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Summary

Value of Production and Sales Down 20 Percent

The combined value of production from broilers, eggs, turkeys, and the value of sales from chickens in 2016 was \$38.7 billion, down 20 percent from \$48.1 billion in 2015. Of the combined total, 67 percent was from broilers, 17 percent from eggs, 16 percent from turkeys, and less than 1 percent from chickens.

The value of broilers produced during 2016 was \$25.9 billion, down 10 percent from 2015. The total number of broilers produced in 2016 was 8.78 billion, up 1 percent from 2015. The total amount of live weight broilers produced in 2016 was 54.3 billion pounds, up 2 percent from 2015.

The value of turkeys produced during 2016 was \$6.18 billion, up 8 percent from the \$5.71 billion the previous year. The total number of turkeys raised in 2016 was 244 million, up 5 percent from 2015. Turkey production in 2016 totaled 7.49 billion pounds, up 6 percent from the 7.04 billion pounds produced in 2015.

The value of sales from chickens (excluding broilers) in 2016 was \$84.9 million, down 18 percent from \$103 million a year ago. The number of chickens sold in 2016 totaled 206 million, up 5 percent from the total sold during the previous year.

Value of all egg production in 2016 was \$6.48 billion, down 52 percent from \$13.6 billion in 2015. Egg production totaled 102 billion eggs, up 5 percent from 97.2 billion eggs produced in 2015.

Poultry Value of Production – United States: 2015 and 2016

Year	Broilers ¹	Turkeys	Chickens ²	Eggs	Total
	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
2015	28,716,398	5,707,928	103,206	13,608,194	48,135,726
2016	25,935,852	6,184,247	84,869	6,483,307	38,688,275

¹ Excludes States which produced less than 500,000 broilers.

² Value of sales.

Broiler Production and Value – States and United States Total: 2015

[Annual estimates cover the period December 1 previous year through November 30. Broiler production including other domestic meat-type strains. Excludes States producing less than 500,000 broilers]

State	Number produced (1,000 head)	Pounds produced (1,000 pounds)	Value of production (1,000 dollars)
Alabama	1,082,900	6,172,500	3,320,805
Arkansas	962,000	6,156,800	3,312,358
Delaware	244,300	1,759,000	946,342
Florida	65,100	377,600	203,149
Georgia	1,339,600	7,903,600	4,252,137
Kentucky	307,700	1,784,700	960,169
Maryland	303,500	1,730,000	930,740
Minnesota	46,400	278,400	149,779
Mississippi	722,500	4,551,800	2,448,868
Missouri	294,600	1,414,100	760,786
North Carolina	822,700	6,417,100	3,452,400
Ohio	80,400	450,200	242,208
Oklahoma	217,000	1,432,200	770,524
Pennsylvania	190,400	1,066,200	573,616
South Carolina	242,600	1,746,700	939,725
Tennessee	185,200	981,600	528,101
Texas	608,700	3,773,900	2,030,358
Virginia	262,800	1,471,700	791,775
West Virginia	93,700	356,100	191,582
Wisconsin	53,900	226,400	121,803
Other States ¹	562,700	3,325,600	1,789,173
United States	8,688,700	53,376,200	28,716,398

¹ California, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, Michigan, Nebraska, New York, Oregon, and Washington combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Broiler Production and Value – States and United States Total: 2016

[Annual estimates cover the period December 1 previous year through November 30. Broiler production including other domestic meat-type strains. Excludes States producing less than 500,000 broilers]

State	Number produced (1,000 head)	Pounds produced (1,000 pounds)	Value of production (1,000 dollars)
Alabama	1,070,100	5,992,600	2,864,463
Arkansas	1,009,400	6,561,100	3,136,206
Delaware	252,500	1,843,300	881,097
Florida	63,200	366,600	175,235
Georgia	1,367,100	8,065,900	3,855,500
Kentucky	300,300	1,831,800	875,600
Maryland	303,500	1,851,400	884,969
Minnesota	48,400	295,200	141,106
Mississippi	739,400	4,658,200	2,226,620
Missouri	293,000	1,435,700	686,265
North Carolina	818,700	6,467,700	3,091,561
Ohio	88,000	475,200	227,146
Oklahoma	209,700	1,363,100	651,562
Pennsylvania	185,700	1,039,900	497,072
South Carolina	244,700	1,810,800	865,562
Tennessee	175,200	928,600	443,871
Texas	629,500	3,840,000	1,835,520
Virginia	269,100	1,533,900	733,204
West Virginia	90,300	352,200	168,352
Wisconsin	54,100	227,200	108,602
Other States ¹	564,800	3,318,700	1,586,339
United States	8,776,700	54,259,100	25,935,852

¹ California, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, Michigan, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, and Washington combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Turkey Production and Value – States and United States: 2015

[Based on turkeys placed September 1, 2014, through August 31, 2015]

State	Number raised (1,000 head)	Pounds produced (1,000 pounds)	Value of production (1,000 dollars)
Arkansas	27,500	561,000	454,971
California	11,500	338,100	274,199
Indiana	19,300	752,700	610,440
Iowa	9,100	353,990	287,086
Michigan	5,200	204,880	166,158
Minnesota	40,500	976,050	791,577
Missouri	19,000	600,400	486,924
North Carolina	31,000	1,091,200	884,963
Ohio	5,200	209,040	169,531
Pennsylvania	6,500	163,150	132,315
South Dakota	4,300	181,460	147,164
Utah	3,800	95,380	77,353
Virginia	17,000	460,700	373,628
West Virginia	3,000	90,600	73,477
Other States ¹	30,200	959,486	778,142
United States	233,100	7,038,136	5,707,928

¹ Includes State estimates not shown and States withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Turkey Production and Value – States and United States: 2016

[Based on turkeys placed September 1, 2015, through August 31, 2016]

State	Number raised	Pounds produced	Value of production
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 dollars)
Arkansas	26,000	525,200	433,815
California	11,400	323,760	267,426
Indiana	19,500	758,550	626,562
Iowa	11,700	460,980	380,769
Michigan	5,400	216,540	178,862
Minnesota	44,500	1,103,600	911,574
Missouri	19,200	625,920	517,010
North Carolina	33,500	1,202,650	993,389
Ohio	5,800	236,640	195,465
Pennsylvania	7,300	189,800	156,775
South Dakota	4,200	180,180	148,829
Utah	4,700	121,730	100,549
Virginia	17,200	467,840	386,436
West Virginia	3,700	111,000	91,686
Other States ¹	29,900	962,588	795,100
United States	244,000	7,486,978	6,184,247

¹ Includes State estimates not shown and States withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Chickens Lost, Sold for Slaughter, Pounds Sold, and Value – States and United States: 2015

[Annual estimates cover the period December 1 previous year through November 30. Excludes broilers]

State	Number lost ¹	Number sold for slaughter	Pounds sold	Value of sales
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 dollars)
Alabama	2,730	11,513	88,650	14,716
Arkansas	3,386	14,422	105,281	16,845
California	6,428	5,029	16,093	32
Colorado	686	3,041	12,772	843
Florida	5,351	351	2,597	416
Georgia	6,141	16,470	111,996	16,687
Illinois	989	2,514	9,050	244
Indiana	8,679	12,424	42,242	549
Iowa	42,790	11,309	37,320	187
Kentucky	838	4,142	24,852	3,256
Louisiana	365	2,159	13,602	1,891
Maryland	232	1,303	4,691	155
Massachusetts	8	95	304	(Z)
Michigan	1,104	9,305	29,776	30
Minnesota	4,976	5,923	20,731	518
Mississippi	1,462	5,659	41,311	6,568
Missouri	1,329	8,036	36,966	3,216
Montana	323	54	173	(Z)
Nebraska	4,222	4,094	13,101	13
New York	623	3,283	10,834	22
North Carolina	3,400	13,841	96,887	14,824
Ohio	12,333	11,871	40,361	444
Oklahoma	715	2,656	20,451	3,374
Oregon	748	819	2,621	3
Pennsylvania	2,469	10,538	38,991	1,482
South Carolina	1,576	2,784	16,982	2,293
South Dakota	1,517	336	1,075	1
Tennessee	383	1,960	15,484	2,601
Texas	3,012	12,975	64,875	6,488
Utah	863	2,484	7,949	8
Vermont	17	108	486	39
Virginia	623	2,459	17,213	2,634
Washington	3,486	301	963	2
West Virginia	262	1,567	12,379	2,092
Wisconsin	1,653	4,204	15,555	529
Other States ²	4,960	6,586	21,974	204
United States	130,679	196,615	996,588	103,206

(Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

¹ Includes rendered, died, destroyed, composted, or disappeared for any reason except sold during the 12-month period.

² Alaska, Arizona, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Maine, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Dakota, Rhode Island, and Wyoming combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Chickens Lost, Sold for Slaughter, Pounds Sold, and Value – States and United States: 2016

[Annual estimates cover the period December 1 previous year through November 30. Excludes broilers]

State	Number lost ¹	Number sold for slaughter	Pounds sold	Value of sales
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 dollars)
Alabama	2,891	11,431	89,162	11,859
Arkansas	3,849	16,426	119,910	15,229
California	4,361	5,606	19,621	216
Colorado	1,907	2,369	10,897	730
Florida	6,417	425	3,145	415
Georgia	5,823	15,814	102,791	11,821
Illinois	1,415	3,356	12,082	217
Indiana	11,590	15,668	53,271	373
Iowa	17,723	8,511	28,086	140
Kentucky	955	4,957	28,255	2,769
Louisiana	324	1,885	11,876	1,330
Maryland	256	1,572	5,659	113
Massachusetts	9	108	356	(Z)
Michigan	1,046	10,235	33,776	34
Minnesota	2,228	4,873	17,543	386
Mississippi	1,460	6,145	44,859	5,697
Missouri	1,433	8,183	37,642	2,560
Montana	297	52	172	(Z)
Nebraska	889	3,706	12,230	12
New York	838	3,899	12,867	26
North Carolina	3,939	15,088	104,107	12,597
Ohio	12,337	12,062	41,011	369
Oklahoma	678	2,637	19,778	2,591
Oregon	1,353	569	1,878	2
Pennsylvania	2,708	10,399	38,476	923
South Carolina	1,227	4,127	21,873	1,881
South Dakota	924	176	581	1
Tennessee	363	2,199	17,372	2,345
Texas	3,346	14,468	72,340	5,643
Utah	950	3,003	9,910	10
Vermont	11	88	343	12
Virginia	1,140	2,245	17,062	2,235
Washington	5,528	321	1,059	2
West Virginia	298	1,646	13,168	1,817
Wisconsin	1,097	2,772	10,534	337
Other States ²	4,480	8,987	30,348	177
United States	106,090	206,008	1,044,040	84,869

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All Eggs Production and Value – States and United States: 2015 and 2016

[Annual estimates cover the period December 1 previous year through November 30. Includes hatching and market (table) eggs]

State	Eggs produced				Value of production	
	2015 (million eggs)	2016 (million eggs)	2015 (1,000 dozen eggs)	2016 (1,000 dozen eggs)	2015 (1,000 dollars)	2016 (1,000 dollars)
Alabama	2,185.0	2,110.7	182,083.4	175,891.8	404,090	367,961
Arkansas	3,275.4	3,411.4	272,950.1	284,283.5	572,449	485,411
California	3,302.8	3,473.5	275,233.7	289,458.4	527,701	210,160
Colorado	1,322.8	1,364.0	110,233.8	113,666.6	177,115	67,929
Florida	2,463.1	2,364.1	205,258.3	197,008.6	315,651	110,028
Georgia	4,837.5	4,893.8	403,125.3	407,817.2	764,192	563,152
Illinois	1,356.4	1,534.7	113,033.6	127,892.0	180,895	72,534
Indiana	8,004.7	8,910.4	667,058.3	742,533.3	1,066,159	403,938
Iowa	12,470.6	13,608.0	1,039,216.8	1,134,000.2	1,535,042	556,138
Kentucky	1,279.4	1,304.1	106,616.8	108,675.2	191,617	118,592
Louisiana	560.8	541.0	46,733.6	45,083.4	89,081	53,193
Maryland	773.3	795.9	64,441.5	66,325.2	99,117	31,449
Massachusetts	44.7	40.6	3,724.5	3,383.8	5,608	1,425
Michigan	3,844.7	3,963.9	320,391.5	330,325.0	494,947	163,234
Minnesota	2,874.9	2,813.9	239,575.3	234,491.8	366,897	126,454
Mississippi	1,405.5	1,391.9	117,124.8	115,991.3	248,230	221,704
Missouri	3,056.4	3,208.9	254,699.9	267,408.3	421,325	189,889
Montana	142.1	135.9	11,842.3	11,325.3	22,500	7,870
Nebraska	2,290.7	2,570.2	190,891.6	214,183.6	281,147	99,773
New York	1,523.2	1,673.8	126,933.3	139,483.2	193,585	63,470
North Carolina	3,659.3	3,729.5	304,941.9	310,791.9	588,368	444,039
Ohio	9,708.4	9,546.0	809,032.8	795,500.0	1,262,374	411,781
Oklahoma	699.0	692.0	58,250.0	57,666.4	114,807	79,088
Oregon	731.1	732.0	60,925.1	61,000.0	115,960	42,447
Pennsylvania	7,778.2	8,212.4	648,183.3	684,366.5	1,008,202	367,144
South Carolina	1,163.5	1,141.7	96,958.4	95,141.7	167,384	95,367
South Dakota	604.5	594.2	50,375.0	49,516.8	73,798	22,482
Tennessee	349.1	394.5	29,091.9	32,875.1	66,970	76,518
Texas	5,161.1	5,571.8	430,092.0	464,316.6	728,753	361,309
Utah	1,252.2	1,271.4	104,350.1	105,950.1	199,491	73,238
Vermont	38.4	38.4	3,199.9	3,200.7	5,152	1,829
Virginia	752.0	782.3	62,666.6	65,191.6	122,443	96,909
Washington	2,094.9	2,006.5	174,574.7	167,208.2	331,830	117,086
West Virginia	279.2	287.1	23,266.8	23,924.1	54,603	55,890
Wisconsin	1,406.3	1,618.8	117,191.3	134,899.7	187,719	79,083
Other States ¹	4,517.0	5,223.4	376,416.4	435,283.4	622,992	244,793
United States	97,208.2	101,952.7	8,100,684.6	8,496,060.5	13,608,194	6,483,307

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Statistical Methodology

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 Regional Field Offices (RFOs) maintain a list of all known poultry operations and use known sources to update their lists. Data are collected from broiler hatcheries which hatch over one million chicks annually and from turkey grow-out operations raising 1,000 or more turkeys annually. 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. RFOs 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: All 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; broiler hatcheries which hatch over one million chicks annually; and turkey grow-out operations raising 1,000 or more turkeys annually. 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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