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#### 2004 POULTRY PRODUCTION AND VALUE

**WEST VIRGINIA** -- There were 86.4 million **broilers produced** in West Virginia during 2004, 1 percent below 2003. Total live weight was 354.2 million pounds, down from the 357.5 million pounds in 2003. Value of production totaled \$155.8 million, up 28 percent from the \$121.6 million in 2003. The average live weight equivalent price of 44.0 cents per pound was up 10.0 cents from the previous year.

**Turkeys raised** in West Virginia totaled 3.2 million, down 26 percent from 2003. Total live weight was 70.7 million pounds, down 23 percent from 2003. Value of production totaled \$29.7 million, down 10 percent from 2003. The average live weight equivalent price was 42.0 cents per pound, up 6.0 cents from the 2003 price.

**Egg production** in West Virginia totaled 273 million eggs during 2004, up 1 percent from the revised number of 271 million eggs in 2003. The average price per dozen was 142.0 cents, down 9.0 cents from 2003. The total value of production was \$32.3 million, down 5 percent from the revised total value of \$34.1 million in 2003.

The **number of chickens sold** (excluding broilers) totaled 1.66 million head, 4 percent above the number sold in 2003. The number of pounds sold was 12.3 million pounds, virtually unchanged from 2003. Value of sales totaled \$1.1 million up 19 percent from 2003. Prices averaged 9.1 cents per pound, compared with 7.6 cents in 2003.

The **combined value of production and value of sales** from broilers, eggs, turkeys, and the value of sales from chickens in 2004, was \$219.0 million, up 15 percent from the revised combined value of \$189.7 million in 2003. Of the combined total, 71 percent was from broilers, 15 percent from eggs, 14 percent from turkeys and less than 1 percent from sales of other chickens.

**UNITED STATES** -- The **combined value of production** from broilers, eggs, turkeys, and the value of sales from chickens in 2004, was \$28.9 billion, up 24 percent from the \$23.3 billion in 2003. Of the combined total, 71 percent was from broilers, 18 percent from eggs, 11 percent from turkeys, and less than 1 percent from chickens.

The value of **broilers produced** during 2004 was \$20.4 billion, up 34 percent from 2003. The total number of broilers produced in 2004 was 8.74 billion, up 3 percent from 2003. The total amount of live weight broilers produced in 2004 was 45.8 billion pounds, up 4 percent from 2003. The 2004 average price per pound on a live weight equivalent basis was 44.6 cents per pound, compared with 34.6 cents in 2003.

Value of all **egg production** in 2004 was \$5.30 billion, down 1 percent from the \$5.33 billion in 2003. Egg production totaled 89.1 billion eggs, up 2 percent from the 87.5 billion eggs produced in 2003. In 2004, all eggs averaged 71.4 cents per dozen, compared with 73.2 cents in 2003.

The value of **turkeys produced** during 2004 was \$3.07 billion, up 14 percent from the \$2.70 billion the previous year. Turkey production in 2004 totaled 7.30 billion pounds, down 2 percent from the 7.49 billion pounds produced in 2003. The average price received by producers during 2004 was 42.0 cents per pound, compared with 36.1 cents in 2003.

The value of **sales from chickens** (excluding broilers) in 2004 was \$58.0 million, up 21 percent from the \$47.8 million a year ago. Prices averaged 5.8 cents per pound, compared with 4.9 cents in 2003. The number of chickens sold in 2004 totaled 192 million, up 1 percent from the total sold during the previous year.