

hatchery production



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HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Commercial hatcheries in the United States produced a total of 3,207 million broiler-type chicks during the period January - December 1973. This is a decrease of 2 percent from the 1972 production of 3,267 million broiler chicks. The hatch of broiler chicks was below the previous year in 7 of the 10 major States. The 1973 hatch in Arkansas, at 550 million, was nearly 28 million below 1972, while in Georgia the broiler hatch was down about 13 million, to 442 million chicks. In Alabama, the 1973 hatch was 438 million, down 13.5 million from 1972 and in North Carolina it was down 17.4 million to 320 million chicks.

Changes in other leading States were: Mississippi, down 18.8 million; Maryland, up 3.7 million; Texas, down 7.6 million; Delaware, up 10.0 million; California, down .6 million; and Virginia, up 1.4 million.

Production of egg-type chicks in 1973 totaled 534 million--up 9 percent from the 1972 hatch of 491 million. Among the five leading States, California, Georgia, Florida, Indiana and Arkansas, largest increases occurred in Georgia and Arkansas -- up 8.5 and 3.6 million respectively. Other large producing States having sizeable increases were: New York, 3.6 million; Minnesota, 3.0 million; Missouri, 2.3 million, and Alabama, 2.0 million.

Commercial turkey hatcheries produced 146 million poults during 1973, an increase of 3 percent from the 1972 hatch of 142 million. In 7 of the 10 leading States, poult production was above 1972. In Minnesota, poult hatchery production in 1973 was 2.4 million above the previous year at 29.7 million but production in California was down from 20.5 million in 1972 to 20.1 million in 1973.

Broiler-type chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries 1973

State	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
	Thousands						
Alabama	36,174	33,700	40,778	39,823	41,000	38,934	36,323
Arkansas	44,636	42,031	49,124	49,182	50,930	48,831	44,479
California	7,606	7,225	7,955	7,968	8,140	7,818	7,686
Connecticut	341	307	442	600	587	520	412
Delaware	10,532	10,112	11,961	11,755	11,926	11,389	10,741
Florida	5,997	5,503	6,426	6,589	7,152	7,132	6,926
Georgia	36,749	32,479	38,690	38,551	39,268	37,666	34,495
Illinois	0	4	13	14	20	12	11
Indiana	1,238	1,257	1,522	1,813	1,810	1,722	1,623
Kansas	20	33	158	305	305	345	14
Louisiana	3,957	3,621	4,125	4,091	4,297	4,015	3,826
Maine	6,235	6,375	7,111	7,207	7,469	7,013	6,648
Maryland	19,247	17,739	20,981	20,369	19,971	19,662	18,240
Mass. & R. I. 1/	439	498	558	570	667	601	577
Minnesota	758	994	1,089	1,895	2,444	1,488	858
Mississippi	19,944	17,434	20,831	21,175	21,699	20,216	19,298
Missouri	694	809	1,059	1,417	1,428	1,199	1,056
N. H. & Vermont 1/	563	591	661	625	573	612	660
Nebraska	5	88	304	607	649	361	84
North Carolina	28,217	24,799	28,302	28,348	29,226	27,801	23,897
Ohio	750	895	880	890	1,040	1,065	885
Oregon	1,276	1,369	1,840	1,964	2,075	1,972	1,732
Pennsylvania	6,257	5,857	7,241	7,055	7,616	7,251	7,258
South Carolina	1,977	1,972	1,972	1,935	2,087	1,769	1,787
Tennessee	2,315	2,045	2,016	2,148	2,396	2,347	2,050
Texas	14,228	13,785	17,138	17,338	17,599	15,908	13,626
Utah	-	-	6	14	30	22	14
Virginia	7,492	6,600	7,871	7,672	7,619	7,360	7,239
Washington	1,125	1,155	1,366	1,527	1,475	1,523	1,541
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wisconsin	976	902	1,301	1,565	1,857	1,550	1,257
Other States 2/	1,920	1,730	3,638	4,411	4,634	4,569	3,129
United States	261,668	241,909	287,359	289,423	297,989	282,673	258,372

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Broiler-type chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries 1973 (continued)

State	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Thousands						
Alabama	37,244	33,041	32,529	33,803	34,920	438,269
Arkansas	47,649	44,111	43,663	40,563	45,252	550,451
California	7,326	6,664	6,853	7,471	7,491	90,203
Connecticut	324	367	285	281	241	4,707
Delaware	10,759	9,884	10,194	10,762	11,340	131,355
Florida	6,935	6,176	6,813	5,981	6,787	78,417
Georgia	37,916	35,520	35,855	36,231	38,259	441,679
Illinois	8	7	0	0	0	89
Indiana	1,631	1,440	1,320	1,170	1,218	17,764
Kansas	11	76	35	0	0	1,302
Louisiana	3,992	3,482	3,686	3,653	3,844	46,589
Maine	6,674	5,946	6,659	6,439	6,693	80,469
Maryland	18,072	15,871	15,992	18,065	19,113	223,322
Mass. & R. I, 1/	591	466	573	433	517	6,490
Minnesota	1,009	748	744	962	760	13,749
Mississippi	20,078	18,416	18,680	19,113	19,878	236,762
Missouri	1,225	999	832	680	746	12,144
N. H. & Vermont 1/	604	613	524	498	624	7,148
Nebraska	66	75	28	0	0	2,267
North Carolina	25,692	23,468	24,392	27,153	28,247	319,542
Ohio	1,015	975	935	1,000	915	11,245
Oregon	1,674	1,547	1,576	1,490	1,132	19,647
Pennsylvania	7,267	6,710	7,133	6,889	7,180	83,714
South Carolina	1,993	1,997	2,242	2,240	2,195	24,166
Tennessee	1,959	2,042	2,250	2,219	2,376	26,163
Texas	14,795	14,203	14,204	14,180	15,664	182,668
Utah	8	-	-	-	-	94
Virginia	7,453	7,132	7,402	7,402	7,415	88,657
Washington	1,497	1,341	1,337	1,090	1,186	16,163
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wisconsin	1,312	1,228	913	889	907	14,657
Other States 2/	3,579	1,761	1,828	3,254	2,641	37,094
United States	270,358	246,306	249,477	253,911	267,541	3,206,986

1/ Combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

2/ 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 1973

State	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
	Thousands						
Alabama	914	990	1,287	1,318	1,445	1,387	984
Arkansas	1,922	2,321	2,694	2,462	2,650	2,045	1,892
California	4,677	4,908	5,719	5,195	5,848	4,416	5,369
Connecticut	100	163	227	373	280	178	122
Florida	3,053	3,147	3,298	3,389	3,564	3,123	2,934
Georgia	3,575	3,632	4,586	4,805	4,228	3,327	4,022
Illinois	1,142	1,411	1,788	1,997	1,828	1,530	1,517
Indiana	2,328	2,414	2,939	2,717	2,966	2,315	2,273
Iowa	1,465	1,120	1,855	2,075	2,425	1,815	1,290
Kansas	361	399	598	746	692	636	394
Louisiana	346	192	256	179	213	190	262
Maine	784	696	888	794	860	1,070	923
Massachusetts	596	732	701	826	1,103	735	527
Michigan	720	570	530	600	770	755	645
Minnesota	1,319	1,745	2,551	2,650	3,227	2,391	1,768
Mississippi	1,173	1,214	1,447	1,401	1,383	1,406	1,265
Missouri	962	1,105	2,111	2,405	2,600	2,244	1,770
Nebraska	182	76	374	897	926	450	227
N. H., R. I., & Vt. ^{1/}	228	209	237	249	193	45	126
New York	1,830	2,190	2,360	2,110	1,990	1,850	1,920
North Carolina	684	929	985	971	944	727	671
Ohio	1,425	1,630	1,615	1,890	1,880	1,400	1,420
Oklahoma	107	217	384	492	434	261	246
Oregon	863	877	832	864	925	887	767
Pennsylvania	2,078	1,744	2,783	2,860	2,593	2,016	1,679
South Carolina	614	721	994	976	942	822	837
Tennessee	816	1,016	1,152	1,152	1,230	1,112	827
Texas	1,180	1,512	2,178	2,189	2,003	2,076	1,238
Utah	64	142	371	299	104	65	166
Virginia	520	663	863	924	762	624	504
Washington	466	516	727	729	760	416	590
Wisconsin	521	541	530	832	733	460	478
Other States ^{2/}	1,585	1,793	2,141	2,596	2,861	1,955	1,506
United States	38,600	41,535	52,001	53,962	55,362	44,729	41,159

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Egg-type chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries 1973 (continued)

State	August	September	October	November	December	Total
	Thousands					
Alabama	778	999	819	928	986	12,835
Arkansas	2,307	2,172	2,297	2,334	1,918	27,014
California	4,530	5,252	5,895	3,954	3,831	59,594
Connecticut	84	44	65	39	7	1,682
Florida	3,122	3,168	3,738	4,217	2,934	39,687
Georgia	4,269	4,414	4,402	3,777	3,129	48,166
Illinois	1,182	1,269	1,202	996	856	16,718
Indiana	2,631	2,831	2,996	2,600	1,753	30,763
Iowa	1,300	1,305	1,140	1,440	1,300	18,530
Kansas	458	403	380	312	146	5,525
Louisiana	223	323	188	227	215	2,814
Maine	894	822	854	839	989	10,413
Massachusetts	611	651	748	580	645	8,455
Michigan	770	710	820	805	810	8,505
Minnesota	1,822	1,910	1,832	1,762	1,619	24,596
Mississippi	1,425	1,302	1,311	1,230	1,207	15,764
Missouri	1,910	1,314	1,831	1,317	1,043	20,612
Nebraska	174	359	331	368	335	4,699
N. H., R. I., & Vt. ^{1/}	168	275	148	209	146	2,233
New York	1,850	2,010	1,830	1,680	1,690	23,310
North Carolina	736	938	886	495	562	9,528
Ohio	1,500	1,315	1,565	1,255	1,160	18,055
Oklahoma	104	222	244	167	94	2,972
Oregon	974	906	858	1,003	907	10,663
Pennsylvania	1,996	1,585	2,344	1,807	1,524	25,009
South Carolina	745	592	703	665	771	9,382
Tennessee	1,024	872	1,048	635	298	11,182
Texas	1,592	1,782	1,789	1,616	1,404	20,559
Utah	188	29	107	252	26	1,813
Virginia	682	635	838	514	658	8,187
Washington	560	749	555	527	459	7,054
Wisconsin	457	380	577	378	416	6,303
Other States ^{2/}	1,410	1,320	1,633	1,407	1,427	21,634
United States	42,476	42,858	45,974	40,335	35,265	534,256

^{1/} Combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

^{2/} 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.

Turkey poults hatched by commercial hatcheries by States, 1973

State	Heavy breeds	Light breeds	All breeds
T h o u s a n d s			
Arkansas	2,204	38	2,242
California	18,064	2,013	20,077
Colorado <u>1/</u>			4,800
Georgia <u>1/</u>			1,279
Illinois	714	0	714
Indiana	1,798	461	2,259
Iowa	10,353	0	10,353
Massachusetts	19	0	19
Minnesota	21,076	8,601	29,677
Missouri <u>1/</u>			12,597
New Hampshire	73	36	109
New York	208	0	208
North Carolina	12,594	145	12,739
Ohio	8,644	1,131	9,775
Oklahoma	1,066	5	1,071
Oregon	1,105	343	1,448
Pennsylvania	1,837	333	2,170
Rhode Island	22	0	22
Texas <u>1/</u>			10,299
Utah	4,460	0	4,460
Virginia	3,762	3,462	7,224
Washington	405	0	405
Wisconsin <u>1/</u>			3,679
Other States <u>2/</u>	7,887	72	7,959
United States	128,906	16,679	145,585

1/ Heavy and light breeds combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

2/ New Jersey, Michigan, Nebraska, Kansas, North Dakota, Maryland, South Carolina, Florida, Alabama and Mississippi combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Turkey poults hatched, by commercial hatcheries by months, by regions, 1973

Month	Heavy breeds						
	North Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	South Central	West	United States
	T h o u s a n d s						
January	109	750	2,738	1,341	1,039	2,301	8,278
February	141	1,202	4,853	1,688	1,324	2,812	12,020
March	284	2,329	6,868	1,928	1,506	3,822	16,737
April	452	3,016	7,455	2,262	1,883	4,289	19,357
May	416	3,036	7,840	2,715	2,060	4,518	20,585
June	408	2,494	6,650	2,519	1,766	4,110	17,947
July	289	1,860	3,727	1,953	1,168	3,173	12,170
August	104	1,022	1,513	1,289	489	1,392	5,809
September	1	495	783	890	369	327	2,865
October	51	489	553	1,077	395	160	2,725
November	17	634	1,053	1,198	592	401	3,895
December	7	745	1,777	1,521	939	1,529	6,518
Annual	2,279	18,072	45,810	20,381	13,530	28,834	128,906
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Month	Light breeds						
	North Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	South Central	West	United States
	T h o u s a n d s						
January	1	76	692	360	29	278	1,436
February	5	7	639	264	0	222	1,137
March	70	96	715	371	19	230	1,501
April	57	98	543	286	17	275	1,276
May	52	86	453	305	13	221	1,130
June	88	121	807	315	3	202	1,536
July	43	163	1,022	267	1	187	1,683
August	17	148	937	238	0	125	1,465
September	0	163	673	274	0	70	1,180
October	13	232	623	260	0	90	1,218
November	15	273	717	371	0	175	1,551
December	8	129	784	364	0	281	1,566
Annual	369	1,592	8,605	3,675	82	2,356	16,679
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Month	Total all breeds						
	North Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	South Central	West	United States
	T h o u s a n d s						
January	110	826	3,430	1,701	1,068	2,579	9,714
February	146	1,209	5,492	1,952	1,324	3,034	13,157
March	354	2,425	7,583	2,299	1,525	4,052	18,238
April	509	3,114	7,998	2,548	1,900	4,564	20,633
May	468	3,122	8,293	3,020	2,073	4,739	21,715
June	496	2,615	7,457	2,834	1,769	4,312	19,483
July	332	2,023	4,749	2,220	1,169	3,360	13,853
August	121	1,170	2,450	1,527	489	1,517	7,274
September	1	658	1,456	1,164	369	397	4,045
October	64	721	1,176	1,337	395	250	3,943
November	32	907	1,770	1,569	592	576	5,446
December	15	874	2,561	1,885	939	1,810	8,084
Annual	2,648	19,664	54,415	24,056	13,612	31,190	145,585

