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### *Special Note*

Beginning with this report, Turkeys: Production, Price, and Value tables have been expanded to include a U.S. rather than a 28 State total. This includes an “Other States” category to represent those States not listed individually in the tables. Previous year data has been revised to allow consistency and comparability of the data.

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## Summary

### U.S. Value of Production and Sales Up 11 Percent

The combined value of production from broilers, eggs, turkeys, and the value of sales from chickens in 2008 was \$35.9 billion, up 11 percent from the \$32.2 billion in 2007. Of the combined total, 64 percent was from broilers, 23 percent from eggs, 12 percent from turkeys, and less than 1 percent from chickens.

### U.S. Value of Broiler Production Up 7 Percent

The value of broilers produced during 2008 was \$23.1 billion, up 7 percent from 2007. The total number of broilers produced in 2008 was 9.01 billion, up 1 percent from 2007. The total amount of live weight broilers produced in 2008 was 50.4 billion pounds, up 2 percent from 2007. The 2008 average price per pound on a live weight equivalent basis was 45.8 cents per pound, compared with 43.6 cents in 2007.

### U.S. Value of Egg Production Up 22 Percent

Value of all egg production in 2008 was \$8.23 billion, up 22 percent from the \$6.72 billion in 2007. Egg production totaled 90.2 billion eggs, down 1 percent from the 91.1 billion eggs produced in 2007. In 2008, all eggs averaged 109.0 cents per dozen, compared with 88.5 cents in 2007.

### U.S. Value of Turkey Production Up 13 Percent

The value of turkeys produced during 2008 was \$4.48 billion, up 13 percent from the \$3.95 billion the previous year. Turkey production in 2008 totaled 7.92 billion pounds, up 5 percent from the 7.57 billion pounds produced in 2007. The average price received by producers during 2008 was 56.5 cents per pound, compared with 52.3 cents in 2007.

### U.S. Value of Sales from Chickens Up 20 Percent

The value of sales from chickens (excluding broilers) in 2008 was \$61.8 million, up 20 percent from the \$51.5 million a year ago. Prices averaged 6.6 cents per pound, compared with 5.6 cents in 2007. The number of chickens sold in 2008 totaled 176 million, up 5 percent from the total sold during the previous year.

This report contains annual estimates for **Puerto Rico** chickens and eggs. These estimates include chickens (excluding commercial broilers) number lost, sold for slaughter, pounds, price, and value as well as all egg production, price, and value.

**Value of Production: Broilers, Eggs, Turkeys, Chickens,  
and Total, United States, 2007-2008**

Year	Broilers <sup>1</sup>	Eggs	Turkeys	Chickens <sup>2</sup>	Total
	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
2007	21,513,536	6,718,853	3,954,472	51,498	32,238,359
2008	23,112,184	8,225,486	4,477,054	61,845	35,876,569

<sup>1</sup> Excludes States which produced less than 500,000 broilers.

<sup>2</sup> Value of sales.

**Broilers: Production, Price, and Value,  
by State and Total, 2007<sup>1 2 3</sup>**

State	Number Produced	Pounds Produced	Price per Pound <sup>4</sup>	Value of Production
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AL	1,022,700	5,624,900	0.430	2,418,707
AR	1,175,900	6,232,300	0.420	2,617,566
DE	245,800	1,597,700	0.460	734,942
FL	73,300	417,800	0.430	179,654
GA	1,398,800	7,413,600	0.430	3,187,848
KY	303,300	1,668,200	0.430	717,326
MD	294,800	1,591,900	0.460	732,274
MN	46,600	242,300	0.430	104,189
MS	824,000	4,614,400	0.430	1,984,192
NE	4,800	27,400	0.450	12,330
NC	781,200	5,390,300	0.460	2,479,538
OH	49,800	273,900	0.430	117,777
OK	243,000	1,287,900	0.420	540,918
PA	151,200	846,700	0.450	381,015
SC	234,900	1,479,900	0.450	665,955
TN	205,900	1,050,100	0.430	451,543
TX	616,300	3,266,400	0.430	1,404,552
VA	250,200	1,301,000	0.430	559,430
WV	88,900	355,600	0.450	160,020
WI	47,300	203,400	0.450	91,530
Oth Sts <sup>5</sup>	848,000	4,445,000	0.444	1,972,230
Total <sup>6</sup>	8,906,700	49,330,700	0.436	21,513,536
19 Weekly Sts <sup>7</sup>	8,652,000	48,049,200	0.436	20,944,459

<sup>1</sup> Revised.

<sup>2</sup> December 1, 2006, through November 30, 2007.

<sup>3</sup> Broiler production including other domestic meat-type strains.

<sup>4</sup> Live weight equivalent price, derived from ready-to-cook prices minus processing costs, then multiplied by a dressing percentage.

<sup>5</sup> CA, CT, IN, IA, LA, MI, MO, NY, OR, & WA, combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

<sup>6</sup> Excludes States producing less than 500,000 broilers.

<sup>7</sup> 19 states in the weekly estimating program: AL, AR, CA, DE, FL, GA, KY, LA, MD, MO, MS, NC, OK, PA, SC, TN, TX, VA and WV.

**Broilers: Production, Price, and Value,  
by State and Total, 2008<sup>1 2</sup>**

State	Number Produced	Pounds Produced	Price per Pound <sup>3</sup>	Value of Production
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AL	1,062,900	5,846,000	0.450	2,630,700
AR	1,160,000	6,380,000	0.440	2,807,200
DE	242,900	1,578,900	0.490	773,661
FL	63,800	376,400	0.450	169,380
GA	1,409,200	7,468,800	0.450	3,360,960
KY	306,100	1,652,900	0.450	743,805
MD	298,600	1,612,400	0.490	790,076
MN	44,900	238,000	0.450	107,100
MS	840,700	4,876,100	0.450	2,194,245
NE	6,700	40,200	0.470	18,894
NC	796,100	5,493,100	0.490	2,691,619
OH	57,500	327,800	0.450	147,510
OK	237,800	1,260,300	0.440	554,532
PA	160,900	933,200	0.470	438,604
SC	236,900	1,516,200	0.470	712,614
TN	199,700	1,018,500	0.450	458,325
TX	640,800	3,460,300	0.450	1,557,135
VA	250,300	1,251,500	0.450	563,175
WV	85,700	351,400	0.470	165,158
WI	51,700	217,100	0.470	102,037
Oth Sts <sup>4</sup>	855,900	4,541,400	0.468	2,125,454
Total <sup>5</sup>	9,009,100	50,440,500	0.458	23,112,184
19 Weekly Sts <sup>6</sup>	8,739,800	49,059,700	0.458	22,469,238

<sup>1</sup> December 1, 2007, through November 30, 2008.

<sup>2</sup> Broiler production including other domestic meat-type strains.

<sup>3</sup> Live weight equivalent price, derived from ready-to-cook prices minus processing costs, then multiplied by a dressing percentage.

<sup>4</sup> CA, CT, IN, IA, LA, MI, MO, NY, OR, & WA, combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

<sup>5</sup> Excludes States producing less than 500,000 broilers.

<sup>6</sup> 19 states in the weekly estimating program: AL, AR, CA, DE, FL, GA, KY, LA, MD, MO, MS, NC, OK, PA, SC, TN, TX, VA and WV.

**Table Eggs: Price, by State and United States, 2007-2008 <sup>1</sup>**

State	2007 <sup>2</sup>	2008
	<i>Dollars per Dozen</i>	<i>Dollars per Dozen</i>
AL	0.757	1.030
AR	0.745	0.979
CA	0.775	1.000
CO	0.735	0.984
CT	0.751	0.917
FL	0.746	1.010
GA	0.748	1.040
HI	1.090	1.420
ID	0.831	0.991
IL	0.729	0.968
IN	0.743	0.985
IA	0.698	0.918
KY	0.750	0.966
LA	0.723	0.961
ME	0.944	1.220
MD	0.819	1.120
MA	0.986	1.240
MI	0.726	0.956
MN	0.791	1.020
MS	0.759	0.993
MO	0.690	0.924
MT	0.904	0.998
NE	0.744	0.973
NH	1.010	1.290
NJ	0.921	1.190
NY	0.780	0.991
NC	0.749	0.970
OH	0.802	0.970
OK	0.743	0.974
OR	0.749	0.985
PA	0.694	0.917
SC	0.731	0.912
SD	0.732	0.968
TN	0.739	0.970
TX	0.726	0.986
UT	0.662	0.951
VT	0.759	1.010
VA	0.864	1.020
WA	0.831	1.070
WV	0.862	1.050
WI	0.744	0.982
WY	0.830	0.965
Oth Sts <sup>3</sup>	0.770	1.020
US	0.746	0.974

<sup>1</sup> December 1, previous year through November 30.

<sup>2</sup> Revised.

<sup>3</sup> AK, AZ, DE, KS, NV, NM, ND, and RI combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.



**All Eggs: Production, Price, and Value,  
by State, United States, and Puerto Rico, 2007-2008<sup>1 2 3</sup>**

State	Eggs Produced		Price per Dozen		Value of Production	
	2007 <sup>4</sup>	2008	2007 <sup>4</sup>	2008	2007 <sup>4</sup>	2008
	<i>Million</i>	<i>Million</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AL	2,090	2,150	1.800	1.670	313,003	298,550
AR	3,236	3,139	1.350	1.600	364,490	418,062
CA	5,290	5,272	0.786	1.000	346,426	440,730
CO	1,059	1,090	0.839	1.070	74,074	96,842
CT	814	780	0.766	0.925	51,938	60,116
FL	2,885	2,749	0.776	1.020	186,471	234,515
GA	4,792	4,576	1.100	1.480	437,491	564,244
HI	81.8	73.3	1.090	1.420	7,428	8,678
ID	155	150	1.030	1.090	13,354	13,630
IL	1,357	1,453	0.770	0.997	87,034	120,770
IN	6,673	6,523	0.760	0.985	422,640	535,571
IA	13,868	14,407	0.714	0.931	824,806	1,117,850
KY	1,170	1,140	1.230	1.370	120,075	130,387
LA	490	479	1.040	1.190	42,333	47,694
ME	1,013	1,028	0.949	1.220	80,093	104,433
MD	702	666	0.841	1.130	49,170	62,682
MA	52	36	0.990	1.240	4,288	3,718
MI	2,563	2,653	0.727	0.957	155,371	211,524
MN	2,880	2,767	0.805	1.030	193,219	237,237
MS	1,523	1,511	1.350	1.420	171,379	179,075
MO	1,881	1,885	0.817	1.050	128,026	165,703
MT	107	115	0.904	0.998	8,059	9,567
NE	2,984	2,777	0.744	0.973	185,092	225,242
NH	48	65	1.090	1.350	4,373	7,321
NJ	435	421	0.921	1.190	33,373	41,590
NY	1,127	1,167	0.787	0.996	73,945	96,871
NC	2,960	3,063	1.330	1.470	328,664	373,944
OH	7,151	7,168	0.811	0.980	483,441	585,477
OK	759	774	1.120	1.250	71,107	80,888
OR	725	769	0.784	1.010	47,379	64,775
PA	6,392	6,181	0.731	0.946	389,119	487,467
SC	1,215	1,143	0.917	1.090	92,809	104,178
SD	843	691	0.732	0.968	51,420	55,752
TN	385	351	1.450	1.460	46,602	42,815
TX	4,995	4,928	0.897	1.120	373,500	460,307
UT	954	914	0.662	0.951	52,618	72,422
VT	59	55	0.869	1.150	4,271	5,252
VA	794	726	1.190	1.270	78,991	77,103
WA	1,520	1,533	0.832	1.070	105,372	136,448
WV	272	247	1.440	1.480	32,723	30,390
WI	1,370	1,220	0.782	1.010	89,263	102,910
WY	3.5	2.4	0.830	0.965	242	193
Oth Sts <sup>5</sup>	1,432	1,315	0.782	1.030	93,381	112,563
US	91,101	90,151	0.885	1.090	6,718,853	8,225,486
PR	173	146	0.920	1.210	13,262	14,685

<sup>1</sup> December 1, previous year through November 30.

<sup>2</sup> Includes hatching and market (table) eggs.

<sup>3</sup> Totals may not add due to rounding.

<sup>4</sup> Revised.

<sup>5</sup> AK, AZ, DE, KS, NV, NM, ND, and RI combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

**Turkeys: Production, Price, and Value,  
by State and United States, 2007<sup>1</sup>**

State	Number Raised <sup>2</sup>	Pounds Produced	Price per Pound <sup>3</sup>	Value of Production
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AR	29,500	572,300	0.56	320,488
CA	16,200	450,360	0.47	211,669
IL	2,200	76,780	0.56	42,997
IN	13,600	481,440	0.56	269,606
IA	8,700	325,380	0.44	143,167
MD	740	13,468	0.52	7,003
MA	62	1,569	1.86	2,918
MI	5,100	191,760	0.46	88,210
MN	46,500	1,218,300	0.52	633,516
MO	20,500	645,750	0.56	361,620
NJ	38	821	1.52	1,248
NY	630	14,742	0.55	8,108
NC	38,500	1,147,300	0.52	596,596
ND	2,000	52,400	0.44	23,056
OH	6,000	227,400	0.46	104,604
PA	11,000	199,100	0.52	103,532
SC	10,400	381,680	0.52	198,474
SD	4,600	172,500	0.43	74,175
VT	53	1,193	1.59	1,897
VA	18,500	482,850	0.52	251,082
WV	3,700	96,570	0.52	50,216
Oth Sts <sup>4</sup>	28,305	812,652	0.57	460,290
US	266,828	7,566,315	0.523	3,954,472

<sup>1</sup> Revised.

<sup>2</sup> Based on turkeys placed Sep 1, 2006, through Aug 31, 2007. Excludes young turkeys lost.

<sup>3</sup> Live weight equivalent price to producers is used when actual live weight price is not available for the State.

<sup>4</sup> Other States include State estimates not shown and States suppressed due to disclosure.

**Turkeys: Production, Price, and Value,  
by State and United States, 2008**

State	Number Raised <sup>1 2</sup>	Pounds Produced	Price per Pound <sup>3</sup>	Value of Production
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AR	31,000	610,700	0.57	348,099
CA	16,000	435,200	0.58	252,416
IN	14,500	519,100	0.59	306,269
IA	9,000	360,000	0.56	201,600
MN	48,000	1,305,600	0.57	744,192
MO	21,000	651,000	0.57	371,070
NC	40,000	1,208,000	0.54	652,320
OH	6,000	230,400	0.58	133,632
PA	11,500	216,200	0.64	138,368
SC	12,500	477,500	0.56	267,400
SD	4,700	189,410	0.47	89,023
UT	4,100	104,960	0.58	60,877
VA	18,000	484,200	0.56	271,152
WV	3,800	102,220	0.56	57,243
Oth Sts <sup>4</sup>	32,988	1,027,597	0.57	583,393
US	273,088	7,922,087	0.565	4,477,054

<sup>1</sup> Based on turkeys placed Sep 1, 2007, through Aug 31, 2008. Excludes young turkeys lost.

<sup>2</sup> Revised.

<sup>3</sup> Live weight equivalent price to producers is used when actual live weight price is not available for the State.

<sup>4</sup> Other States include State estimates not shown and States suppressed due to disclosure.

**Chickens: Lost, Sold for Slaughter, Price, and Value,  
by State, United States, and Puerto Rico, 2007<sup>1 2</sup>**

State	Number Lost <sup>3</sup>	Number Sold for Slaughter	Pounds Sold	Price per Pound	Value of Sales
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AL	3,443	10,366	82,928	0.086	7,132
AR	5,840	13,466	106,381	0.084	8,936
CA	2,861	7,870	27,545	0.010	275
CO	626	2,195	10,097	0.042	424
CT	1,108	1,400	4,760	0.004	19
FL	3,176	5,119	28,155	0.029	816
GA	6,421	15,318	111,821	0.080	8,946
HI	100	83	315	0.236	74
ID	76	413	1,404	0.005	7
IL	504	1,838	6,984	0.010	70
IN	3,950	8,821	29,109	0.008	233
IA	24,629	5,165	18,594	0.005	93
KY	1,994	1,946	15,373	0.084	1,291
LA	348	1,666	10,496	0.070	735
ME	642	2,665	8,795	0.001	9
MD	382	1,194	4,776	0.026	124
MA	15	217	716	0.001	1
MI	1,254	3,505	11,567	0.001	12
MN	3,092	4,575	17,843	0.006	107
MS	2,559	6,219	49,752	0.086	4,279
MO	1,173	4,418	20,323	0.040	813
MT	72	108	400	0.006	2
NE	2,522	6,145	20,279	0.001	20
NH	35	210	819	0.022	18
NJ	87	299	957	0.001	1
NY	356	2,536	8,369	0.002	17
NC	3,062	12,487	89,906	0.079	7,103
OH	6,921	10,319	35,085	0.004	140
OK	820	2,590	19,425	0.082	1,593
OR	1,519	409	1,432	0.007	10
PA	2,039	14,749	51,622	0.011	568
SC	1,965	2,838	17,028	0.066	1,124
SD	1,184	660	2,178	0.001	2
TN	772	1,551	12,253	0.086	1,054
TX	9,111	5,114	34,264	0.079	2,707
UT	1,067	1,533	5,059	0.001	5
VT	25	196	725	0.018	13
VA	621	2,461	19,196	0.084	1,612
WA	1,906	531	1,752	0.001	2
WV	310	1,198	9,464	0.085	804
WI	816	1,909	7,827	0.030	235
WY	1	9	30	0.001	0
Oth Sts <sup>4</sup>	1,748	1,972	7,071	0.010	72
US <sup>5</sup>	101,152	168,283	912,875	0.056	51,498
PR	240	924	4,343	0.214	929

<sup>1</sup> Revised.

<sup>2</sup> December 1, 2006, through November 30, 2007. Excludes broilers.

<sup>3</sup> Includes rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason except sold during the 12-month period.

<sup>4</sup> AK, AZ, DE, KS, NV, NM, ND, and RI combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

<sup>5</sup> Totals may not add due to rounding.

**Chickens: Lost, Sold for Slaughter, Price, and Value,  
by State, United States, and Puerto Rico, 2008<sup>1</sup>**

State	Number Lost <sup>2</sup>	Number Sold for Slaughter	Pounds Sold	Price per Pound	Value of Sales
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
AL	2,642	11,291	86,941	0.099	8,607
AR	5,873	15,078	111,577	0.096	10,711
CA	2,511	8,872	29,278	0.001	29
CO	1,163	1,657	8,285	0.053	439
CT	804	1,362	4,631	0.004	19
FL	4,189	4,448	16,902	0.023	389
GA	7,132	15,417	109,461	0.093	10,180
HI	57	70	287	0.206	59
ID	68	424	1,399	0.004	6
IL	650	2,070	7,659	0.013	100
IN	3,739	9,729	33,079	0.008	265
IA	26,148	6,311	21,457	0.005	107
KY	1,349	3,027	21,794	0.094	2,049
LA	312	2,064	12,384	0.078	966
ME	842	2,337	7,712	0.001	8
MD	268	1,758	6,505	0.021	137
MA	12	115	380	0.003	1
MI	887	2,423	7,996	0.001	8
MN	2,938	3,944	15,382	0.017	261
MS	2,408	6,588	52,045	0.101	5,257
MO	951	5,147	22,647	0.044	996
MT	72	108	410	0.001	0
NE	1,784	6,248	20,618	0.001	21
NH	50	204	857	0.079	68
NJ	103	467	1,541	0.001	2
NY	596	3,060	10,098	0.002	20
NC	2,794	14,350	91,840	0.084	7,715
OH	5,977	8,863	30,134	0.006	181
OK	911	3,191	23,294	0.096	2,236
OR	1,636	455	1,547	0.006	9
PA	1,854	12,891	46,408	0.014	650
SC	1,131	3,336	20,350	0.079	1,608
SD	750	716	2,363	0.001	2
TN	503	2,214	16,826	0.098	1,649
TX	10,414	5,404	41,611	0.100	4,161
UT	914	1,747	5,765	0.001	6
VT	25	81	389	0.053	21
VA	522	2,921	17,818	0.080	1,425
WA	3,661	384	1,267	0.001	1
WV	244	1,408	10,982	0.100	1,098
WI	1,019	1,696	7,293	0.042	306
WY	1	7	23	0.001	0
Oth Sts <sup>3</sup>	1,918	2,037	7,233	0.010	72
US <sup>4</sup>	101,828	175,932	936,508	0.066	61,845
PR	120	300	1,200	0.260	312

<sup>1</sup> December 1, 2007, through November 30, 2008. Excludes broilers.

<sup>2</sup> Includes rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason except sold during the 12-month period.

<sup>3</sup> AK, AZ, DE, KS, NV, NM, ND, and RI combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

<sup>4</sup> Totals may not add due to rounding.

## Reliability of Poultry Production and Value Estimates

**Survey Procedures:** These estimates were based on inventory, disposition, production, and price estimates as published in various NASS poultry and agricultural prices reports, as well as information on imports, exports, and slaughter obtained from other sources. Individual NASS field offices maintain a list of all known poultry operations and use known sources to update their lists. Data are collected from all known broiler hatcheries and turkey grow-out operations. Also, data are collected from layer and egg contractors and independent producers who have at least 30,000 table egg layers, flocks of hatchery supply layers, or pullet only operations with at least 500 pullets. In every situation, operations are contacted as close to the reference date as possible and given adequate time to respond via mail, fax, or electronic data reporting (EDR). Those that do not respond are contacted by phone. Care is exercised to ensure that all operations of interest are accounted for in the estimates.

**Estimation Procedures:** Sound statistical methodology is employed to derive the estimates from reported data. All data are analyzed for unusual values. Data from each operation are compared to their own past operating profile and to trends from similar operations. Data for missing operations are estimated based on similar operations or historical data. NASS field offices prepare these estimates by using a combination of survey indications and historic trends. Individual State estimates are reviewed by the Agricultural Statistics Board for reasonableness.

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**Reliability:** Estimates in this report have no sampling error since they are based on a census of all known contractors and independent producers who have at least 30,000 table egg layers, flocks of hatchery supply layers, pullet only operations with at least 500 pullets, all known broiler hatcheries, and all known turkey grow-out operations. However, estimates are subject to errors such as omission, duplication, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. While these errors cannot be measured directly, they are minimized through strict quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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