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EGG PRODUCTION AND LAYER NUMBERS

The nation's laying flock produced 5,651 million eggs during January--1 percent less than during the same month a year earlier, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Layers on hand during January averaged 295 million--2 percent below a year earlier. The average rate of lay during the month was up 1 percent from a year earlier to partially offset the fewer layers.

Layers on farms February 1, 1974 totaled 295 million--down 2 percent from the 300 million a year ago, and slightly below a month earlier. Rate of lay on February 1 averaged 62.0 eggs per 100 layers compared with 61.8 a year earlier and 61.6 a month ago.

SPECIAL IN THIS ISSUE

"Layer and egg production estimates for December 1971 through November 1973 have been reviewed and revised, if necessary, in accordance with the review procedure followed in recent years. The revised data are available in "Layers and Egg Production" Pou 2-4 (74) released February 20, 1974.

The egg production estimates in this issue are on the revised level. To complete the revised series, egg production during December 1973 and layers on hand January 1, 1974 have also been reviewed and revised, if necessary, and are published on pages 6 and 7 of this report".

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PULLET CHICKS FOR HATCHERY SUPPLY FLOCKS

Leading primary breeder placed 2.4 million pullet chicks in domestic broiler hatchery supply flocks during January--down 1 percent from January 1973. Domestic placements of pullet chicks December 1972 through August 1973 totaled 23.5 million--down 3 percent from the same period a year earlier. Total placements (domestic plus exports) during January were 2 percent below a year earlier.

Domestic placements of pullet chicks for egg-type hatchery supply flocks by the leading primary breeders totaled 306,000 during January--down 3 percent from January 1973. The August 1972 through August 1973 total of 5.2 million is 4 percent above a year earlier.

Placement data include pullet chicks sold during the month, plus pullet chicks expected from eggs sold the preceding month. The primary breeders included in this report account for a large percentage of replacement pullets for hatchery supply flocks.

Sales of replacement pullet chicks by these breeders provide an indication of the potential number of pullets available for addition to hatchery egg supply flocks several months before the pullets will actually move into the flocks.

HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Broiler-type chicks produced during January 1974 totaled 277 million, 6 percent more than the 262 million produced during January a year ago. The number of broiler-type eggs in incubators on February 1, 1974, at 228 million, was 4 percent above a year ago.

Egg-type chicks hatched during January totaled 35.5 million, down 9 percent from the 39.2 million produced a year ago. Eggs in incubators on February 1, 1974, at 36.6 million, was 5 percent below a year ago.

The commercial hatch of turkey poults during January was 13 percent above a year ago. The hatch of heavy breeds was up 14 percent from the same month last year and the light breeds hatched were up 2 percent.

There were 10.9 million poults hatched during January. Of these poults, about 9.6 million were heavy breed turkeys and 1.3 million were light breeds.

The number of turkey eggs in incubators on February 1, 1974, at 20.6 million, was 4 percent above a year earlier. Eggs for heavy breed turkeys were up 5 percent but light breeds decreased 2 percent from last year.

CHICKENS AND TURKEYS IN FLOCKS TESTED FOR PULLORUM-TYPHOID

Chickens in broiler flocks tested for pullorum-typhoid during January totaled 1.8 million, down 16 percent from January 1973. Chickens in egg-type breeder flocks tested during January 1974 totaled 662 thousand, up 9 percent from last January.

Heavy breed turkeys in flocks tested during January totaled 242 thousand, 7 percent above January 1973. Testings July through January were 2.5 million, an increase 7 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Light breed turkeys in flocks tested totaled less than 10 thousand, substantially less than January 1973. The number in flocks tested July through January was 196 thousand, a decrease of one fifth from the corresponding period a year ago.

Testings summarized in this report are tabulations of records from official State Testing Agencies and include all birds in flocks tested. The degree of coverage may vary from month to month and from State to State. The preparation of these data is a cooperative effort of the Poultry Improvement Staff of the Agricultural Research Service, official State Agencies participating in the National Poultry Improvement Plan and the Estimates Division of the Statistical Reporting Service.

UNITED STATES

Item	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973	
	Thousands		Percent	
<u>Egg Production During January</u>				
Number layers during month	300,099	294,893	98	
Eggs per 100 layers (number)	1,901	1,916	101	
Total eggs produced (million)	5,706	5,651	99	
<u>Layers and Rate of Lay on February 1</u>				
Number of layers on hand	299,516	294,819	98	
Eggs per day per 100 layers (number)	61.3	62.0	100	
<u>Forced Molt Layers, 17 States, Feb. 1</u>	Percent			
Percent being molted	2.6	3.0		
Percent with molt completed	10.6	3.8		
<u>Pullet Chicks Placed in Hatchery</u>	Thousands			
<u>Supply Flocks (domestic)</u>				
Broiler-type	:During January	2,390	2,372	99
	: 6-14 mos. prev. 1/	24,309	23,481	97
Egg-type	:During January	314	306	97
	: 6-18 mos. prev. 1/	4,958	5,170	104
<u>Hatchery Production</u>				
Broiler-type chicks	:During January	261,613	277,281	106
Egg-type chicks	:During January	39,245	35,547	91
Heavy Breed poults	:During January	8,340	9,545	114
Light breed poults	:During January	1,293	1,322	102
All turkey poults	:During January	9,633	10,867	113
<u>Chicken Eggs in Incubators on Feb. 1</u>				
Broiler-type		218,183	227,742	104
Egg-type		38,669	36,576	95
<u>Turkey Eggs in Incubators on Feb. 1</u>				
Heavy breeds		18,109	18,980	105
Light breeds		1,636	1,602	98
All breeds		19,745	20,582	104
<u>Chickens Tested for Pullorum-typhoid</u>				
Broiler-type	:During January	2,196	1,837	84
Egg-type	:During January	605	662	109
<u>Turkeys Tested for Pullorum-typhoid</u>				
Heavy breeds	:During January	227	242	107
	: July thru January	2,333	2,439	107
Light breeds	:During January	44	10	22
	: July thru January	249	196	79
All breeds	:During January	271	252	93
	: July thru January	2,582	2,686	104

1/ See page 8 footnotes 2 and 3.

January Egg Production

State	Number of layers		Eggs per 100 layers		Total eggs produced	
	on hand during Jan.		during Jan.		during Jan.	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Thousands		Number		Millions	
Alabama	13,060	13,200	1,885	1,866	246	246
Arkansas	15,875	15,910	1,928	1,934	306	308
California	34,893	36,631	1,832	1,841	639	674
Connecticut	4,335	4,040	1,941	1,907	84	77
Florida	12,191	12,551	2,006	1,975	245	248
Georgia	25,009	26,589	1,885	1,975	471	525
Illinois	7,422	6,865	1,891	1,848	140	127
Indiana	11,970	11,650	1,938	1,900	232	221
Iowa	10,024	9,280	1,947	1,953	195	181
Kansas	2,990	2,750	1,925	1,885	58	52
Kentucky	2,519	2,503	1,783	1,910	45	48
Louisiana	3,252	3,059	1,776	1,807	58	55
Maine	6,379	6,575	2,021	2,136	129	140
Massachusetts	2,421	2,151	1,913	2,006	46	43
Michigan	6,782	6,456	1,925	1,928	131	124
Minnesota	10,695	10,400	2,000	1,953	214	203
Mississippi	9,095	8,854	1,879	1,928	171	171
Missouri	6,465	5,245	1,869	1,876	121	98
Nebraska	3,675	3,736	1,792	1,730	66	65
New Jersey	3,447	3,438	1,817	1,761	63	61
New York	9,524	8,693	1,922	1,987	183	173
North Carolina	14,627	13,709	1,900	1,969	278	270
Ohio	9,965	8,955	1,944	1,950	194	175
Oklahoma	2,222	1,960	1,705	1,724	38	34
Oregon	2,341	2,301	1,969	1,903	46	44
Pennsylvania	15,555	15,216	2,006	1,975	312	301
South Carolina	5,800	5,625	1,934	2,024	112	114
South Dakota	3,675	3,674	1,913	1,879	70	69
Tennessee	4,893	4,661	1,860	1,962	91	91
Texas	11,356	11,100	1,714	1,767	195	196
Virginia	3,805	3,396	1,934	1,956	74	66
Washington	4,572	4,595	1,944	1,978	89	91
Wisconsin	5,865	5,425	1,928	1,931	113	105
Other 17 States 1/	13,400	13,700	1,876	1,863	251	255
United States total	300,099	294,893	1,901	1,916	5,706	5,651

1/ State estimates not available.

Layers on hand and eggs laid per 100 layers, February 1

State	Number of layers on hand February 1		Eggs laid per 100 layers February 1	
	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Thousands		Number	
Alabama	12,949	13,100	60.7	60.5
Arkansas	15,650	15,925	63.3	63.5
California	34,540	36,993	60.5	58.0
Connecticut	4,270	4,015	62.6	62.0
Florida	12,131	12,582	64.5	64.6
Georgia	24,966	26,306	61.4	64.0
Illinois	7,422	6,930	62.3	59.4
Indiana	12,000	11,900	63.0	61.5
Iowa	9,973	9,200	63.5	64.5
Kansas	3,050	2,750	64.0	62.0
Kentucky	2,530	2,550	60.0	63.4
Louisiana	3,252	3,054	58.0	58.5
Maine	6,410	6,680	65.9	68.6
Massachusetts	2,431	2,145	63.1	64.0
Michigan	6,713	6,391	62.6	63.0
Minnesota	10,532	10,300	65.8	63.3
Mississippi	9,244	8,978	59.8	62.5
Missouri	6,430	5,300	61.5	61.0
Nebraska	3,660	3,640	60.5	57.0
New Jersey	3,429	3,420	60.0	56.5
New York	9,550	8,470	60.5	64.1
North Carolina	14,567	13,581	61.8	63.8
Ohio	9,965	8,999	62.5	63.5
Oklahoma	2,222	2,020	54.0	58.1
Oregon	2,385	2,275	65.5	61.1
Pennsylvania	15,860	15,232	64.4	63.3
South Carolina	5,800	5,610	62.0	66.8
South Dakota	3,700	3,666	61.3	60.0
Tennessee	5,060	4,534	60.5	63.0
Texas	11,374	11,210	54.3	57.6
Virginia	3,756	3,391	60.7	63.7
Washington	4,489	4,575	62.0	62.5
Wisconsin	5,806	5,397	63.4	62.5
Other 17 States ^{1/}	13,400	13,700	60.6	60.5
United States	299,516	294,819	61.8	62.0

^{1/} State estimates not available.

December Egg Production (Revised)

State	Number of layers		Eggs per 100 layers		Total eggs produced	
	on hand during Dec.		during Dec.		during Dec.	
	1972	1973	1972	1973	1972	1973
	Thousands		Number		Millions	
Alabama	13,113	13,250	1,866	1,857	245	246
Arkansas	16,157	15,739	1,913	1,919	309	302
California	35,246	36,638	1,804	1,891	636	693
Connecticut	4,316	4,005	1,953	1,876	84	75
Florida	12,277	12,372	2,003	1,981	246	245
Georgia	25,020	26,724	1,848	1,919	462	513
Illinois	7,511	6,950	1,900	1,891	143	131
Indiana	12,117	11,600	1,931	1,953	234	227
Iowa	9,975	9,359	1,916	1,907	191	178
Kansas	2,965	2,805	1,872	1,866	56	52
Kentucky	2,514	2,498	1,733	1,857	44	46
Louisiana	3,320	3,048	1,786	1,814	59	55
Maine	6,380	6,424	2,003	2,127	128	137
Massachusetts	2,411	2,198	1,953	1,972	47	43
Michigan	6,729	6,356	1,900	1,934	128	123
Minnesota	10,804	10,500	2,009	2,018	217	212
Mississippi	9,161	8,698	1,931	1,903	177	166
Missouri	6,350	5,751	1,814	1,860	115	107
Nebraska	3,704	3,906	1,702	1,714	63	67
New Jersey	3,464	3,438	1,804	1,683	62	58
New York	9,569	8,940	1,965	1,984	188	177
North Carolina	14,761	13,906	1,885	1,962	278	273
Ohio	10,016	8,780	1,956	1,928	196	169
Oklahoma	2,269	2,000	1,739	1,690	39	34
Oregon	2,345	2,339	1,894	1,956	44	46
Pennsylvania	15,091	15,068	2,012	1,987	304	299
South Carolina	5,830	5,725	1,950	1,978	114	113
South Dakota	3,708	3,663	1,845	1,829	68	67
Tennessee	4,817	4,788	1,841	1,922	89	92
Texas	11,644	11,095	1,758	1,838	205	204
Virginia	3,865	3,406	1,975	1,972	76	67
Washington	4,609	4,678	1,928	2,006	89	94
Wisconsin	5,900	5,480	1,876	1,891	111	104
Other 17 States 1/	13,406	13,727	1,857	1,857	249	255
United States total	301,364	295,854	1,890	1,916	5,696	5,670

1/ State estimates not available.

Layers on hand and eggs laid per 100 layers,
January 1 (Revised)

State	Number of layers on		Eggs laid per 100	
	hand January 1		layers January 1	
	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Thousands		Number	
Alabama	13,170	13,300	60.9	59.8
Arkansas	16,100	15,895	61.0	61.2
California	35,246	36,268	57.7	60.7
Connecticut	4,400	4,065	62.5	61.0
Florida	12,250	12,519	64.9	62.8
Georgia	25,051	26,872	60.1	63.3
Illinois	7,422	6,800	59.6	59.7
Indiana	11,940	11,400	61.9	61.0
Iowa	10,074	9,359	62.0	61.5
Kansas	2,930	2,750	60.2	59.5
Kentucky	2,507	2,455	55.0	59.7
Louisiana	3,252	3,063	56.6	58.0
Maine	6,347	6,470	64.4	69.2
Massachusetts	2,410	2,156	60.3	65.4
Michigan	6,850	6,521	61.6	61.3
Minnesota	10,858	10,500	63.2	62.7
Mississippi	8,945	8,730	61.3	61.8
Missouri	6,500	5,550	59.0	60.0
Nebraska	3,690	3,831	55.1	54.5
New Jersey	3,464	3,455	57.1	57.0
New York	9,498	8,915	63.5	64.0
North Carolina	14,687	13,836	60.8	63.2
Ohio	9,965	8,910	62.8	62.3
Oklahoma	2,222	1,900	56.0	53.0
Oregon	2,297	2,327	61.5	61.7
Pennsylvania	15,250	15,200	65.0	64.0
South Carolina	5,800	5,640	62.8	63.7
South Dakota	3,650	3,681	62.0	61.2
Tennessee	4,725	4,788	59.4	63.5
Texas	11,337	10,990	56.3	56.4
Virginia	3,853	3,401	64.1	62.5
Washington	4,654	4,615	63.4	65.0
Wisconsin	5,924	5,452	61.0	62.0
Other 17 States 1/	13,400	13,700	60.3	59.7
United States	300,668	295,314	60.8	61.6

1/ State estimates not available.

Pullet chick placements for hatchery supply flocks 1/

Month	Placements by months				Cumulative placements relative to current supply flock		
	1972	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973	1972	1973	1974
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
<u>Egg-type</u>							
January	295	314	306	97		4,958	5,170
February	348	414				5,010	
March	306	453			NA	5,073	
April	470	355				5,012	
May	533	511				5,007	
June	592	530			5,164	5,064	
July	385	423			5,248	5,183	
August	426	349			5,168	5,288	
September	409	268			5,186	5,337	
October	476	309			5,130	5,378	
November	236	302			5,240	5,375	
December	274	258			4,944	5,206	
Annual total	4,750	4,486					
<u>Broiler-type, domestic</u>							
January	2,540	2,390	2,372	99	26,475	24,309	23,481
February	2,228	2,170			26,078	24,013	
March	2,676	3,056			25,871	23,948	
April	3,308	3,048			25,825	24,091	
May	2,786	2,958			25,606	23,664	
June	2,694	2,527			24,986	22,746	
July	2,753	2,495			24,018	22,130	
August	2,530	2,588			23,663	22,492	
September	2,498	2,653			24,130	22,787	
October	2,475	2,921			23,987	23,215	
November	2,371	2,306			24,122	23,244	
December	2,249	2,383			24,332	23,264	
Annual total	31,108	31,495					
<u>Broiler-type, total</u>							
January	3,145	2,894	2,842	98			
February	2,817	2,686					
March	3,074	3,494					
April	3,763	3,533					
May	3,139	3,340					
June	3,176	2,976					
July	3,176	3,083					
August	2,925	3,048					
September	2,873	3,074					
October	2,882	3,345					
November	2,726	2,685					
December	2,743	2,744					
Annual total	36,439	36,902					

1/ Reported by leading breeders. Includes expected pullet placements from eggs sold during the preceding month at the rate of 125 pullet chicks per 30-dozen case of eggs. 2/ For January 1974, includes pullet chicks placed August 1972 through August 1973. 3/ For January 1974, includes pullet chicks placed December 1972 through August 1973.

POULTS HATCHED AND TURKEY EGGS IN INCUBATORS

Poults hatched during January 1974

Geographic division	Heavy breeds 1/		Light breeds 2/		All breeds	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Thousands					
North Atlantic	109	110	1	2	110	112
East North Central	750	888	76	67	826	975
West North Central	2,738	3,028	691	550	3,429	3,578
South Atlantic	1,341	1,695	293	323	1,639	2,018
South Central	1,039	1,340	29	33	1,068	1,373
West	2,363	2,484	198	327	2,561	2,811
United States	8,340	9,545	1,293	1,322	9,633	10,867
	Percent					
January 1974 as						
percent of January 1973		114		102		113

Turkey eggs in incubators, February 1, 1974

Geographic division	Heavy breeds 1/		Light breeds 2/		All breeds	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Thousands					
North Atlantic	179	232	8	7	187	239
East North Central	1,939	1,950	12	15	1,951	2,100
West North Central	7,259	7,013	1,026	629	3,285	7,642
South Atlantic	2,545	3,114	377	415	2,922	3,529
South Central	1,864	2,303	0	2	1,864	2,331
West	4,323	4,368	213	373	4,536	4,741
United States	18,109	18,980	1,636	1,602	19,745	20,582
	Percent					
February 1, 1974 as						
percent of February 1, 1973		105		98		104

1/ Birds for which the normal mature marketing weight is 12 pounds or over.

2/ Birds for which the normal mature marketing weight is less than 12 pounds.

Poults hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States

Month	By months				Cumulative			
	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	Percent of previous yr.	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	Percent of previous yr.
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
<u>Heavy breeds 1/</u>								
September	2,152	2,192	2,855	130	2,152	2,192	2,855	130
October	1,999	2,305	2,718	118	4,151	4,497	5,573	124
November	2,720	2,968	3,897	131	6,871	7,465	9,470	127
December	4,210	5,064	6,523	129	11,081	12,529	15,993	128
January	7,404	8,340	9,545	114	18,485	20,869	25,538	122
February	12,509	11,869			30,994	32,738		
March	18,472	16,884			49,466	49,622		
April	20,330	19,535			69,796	69,157		
May	20,524	20,664			90,320	89,821		
June	17,667	17,975			107,987	107,796		
July	11,078	12,118			119,065	119,914		
August	4,999	5,854			124,064	125,768		
<u>Light breeds 2/</u>								
September	1,027	1,168	1,149	98	1,027	1,168	1,149	98
October	1,171	1,227	1,203	98	2,198	2,395	2,352	98
November	1,301	1,644	1,485	90	3,499	4,039	3,837	95
December	1,014	1,615	1,515	94	4,513	5,654	5,352	95
January	983	1,293	1,322	102	5,496	6,947	6,674	96
February	984	1,014			6,480	7,961		
March	1,168	1,460			7,648	9,421		
April	1,266	1,232			8,914	10,653		
May	1,350	1,034			10,264	11,687		
June	1,398	1,446			11,662	13,133		
July	1,668	1,685			13,330	14,818		
August	1,596	1,525			14,926	16,343		
<u>Total all breeds</u>								
September	3,179	3,360	4,004	119	3,179	3,360	4,004	119
October	3,170	3,532	3,921	111	6,349	6,892	7,925	115
November	4,021	4,612	5,382	117	10,370	11,504	13,307	116
December	5,224	6,679	8,038	120	15,594	18,183	21,345	117
January	8,387	9,633	10,867	113	23,981	27,816	32,212	116
February	13,493	12,883			37,474	40,699		
March	19,640	18,344			57,114	59,043		
April	21,596	20,767			78,710	79,810		
May	21,874	21,698			100,584	101,508		
June	19,065	19,421			119,649	120,929		
July	12,746	13,803			132,395	134,732		
August	6,595	7,379			138,990	142,111		

1/ Birds for which the normal mature marketing weight is 12 pounds or over.

2/ Birds for which the normal mature marketing weight is less than 12 pounds.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries, United States

Month	By months				Cumulative			
	1972	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973	1972	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
Broiler-type								
January	273,903	261,613	277,281	106	273,903	261,613	277,281	106
February	269,427	241,876			543,330	503,489		
March	297,287	287,856			840,617	791,345		
April	293,856	289,465			1,134,473	1,080,810		
May	303,014	298,009			1,437,487	1,378,819		
June	286,178	282,997			1,723,665	1,661,816		
July	273,061	258,692			1,996,726	1,920,508		
August	272,229	270,438			2,268,955	2,190,946		
September	239,660	246,457			2,508,615	2,437,403		
October	246,983	249,401			2,755,598	2,686,804		
November	251,151	254,177			3,006,749	2,940,981		
December	260,708	267,739			3,267,457	3,208,720		
Egg-type								
January	39,110	39,245	35,547	91	39,110	39,245	35,547	91
February	41,645	41,600			80,755	80,845		
March	47,979	51,652			128,734	132,497		
April	53,002	52,899			181,736	185,396		
May	51,989	54,873			233,725	240,269		
June	42,888	44,008			276,613	284,277		
July	38,569	40,502			315,182	324,779		
August	37,493	42,007			352,675	366,786		
September	35,985	42,991			388,660	409,777		
October	37,890	45,820			426,550	455,597		
November	32,426	40,384			458,976	495,981		
December	32,378	35,594			491,354	531,575		

Chicken eggs in incubators, February 1, 1974

Geographic division	Broiler-type		Egg-type	
	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
North Atlantic	13,499	13,118	6,034	5,377
East North Central	2,876	3,115	5,887	6,251
West North Central	1,590	1,450	4,198	4,956
South Atlantic	90,100	94,430	8,330	6,670
South Central	101,064	106,747	7,291	7,175
West 1/	9,059	8,828	6,929	6,125
United States	218,188	227,742	38,669	36,576
	Percent			
February 1, 1973 as percent of February 1, 1974		104		95

1/ Includes Hawaii.

Broiler-type chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State	:	January	
		1973	1974
		Thousand#	
Alabama	:	36,122	35,741
Arkansas	:	44,542	47,267
California	:	7,606	7,877
Connecticut	:	341	256
Delaware	:	10,532	11,754
Florida	:	6,113	7,333
Georgia	:	36,749	40,276
Illinois	:	--	--
Indiana	:	1,240	1,317
Kansas	:	--	--
Louisiana	:	3,957	3,959
Maine	:	6,013	7,078
Maryland	:	19,247	19,254
Massachusetts	:	347	363
Minnesota	:	758	962
Mississippi	:	19,944	20,586
Missouri	:	691	724
Nebraska	:	3	3
New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island	:	655	768
North Carolina	:	28,217	28,873
Ohio	:	900	1,050
Oregon	:	1,190	1,285
Pennsylvania	:	6,537	6,892
South Carolina	:	1,977	2,386
Tennessee	:	2,059	2,392
Texas	:	14,347	15,750
Utah	:	--	--
Virginia	:	7,492	7,745
Washington	:	1,163	1,285
Wisconsin	:	956	901
Other States ^{1/}	:	1,915	3,187
United States	:	261,613	277,281

^{1/} New York, New Jersey, Michigan; Iowa; North Dakota, South Dakota, Kentucky, Oklahoma, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, and Hawaii combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Egg-type chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State	January	
	1973	1974
	Thousands	
Alabama	914	734
Arkansas	1,922	1,422
California	4,671	4,817
Connecticut	100	119
Delaware	--	--
Florida	3,056	3,143
Georgia	3,575	2,442
Illinois	1,257	1,265
Indiana	2,324	1,817
Iowa	1,720	1,850
Kansas	370	420
Louisiana	346	101
Maine	736	930
Massachusetts & R. I.	786	487
Michigan	930	880
Minnesota	1,319	1,232
Mississippi	1,173	919
Missouri	1,027	735
Nebraska	230	280
New Hampshire & Vt.	38	24
New York	1,830	1,830
North Carolina	684	591
Ohio	1,450	1,150
Oklahoma	114	112
Oregon	863	740
Pennsylvania	1,987	1,915
South Carolina	614	724
Tennessee	846	546
Texas	1,180	1,548
Utah	64	39
Virginia	491	542
Washington	523	283
Wisconsin	521	488
Other States ^{1/}	1,584	1,422
United States	39,245	35,547

^{1/} New Jersey, North Dakota, South Dakota, Delaware, Maryland, West Virginia, Kentucky, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, and Hawaii combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Chickens in flocks tested for pullorum-typhoid by official State agencies - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative		
	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	Number		Percent	Number		Percent
<u>For Broiler Production</u>						
January	2,196,034	1,836,792	84	2,196,034	1,836,792	84
February	1,962,287			4,158,321		
March	1,991,911			6,150,232		
April	1,994,519			8,144,751		
May	1,586,606			9,731,357		
June	1,710,115			11,441,472		
July	1,508,702			12,950,174		
August	1,600,642			14,550,816		
September	1,793,487			16,344,303		
October	1,943,409			18,287,712		
November	1,585,628			19,873,340		
December	1,703,384			21,576,724		
<u>Egg-Type Chickens</u>						
January	605,065	662,044	109	605,065	662,044	109
February	428,201			1,033,266		
March	503,438			1,536,704		
April	411,330			1,948,034		
May	445,041			2,393,075		
June	200,230			2,593,305		
July	357,459			2,950,764		
August	365,856			3,316,620		
September	395,443			3,712,063		
October	378,547			4,090,610		
November	452,608			4,543,218		
December	353,481			4,896,699		

Turkeys in flocks tested for pullorum-typhoid by official State agencies - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative		
	1972-73	1973-74	Percent of year earlier	1972-73	1973-74	Percent of year earlier
	Number		Percent	Number		Percent
<u>Heavy breeds</u>						
July	159,345	159,843	100	159,345	159,843	100
August	176,102	241,147	137	335,447	400,990	120
September	304,379	403,280	132	639,826	804,270	126
October	574,563	504,086	88	1,214,389	1,308,356	108
November	491,855	519,045	106	1,706,244	1,827,401	107
December	400,209	419,646	105	2,106,453	2,247,047	107
January	227,016	242,448	107	2,333,469	2,489,495	107
February	105,879			2,439,348		
March	93,244			2,532,592		
April	30,780			2,563,372		
May	75,552			2,638,924		
June	87,801			2,726,725		
<u>Light breeds</u>						
July	27,373	26,792	98	27,373	26,792	98
August	33,968	17,708	52	61,341	44,500	73
September	13,568	43,596	321	74,909	88,096	118
October	73,606	29,908	41	148,515	118,004	79
November	28,054	22,659	81	176,569	140,663	80
December	27,668	45,507	164	204,237	186,170	91
January	44,459	9,996	22	248,696	196,166	79
February	40,694			289,390		
March	17,761			307,151		
April	19,968			327,119		
May	27,649			354,768		
June	51,875			406,643		
<u>Total all breeds</u>						
July	186,718	186,635	100	186,718	186,635	100
August	210,070	258,855	123	396,788	445,490	112
September	317,947	446,876	141	714,735	892,366	125
October	648,169	533,934	82	1,362,904	1,426,360	105
November	519,909	541,704	104	1,882,813	1,968,064	105
December	427,877	465,153	109	2,310,690	2,433,217	105
January	271,475	252,444	93	2,582,165	2,685,661	104
February	146,573			2,728,738		
March	111,005			2,839,743		
April	50,748			2,890,491		
May	103,201			2,993,692		
June	139,676			3,133,368		

Turkeys in flocks tested for pullorum-typhoid by official State agencies

State	During January				July through January			
	Heavy breeds		Light breeds		Heavy breeds		Light breeds	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973-1974	1973-1974	1973-1974	1973-1974
	Number							
Alabama	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Arizona	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Arkansas	--	--	--	--	39,650	17,600	4,500	--
California	54,770	42,238	5,181	--	562,309	567,622	45,896	46,295
Colorado	1,200	9,000	--	--	48,200	51,000	--	--
Connecticut	2,202	--	--	--	2,202	--	--	--
Delaware	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Florida	--	--	--	--	1,130	345	--	--
Georgia	--	4,800	--	--	23,000	19,230	--	--
Idaho	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Illinois	3,239	--	--	--	33,880	40,162	--	--
Indiana	2,720	--	--	--	11,489	--	--	--
Iowa	9,676	58,706	--	--	137,206	152,244	--	--
Kansas	--	--	--	--	17,212	18,230	--	--
Kentucky	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Louisiana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Maine	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Maryland	--	--	--	--	650	1,250	--	--
Massachusetts	--	--	--	--	--	46	--	--
Michigan	15,596	5,931	--	--	77,265	54,801	--	--
Minn. & Wisc. 1/	41,560	35,061	28,300	--	432,663	476,443	118,663	172,056
Mississippi	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Missouri	--	9,658	--	--	70,589	123,668	--	--
Montana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Nebraska	9,940	2,180	--	--	29,159	17,433	--	--
Nevada	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
New Hampshire	734	1,262	--	--	2,153	1,262	--	--
New Jersey	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
New Mexico	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
New York	786	2,111	--	--	5,438	4,469	--	--
North Carolina	58,047	46,135	--	--	179,504	252,927	--	--
North Dakota	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Ohio	13,200	6,044	--	1,000	101,597	110,168	4,000	1,000
Oklahoma	--	--	--	--	--	--	5,849	23
Oregon	2,992	--	5,826	--	89,545	71,198	31,760	12,156
Pennsylvania	--	3,349	--	328	3,092	3,349	--	328
Rhode Island	269	223	--	--	269	223	--	--
South Carolina	--	--	--	3,749	11,914	13,096	--	3,749
South Dakota	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Tennessee	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Texas	2,297	1,600	--	1,493	359,826	373,818	--	6,821
Utah	--	--	--	--	34,300	50,000	--	--
Vermont	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Virginia	7,389	14,150	4,815	3,426	53,328	68,911	37,691	23,738
Washington	--	--	--	--	5,500	--	--	--
West Virginia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Wyoming	399	--	337	--	399	--	337	--
United States	227,016	242,448	44,459	9,996	2,333,469	2,489,495	248,696	196,166

1/ Minnesota & Wisconsin combine to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

Forced molt layers as a percent of hens and pullets of laying age,
first of month, 17 States

Month	By months					
	1972	1973	1974	1972	1973	1974
	Percent being molted			Percent with molt completed		
January	2.7	3.9	2.5	11.3	14.5	9.2
February	3.5	2.6	3.0	12.3	10.6	8.8
March	3.1	3.5		10.7	10.2	
April	3.6	2.6		11.4	9.7	
May	5.1	3.0		10.4	9.2	
June	5.6	3.8		11.8	7.2	
July	3.7	3.5		13.4	8.1	
August	3.4	2.8		13.3	8.5	
September	3.3	3.0		13.4	8.1	
October	3.7	2.8		13.1	8.3	
November	3.8	3.4		13.9	8.6	
December	3.3	2.4		14.4	10.2	

Forced molt layers as a percent of hens and pullets of laying age,
first of month, selected States 1973-74

State	February		February	
	1973	1974	1973	1974
	Percent being molted		Percent with molt completed	
Alabama	2.0	.5	10.0	7.5
Arkansas	1.0	2.5	6.5	2.5
California	10.0	7.0	22.0	22.0
Florida	2.5	.5	8.0	7.0
Georgia	5.0	4.0	18.0	8.0
Indiana	1.0	.5	3.0	1.5
Iowa	.5	.5	1.5	1.0
Mississippi	1.0	1.0	3.0	3.5
New York	3.0	1.0	15.5	8.5
North Carolina	2.5	3.0	8.0	7.0
Ohio	.5	.5	6.0	2.5
Oregon	5.5	9.0	20.0	22.0
Pennsylvania	1.5	2.5	8.5	5.5
South Carolina	2.0	1.0	22.0	7.0
Tennessee	4.0	.5	12.0	5.0
Texas	3.5	2.0	11.5	5.0
Washington	7.5	12.0	33.5	22.0
17 States	2.6	3.0	10.6	8.8

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