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Eggs in Incubators on July 1 Up 3 Percent from Last Year

Turkey eggs in incubators on July 1, 2007 in the United States totaled 33.3 million, up 3 percent from July 1, 2006. Eggs in incubators were up slightly from the June 1, 2007 total of 33.2 million eggs. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central down 3 percent, West North Central up 10 percent, North and South Atlantic up 6 percent, and South Central and West down 10 percent.

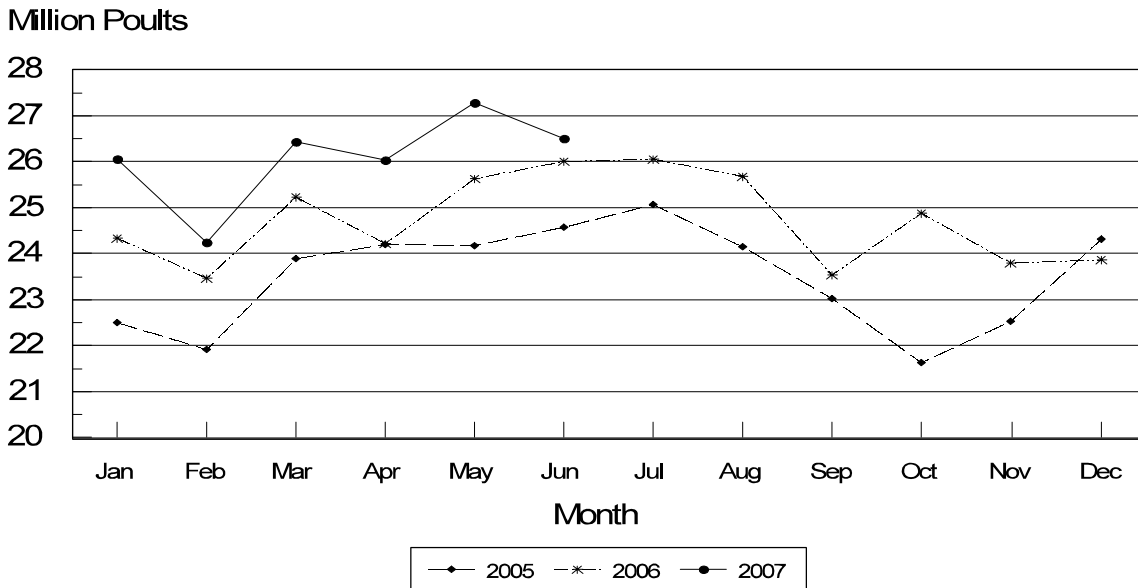
Poults Hatched During June Up 1 Percent from Last Year

Turkey poults hatched during June 2007 in the United States totaled 26.7 million, up 1 percent from June 2006. Poults hatched were down 3 percent from the May 2007 total of 27.4 million poults. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central up 4 percent, West North Central up 2 percent, North and South Atlantic down 6 percent, and South Central and West up 8 percent.

Net Poults Placed During June Up 2 Percent from Last Year

The 26.1 million net poults placed during June 2007 in the United States were up 2 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier. Net placements were down 3 percent from the May 2007 total of 27.3 million.

Turkey Net Poult Placements United States 2005-2007



**Eggs in Incubators: First of Month by Region
and United States, July 2007**

Region	Jul 1 2006	Jun 1 2007 ¹	Jul 1 2007	Percent of Previous Year	Percent of Previous Month
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
E N Central	5,017	5,225	4,891	97	94
W N Central	11,452	12,202	12,541	110	103
N & S Atlantic ²	10,183	10,677	10,817	106	101
S Central & West ²	5,596	5,051	5,025	90	99
US	32,248	33,155	33,274	103	100

¹ Revised.

² Regions combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

**Eggs Hatched: Entire Month by Region
and United States, June 2007**

Region	Jun 2006	May 2007	Jun 2007	Percent of Previous Year	Percent of Previous Month
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
E N Central	4,217	3,974	4,380	104	110
W N Central	9,864	10,795	10,079	102	93
N & S Atlantic ¹	8,763	8,948	8,254	94	92
S Central & West ¹	3,659	3,693	3,939	108	107
US	26,503	27,410	26,652	101	97

¹ Regions combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

**Net Poults Placements: By Month,
United States, 2005-2007 ¹**

Month	Total All Breeds		Percent of Previous Year	Cumulative Total		Percent of Previous Year
	2005-06	2006-07		2005-06	2006-07	
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Sep	23,018	23,534	102	23,018	23,534	102
Oct	21,633	24,891	115	44,651	48,425	108
Nov	22,540	23,792	106	67,191	72,217	107
Dec	24,329	23,879	98	91,520	96,096	105
Jan	24,341	26,068	107	115,861	122,164	105
Feb	23,473	24,249	103	139,334	146,413	105
Mar	25,230	26,433	105	164,564	172,846	105
Apr	24,212	26,040	108	188,776	198,886	105
May ²	25,639	27,271	106	214,415	226,157	105
Jun	26,002	26,504	102	240,417	252,661	105
Jul	26,058			266,475		
Aug	25,693			292,168		

¹ Includes imports and excludes exports.

² Revised 2007 data only.

Reliability of Turkey Hatchery Estimates

Survey Procedures: Data for turkey hatchery estimates are collected from all known turkey hatcheries. Individual NASS field offices maintain a list of all known turkey hatcheries and use known sources of hatcheries to update their lists. Approximately 40 hatcheries are contacted each month. All known turkey hatcheries are mailed a questionnaire as close to the first of the month as possible and given adequate time to respond via mail, fax, or EDR. Those that do not respond are contacted by phone. Care is exercised to ensure that all hatcheries are accounted for in the estimate.

Estimating 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 were 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. Individual hatchery data are summed to State, regional, and U.S. totals. Only regional and U.S. level estimates are published due to the limited number of hatcheries involved. The Net Poultry Placement data includes imported poult from outside the U.S. and excludes poult exported outside the U.S..

Cummulative net poult placements beginning on September 1 and ending on August 31 are shown in the monthly "**Turkey Hatchery**" report. This time period corresponds with the placements of poult which will reach maturity and be available for slaughter during the calendar year.

Revision Policy: Revisions are generally the result of late or corrected data. Revisions to the previous month are published in the monthly "**Turkey Hatchery**" report, while annual revisions are published in the "**Hatchery Production - Annual Summary**" report in April.

Reliability: Turkey hatchery estimates are based on a census of all known operating hatcheries and therefore, have no sampling error. 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.

States reporting turkey hatcheries are: Arkansas, California, Florida, Indiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

Regional Listing:

North Atlantic: CT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT.

East North Central: IL, IN, MI, OH, WI.

West North Central: IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, ND, SD.

South Atlantic: DE, FL, GA, MD, NC, SC, VA, WV.

South Central: AL, AR, KY, LA, MS, OK, TN, TX.

West: AZ, CA, CO, ID, MT, NM, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY.

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