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SOUTH DAKOTA POULTRY RECEIPTS MIXED

SIoux FALLS, April 30, 2004 – The value of egg production in South Dakota during 2003 was \$31.7 million, up 202 percent from the \$15.7 million in 2002, according to the USDA's South Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service. Producers received an average 50.0 cents per dozen, up from the previous year's 33.2 cents per dozen. Egg production in 2003 was estimated at 761 million, up 193 million, or 34 percent, from the previous year. Chicken deaths and other losses were up 4 percent from one year ago.

South Dakota producers raised 4.6 million turkeys in 2003, down 200,000 head from 2002, a decrease of 4 percent. The value of this production was \$51.9 million in 2003, down \$3.7 million from \$55.6 million in 2002. Pounds produced in 2003 totaled 152.7 million, down 4 percent from the 158.9 million pounds produced in 2002.

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