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- The value of Mississippi exports for poultry and poultry products during 2006 amounted to 201 million dollars, down 8 percent from the previous year.
- Sunflower County produced 2,100,000 bushels of grain sorghum in 2007 and represented 22 percent of the State's grain sorghum production.
- Bolivar County was the top soybean producing county in 2007, with a production of 9,138,000 bushels.
- There were 22 livestock slaughter plants in the State during 2008. Twenty-three percent of the plants were under federal inspection, compared to 26 percent the previous year.

Chickens: Number, Value Per Head and Total Value, by Selected States and United States, December 1, 2006-2007 ^{1 2}

State	Number		Value per Head		Total Value	
	2006 ²	2007	2006 ²	2007	2006 ²	2007
	1,000 Head		Dollars		1,000 Dollars	
Alabama	14,568	15,414	4.50	4.80	70,056	73,987
Arkansas	23,401	23,537	4.50	4.70	105,305	110,624
Georgia	27,987	28,076	4.00	5.40	111,948	151,610
Kentucky	6,600	6,580	3.90	5.20	25,740	34,216
Louisiana	2,490	2,369	2.90	3.50	7,221	8,292
Mississippi	10,731	10,873	5.00	4.80	53,655	52,190
Missouri	9,401	9,519	2.80	2.80	26,323	26,653
North Carolina	19,201	20,809	5.60	6.60	107,526	137,339
South Carolina	6,782	6,433	3.00	3.00	20,346	19,299
Tennessee	1,889	2,175	7.60	7.30	14,356	15,878
Texas	24,861	25,637	2.90	3.00	72,097	76,911
Virginia	4,512	4,546	3.20	3.90	14,438	17,729
United States	454,422	454,902	2.61	2.95	1,184,728	1,343,884

¹ Excludes commercial broilers.

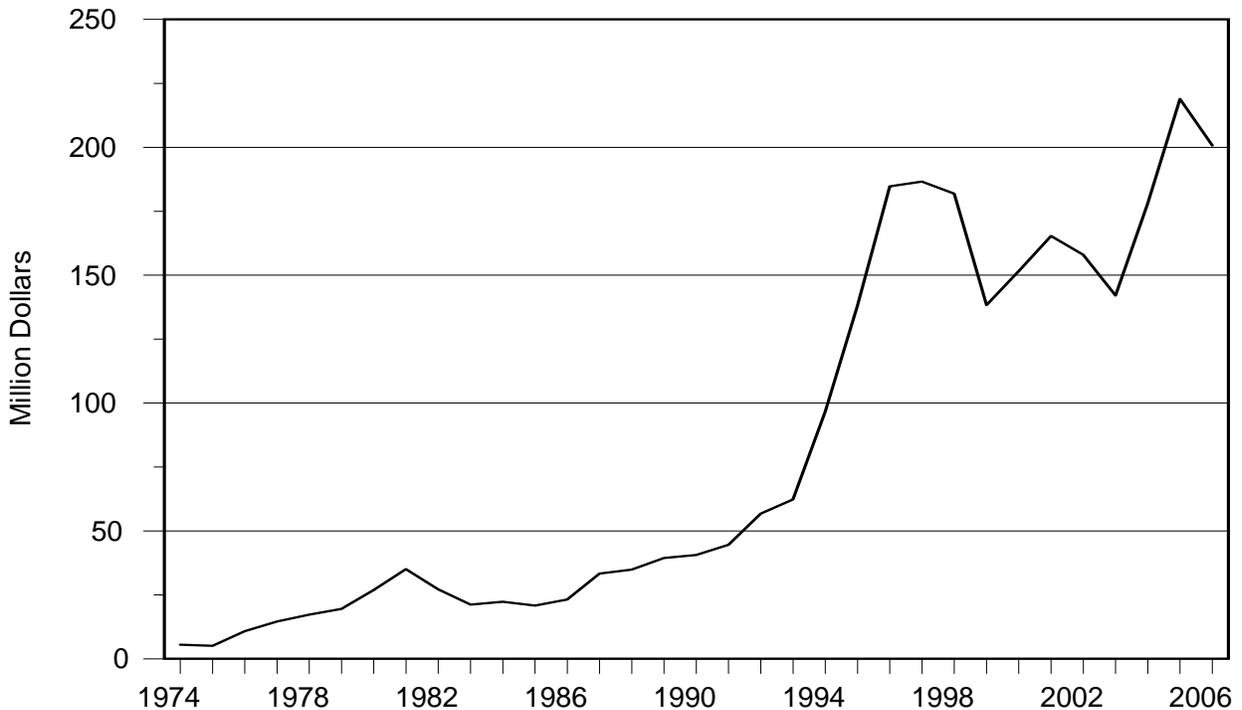
² Revised.

Chickens: Layers, Pullets, and Other Chickens by Selected States and United States, December 1, 2006-2007

State	Total Layers		Total Pullets		Other Chickens	
	2006 ¹	2007	2006 ¹	2007	2006 ¹	2007
1,000						
Alabama	9,568	9,379	5,026	5,006	974	1,029
Arkansas	13,998	14,038	7,836	7,821	1,567	1,678
California	19,672	19,581	3,217	3,628	51	5
Florida	11,229	10,924	2,424	2,619	53	45
Georgia	19,562	19,267	6,968	7,510	1,457	1,299
Kentucky	4,597	4,494	1,731	1,860	272	226
Louisiana	1,834	1,696	554	573	102	100
Mississippi	6,302	6,441	3,879	3,859	550	573
Missouri	7,302	6,799	1,989	2,610	110	110
North Carolina	11,500	12,337	6,771	7,519	930	953
Oklahoma	3,124	3,236	1,120	1,169	237	347
South Carolina	4,929	4,472	1,668	1,768	185	193
Tennessee	1,053	1,278	697	742	139	155
Texas	18,683	19,244	5,723	5,903	455	490
Virginia	3,266	3,172	1,007	1,167	239	207
United States	349,888	344,492	96,596	102,301	7,938	8,109

¹ Revised.

Mississippi Exports: Value of Poultry and Poultry Products, 1974-2006



Source: USDA-Economic Research Service.

Mississippi Sorghum County Estimates, 2006-2007

County	Planted All Purposes		Harvested for Grain		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	Acres				Bushels			
Bolivar	---	21,400	---	17,300	---	81.8	---	1,415,000
Coahoma	---	12,700	---	8,200	---	78.0	---	640,000
Quitman	---	15,200	---	14,300	---	86.4	---	1,235,000
Tallahatchie	---	5,900	---	5,300	---	80.2	---	425,000
Tunica	---	17,100	---	9,900	---	84.8	---	840,000
District 10	¹	72,300	¹	55,000	¹	82.8	¹	4,555,000
Desoto		4,300		3,200		84.4		270,000
Other Counties		6,700		5,900		82.2		485,000
District 20	1,800	11,000	1,600	9,100	73.1	83.0	117,000	755,000
District 30	¹	1,600	¹	1,500	¹	76.7	¹	115,000
Sunflower	4,000	30,800	3,700	26,400	80.0	79.5	296,000	2,100,000
Washington	---	16,300	---	12,700	---	89.0	---	1,130,000
Other Counties	1,900	9,100	1,600	6,800	87.5	78.7	140,000	535,000
District 40	5,900	56,200	5,300	45,900	82.3	82.0	436,000	3,765,000
Other Districts	7,300	3,900	6,100	3,500	79.8	68.6	487,000	240,000
State Total	15,000	145,000	13,000	115,000	80.0	82.0	1,040,000	9,430,000

--- Included in Other Counties.

¹ Included in Other Districts.

Mississippi Wheat Average Yields, 2003-2007

County	Number of Years	Average Yield (bu)	County	Number of Years	Average Yield (bu)
Bolivar	5	57.9	Carroll	1	57.2
Coahoma	5	53.7	Holmes	1	58.8
Quitman	4	52.2	Madison	1	49.0
Tallahatchie	5	55.6	District 50	4	50.7
Tunica	4	57.9	Chickasaw	1	42.1
District 10	5	55.8	Lowndes	5	47.1
Desoto	5	52.4	Monroe	2	49.1
Marshall	3	42.0	Noxubee	5	46.6
Panola	3	59.8	District 60	5	47.6
Tate	5	52.9	Claiborne	1	43.3
District 20	5	53.1	District 70	4	50.4
Pontotoc	1	35.2	District 80	4	49.0
Tippah	1	32.0	District 90	4	49.3
District 30	4	37.9	State Average	5	54.0
Humphreys	5	58.0			
Issaquena	4	55.4			
Leflore	5	53.1			
Sharkey	4	60.4			
Sunflower	5	53.5			
Washington	5	58.3			
Yazoo	5	57.9			
District 40	5	56.0			

The Agency did not publish a yield for every county each year. Whenever publication of county yields would reveal individual data, publication was suspended.

Mississippi Soybean County Estimates, 2006-2007

County	Planted		Harvested for Beans		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	Acres				Bushels			
Bolivar	216,500	184,500	215,100	178,500	27.5	51.2	5,915,000	9,138,000
Coahoma	108,200	95,700	107,700	94,300	26.1	43.0	2,815,000	4,054,000
Quitman	71,100	63,500	71,000	60,800	20.1	40.1	1,428,000	2,436,000
Tallahatchie	110,200	109,900	109,600	109,000	24.0	45.2	2,625,000	4,924,000
Tunica	81,700	74,400	80,400	72,200	21.0	35.2	1,688,000	2,545,000
District 10	587,700	528,000	583,800	514,800	24.8	44.9	14,471,000	23,097,000
Benton	9,800	9,900	9,600	9,800	23.5	21.8	226,000	214,000
Calhoun	5,400	9,700	5,100	9,600	16.3	36.7	83,000	352,000
DeSoto	37,000	28,300	36,400	27,900	24.9	25.6	908,000	714,000
Grenada	5,000	---	4,900	---	19.6	---	96,000	---
Lafayette	4,600	---	4,500	---	25.8	---	116,000	---
Marshall	24,800	20,400	24,400	19,200	19.9	17.5	485,000	336,000
Panola	30,700	40,600	28,700	39,600	17.9	27.0	513,000	1,070,000
Tate	18,100	17,600	17,700	17,000	24.0	24.8	425,000	421,000
Yalobusha	2,600	5,100	2,500	5,100	21.6	38.6	54,000	197,000
Other Counties		8,400		8,300		33.6		279,000
District 20	138,000	140,000	133,800	136,500	21.7	26.2	2,906,000	3,583,000
Alcorn	12,000	9,100	11,500	9,000	17.7	15.1	203,000	136,000
Itawamba	8,400	---	8,200	---	16.1	---	132,000	---
Lee	37,500	35,400	36,600	34,800	17.0	24.9	622,000	867,000
Pontotoc	18,700	17,400	18,300	17,100	18.9	23.2	345,000	396,000
Prentiss	16,700	18,100	16,300	18,000	17.6	20.3	287,000	366,000
Tippah	8,600	7,500	8,300	7,400	25.2	26.9	209,000	199,000
Tishomingo	2,300	---	2,100	---	16.2	---	34,000	---
Union	20,300	18,500	20,100	18,400	22.5	23.9	452,000	439,000
Other Counties		12,000		11,800		20.1		237,000
District 30	124,500	118,000	121,400	116,500	18.8	22.7	2,284,000	2,640,000
Humphreys	62,500	59,700	62,300	57,900	25.9	38.3	1,614,000	2,215,000
Issaquena	50,100	36,200	49,900	35,500	32.9	44.3	1,643,000	1,574,000
Leflore	102,300	91,300	101,900	90,400	31.5	45.5	3,212,000	4,117,000
Sharkey	57,500	47,600	57,300	47,300	29.1	48.5	1,667,000	2,293,000
Sunflower	172,700	126,900	172,100	124,900	26.7	43.3	4,594,000	5,409,000
Washington	167,400	134,600	166,700	130,700	35.5	48.5	5,910,000	6,339,000
Yazoo	39,500	22,700	39,400	22,500	28.4	39.5	1,119,000	888,000
District 40	652,000	519,000	649,600	509,200	30.4	44.8	19,759,000	22,835,000
Carroll	5,800	---	5,500	---	21.5	---	118,000	---
Holmes	20,500	18,200	20,200	18,100	32.0	36.5	646,000	661,000
Madison	10,100	3,600	9,800	3,500	25.3	36.3	248,000	127,000
Scott	1,500	---	1,400	---	32.1	---	45,000	---
Other Counties	4,800	8,200	4,400	7,900	28.0	43.3	123,000	342,000
District 50	42,700	30,000	41,300	29,500	28.6	38.3	1,180,000	1,130,000

Mississippi Soybean County Estimates, 2006-2007—Cont.

County	Planted		Harvested for Beans		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	Acres				Bushels			
Chickasaw	16,600	20,700	15,600	20,600	13.0	29.1	203,000	600,000
Clay	7,200	7,000	7,100	6,900	15.2	35.7	108,000	246,000
Lowndes	12,400	8,000	12,200	7,800	12.5	23.7	152,000	185,000
Monroe	25,800	25,600	24,800	25,400	12.3	22.9	305,000	581,000
Noxubee	22,700	18,400	22,200	18,300	12.8	27.0	285,000	494,000
Other Counties	1,900	2,300	1,600	2,300	20.0	29.6	32,000	68,000
District 60	86,600	82,000	83,500	81,300	13.0	26.7	1,085,000	2,174,000
Hinds	3,700	3,000	3,600	2,900	34.7	42.8	125,000	124,000
Warren	12,600	8,600	12,400	8,500	35.2	43.3	436,000	368,000
Other Counties	15,900	13,400	15,100	13,200	35.4	45.5	534,000	601,000
District 70	32,200	25,000	31,100	24,600	35.2	44.4	1,095,000	1,093,000
District 80	4,200	5,300	3,750	5,100	20.5	31.8	77,000	162,000
District 90	2,100	2,700	1,750	2,500	24.6	34.4	43,000	86,000
State Total	1,670,000	1,450,000	1,650,000	1,420,000	26.0	40.0	42,900,000	56,800,000

--- Included in Other Counties.

Mississippi Top Ten Soybean Producing Counties, 2007

County	Planted All Purposes	Harvested for Beans	Yield Per Acre	Production
	Acres		Bushels	
Bolivar	184,500	178,500	51.2	9,138,000
Washington	134,600	130,700	48.5	6,339,000
Sunflower	126,900	124,900	43.3	5,409,000
Tallahatchie	109,900	109,000	45.2	4,924,000
Leflore	91,300	90,400	45.5	4,117,000
Coahoma	95,700	94,300	43.0	4,054,000
Tunica	74,400	72,200	35.2	2,545,000
Quitman	63,500	60,800	40.1	2,436,000
Sharkey	47,600	47,300	48.5	2,293,000
Humphreys	59,700	57,900	38.3	2,215,000

**Livestock Slaughter Plants: Number by Type of Inspection,
State and United States, January 1, 2007-2008**¹

State	Under Federal Inspection		Other		Total	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	Number					
Alabama	7	6	33	33	40	39
Arkansas	9	9	31	59	40	68
Georgia	15	15	62	60	77	75
Kentucky	20	20	28	28	48	48
Louisiana	2	2	44	42	46	44
Mississippi	6	5	17	17	23	22
Missouri	41	42	83	164	124	206
North Carolina	30	31	29	29	59	60
South Carolina	8	9	22	20	30	29
Tennessee	19	18	8	8	27	26
Texas	45	47	71	74	116	121
Virginia	17	19	41	32	58	51
United States	795	808	2,060	2,119	2,855	2,927

¹ Data includes 'Temporarily Closed' plants.

**Commercial Cattle Slaughter, Number of Head,
by Selected States and United States, 2003-2007**^{1 2}

State	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
	1,000 Head				
Alabama	0.7	0.7	4.7	4.7	4.9
Arkansas	15.0	12.5	9.5	10.9	10.8
Georgia	361.0	219.3	238.1	270.7	306.4
Kentucky	18.8	16.4	16.4	15.6	17.1
Louisiana	14.9	13.7	13.0	10.3	7.8
Mississippi		19.9		1.2	1.2
Missouri	92.9		83.0	86.0	87.0
North Carolina	218.7	220.1	192.1	194.8	216.6
South Carolina				154.3	157.2
Tennessee	15.8	15.0	14.9	15.3	24.3
Texas	6,494.5	6,179.2	6,238.2	6,484.8	6,111.1
Virginia	11.8	13.1	10.8	11.4	14.4
United States ³	35,493.4	32,728.3	32,387.7	33,698.3	34,264.0

¹ Includes slaughter in federally inspected and in other slaughter plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

² U.S. totals and yearly totals are based on unrounded data and may not equal sum of parts.

³ States with no data printed are still included in U.S. total. Data not printed to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Young Chickens Slaughtered: Number, Live Weight and Average Live Weight,
by Selected States and United States, 2006-2007

State	Number Slaughtered		Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	1,000 Pounds		1,000 Pounds		Pounds	
Alabama	1,078,514	1,058,764	5,821,572	5,855,731	5.40	5.53
Arkansas	1,155,870	1,134,999	6,072,505	6,034,593	5.25	5.32
Georgia	1,297,019	1,321,383	6,705,446	6,965,789	5.17	5.27
Kentucky	278,461	296,736	1,528,871	1,621,927	5.49	5.47
Louisiana	191,903	193,960	1,101,936	1,126,520	5.74	5.81
Mississippi	749,533	783,482	4,309,295	4,358,263	5.75	5.56
Missouri	413,484	411,865	1,917,538	1,937,645	4.64	4.70
North Carolina	698,632	713,017	4,751,322	4,882,189	6.80	6.85
South Carolina	278,862	293,787	1,733,340	1,843,811	6.22	6.28
Tennessee	272,060	271,138	1,386,626	1,380,556	5.10	5.09
Texas	665,777	648,061	3,511,293	3,413,075	5.27	5.27
Virginia	319,230	311,267	1,660,597	1,612,753	5.20	5.18
United States	8,837,544	8,898,486	48,332,516	49,043,355	5.47	5.51

Young Chickens Slaughtered: Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations,
by Selected States and United States, 2006-2007

State	Total Pounds Certified ¹		Post-Mortem Condemnations			
			N.Y. Dressed Weight		Percent ²	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	1,000 Pounds		Percent			
Alabama	4,330,307	4,321,888	49,101	42,185	1.13	0.97
Arkansas	4,388,861	4,351,970	59,016	53,373	1.33	1.21
Georgia	4,979,319	5,207,376	39,639	46,046	0.79	0.88
Kentucky	1,104,006	1,170,556	10,776	11,502	0.97	0.97
Louisiana	805,847	825,427	6,392	4,401	0.79	0.53
Mississippi	3,138,731	3,209,610	38,817	32,433	1.22	1.00
Missouri	1,406,569	1,423,620	14,189	14,934	1.00	1.04
North Carolina	3,608,401	3,723,730	47,202	49,187	1.29	1.30
South Carolina	1,275,445	1,356,751	9,194	11,513	0.72	0.84
Tennessee	999,599	996,017	10,735	10,741	1.06	1.07
Texas	2,679,938	2,611,949	27,943	24,171	1.03	0.92
Virginia	1,157,800	1,128,933	10,436	8,947	0.89	0.79
United States	35,499,571	36,125,761	408,381	391,941	1.14	1.07

¹ Ready to cook.

² Pounds condemned as a percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations.

Upland Cotton and Rice: Prices Received and Marketings,
United States, February 2008 with Comparisons

Item	Unit	December 2007 ¹	January 2008 ¹	February 2008 ²
Cotton, Upland				
Average Price	Dollars per Pound	0.592	0.607	0.607
Marketings ³	1,000 Bales	1,529	1,839	NA
Rice				
Average Price	Dollars per Cwt	11.30	11.80	12.20
Marketings ⁴	1,000 Cwt	20,586	19,730	NA

¹ Entire month.

² Based on purchases for the first half of the month.

³ Marketings based on a survey of cotton buyers in the major producing States – AL, AZ, AR, CA, GA, LA, MS, NC, TN, and TX.

⁴ Purchases by private firms and rice (rough equivalent) shipped by cooperatives.