

Chickens

Number Raised - 1967

July 21, 1967

The number of chickens raised during 1967 in the United States (50 States) is expected to total 332,038,000 -- down 3 percent from 1966.

Compared with last year, chickens raised in 1967 are expected to decline in all regions except the South Atlantic which is expected to be 2 percent above 1966. Effected declines from 1966 are as follows: 4 percent in the North Atlantic, 3 percent in the East North Central, 8 percent in the West North Central, 2 percent in the South Central, and 1 percent in the West.

On February 1, egg producers reported plans to purchase 3 percent more replacement chicks and started pullets than in 1966. These intentions were not fully realized. Egg-type chicks hatched January through June totaled 348,071,000 -- 2 percent fewer than in the comparable period of 1966. Hatchings for the remainder of the year are expected to be slightly lower than the last half of 1966.

Prices received by farmers in mid-June for eggs averaged 27.4 cents per dozen nationally -- down 17 percent from mid-June 1966. With feed costs up from a year earlier and egg prices down, the egg-feed ratios are less favorable for producers. Egg production for the first half of 1967 was 6 percent above the comparable production for a year earlier. The number of layers in flocks on July 1, 1967 for the United States totaled 307,906,000 -- 5 percent above the same date a year ago.

Chickens: Number Raised on Farms

State and division :	1961-65 average :	1963 :	1964 :	1965 :	1966 :	1967 :	1967 as % of 1966
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
Maine	5,230	5,171	4,809	5,290	5,819	6,110	105
N.H.	2,136	2,151	1,957	2,016	2,117	2,011	95
Vt.	707	706	621	571	582	524	90
Mass.	2,875	2,869	2,553	2,553	2,706	2,490	92
R.I.	418	423	389	393	393	365	93
Conn.	3,874	4,049	3,725	3,800	3,762	3,612	96
N.Y.	8,481	8,642	9,161	8,978	10,325	10,209	99
N.J.	5,890	6,117	5,199	4,211	5,053	4,042	80
Pa.	15,145	15,043	14,291	13,719	14,679	14,090	96
N.Atl.	44,756	45,171	42,705	41,531	45,436	43,453	96
Ohio	10,959	11,465	11,580	9,959	10,756	9,680	90
Ind.	12,736	12,241	12,853	11,696	13,216	14,046	106
Ill.	8,915	8,527	8,271	7,775	8,552	8,152	95
Mich.	6,007	5,911	6,266	5,639	6,147	5,901	96
Wis.	6,177	6,029	6,029	5,125	5,484	4,936	90
E.N.Cent.	44,793	44,173	44,999	40,194	44,155	42,715	97
Minn.	13,553	13,107	12,583	10,318	12,175	10,507	86
Iowa	19,955	19,636	17,869	16,082	15,439	14,976	97
Mo.	8,879	8,197	7,869	7,239	8,470	8,301	98
N.Dak.	2,395	2,308	1,985	1,588	1,731	1,575	91
S.Dak.	6,785	6,514	6,318	5,686	6,596	5,804	88
Nebr.	7,233	6,916	6,736	5,998	6,778	5,761	85
Kans.	5,914	5,621	5,115	4,859	5,199	4,731	91
W.N.Cent.	64,715	62,299	58,475	51,770	56,388	51,655	92
Del.	830	822	740	673	747	695	93
Md.	1,894	2,027	1,763	1,587	1,650	1,650	100
Va.	6,090	6,085	6,146	5,716	6,745	6,070	90
W.Va.	1,512	1,488	1,324	1,258	1,321	1,202	91
N.C.	14,139	14,422	14,566	13,838	14,668	15,108	103
S.C.	5,794	5,542	4,932	5,179	6,577	6,774	103
Ge.	19,818	21,238	22,300	22,300	27,875	28,154	101
Fla.	6,980	7,051	8,250	8,332	9,832	10,914	111
S.Atl.	57,058	58,675	60,021	58,883	69,415	70,567	102
Ky.	3,479	3,401	3,265	3,134	3,134	2,915	93
Tenn.	4,254	4,203	4,035	3,995	4,874	4,874	100
Ala.	10,859	10,115	11,835	12,900	14,577	14,285	98
Miss.	9,302	9,087	10,359	11,291	13,549	13,549	100
Ark.	9,955	9,182	11,386	13,322	18,651	18,838	101
La.	3,835	3,557	3,699	3,884	4,467	4,378	98
Okla.	3,080	3,101	2,853	2,539	2,768	2,989	108
Texas	14,371	14,006	14,006	14,146	17,258	16,223	94
S.Cent.	59,134	56,652	61,438	65,211	79,278	78,051	98
Mont.	1,268	1,175	1,093	984	1,082	1,028	95
Idaho	1,369	1,461	1,154	1,050	998	948	95
Wyo.	248	262	220	191	185	179	97
Colo.	1,151	1,054	1,012	1,052	1,136	1,071	94
N.Mex.	665	632	613	662	722	722	100
Ariz.	948	982	913	913	1,059	1,260	119
Utah	1,050	983	894	983	1,160	1,056	91
Nev.	70	68	60	48	47	36	77
Wash.	4,642	4,624	4,716	4,433	4,610	4,794	104
Oreg.	2,692	2,312	2,404	2,164	2,229	2,388	107
Calif.	32,663	32,661	33,967	30,570	32,099	31,457	98
West.	46,766	46,214	47,046	43,050	45,327	44,939	99
48 State :							
Total... :	317,222	313,184	314,684	300,639	339,999	331,380	97
Alaska	29	19	33	47	34	30	88
Hawaii	776	812	814	749	748	628	84
U. S.	318,027	314,015	315,531	301,435	340,781	332,038	97