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TURKEYS AND CHICKENS TESTED BY OFFICIAL STATE AGENCIES JULY 1955

Turkeys Tested

The number of heavy breed turkeys tested for pullorum disease during July totaled 31,170 compared with 30,247 in July last year. Light breed turkeys tested during July totaled 31,621 compared with 78,588 in July last year.

CHICKENS TESTED

The hot July weather prevailing throughout most of the country drastically curtailed the testing of chickens during the month. In the 32 States for which comparisons are available, 654,925 chickens for supplying broiler hatching eggs were tested during July -- 53 per cent less than a year earlier.

The number tested for other purposes during July totaled 223,732 compared with 365,718 during July last year -- a decrease of 39 per cent.

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TURKEYS TESTED BY OFFICIAL STATE AGENCIES

State and Division	During July					
	Heavy breeds		Light breeds		Total all breeds	
	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
	Number					
Maine	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.H.	0	0	155	0	155	0
Vt.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mass.	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.I.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Conn.	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.E.	0	0	155	0	155	0
N.Y.	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.J.	0	0	1,112	0	1,112	0
Pa.	380	0	745	0	1,125	0
M.A.	380	0	1,857	0	2,237	0
Ohio	0	0	10,310	0	10,310	0
Ind.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ill.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mich.	0	0	2,673	0	2,673	0
Wis.	0	2,251	0	1,118	0	3,369
E.N.C.	0	2,251	12,883	1,118	12,983	3,369
Minn.	13,417	11,233	13,487	4,217	26,904	25,450
Iowa	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mo.	0	0	0	2,381	0	2,381
N.Dak.	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.Dak.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nebr.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kans.	0	0	0	0	0	0
W.N.C.	13,417	11,233	13,487	16,598	26,904	27,831
Del.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Md.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Va.	0	298	18,521	3,786	18,521	4,084
W.Va.	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.C.	6,974	1,275	0	0	6,974	1,275
S.C.	0	3,640	0	0	0	3,640
Ga.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fla.	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.A.	6,974	5,213	18,521	3,786	25,495	8,999
Ky.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tenn.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ala.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miss.	0	0	0	0	0	0
E.S.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ark.	0	0	1,090	0	1,090	0
La.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Okla.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas	0	4,650	16,046	4,425	16,046	9,075
W.S.C.	0	4,650	17,136	4,425	17,136	9,075
Mont.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wyo.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colo.	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.Mex.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ariz.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Utah	0	0	493	0	493	0
Nev.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mount.	0	0	493	0	493	0
Wash.	0	0	1,782	0	1,782	0
Oreg.	0	0	9,315	3,985	9,315	3,985
Calif.	9,476	7,823	2,859	1,709	12,335	9,532
Pac.	9,476	7,823	13,956	5,694	23,432	13,517
U.S.	30,247	31,170	78,588	31,621	108,835	62,791

TURKEYS TESTED BY OFFICIAL STATE AGENCIES -- UNITED STATES

Heavy Breeds							
Month	Month			To date			
	1954-55	1955-56	% change from last year	1954-55	1955-56	Change from last year	Number : Percent
	Number			Number			
July	30,247	31,170	+ 3	30,247	31,170	+ 923	+ 3
August	48,150			78,397			
September	123,761			202,158			
October	382,846			585,004			
November	569,572			1,154,576			
December	632,817			1,787,393			
January	368,463			2,155,856			
February	131,790			2,287,646			
March	46,599			2,334,245			
April	11,556			2,345,801			
May	4,841			2,350,642			
June	30,167			2,380,809			

Light Breeds							
Month	Month			To date			
	1954-55	1955-56	% change from last year	1954-55	1955-56	Change from last year	Number : Percent
	Number			Number			
July	78,588	31,621	-60	78,588	31,621	-46,967	-60
August	68,142			146,730			
September	67,725			214,455			
October	43,555			258,010			
November	24,166			282,176			
December	73,096			355,272			
January	52,165			407,437			
February	71,931			479,368			
March	36,748			516,116			
April	21,986			538,102			
May	12,503			550,605			
June	23,845			574,450			

Total All Breeds							
Month	Month			To date			
	1954-55	1955-56	% change from last year	1954-55	1955-56	Change from last year	Number : Percent
	Number			Number			
July	108,835	62,791	-42	108,835	62,791	-46,044	-42
August	116,292			225,127			
September	191,486			416,613			
October	426,401			843,014			
November	593,738			1,436,752			
December	705,913			2,142,665			
January	420,628			2,563,293			
February	203,721			2,767,014			
March	83,347			2,850,361			
April	33,542			2,883,903			
May	17,344			2,901,247			
June	54,012			2,955,259			

CHICKENS TESTED BY OFFICIAL STATE AGENCIES 1/

States	During July		All other chickens	
	For broiler production 1954	1955	1954	1955
	Number			
Maine	---	67,080	---	5,338
N.H.	---	88,516	---	---
Vt.	---	22,569	---	2,548
Mass.	40,536	12,741	18,684	17,118
R.I.	797	2,047	1,976	---
Conn.	---	35,980	---	34,891
N.Y.	21,965	9,184	25,546	32,498
N.J.	15,980	17,510	78,763	62,906
Pa.	153,520	25,390	48,465	23,990
Ohio	---	5,131	---	---
Ind.	---	---	---	---
Ill.	19,868	39,960	47,868	---
Mich.	---	---	---	---
Wis.	21,095	6,014	408	---
Minn.	---	---	---	---
Iowa	---	---	---	---
Mo.	127,244	53,457	4,392	---
N.Dak.	905	---	---	---
S.Dak.	1,550	---	---	---
Nebr.	6,052	1,271	2,620	---
Kans.	---	---	---	---
Del.	81,137	32,691	2,245	---
Md.	36,211	18,743	9,148	10,668
Va.	105,524	59,811	354	861
W.Va.	6,942	19,251	209	1
N.C.	121,333	91,167	27,345	---
S.C.	16,186	7,686	1,661	---
Ga.	121,493	117,271	8,328	9,260
Fla.	17,508	10,151	8,608	14,500
Ky.	165,035	14,412	19,724	937
Tenn.	19,596	12,266	2,093	---
Ala.	40,599	11,756	11,310	4,294
Miss.	40,819	30,152	334	---
Ark.	20,297	7,790	---	---
La.	32,914	10,860	2,674	158
Okla.	---	---	---	---
Texas	---	6,776	---	16,478
Mont.	---	---	---	---
Idaho	---	1,626	---	---
Wyo.	---	---	---	494
Colo.	1,462	---	---	---
N.Mex.	---	---	---	---
Ariz.	---	---	---	---
Utah	521	---	---	---
Nev.	---	---	---	---
Wash.	51,252	14,687	12,068	18,428
Oreg.	51,906	21,056	14,298	15,289
Calif.	46,851	5,975	16,597	12,330
Total	---	880,977	---	282,987

1/Information not available for States not shown.

2/See page 5 for 1954-55 comparisons for 32 States.

CHICKENS TESTED BY STATE AGENCIES - COMPARABLE TOTAL FOR 32 STATES ^{1/}
 For Broiler Production

Month	Month		% change from	To date	To date		Change from last year	Number	Percent
	1954-55	1955-56			1954-55	1955-56			
July	1,387,098	<u>654,925</u>	-53	1,387,098	<u>654,925</u>	-732,173	-53		
August	1,594,982			2,982,080					
September	1,902,518			4,884,598					
October	1,914,763			6,799,361					
November	1,316,728			8,116,089					
December	1,012,982			9,129,071					
January	938,087			10,067,158					
February	645,843			10,713,001					
March	791,973			11,504,974					
April	734,619			12,239,593					
May	735,172			12,974,765					
June	819,876			13,974,641					

All Other Chickens Tested

Month	Month		% change from	To date	To date		Change from last year	Number	Percent
	1954-55	1955-56			1954-55	1955-56			
July	365,718	<u>223,732</u>	-39	365,718	<u>223,732</u>	-141,986	-39		
August	680,487			1,046,205					
September	1,634,720			2,680,925					
October	2,202,852			4,883,777					
November	1,701,418			6,585,195					
December	1,492,392			8,077,587					
January	916,226			8,993,813					
February	315,051			9,308,864					
March	129,944			9,438,808					
April	68,205			9,507,013					
May	56,444			9,563,457					
June	120,202			9,683,659					

^{1/} Mass., R.I., N.Y., N.J., Pa., Ill., Wisc., Mo., N.Dak., S.Dak., Nebr., Del.,
 Md., Va., W.Va., N.C., S.C., Ga., Fla., Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss., Ark., La., Idaho,
 Wyo., Colo., Utah, Wash., Oreg., Calif.