

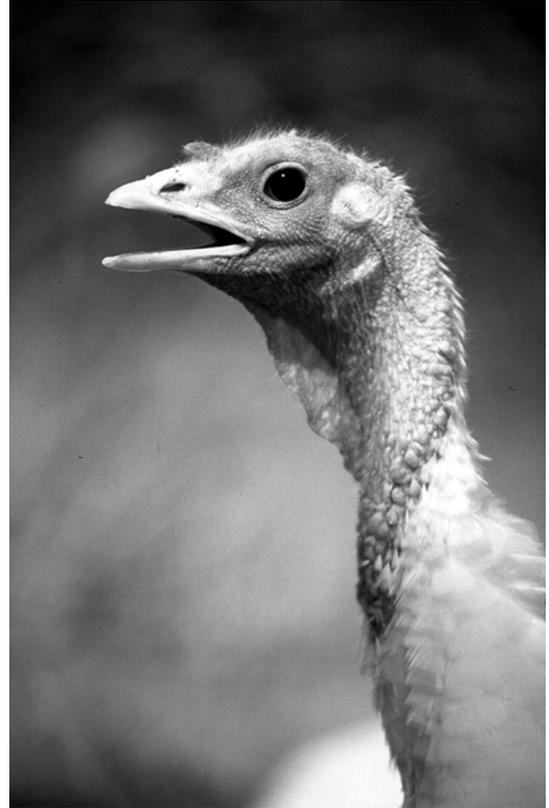
POULTRY SUMMARY

In 2005, Minnesota turkey growers ranked first in turkeys raised and in pounds produced. Minnesota growers raised 44.5 million turkeys, 2 percent below 2004. The total liveweight of turkeys produced was 1.20 billion pounds, up slightly from the previous year. The average price received for turkeys in 2005 was 45 cents per pound and the value of the state's turkey production in 2005 was \$540.7 million.

During 2005, hatcheries in the West North Central Region (which includes the states of Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Minnesota) placed 108.1 million turkey poults, up 2 percent from 2004.

Minnesota's total chicken inventory (excluding broilers) on December 1, 2005, was 14.6 million birds, up 1 percent from the previous year. The state's egg production in 2005 was 2.99 billion eggs, up 2 percent from 2004. The value of eggs produced was down 36 percent in 2005, to \$90.9 million. The all-egg price decreased to 36.5 cents per dozen. The annual average number of layers on farms was up 2 percent, to 11.0 million.

In 2005, the number of broilers produced was up 1 percent to 46.9 million. In 2005, value of broiler production decreased to \$98.8 million. These poultry estimates are based on survey data reported by producers, hatcheries, and processing plants.



TURKEY PRODUCTION MINNESOTA, 1993-2005

