

COMMERCIAL BROILERS

Production in 22 States - 1961

February 1, 1962

The preliminary estimates of commercial broiler production during 1961 in the 22 States covered by weekly chick placement reports total 1,841,753,000 birds--up 12 percent from the number produced in 1960 and the largest of record for these States. These 22 States produced 92 percent of the Nation's broilers in 1960. Of the 22 States, 6 produced fewer broilers than in 1960, but increases in the other States particularly the sharp increases in Missouri, North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, and Texas resulted in an over-all increase of 196 million birds.

Georgia, the leading State, produced 348,200,000 broilers in 1961, followed by Arkansas with 229,104,000, Alabama with 198,146,000, North Carolina with 183,200,000, Mississippi with 135,683,000, Texas with 123,043,000, and Maryland with 107,953,000.

The average price received for the 1961 production was 13.8 cents per pound live weight--3.1 cents per pound below the average price per pound received in 1960. The gross income in 1961 from the production of broilers in the 22 States totaled \$864,018,000, compared with \$918,578,000 a year earlier. The average live weight per bird produced averaged 3.4 pounds in 1961, compared with 3.3 pounds in 1960.

COMMERCIAL BROILER PRODUCTION AND GROSS INCOME IN 22 STATES, 1960-1961 1/									
State	1960				1961 2/				
and	Number	Pounds	Price	Gross	Number	Pounds	Price	Gross	
Total	produced	produced	per lb.	income 3/	produced	produced	per lb.	income 3/	
	Thou.	Thou.	Cents	dollars	Thou.	Thou.	Cents	dollars	
Maine	54,148	211,177	17.7	37,378	58,480	228,072	15.9	36,263	
Conn.	22,184	75,426	17.9	13,501	19,966	69,881	15.7	10,971	
Pa.	37,725	139,582	18.9	26,381	38,849	147,626	16.9	24,949	
Ind.	36,102	122,747	17.0	20,867	38,472	130,805	13.5	17,659	
Ill.	5,487	17,558	17.4	3,055	4,995	16,983	14.4	2,446	
Mo.	31,750	101,600	16.3	16,561	41,950	134,240	13.8	18,525	
Del.	91,343	337,969	17.6	59,483	90,430	334,591	14.9	49,854	
Md.	102,812	380,404	17.6	66,951	107,953	399,426	14.9	59,514	
Va.	54,511	168,984	16.7	28,220	52,331	162,226	14.0	22,712	
W. Va.	24,772	81,748	17.1	13,979	23,126	78,628	14.1	11,087	
N. C.	156,600	516,780	16.0	82,685	183,200	622,880	13.0	80,974	
S. C.	17,480	57,684	16.3	9,402	20,143	68,486	13.5	9,246	
Ga.	320,250	1,056,825	16.2	171,206	348,200	1,183,880	13.2	156,272	
Fla.	10,101	32,323	16.8	5,430	12,222	39,110	14.4	5,632	
Ala.	176,654	565,293	16.2	91,577	198,146	673,696	13.0	87,580	
Miss.	115,900	370,880	16.2	60,083	135,683	447,754	13.2	59,104	
Ark.	180,397	559,231	16.3	91,155	229,104	733,133	12.9	94,574	
La.	20,250	64,800	16.2	10,498	24,935	82,286	13.1	10,779	
Texas	105,203	336,650	16.7	56,221	123,043	406,042	13.6	55,222	
Wash.	15,505	52,717	19.1	10,069	15,815	53,771	16.6	8,926	
Oreg.	11,738	39,909	18.6	7,423	11,619	40,666	16.6	6,751	
Calif.	54,817	191,860	19.0	36,453	63,091	227,128	15.4	34,978	
	1,645,729		16.8		1,841,753		13.8		
Total	5,482,147			918,578	6,281,310			864,018	

1/ States having weekly chick placement reports. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Includes consumption in households of producers which is less than 1 percent of total production.

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