

TURKEYS AND CHICKENS TESTED  
in March 1960

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Turkeys Tested

Turkeys tested during March totaled 109,592--up 4 percent from March 1959. The number of heavy white breeds tested totaled 55,280, compared with 39,628 in March 1959--an increase of 39 percent. Other heavy breeds, mostly broadbreasted bronze, totaled 25,688--down 31 percent from a year earlier. Light breed birds tested totaled 28,624--practically the same as in March 1959.

During the months July 1959 through March 1960, the number of turkeys tested totaled 3,248,159--down 13 percent from the number tested during these months a year earlier. Heavy white breeds were up 2 percent, but testings of other heavy breeds were down 13 percent. The number of light breed turkeys tested was 38 percent less than the number tested during the period July 1958 through March 1959.

Chickens Tested

The number of chickens for supplying broiler hatching eggs tested for pullorum disease during March totaled 1,731,169--down 25 percent from March 1959. Testings July 1959 through March 1960 totaled 19,668,337--a decrease of 11 percent from this period a year earlier.

In the States for which comparisons are available, 368,163 chickens were tested during March for supplying eggs for egg-type chicks--down 14 percent from March 1959. The testing of egg-type birds during the months July 1959 through March 1960 totaled 10,822,630--down 13 percent from this period a year earlier.

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Turkeys tested by official State agencies

State and division:	During March							
	Heavy white breeds:		Other heavy breeds:		Total all heavy breeds:		Light breeds	
	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960
	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number
Maine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.H.	107	2,074	0	0	107	2,074	0	0
Vt.	11	0	0	0	11	0	0	0
Mass.	1,550	1,520	699	1,738	2,349	3,250	0	0
R.I.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Conn.	2,147	86	3	0	2,150	86	0	0
N.E.	3,915	3,680	702	1,738	4,617	5,418	0	0
N.Y.	2,329	104	65	0	2,394	104	0	0
N.J.	0	0	19	0	19	0	0	0
Pa.	3,052	2,379	2,652	1,660	5,704	4,039	517	0
M.A.	5,381	2,483	2,736	1,660	8,117	4,143	517	0
Ohio	1,488	3,858	1,017	0	2,505	3,858	8,118	11,137
Ind.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ill.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mich.	0	0	1,417	0	1,417	0	1,779	0
Wis.	6,981	15,353	0	0	6,981	15,353	0	0
E.N.C.	8,469	19,211	2,434	0	10,903	19,211	9,897	11,137
Minn.	11,861	21,729	511	14	12,372	21,743	1,975	2,291
Iowa	0	0	0	928	0	928	0	0
Mo.	694	0	4,301	0	4,995	0	0	0
N.Dak.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.Dak.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nebr.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kans.	2,228	676	2,772	10,044	5,000	10,720	5,000	872
W.N.C.	14,783	22,405	7,584	10,985	22,367	33,391	6,975	3,163
Del.	0	28	0	0	0	28	0	0
Md.	41	1,189	0	185	41	1,374	0	0
Va.	0	43	278	0	278	43	5,969	6,015
W.Va.	0	0	12	6	12	6	0	13
N.C.	0	0	10,446	736	10,446	736	0	0
S.C.	59	0	0	409	59	409	0	0
Ga.	0	0	130	0	130	0	0	3,295
Fla.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.A.	100	1,260	10,866	1,336	10,966	2,596	5,969	9,323
Ky.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tenn.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ala.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miss.	0	0	0	16	0	16	0	0
E.S.C.	0	0	0	16	0	16	0	0
Ark.	0	0	1,175	0	1,175	0	0	0
La.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Okla.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,616
Texas	4,827	0	911	0	5,738	0	5,217	0
W.S.C.	4,827	0	2,086	0	6,913	0	5,217	1,616
Mont.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wyo.	0	---	0	---	0	---	0	---
Colo.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.Mex.	0	---	0	---	0	---	0	---
Ariz.	0	---	0	---	0	---	0	---
Utah	0	0	5,764	5,747	5,764	5,747	0	0
Nev.	0	---	0	---	0	---	0	---
Mount.	0	0	5,764	5,747	5,764	5,747	0	0
Wash.	0	0	117	1,549	117	1,549	0	0
Oreg.	0	0	207	53	207	53	0	519
Calif.	2,153	6,241	4,596	2,503	6,849	8,844	0	2,866
Pac.	2,153	6,241	5,020	4,205	7,173	10,446	0	3,385
U.S.	39,628	55,280	37,192	25,338	76,820	80,968	28,575	28,624

Turkeys tested by official State agencies

State and division	July through March							
	Heavy white breeds:		Other heavy breeds:		Total all heavy breeds:		Light breeds	
	1958-59	1959-60	1958-59	1959-60	1958-59	1959-60	1958-59	1959-60
	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number
Maine	2,499	567	0	0	2,499	567	0	0
N.H.	13,809	13,488	543	140	14,352	13,628	123	0
Vt.	3,446	726	765	1,065	4,211	1,791	0	0
Mass.	8,745	12,993	9,361	5,482	18,106	18,475	0	0
R.I.	525	581	0	0	525	581	0	0
Conn.	15,766	17,631	2,047	1,143	17,813	18,774	18	1,266
N.E.	44,790	45,986	12,716	7,830	57,506	53,816	141	1,266
N.Y.	21,491	21,256	5,472	145	26,963	21,401	0	40
N.J.	1,988	1,805	3,242	4,832	5,230	6,637	323	104
Pa.	9,656	8,559	14,765	12,102	24,421	20,661	2,327	1,197
M.A.	33,135	31,620	23,479	17,079	56,614	48,699	2,650	1,341
Ohio	67,252	75,809	54,906	27,466	122,158	103,275	89,109	53,969
Ind.	0	2,320	29,402	12,454	29,402	14,774	0	858
Ill.	6,351	6,171	18,517	20,425	24,868	26,596	3,063	1,641
Mich.	6,789	12,865	86,809	65,139	93,598	78,004	2,396	3,070
Wis.	85,803	92,554	10,825	0	96,628	92,554	0	0
E.N.C.	166,195	189,719	200,459	125,484	366,654	315,203	94,568	59,538
Minn.	261,933	265,300	195,938	213,764	457,871	479,064	79,137	56,274
Iowa	33,822	15,854	138,712	141,251	172,534	157,105	15,132	5,889
Mo.	22,085	20,317	145,215	117,946	167,300	138,263	11,717	7,223
N.Dak.	5,434	10	17,646	16,722	23,080	16,732	0	0
S.Dak.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,595	923
Nebr.	2,060	1,000	35,768	23,729	37,828	24,729	338	--
Kans.	12,322	12,779	20,575	18,890	32,897	31,669	5,000	872
W.N.C.	337,656	315,260	553,854	532,302	891,510	847,562	112,919	71,181
Del.	0	28	623	574	623	702	0	0
Md.	1,773	1,798	10,961	5,059	12,734	6,857	55	0
Va.	15,061	32,085	56,355	15,155	71,416	47,240	176,908	103,176
W.Va.	0	2,313	1,378	126	1,378	2,439	14,658	9,879
N.C.	1,527	4,935	61,477	71,268	63,004	76,203	0	0
S.C.	13,103	10,551	31,219	25,399	44,322	35,950	0	0
Ga.	0	665	8,818	11,018	8,818	11,683	0	3,295
Fla.	1,294	0	10,646	8,414	11,940	8,414	1,522	1,686
S.A.	32,758	52,375	181,477	137,113	214,235	189,488	193,143	118,036
Ky.	1,712	3,148	28,259	23,346	29,971	26,494	0	0
Tenn.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ala.	288	1,450	1,209	1,994	1,497	3,444	416	336
Miss.	892	1,343	1,869	16	2,761	1,359	1,862	0
E.S.C.	2,892	5,941	31,337	25,356	34,229	31,297	2,278	336
Ark.	20,164	4,414	34,052	24,162	54,216	28,576	12,551	4,723
La.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Okla.	12,854	9,312	41,752	35,192	54,606	44,504	12,398	2,737
Texas	76,185	59,087	221,027	141,183	297,212	200,270	77,866	38,773
W.S.C.	109,203	72,813	296,831	200,537	406,034	273,350	102,815	46,233
Mont.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	0	0	0	4,000	0	4,000	0	2,000
Wyo.	0	---	0	---	0	---	0	---
Colo.	720	0	6,257	2,508	6,977	2,508	0	0
N.Mex.	0	4,541	0	---	0	4,541	0	---
Ariz.	0	---	4,879	---	4,879	---	0	---
Utah	2,593	0	40,825	61,221	43,418	61,221	0	0
Nev.	0	---	0	---	0	---	0	---
Mount.	3,313	4,541	51,961	67,729	55,274	72,270	0	2,000
Wash.	120	117	40,973	27,177	41,093	27,294	0	0
Oreg.	1,781	916	193,899	182,993	195,680	183,909	36,798	26,402
Calif.	80,729	111,756	780,422	743,926	861,151	855,682	20,543	23,256
Pac.	82,630	112,789	1,015,294	954,096	1,097,924	1,066,885	57,341	49,658
U.S.	812,572	831,044	2,367,408	2,067,526	3,179,980	2,898,570	565,855	349,589

Turkeys tested by official State agencies - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative			
	1958-59	1959-60	Percent change from last year	1958-59	1959-60	Change from last year	
	Number	Number	Percent	Number	Number	Number	Percent
<b>Heavy white breeds</b>							
July	59,571	82,681	+ 39	59,571	82,681	+ 23,110	+ 39
August	48,640	48,948	+ 1	108,211	131,629	+ 23,418	+ 22
September	73,379	59,130	- 19	181,590	190,759	+ 9,169	+ 5
October	104,499	97,742	- 6	286,089	288,501	+ 2,412	+ 1
November	93,130	101,565	+ 9	379,219	390,066	+ 10,847	+ 3
December	139,277	161,494	+ 16	518,496	551,560	+ 33,064	+ 6
January	155,065	1/138,641	- 11	673,561	690,201	+ 16,640	+ 2
February	99,383	1/85,563	- 14	772,944	775,764	+ 2,820	--
March	39,628	55,280	+ 39	812,572	831,044	+ 18,472	+ 2
April	26,565			839,137			
May	52,007			891,144			
June	66,177			957,321			
<b>Other heavy breeds</b>							
July	16,897	24,594	+ 46	16,897	24,594	+ 7,697	+ 46
August	92,548	59,298	- 36	109,445	83,892	- 25,553	- 23
September	161,637	177,044	+ 10	271,082	260,935	- 10,146	- 4
October	506,277	364,820	- 28	777,359	625,756	-151,603	- 20
November	500,565	1/470,989	- 6	1,277,924	1,096,745	-181,179	- 14
December	513,431	546,221	+ 6	1,791,355	1,642,966	-148,389	- 8
January	344,255	1/315,075	- 8	2,135,610	1,958,041	-177,569	- 8
February	194,606	1/83,797	- 57	2,330,216	2,041,838	-288,378	- 12
March	37,192	25,688	- 31	2,367,408	2,067,526	-299,882	- 13
April	9,280			2,376,688			
May	8,528			2,385,216			
June	12,596			2,397,812			
<b>Total all heavy breeds</b>							
July	76,468	107,275	+ 40	76,468	107,275	+ 30,807	+ 40
August	141,188	108,246	- 23	217,656	215,521	- 2,135	- 1
September	235,016	236,174	--	452,672	451,695	- 977	--
October	610,776	462,562	- 24	1,063,448	914,257	-149,191	- 14
November	593,695	1/572,554	- 4	1,657,143	1,486,811	-170,332	- 10
December	652,708	707,715	+ 8	2,309,851	2,194,526	-115,325	- 5
January	499,320	453,716	- 9	2,809,171	2,648,242	-160,929	- 6
February	293,989	169,360	- 42	3,103,160	2,817,602	-285,558	- 9
March	76,820	80,968	+ 5	3,179,980	2,898,570	-281,410	- 9
April	35,845			3,215,825			
May	60,535			3,276,360			
June	78,773			3,355,133			

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Turkeys tested by official State agencies - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative			
	1958-59	1959-60	Percent change from last year	1958-59	1959-60	Change from last year	
	Number	Number	Percent	Number	Number	Number	Percent
<u>Light breeds:</u>							
July	39,143	45,233	+ 16	39,143	45,233	+ 6,090	+ 16
August	71,483	20,812	- 71	110,626	65,045	- 44,581	- 40
September	94,372	35,974	- 62	204,998	102,019	-102,979	- 50
October	74,070	34,359	- 54	279,068	136,378	-142,690	- 51
November	39,684	<sup>1</sup> /18,534	- 53	318,752	154,912	-163,840	- 51
December	74,324	61,342	- 17	393,076	216,254	-176,822	- 45
January	66,923	47,719	- 29	459,999	263,973	-196,026	- 43
February	77,281	56,992	- 26	537,280	320,965	-216,315	- 40
March	28,575	28,624	---	565,855	349,589	-216,266	- 38
April	20,483			586,338			
May	22,967			609,305			
June	12,474			621,779			
<u>Total all breeds</u>							
July	115,611	152,508	+ 32	115,611	152,508	+ 36,897	+ 32
August	212,671	129,058	- 39	328,282	281,566	- 46,716	- 14
September	329,388	272,148	- 17	657,670	553,714	-103,956	- 16
October	684,846	496,921	- 27	1,342,516	1,050,535	-291,881	- 22
November	633,379	591,088	- 7	1,975,895	1,641,723	-334,172	- 17
December	727,032	769,057	+ 6	2,702,927	2,410,780	-292,147	- 11
January	566,243	501,435	- 11	3,269,170	2,912,215	-356,955	- 11
February	371,270	226,352	- 39	3,640,440	3,138,567	-501,873	- 14
March	105,395	109,592	+ 4	3,745,835	3,248,159	-497,676	- 13
April	56,328			3,802,163			
May	83,502			3,885,665			
June	91,247			3,976,912			

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Chickens tested by official State agencies

State	During March			
	For broiler production		Egg-type chickens	
	1959	1960	1959	1960
	Number	Number	Number	Number
Maine	151,149	79,721	9,871	2,896
N.H.	32,787	24,731	---	0
Vt.	14,018	9,784	---	39
Mass.	33,209	12,167	12,488	4,312
R.I.	1,734	0	---	374
Conn.	7,255	7,240	16,502	7,949
N.Y.	14,051	3,578	19,030	8,999
N.J.	4,745	0	7,793	5,057
Pa.	54,197	30,118	14,639	9,461
Ohio	26,073	6,915	---	5,772
Ind.	132,416	82,082	25,797	8,313
Ill.	2,666	7,835	11,108	24,445
Mich.	10,134	4,181	6,658	8,954
Wis.	10,198	21,664	15,028	9,402
Minn.	7,133	3,422	111,513	102,598
Iowa	4,487	0	9,068	8,261
Mo.	45,030	44,097	9,746	27,321
N.Dak.	---	0	---	0
S.Dak.	4,795	0	12,581	13,338
Nebr.	7,140	288	16,004	15,898
Kans.	8,887	1,393	32,904	13,258
Del.	41,410	29,272	---	0
Md.	12,099	8,118	4,683	6,177
Va.	101,087	108,386	1,889	1,784
W.Va.	14,117	2,669	40	0
N.C.	430,169	290,545	3,732	17,638
S.C.	7,325	11,004	514	1,836
Ga.	400,437	297,856	4,994	7,801
Fla.	16,421	1,814	3,514	11,777
Ky.	16,121	2,789	4,350	3,305
Tenn.	42,463	39,531	3,530	7,159
Ala.	158,461	164,831	---	111
Miss.	188,937	156,958	7,074	2,213
Ark.	151,446	178,722	330	0
La.	51,868	28,000	---	0
Okla.	223	587	6,806	2,934
Texas	18,598	17,301	30,736	11,815
Mont.	---	0	---	0
Idaho	---	0	1,034	899
Wyo.	---	---	---	---
Colo.	---	0	---	0
N.Mex.	---	---	---	---
Ariz.	---	---	---	---
Utah	78	6,701	533	482
Nev.	---	---	---	---
Wash.	8,456	12,090	13,358	6,828
Oreg.	18,030	14,154	660	2,177
Calif.	70,452	20,625	9,886	12,352
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,320,302</b>	<b>1,731,169</b>	<b>1/</b>	<b>373,935</b>

1/ See page 8 for 1959 and 1960 comparable totals.

Chickens tested by official State agencies

State	July through March			
	For broiler production		Egg-type chickens	
	1958-59	1959-60	1958-59	1959-60
	Number	Number	Number	Number
Maine	1,530,255	1,020,389	377,483	267,870
N.H.	837,353	538,775	9,581	10,010
Vt.	116,078	91,004	60,630	72,176
Mass.	451,365	264,116	439,200	372,850
R.I.	21,920	12,553	18,592	19,981
Conn.	261,490	174,096	336,785	256,508
N.Y.	107,673	69,671	496,161	419,610
N.J.	85,237	63,987	558,233	457,180
Pa.	757,890	720,624	612,704	568,411
Ohio	301,234	230,943	---	566,325
Ind.	1,474,630	1,384,246	929,916	735,649
Ill.	247,814	109,400	1,135,400	1,024,812
Mich.	94,768	62,775	294,863	220,560
Wis.	253,191	171,617	246,378	190,638
Minn.	134,312	90,452	1,663,680	1,392,192
Iowa	334,270	127,630	1,267,138	1,097,983
Mo.	1,296,741	1,219,263	645,664	520,982
N.Dak.	9,574	553	130,572	199,785
S.Dak.	9,681	0	250,190	232,078
Nebr.	91,859	42,468	365,760	318,457
Kans.	188,801	129,527	304,179	218,681
Del.	459,795	470,128	---	189
Md.	241,391	202,737	85,713	55,737
Va.	889,442	846,784	93,717	84,584
W.Va.	131,855	71,421	28,887	25,802
N.C.	2,610,792	2,486,126	152,842	245,236
S.C.	211,360	250,545	54,758	64,097
Ga.	3,633,467	3,563,141	305,007	275,263
Fla.	115,631	80,987	131,460	102,717
Ky.	296,619	213,324	109,890	85,020
Tenn.	251,313	257,510	140,157	120,168
Ala.	1,099,479	1,280,576	87,924	73,463
Miss.	951,970	1,137,652	59,266	59,047
Ark.	1,006,643	1,051,447	40,505	59,852
La.	265,780	225,450	29,953	17,094
Okla.	119,873	132,597	75,681	71,748
Texas	220,366	102,330	250,939	218,445
Mont.	16,959	15,624	63,779	60,285
Idaho	20,633	45,801	34,368	36,176
Wyo.	---	---	3,096	4,509
Colo.	20,869	3,556	40,645	48,096
N.Mex.	---	---	---	---
Ariz.	6,948	1,579	8,087	9,338
Utah	28,172	28,921	56,919	44,766
Nev.	---	---	---	---
Wash.	134,864	138,298	227,245	244,213
Oreg.	338,239	234,258	142,181	121,005
Calif.	365,701	303,456	108,073	99,367
Total	22,044,297	19,668,337	1/	11,388,955

1/ See page 8 for 1958-59 and 1959-60 comparable totals.

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Chickens tested by State agencies - comparable totals

Month	By months			Cumulative			
	1958-59	1959-60	% change from last year:	1958-59	1959-60	Change from last year	
	Number	Number	Percent	Number	Number	Number	Percent
For broiler production							
July	1,628,129	1,537,073	- 6	1,628,129	1,537,073	- 91,056	- 6
August	1,599,159	1,919,301	+ 20	3,227,288	3,456,374	+ 229,086	+ 7
September	2,650,308	2,377,312	- 10	5,877,596	5,833,686	- 43,910	- 1
October	3,125,447	2,885,886	- 8	9,003,043	8,719,572	- 283,471	- 3
November	2,954,061	2,673,057	- 10	11,957,104	11,392,629	- 564,475	- 5
December	2,801,459	2,484,566	- 11	14,758,563	13,877,195	- 881,368	- 6
January	2,601,927	2,316,817	- 11	17,360,490	16,194,012	-1,166,478	- 7
February	2,363,505	1,743,156	- 26	19,723,995	17,937,168	-1,786,827	- 9
March	2,320,302	1,731,169	- 25	22,044,297	19,668,337	-2,375,960	-11
April	1,930,848			23,975,145			
May	1,647,255			25,622,400			
June	1,609,452			27,231,852			
Egg-type chickens <sup>1/</sup>							
July	500,558	443,579	- 11	500,558	443,579	- 56,979	-11
August	602,001	587,827	- 2	1,102,559	1,031,406	- 71,153	- 6
September	1,269,046	1,006,977	- 21	2,371,605	2,038,383	- 333,222	-14
October	2,358,549	1,947,238	- 17	4,730,154	3,985,621	- 744,533	-16
November	2,388,479	2,025,586	- 15	7,118,633	6,011,207	-1,107,426	-16
December	2,497,300	2,378,583	- 5	9,615,933	8,389,790	-1,226,143	-13
January	1,658,650	1,257,826	- 24	11,274,583	9,647,616	-1,626,967	-14
February	771,225	<sup>2/</sup> 806,851	+ 5	12,045,808	10,454,467	-1,591,341	-13
March	428,393	368,163	- 14	12,474,201	10,822,630	-1,651,571	-13
April	270,594			12,744,795			
May	253,846			12,998,641			
June	328,077			13,326,718			

<sup>1/</sup> All States except Ohio.

<sup>2/</sup> Revised.