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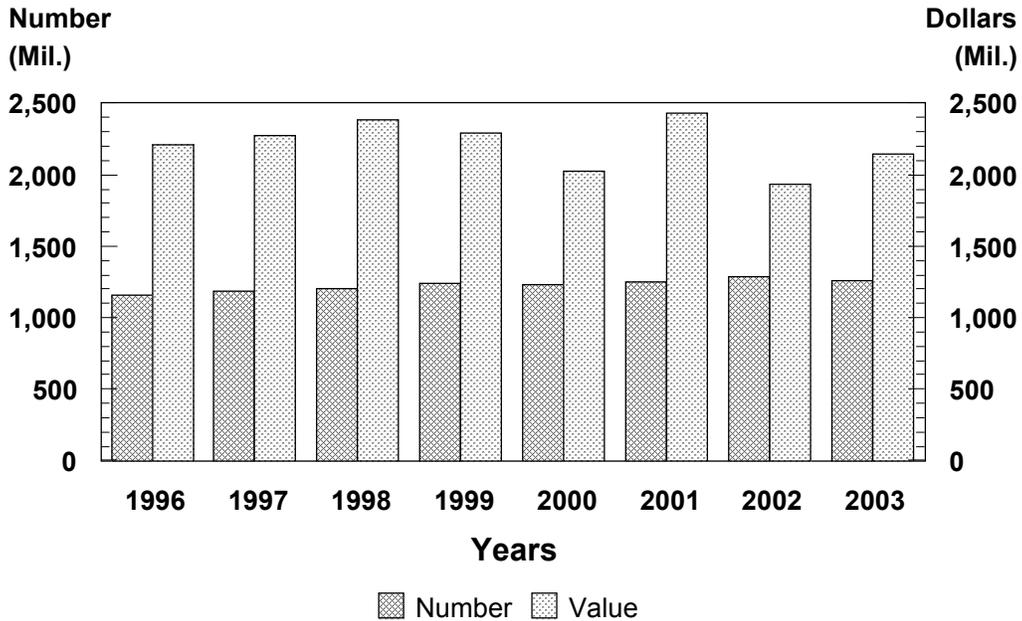
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### POULTRY

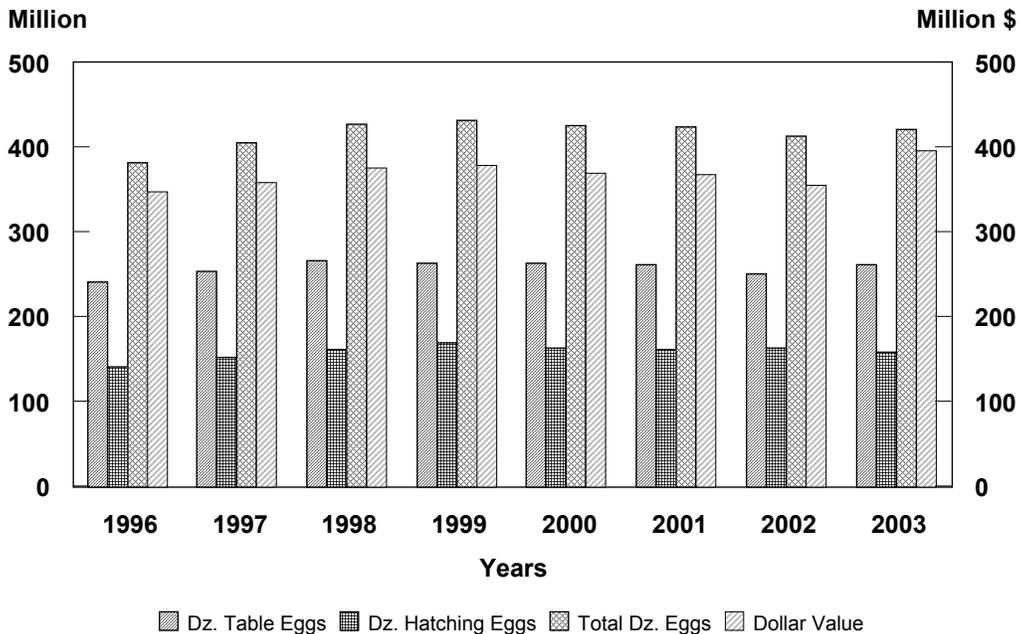
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## BROILERS Number & Value of Production Georgia, 1996 - 2003



## EGG PRODUCTION & VALUE Hatching, Table, and Total Eggs Georgia, 1996 - 2003



**GEORGIA POULTRY HIGHLIGHTS****2003 FARM VALUE OF PRODUCTION 1/**

|                      |                 |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| All Poultry and Eggs | \$2,546,425,000 |
| Broilers             | \$2,142,850,000 |
| Eggs                 | \$395,769,000   |
| Chickens*            | \$ 7,806,000    |

**2003 -- GEORGIA NATIONAL RANK**

|        |                                   |
|--------|-----------------------------------|
| First  | Broilers Value of Production      |
| Second | Chickens Value of Sales           |
| First  | Broilers Produced                 |
| Second | Eggs Value of Production          |
| First  | All Poultry Value of Production   |
| First  | Chickens Sold (excludes broilers) |
| Sixth  | Eggs Produced                     |

**SUMMARY--2003**

The total farm value of poultry and eggs produced in Georgia increased 11 percent to \$2.55 billion for the 2003 production year. Value of production from broilers totaled \$2.14 billion, up 11 percent from 2002. The value of production for all eggs was \$396 million, up 11 percent from 2002. The sale of chickens, excluding broilers, totaled 18.0 million birds with a value of sales of \$ 7.8 million.

**BROILER PRODUCTION**

For the twentieth consecutive year, Georgia has been the leader in broiler production with 1.26 billion birds in 2003. Production decreased 2 percent from 1.29 billion broilers produced in 2002. Pounds produced in 2003 totaled 6.30 billion. The average price received per pound for broilers in 2003 was 34.0 cents per pound, up 4.0 cents from the 2002 average price. Georgia ranked first in the number of broilers produced and accounted for 15 percent of the number and 14 percent of pounds of the Nation's broiler production in 2003. For the ninth consecutive year, Georgia ranked number one in the Nation in value of broiler production.

**EGG PRODUCTION**

Egg production in Georgia for the year ending November 30, 2003, totaled 5.05 billion eggs, 2 percent more than in 2002. The number of layers averaged 20.4 million in 2003, slightly less than the previous year. In hatching egg flocks, the average number of layers was down 2 percent, to 9.22 million from 9.42 million in 2002. The average number of layers in table egg flocks was 11.2 million in 2003. All layers in Georgia produced an average of 247 eggs per hen in 2003, 4 eggs more than 2002's average of 243. Hatching egg flocks produced 2.05 billion eggs during 2003, 3 percent less than the previous year. Table egg flocks produced 3.00 billion eggs in 2003, 5 percent more than 2002. The average price for all eggs in 2003 was 94.1 cents per dozen, 8.1 cents more than the previous year. Table egg prices averaged 55.9 cents per dozen, up 17.3 cents from the previous year. Hatching egg prices averaged \$1.57 per dozen, down 1.3 cents from the previous year. Georgia's total egg production was 59 percent table eggs and 41 percent hatching eggs. Georgia ranked sixth in the Nation in 2003 in both the average number of layers and in total egg production. Iowa was the leading State in both layers and egg production followed by Ohio.

1/ Value of production is quantity produced multiplied by the price per unit.

\* Value of sales for chickens is quantity sold multiplied by the price per unit.

**POULTRY--VALUE OF PRODUCTION, GEORGIA, 1996-2003 1/**

|                               | 1996      | 1997      | 1998      | 1999      | 2000      | 2001      | 2002      | 2003      |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| --Thousand Dollars--          |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Commercial Broilers           | 2,205,294 | 2,276,890 | 2,386,382 | 2,293,445 | 2,029,005 | 2,432,235 | 1,935,750 | 2,142,850 |
| Mature Chickens,              |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Hatching Egg Flocks           | 11,084    | 16,911    | 20,078    | 16,940    | 20,898    | 11,380    | 10,329    | 7,713     |
| Table Egg Flocks              | 149       | 201       | 178       | 140       | 188       | 104       | 93        | 93        |
| All Chickens,                 |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Including Commercial Broilers | 2,216,527 | 2,294,002 | 2,406,638 | 2,310,525 | 2,050,091 | 2,443,719 | 1,946,172 | 2,150,656 |
| Eggs                          | 348,002   | 358,941   | 376,104   | 379,339   | 370,831   | 368,073   | 356,065   | 395,769   |
| Turkeys 2/                    | 7,308     | 2,591     |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| All Poultry                   | 2,571,837 | 2,655,534 | 2,782,742 | 2,689,864 | 2,420,922 | 2,811,792 | 2,302,237 | 2,546,425 |

1/ The production year begins Dec 1 previous year and ends Nov 30 current year, except turkeys based on Sep 1 - Aug 31 hatch. 2/ Discontinued in 1998.

**POULTRY--PRODUCTION, SALES AND VALUE, GEORGIA, 1996-2003 1/**

|                                             | Unit       | 1996      | 1997      | 1998      | 1999      | 2000      | 2001      | 2002      | 2003      |
|---------------------------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Commercial Broilers</b>                  |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Number Produced                             | 1,000      | 1,154,000 | 1,182,800 | 1,202,500 | 1,239,700 | 1,229,700 | 1,247,300 | 1,290,500 | 1,260,500 |
| Pounds Produced                             | 1,000      | 5,654,600 | 5,914,000 | 5,892,300 | 6,198,500 | 6,148,500 | 6,236,500 | 6,452,500 | 6,302,500 |
| Price per Pound 2/                          | Cents      | 39.0      | 38.5      | 40.5      | 37.0      | 33.0      | 39.0      | 30.0      | 34.0      |
| Value of Production                         | 1,000 Dols | 2,205,294 | 2,276,890 | 2,386,382 | 2,293,445 | 2,029,005 | 2,432,235 | 1,935,750 | 2,142,850 |
|                                             | Unit       | 1996      | 1997      | 1998      | 1999      | 2000      | 2001      | 2002      | 2003      |
| <b>Mature Chickens, Hatching Egg Flocks</b> |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Number Sold                                 | 1,000      | 9,565     | 10,385    | 11,797    | 14,163    | 14,363    | 14,187    | 12,598    | 12,208    |
| Pounds Sold                                 | 1,000      | 84,685    | 87,794    | 98,884    | 127,694   | 128,345   | 126,361   | 110,053   | 94,264    |
| Price per Pound                             | Cents      | 13.1      | 19.3      | 20.3      | 13.3      | 16.3      | 9.0       | 9.4       | 8.2       |
| Value of Sales                              | 1,000 Dols | 11,084    | 16,911    | 20,078    | 16,940    | 20,898    | 11,380    | 10,329    | 7,713     |
|                                             | Unit       | 1996      | 1997      | 1998      | 1999      | 2000      | 2001      | 2002      | 2003      |
| <b>Mature Chickens, Table Egg Flocks</b>    |            |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Number Sold                                 | 1,000      | 6,240     | 5,115     | 5,225     | 7,107     | 8,074     | 5,443     | 4,349     | 5,749     |
| Pounds Sold                                 | 1,000      | 24,370    | 19,156    | 20,270    | 27,577    | 37,689    | 20,864    | 17,050    | 18,865    |
| Price per Pound                             | Cents      | 0.6       | 1.0       | 0.9       | 0.5       | 0.5       | 0.5       | 0.5       | 0.5       |
| Value of Sales                              | 1,000 Dols | 149       | 201       | 178       | 140       | 188       | 104       | 93        | 93        |

1/ The production year begins Dec 1 previous year and ends Nov 30 current year. 2/ Live weight equivalent price.

**EGGS--PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF PRODUCTION, GEORGIA 1996-2003 1/2/**

|                       | Unit       | 1996    | 1997    | 1998    | 1999    | 2000    | 2001    | 2002    | 2003    |
|-----------------------|------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| <b>Table Eggs</b>     |            |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| Average Number Layers | 1,000      | 10,669  | 11,188  | 11,818  | 11,563  | 11,728  | 11,596  | 11,052  | 11,225  |
| Eggs per Layer        | Number     | 259     | 260     | 258     | 259     | 258     | 258     | 258     | 267     |
| Eggs Produced         | Millions   | 2,767   | 2,908   | 3,045   | 2,997   | 3,022   | 2,991   | 2,853   | 2,998   |
| Price per Dozen       | Cents      | 64.5    | 59.2    | 52.5    | 42.8    | 42.7    | 42.6    | 38.6    | 55.9    |
| Value of Production   | 1,000 Dols | 148,726 | 143,461 | 133,289 | 106,912 | 107,562 | 106,186 | 91,798  | 139,657 |
|                       | Unit       | 1996    | 1997    | 1998    | 1999    | 2000    | 2001    | 2002    | 2003    |
| <b>Hatching Eggs</b>  |            |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| Average Number Layers | 1,000      | 7,929   | 8,683   | 9,217   | 9,498   | 9,088   | 9,398   | 9,422   | 9,217   |
| Eggs per Layer        | Number     | 229     | 226     | 226     | 229     | 231     | 223     | 224     | 222     |
| Eggs Produced         |            |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| Table                 | Millions   | 127     | 137     | 146     | 153     | 147     | 147     | 148     | 143     |
| Hatching              | Millions   | 1,690   | 1,822   | 1,935   | 2,026   | 1,959   | 1,948   | 1,966   | 1,906   |
| Total                 | Millions   | 1,817   | 1,959   | 2,081   | 2,179   | 2,106   | 2,095   | 2,114   | 2,049   |
| Price per Dozen       |            |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| Table                 | Cents      | 64.5    | 59.2    | 52.5    | 42.8    | 42.7    | 42.6    | 38.6    | 55.9    |
| Hatching              | Cents      | 136.6   | 137.5   | 136.3   | 158.1   | 158.1   | 158.0   | 158.4   | 157.1   |
| Value of Production   |            |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| Table                 | 1,000 Dols | 6,826   | 6,759   | 6,390   | 5,424   | 5,244   | 5,222   | 4,762   | 6,661   |
| Hatching              | 1,000 Dols | 192,450 | 208,721 | 236,425 | 267,003 | 258,025 | 256,665 | 259,505 | 249,451 |
| Total                 | 1,000 Dols | 199,276 | 215,480 | 242,815 | 272,457 | 263,269 | 261,887 | 264,267 | 256,112 |
|                       | Unit       | 1996    | 1997    | 1998    | 1999    | 2000    | 2001    | 2002    | 2003    |
| <b>Total Eggs</b>     |            |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| Average Number Layers | 1,000      | 18,626  | 19,869  | 21,035  | 21,059  | 20,816  | 20,994  | 20,473  | 20,442  |
| Eggs per Layer        | Number     | 246     | 245     | 244     | 246     | 246     | 242     | 243     | 247     |
| Eggs Produced         |            |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| Table                 | Millions   | 2,894   | 3,045   | 3,191   | 3,150   | 3,169   | 3,138   | 3,001   | 3,141   |
| Hatching              | Millions   | 1,690   | 1,822   | 1,935   | 2,026   | 1,959   | 1,948   | 1,966   | 1,906   |
| Total                 | Millions   | 4,584   | 4,867   | 5,126   | 5,176   | 5,128   | 5,086   | 4,967   | 5,047   |
| Price per Dozen       |            |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| Table                 | Cents      | 64.5    | 59.2    | 52.5    | 42.8    | 42.7    | 42.6    | 38.6    | 55.9    |
| Hatching              | Cents      | 136.6   | 137.5   | 136.3   | 158.1   | 158.1   | 158.0   | 158.4   | 157.1   |
| Total                 | Cents      | 91.1    | 88.5    | 88.0    | 87.9    | 86.8    | 86.8    | 86.0    | 94.1    |
| Value of Production   |            |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| Table                 | 1,000 Dols | 155,552 | 150,220 | 139,679 | 112,336 | 112,806 | 111,408 | 96,560  | 146,318 |
| Hatching              | 1,000 Dols | 192,450 | 208,721 | 236,425 | 267,003 | 258,025 | 256,665 | 259,505 | 249,451 |
| Total                 | 1,000 Dols | 348,002 | 358,941 | 376,104 | 379,339 | 370,831 | 368,073 | 356,065 | 395,769 |

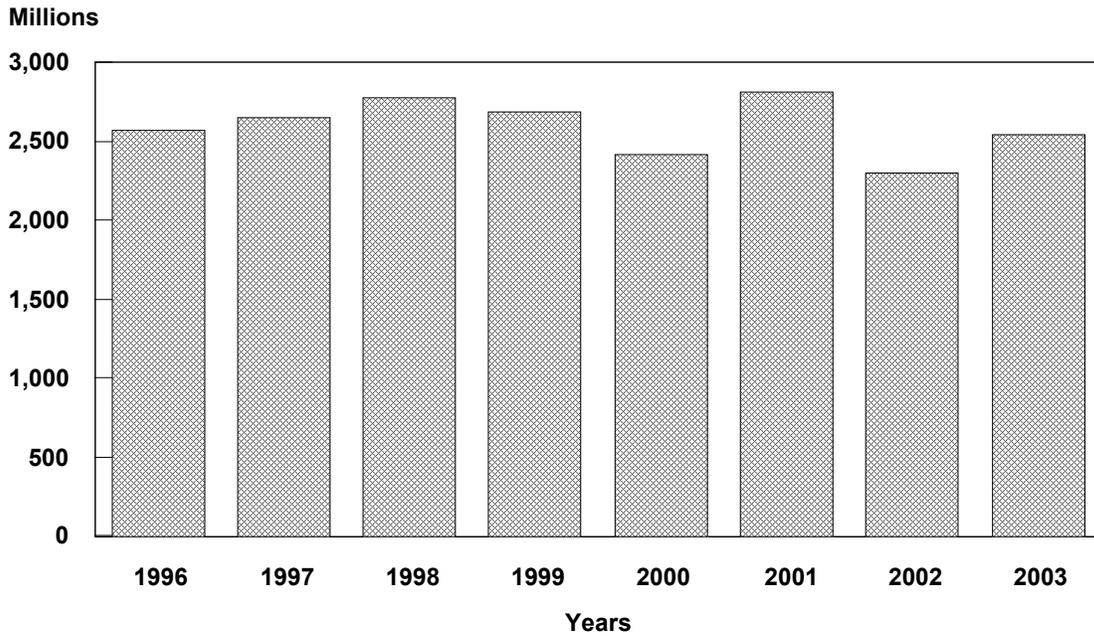
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**PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION OF RED MEAT AND POULTRY--SELECTED YEARS, 1999-2003 1/  
UNITED STATES**

|                                      |        | 1999  | 2000  | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  |
|--------------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Red Meat, Retail Weight Basis</b> |        |       |       |       |       |       |
| Beef                                 | Pounds | 67.5  | 67.7  | 66.2  | 67.6  | 65.0  |
| Pork                                 | Pounds | 52.7  | 51.2  | 50.2  | 51.5  | 51.9  |
| Lamb                                 | Pounds | 1.1   | 1.1   | 1.1   | 1.2   | 1.1   |
| Total 2/                             | Pounds | 121.3 | 120.0 | 117.5 | 120.3 | 118.0 |
| <b>Eggs</b>                          |        |       |       |       |       |       |
| Total                                | Number | 255.6 | 258.2 | 252.7 | 255.5 | 254.7 |
| <b>Chickens</b>                      |        |       |       |       |       |       |
| Commercial Broilers 2/               | Pounds | 75.3  | 75.5  | 76.6  | 80.5  | 81.5  |
| Turkey 3/                            | Pounds | 17.6  | 17.4  | 17.5  | 17.7  | 17.4  |
| Total 3/4/                           | Pounds | 92.9  | 92.9  | 94.1  | 98.2  | 98.9  |

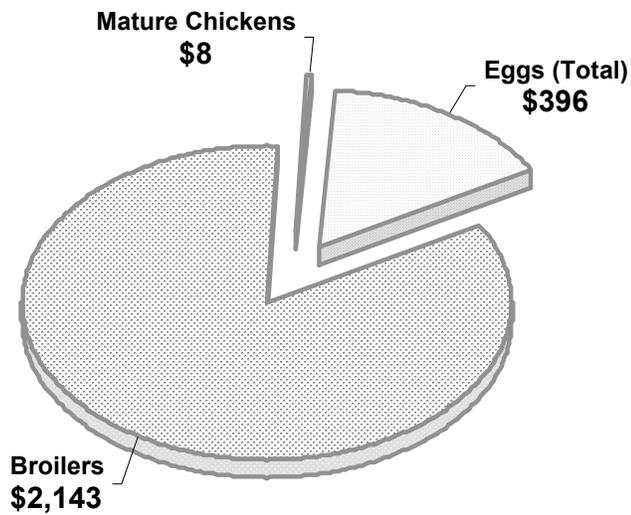
1/ Livestock, Dairy and Poultry Situation and Outlook Report, May, 2004. Economic Research Service, USDA. Per capita meat and egg consumption data are revised, incorporating a new population series from the Commerce Department's Bureau of Economic Analysis based on the 2000 Census. 2/ Retail lb. 3/ Ready-to-Cook Basis. 4/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

**POULTRY**  
**Value of Production**  
**Georgia, 1996 - 2003 1/**



1/ Includes broilers, mature chickens, turkeys, and eggs for 1996-1997. Turkeys discontinued in 1998.

**Value of Production (Million Dollars)**  
**Broilers, Chickens, and Eggs,**  
**Georgia, 2003**



**Broilers 84.2%**  
**Eggs 15.5%**  
**Mature Chickens 0.3%**