# **Turkeys**



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#### Turkeys Raised 1 Percent Above 1993

The preliminary estimate of turkeys raised in the United States during 1994 is 292 million. 1 percent above the 288 million raised during 1993. If realized, this total will represent a new record high, surpassing the previous record high of 289 million set in 1992.

The following six States are expected to account for two-thirds of the turkeys produced in the United States during 1994:

**North Carolina** is forecast to continue as the nation's leader in turkey production with 61.0 million birds, down 5 percent from the January 1994 Intentions but unchanged from 1993.

**Minnesota** ranks second with 42.5 million, up 5 percent from January Intentions and up 1 percent from a year ago.

**Arkansas** is expected to take third place by producing 25.0 million birds. This is down 4 percent from January Intentions but unchanged from a year ago.

**Virginia** is expected to replace California as the nation's forth largest producing State with 22.5 million birds, up 5 percent from January Intentions and 7 percent above a year ago.

California drops to fifth place with 22.0 million birds, down 2 percent from January Intentions and 2 percent below 1993.

**Missouri** ranks sixth with 21.5 million, down 2 percent from January Intentions but 2 percent above a year earlier.

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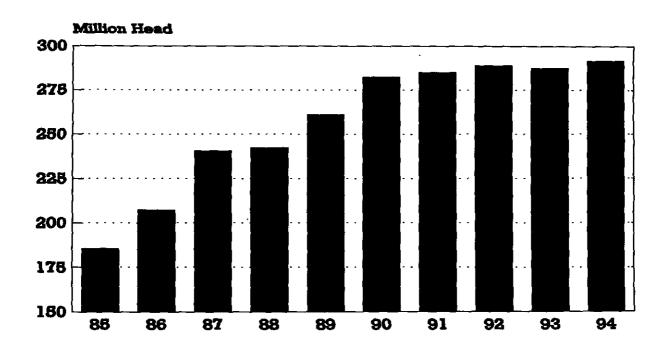
Turkeys: Number Raised by Selected States and United States, 1993-94

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State :	1993 <u>1</u> /	: 1994	:	1993	
:	1.0	000 Head		Percent	
AR :	25,000	25,000		100	
CA :	22.500	22,000		98	
CO :	4,700	4,400		94	
CT :	30	25		83	
GA :	1,470	1,200		82	
IL :	3.600	3,700		103	
IN :	14 600	13,300		91	
IA :	8,400	8,700		104	
KS :	1,230	1,600		130	
MD <u>2</u> / :	160	120		75	
MA ;	150	160		107	
MN :	42,000	42.500		101	
MO :	21,000	21,500		102	
NE :	2.550	2,800		110	
NH :	20	15		75	
NJ :	90	95		106	
NY :	480	470		98	
NC :	61,000	61,000		100	
ND :	1.150	1,100		96	
OH :	5,600	5,900		105	
OR ;	520	<u>3</u> /			
PA :	8,600	10.500		122	
SC :	6.550	6.400		98	
SD :	2.500	2,550		102	
UT :	3.850	4,200		109	
VA :	21,000	22,500		107	
WV :	4,300	4,700		109	
Oth Sts <u>4</u> / :	24,600	25.315		103	
US :	287.650	291.750		101	

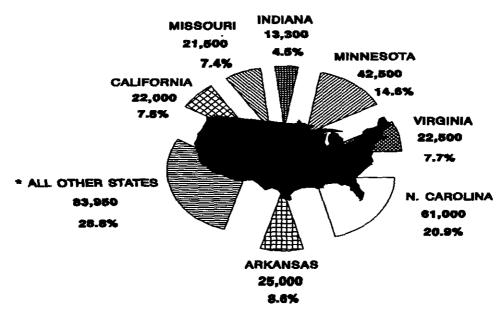
<sup>1/</sup> Revised.
2/ Includes DE.
3/ Included in Other States.

<sup>4/</sup> MI, OK, TX, and WI combined to avoid disclosing individual operations. Includes OR for 1994.

### Number of Turkeys Raised United States, 1985-94



### Turkeys Raised, 1994 (1,000 Head)



\* All other States Include: CO,CT,DE, GA,IA,IL,KS,MA,MD,MI,ND,NE,NH,NJ, NY,OH,OK,OR,PA,SC,SD,TX,UT,WI,WV. U.S. TOTAL 291,750

#### Turkeys Raised Estimates

Data Sources: The Turkey Hatchery Survey provides the basis for the preliminary Turkeys Raised estimate published in August. Turkey hatchery estimates are made in 20 States each month and provide the number of eggs in incubators and poults placed in production. Another seven States survey hatcheries periodically to collect data for the Turkey Raised estimates and for the "Annual Hatchery Summary". Data on poults placed into the United States from Canadian hatcheries are also included in the preliminary estimate.

Estimation Procedures: Turkeys Raised preliminary estimates include young turkeys intended for meat production, as well as breeder turkeys which reached maturity during the calendar year. These estimates exclude turkeys lost to disease or those destroyed. Placement of turkey poults from the monthly Turkey Hatchery Survey provide the basis for the preliminary estimates published in August. Final estimates, published in January, use indications from the December Growers Survey in addition to updated hatchery data. Other indications for the final estimates are obtained from monthly slaughter totals and check-off data provided by individual State turkey or poultry associations.

Generally, individual State data are not published if there are less than three operations in a State, or if any one operation has 60 percent or more of the total turkeys in the State. These data are combined into the "Other States" category.

Reliability: Turkeys raised preliminary estimates are based on a census of known active hatcheries and, therefore, have no sampling variability. However, estimates may be subject to errors such as omissions, duplication, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing of the data. These errors are minimized through strict quality controls in the edit and summarization process, and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

Revision Policy: Estimates for the previous year are subject to revision when preliminary raised estimates are made in August. Revisions are primarily based on updated hatchery and slaughter data, and at the U.S. level, are usually less than one-half of one percent of the final estimate published in January. Estimates are also reviewed after data from the Department of Commerce's five-year Census of Agriculture are available. No revisions are made after that date.

The next "Turkeys" report will be released in January 1995.

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