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TURKEYS AND CHICKENS TESTED BY OFFICIAL STATE AGENCIES

JULY 1956

Turkeys Tested

The number of turkeys tested for pullorum disease during July was considerably larger than the number tested during July last year. The number of heavy white breeds tested totaled 39,176 compared with 25,957 in July last year. Other heavy breeds tested totaled 20,999 compared with 5,213 a year ago.

The number of light breed turkeys tested during July totaled 47,177, compared with 31,621 in July last year--an increase of 49 percent.

Chickens Tested

In the 40 States for which comparisons are available 1,406,888 chickens for supplying broiler hatching eggs were tested during July--an increase of 58 percent from last year. The number of chickens tested for other purposes during July totaled 290,632--an increase of less than 1 percent.

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Turkeys tested by official State agencies						
State and division	During July					
	Heavy white breeds		Other heavy breeds		Total all heavy breeds	
	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956
	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number
Maine	0	0	0	0	0	0
N. H.	0	164	0	0	0	164
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	164	0	0	0	164
N. Y.	0	0	0	0	0	0
N. J.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pa.	0	0	0	0	0	0
M. A.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ohio	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ind.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ill.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mich.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wis.	2,251	6,167	0	0	2,251	6,167
E. N. C.	2,251	6,167	0	0	2,251	6,167
Minn.	11,233	3,753	0	6,909	11,233	10,662
Iowa	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mo.	0	0	0	0	0	0
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	2,190	0	0	0	2,190
W. N. C.	11,233	5,943	0	6,909	11,233	12,852
Del.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Md.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Va.	0	0	298	0	298	0
W. Va.	0	0	0	0	0	0
N. C.	0	2,486	1,275	0	1,275	2,486
S. C.	0	3,659	3,640	0	3,640	3,659
Ga.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fla.	0	0	0	0	0	0
S. A.	0	6,145	5,213	0	5,213	6,145
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	0	0	0	0
La.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Okla.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas	4,650	14,060	0	531	4,650	14,591
W. S. C.	4,650	14,060	0	531	4,650	14,591
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	0	0	0	0
Nev.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mount.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wash.	0	297	0	0	0	297
Oreg.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calif.	7,823	6,400	0	13,559	7,823	19,959
Pac.	7,823	6,697	0	13,559	7,823	20,256
U. S.	25,957	39,176	5,213	20,999	31,170	60,175

Turkeys tested by official State agencies

State and division	During July			
	Light breeds		Total all breeds	
	1955 Number	1956 Number	1955 Number	1956 Number
Maine.....	0	0	0	0
N. H.....	0	0	0	164
Vt.....	0	0	0	0
Mass.....	0	0	0	0
R. I.....	0	0	0	0
Conn.....	0	0	0	0
N. E.....	0	0	0	164
N. Y.....	0	0	0	0
N. J.....	0	0	0	0
Pa.....	0	0	0	0
M. A.....	0	0	0	0
Ohio.....	0	0	0	0
Ind.....	0	0	0	0
Ill.....	0	0	0	0
Mich.....	0	0	0	0
Wis.....	1,118	0	3,369	6,167
E.N.C.....	1,118	0	3,369	6,167
Minn.....	14,217	0	25,450	10,662
Iowa.....	0	0	0	0
Mo.....	2,381	6,596	2,381	6,596
N. D.....	0	0	0	0
S. D.....	0	0	0	0
Nebr.....	0	0	0	0
Kans.....	0	264	0	2,454
W.N.C.....	16,598	6,860	27,831	19,712
Del.....	0	0	0	0
Md.....	0	0	0	0
Va.....	3,786	13,222	4,084	13,222
W. Va.....	0	0	0	0
N. C.....	0	0	1,275	2,486
S. C.....	0	471	3,640	4,130
Ga.....	0	0	0	0
Fla.....	0	0	0	0
S. A.....	3,786	13,693	8,999	19,838
Ky.....	0	0	0	0
Tenn.....	0	0	0	0
Ala.....	0	0	0	0
Miss.....	0	0	0	0
E.S.C.....	0	0	0	0
Ark.....	0	0	0	0
La.....	0	0	0	0
Okla.....	0	0	0	0
Texas.....	4,425	14,968	2,075	29,559
W.S.C.....	4,425	14,968	2,075	29,559
Mont.....	0	0	0	0
Idaho.....	0	0	0	0
Wyo.....	0	0	0	0
Colo.....	0	0	0	0
N. Mex.....	0	0	0	0
Ariz.....	0	0	0	0
Utah.....	0	0	0	0
Nev.....	0	0	0	0
Mount.....	0	0	0	0
Wash.....	0	0	0	297
Oreg.....	3,985	5,883	3,985	5,883
Calif.....	1,709	5,773	9,532	25,732
Pac.....	5,694	11,656	13,517	31,912
U. S.....	31,621	47,177	62,791	107,352

Turkeys tested by official State agencies - United States

Heavy white breeds							
Month		Month	% change		To date		Change
1955-56		1956-57	from		1955-56		from
			last year				last year
	Number	Number	Percent	Number	Number	Number	Percent
July	25,957	39,176	+51	25,957	39,176	+13,219	+51
August	16,188			42,145			
September	46,150			88,295			
October	72,875			161,170			
November	120,434			281,604			
December	207,480			489,084			
January	94,245			583,329			
February	82,598			665,927			
March	36,478			702,405			
April	23,270			725,675			
May	15,809			741,484			
June	20,263			761,747			

Other heavy breeds							
Month		Month	% change		To date		Change
1955-56		1956-57	from		1955-56		from
			last year				last year
	Number	Number	Percent	Number	Number	Number	Percent
July	5,213	20,999	+303	5,213	20,999	+15,786	+303
August	43,686			48,899			
September	123,348			172,247			
October	311,272			483,519			
November	512,794			996,313			
December	485,902			1,482,215			
January	290,856			1,773,071			
February	82,733			1,855,804			
March	12,119			1,867,923			
April	5,408			1,873,331			
May	5,874			1,879,205			
June	22,437			1,901,642			

Total all heavy breeds							
Month		Month	% change		To date		Change
1955-56		1956-57	from		1955-56		from
			last year				last year
	Number	Number	Percent	Number	Number	Number	Percent
July	31,170	60,175	+93	31,170	60,175	+29,005	+93
August	59,874			91,044			
September	169,498			260,542			
October	384,147			644,689			
November	633,228			1,277,917			
December	693,382			1,971,299			
January	385,101			2,356,400			
February	165,331			2,521,731			
March	48,597			2,570,328			
April	28,678			2,599,006			
May	21,683			2,620,689			
June	42,700			2,663,389			

Turkeys tested by official State agencies - United States

Light breeds

		<u>Month</u>		<u>% change</u>		<u>To date</u>			
Month	1955-56	1956-57	from	1955-56	1956-57	from	Change	from	
			last year			last year			
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		
July	31,621	47,177	+ 49	31,621	47,177	+15,556	+ 49		
August	43,482			75,103					
September	50,132			125,235					
October	47,192			172,427					
November	35,692			208,119					
December	73,503			281,622					
January	54,128			335,750					
February	59,609			395,359					
March	42,543			437,902					
April	7,457			445,359					
May	9,680			455,039					
June	3,870			458,909					

Total all breeds

		<u>Month</u>		<u>% change</u>		<u>To date</u>			
Month	1955-56	1956-57	from	1955-56	1956-57	from	Change	from	
			last year			last year			
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		
July	62,791	107,352	+ 71	62,791	107,352	+44,561	+ 71		
August	103,356			166,147					
September	219,630			385,777					
October	431,339			817,116					
November	668,920			1,486,036					
December	766,885			2,252,921					
January	439,229			2,692,150					
February	224,940			2,917,090					
March	91,140			3,008,230					
April	36,135			3,044,365					
May	31,363			3,075,728					
June	46,570			3,122,298					

Chickens tested by official State agencies 1/

States	During July			
	For broiler production		All other chickens	
	1955	1956	1955	1956
	Number	Number	Number	Number
Maine.....	67,080	113,982	5,338	14,815
N. H.....	88,516	100,410	---	581
Vt.....	22,569	25,000	2,548	2,000
Mass.....	12,741	47,706	17,118	24,410
R. I.....	2,047	3,785	---	---
Conn.....	35,980	36,847	34,891	47,393
N. Y.....	9,184	13,033	32,498	16,504
N. J.....	17,510	27,911	62,906	40,900
Pa.....	25,390	33,944	23,990	13,890
Ohio.....	5,131	6,649	---	---
Ind.....	---	117,827	---	22,383
Ill.....	39,960	52,079	---	3,219
Mich.....	---	---	---	---
Wis.....	6,014	26,951	---	---
Minn.....	---	---	---	1,713
Iowa.....	---	27,055	---	---
Mo.....	53,457	101,450	---	1,140
N. Dak.....	---	---	---	---
S. Dak.....	---	---	---	---
Nebr.....	1,271	32,677	---	---
Kans.....	---	9,893	---	---
Del.....	32,691	94,266	---	---
Md.....	18,743	18,865	10,668	4,999
Va.....	59,811	76,297	861	365
W. Va.....	19,251	8,015	1	208
N. C.....	91,167	78,867	---	13,175
S. C.....	7,686	18,738	---	---
Ga.....	117,271	153,652	9,260	2,273
Fla.....	10,151	9,426	14,500	10,790
Ky.....	14,412	32,639	937	4,397
Tenn.....	12,266	23,979	---	2,319
Ala.....	11,756	43,242	4,294	6,939
Miss.....	30,152	19,261	---	---
Ark.....	7,790	70,909	---	---
La.....	10,860	15,153	158	---
Okla.....	11,840	18,973	6,880	---
Texas.....	6,776	20,540	16,478	16,842
Mont.....	---	---	---	---
Idaho.....	1,626	---	---	---
Wyo.....	---	---	494	---
Colo.....	---	---	---	---
N. Mex.....	---	---	---	---
Ariz.....	---	---	---	---
Utah.....	---	3,129	---	---
Nev.....	---	---	---	---
Wash.....	14,687	15,934	18,428	32,600
Oreg.....	21,056	26,310	15,289	15,452
Calif.....	5,975	36,269	12,330	23,708
Total.....	2/	1,561,663	2/	313,015

1/ Information not available for States now shown.

2/ See page 7 for 1954-1955 and 1955-1956 comparisons for 40 States.

Chickens tested by State agencies - comparable total for 40 States 1/

For broiler production

for broiler production							
Month			To date				
Month	1955-56	1956-57	% change from last year	1955-56	1956-57	Change from last year	
	Number	Number	Percent	Number	Number	Number	Percent
July	892,817	1,406,888	+ 58	892,817	1,406,888	+ 514,071	+ 58
August	1,352,112			2,244,929			
September	1,788,280			4,033,209			
October	2,169,091			6,202,300			
November	1,865,071			8,067,371			
December	1,546,431			9,613,802			
January	1,535,441			11,149,243			
February	1,340,638			12,489,881			
March	1,227,423			13,717,304			
April	1,245,639			14,962,943			
May	1,365,057			16,328,000			
June	1,137,939			17,465,939			

All other chickens tested

	Month			To date		
Month	1955-56	1956-57	% change from last year	1955-56	1956-57	Change from last year
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u> <u>Percent</u>
July	289,867	290,632	-	289,867	290,632	+ 765 -
August	482,128			771,995		
September	1,032,116			1,804,111		
October	2,160,816			3,964,927		
November	2,419,851			6,384,778		
December	1,649,686			8,034,464		
January	1,167,472			9,201,936		
February	517,750			9,719,686		
March	222,817			9,942,503		
April	169,912			10,112,415		
May	149,739			10,262,154		
June	144,325			10,406,479		

1/ Maine, N. H., Vt., Mass., R. I., Conn., N. Y., N. J., Pa., Ohio, Ill., Wis., Minn., Mo., N. D., S. D., Nebr., Del., Md., Va., W. Va., N. C., S. C., Ga., Fla., Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss., Ark., La., Okla., Texas, Idaho, Wyo., Colo., Utah., Wash., Oreg., Calif.