29,868	550	628	30,907	30,496
Tenn.	1,100	0	0	0	1,100	0
Ala.	10,912	2,932	3,013	2,712	13,925	5,644
Miss.	3,139	0	0	0	3,139	0
E.S.C.	45,508	32,800	3,563	3,340	49,071	36,140
Ark.	3,315	19,949	7,706	7,191	11,021	27,140
La.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Okla.	22,536	24,015	5,600	11,458	28,136	35,474
Tex.	206,323	181,666	24,918	49,981	231,241	231,647
W.S.C.	232,174	225,631	38,224	68,630	270,398	294,261
Mont.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	1,038	2,268	712	803	1,750	3,071
Wyo.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colo.	0	0	465	0	465	0
N.Mex.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ariz.	4,152	2,232	6	0	4,158	2,232
Utah	24,428	17,604	7,798	13,087	32,226	30,691
Nev.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mount.	29,618	22,104	8,981	13,890	38,599	35,994
Wash.	71,841	74,468	12,822	14,647	84,663	89,115
Oreg.	194,314	215,165	14,096	24,952	208,410	240,117
Calif.	662,316	589,573	36,223	49,531	698,539	639,104
Pac.	928,471	879,206	63,141	89,130	991,612	968,336
U.S.	2,213,619	2,161,555	431,808	621,326	2,645,427	2,782,881

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Heavy Breeds

Month	Month		% change from last year	To Date		Change from last yr.	Percent
	1952-53	1953-54		1952-53	1953-54		
	Number	Number		Number	Number		
July	6,199	13,352	+115	6,199	13,352	+ 7,153	+115
August	43,881	32,270	- 26	50,080	45,622	- 4,458	- 9
September	87,033	100,169	+ 15	137,113	145,791	+ 8,678	+ 6
October	363,737	351,324	- 3	500,850	497,115	- 3,735	- 1
November	670,614	587,898	- 12	1,171,464	1,085,013	-86,451	- 7
December	635,434	624,699	- 2	1,806,898	1,709,712	-97,186	- 5
January	297,358	311,773	+ 5	2,104,256	2,021,485	-82,771	- 4
February	109,363	140,070	+ 28	2,213,619	2,161,555	-52,064	- 2
March	30,892			2,244,511			
April	5,902			2,250,413			
May	49			2,250,462			
June	1,070			2,251,532			

Light Breeds

Month	Month		% change from last year	To date		Change from last year	Percent
	1952-53	1953-54		1952-53	1953-54		
	Number	Number		Number	Number		
July	25,716	37,881	+ 47	25,716	37,881	+ 12,165	+ 47
August	18,374	61,611	+235	44,090	99,492	+ 55,402	+126
September	63,893	95,330	+ 49	107,983	194,822	+ 86,839	+ 80
October	56,548	111,267	+ 97	164,531	306,089	+141,558	+ 86
November	50,674	90,481	+ 79	215,205	396,570	+181,365	+ 84
December	72,703	72,157	- 1	287,908	468,727	+180,819	+ 63
January	85,885	71,183	- 17	373,793	539,910	+166,117	+ 44
February	58,015	81,416	+ 40	431,808	621,326	+189,518	+ 44
March	12,337			444,145			
April	16,854			460,999			
May	5,883			466,882			
June	24,994			491,876			

Total All Breeds

Month	Month		% change from last year	To date		Change from last year	Percent
	1952-53	1953-54		1952-53	1953-54		
	Number	Number		Number	Number		
July	31,915	51,233	+ 61	31,915	51,233	+ 19,318	+ 61
August	62,255	93,881	+ 51	94,170	145,114	+ 50,944	+ 54
September	150,926	195,499	+ 30	245,096	340,613	+ 95,517	+ 39
October	420,285	462,591	+ 10	665,381	803,204	+137,823	+ 21
November	721,288	678,379	- 6	1,386,669	1,481,583	+ 94,914	+ 7
December	708,137	696,856	- 2	2,094,806	2,178,439	+ 83,633	+ 4
January	383,243	382,956	- 1	2,478,049	2,561,395	+ 83,346	+ 3
February	167,378	221,486	+ 32	2,645,427	2,782,881	+137,454	+ 5
March	43,229			2,688,656			
April	22,756			2,711,412			
May	5,932			2,717,344			
June	26,064			2,743,408			