

POULTRY AND OTHER LIVESTOCK

Total value of production from eggs was \$307.8 million in 2003, up 29 percent from a year earlier. The average number of layers at 22.7 million was 1 percent above 2002. The average rate of lay was unchanged, at 266 eggs per layer, resulting in a 1 percent increase in total egg production during 2003. The average price received by producers for eggs was 61.2 cents per dozen compared with 47.9 cents a year earlier.

NUMBER OF POULTRY ON FARMS, BY CLASS, INDIANA, DECEMBER 1, 1998-2003

Class of Livestock	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003 ^{1/}
Thousand Head						
All Chickens ^{2/}	29,357	29,607	28,741	28,958	29,098	28,865
Layers on Hand	22,200	22,936	23,038	22,500	23,018	23,604
Layers 1 Year Old and Older	11,324	10,786	10,453	11,756	12,291	13,437
Layers 20 Weeks Old but Less than 1 Year	10,876	12,150	12,585	10,744	10,727	10,167
Pullets not of Laying Age	7,110	6,607	5,639	6,372	6,018	5,184
Pullets 3 Months Old and Older	1,977	2,214	1,686	3,582	2,393	2,401
Pullets Under 3 Months	5,133	4,393	3,953	2,790	3,625	2,783
Other Chickens	47	64	64	86	62	77

^{1/} Preliminary.
^{2/} Excludes Commercial Broilers.

NUMBER AND VALUE OF POULTRY ON FARMS INDIANA, DECEMBER 1, 1998-2003

December 1	All Chickens Excluding Commercial Broilers	Average Value Per Head	Total Value
	Thousand Head	Dollars	Thousand Dollars
1998	29,357	1.60	46,971
1999	29,607	1.50	44,411
2000	28,741	.99	28,454
2001	28,958	1.30	37,645
2002	29,098	1.10	32,008
2003 ^{1/}	28,865	1.40	40,411

^{1/} Preliminary.

