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Summary

Value of Production and Sales Up 3 Percent

The combined value of production from broilers, eggs, turkeys, and the value of sales from chickens in 2011 was \$35.6 billion, up 3 percent from \$34.7 billion in 2010. Of the combined total, 65 percent was from broilers, 21 percent from eggs, 14 percent from turkeys, and less than 1 percent from chickens.

The value of broilers produced during 2011 was \$23.2 billion, down 2 percent from 2010. The total number of broilers produced in 2011 was 8.61 billion, down slightly from 2010. The total amount of live weight broilers produced in 2011 was 49.7 billion pounds, up 1 percent from 2010.

The value of turkeys produced during 2011 was \$4.99 billion, up 14 percent from the \$4.37 billion the previous year. Turkey production in 2011 totaled 7.32 billion pounds, up 3 percent from the 7.11 billion pounds produced in 2010.

The value of sales from chickens (excluding broilers) in 2011 was \$81.3 million, up 11 percent from \$73.1 million a year ago. The number of chickens sold in 2011 totaled 181 million, up 4 percent from the total sold during the previous year.

Value of all egg production in 2011 was \$7.37 billion, up 13 percent from \$6.53 billion in 2010. Egg production totaled 91.9 billion eggs, up slightly percent from 91.5 billion eggs produced in 2010.

Poultry Value of Production – United States: 2010 and 2011

Year	Broilers ¹	Eggs	Turkeys	Chickens ²	Total
	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
2010	23,691,553	6,534,699	4,373,866	73,107	34,673,225
2011	23,161,274	7,365,303	4,991,732	81,254	35,599,563

¹ Excludes States which produced less than 500,000 broilers.

² Value of sales.

Broiler Production and Value – States, Total, and 19 Weekly States: 2010

[Annual estimates cover the period December 1 previous year through November 30. Broiler production including other domestic meat-type strains. Excludes States producing less than 500,000 broilers]

State	Number produced (1,000 head)	Pounds produced (1,000 pounds)	Value of production (1,000 dollars)
Alabama	1,033,400	5,787,000	2,789,334
Arkansas	1,043,500	5,937,500	2,861,875
Delaware	234,200	1,625,300	783,395
Florida	51,700	314,300	151,493
Georgia	1,313,500	6,882,700	3,317,461
Kentucky	309,800	1,672,900	806,338
Maryland	300,500	1,433,400	690,899
Minnesota	42,100	231,100	111,390
Mississippi	807,800	4,766,000	2,297,212
North Carolina	766,500	5,419,200	2,612,054
Ohio	60,000	376,800	181,618
Oklahoma	225,000	1,503,000	724,446
Pennsylvania	149,300	839,100	404,446
South Carolina	241,000	1,556,900	750,426
Tennessee	193,100	986,700	475,589
Texas	653,300	3,645,400	1,757,083
Virginia	250,400	1,292,100	622,792
West Virginia	87,600	346,000	166,772
Wisconsin	46,500	197,600	95,243
Other States ¹	814,400	4,339,600	2,091,687
Total	8,623,600	49,152,600	23,691,553
19 Weekly States ²	8,355,300	47,739,700	23,010,536

¹ California, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, Oregon, and Washington combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

² States in the 19 weekly estimating program include Alabama, Arkansas, California, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Broiler Production and Value – States, Total, and 19 Weekly States: 2011

[Annual estimates cover the period December 1 previous year through November 30. Broiler production including other domestic meat-type strains. Excludes States producing less than 500,000 broilers]

State	Number produced (1,000 head)	Pounds produced (1,000 pounds)	Value of production (1,000 dollars)
Alabama	1,021,100	5,718,200	2,664,681
Arkansas	1,027,300	5,855,600	2,728,710
Delaware	217,800	1,524,600	710,464
Florida	61,800	383,200	178,571
Georgia	1,375,200	7,426,100	3,460,563
Kentucky	310,000	1,705,000	794,530
Maryland	311,100	1,555,500	724,863
Minnesota	41,600	235,000	109,510
Mississippi	784,000	4,625,600	2,155,530
Missouri	285,200	1,369,000	637,954
North Carolina	786,900	5,587,000	2,603,542
Ohio	59,600	375,500	174,983
Oklahoma	214,700	1,524,400	710,370
Pennsylvania	155,600	871,400	406,072
South Carolina	223,400	1,496,800	697,509
Tennessee	190,300	989,600	461,154
Texas	630,500	3,593,900	1,674,757
Virginia	243,800	1,292,100	602,119
West Virginia	85,400	341,600	159,186
Wisconsin	46,500	200,000	93,200
Other States ²	535,800	3,032,200	1,413,006
Total	8,607,600	49,702,300	23,161,274
19 Weekly States ³	8,336,100	48,281,800	22,499,320

¹ Included in Other States in 2010.

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³ States in the 19 weekly estimating program include Alabama, Arkansas, California, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Turkey Production and Value – States and United States: 2010

[Based on turkeys placed September 1, 2009, through August 31, 2010. Excludes young turkeys lost]

State	Number raised	Pounds produced	Value of production
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 dollars)
Arkansas	28,000	551,600	341,992
California	15,200	408,880	262,910
Indiana	16,000	574,400	350,384
Minnesota	47,000	1,175,000	716,750
Missouri	18,000	583,200	361,584
North Carolina	30,000	969,000	591,090
Ohio	4,600	192,740	119,499
Pennsylvania	7,400	175,380	105,228
South Carolina	11,900	428,400	261,324
South Dakota	4,600	190,900	114,540
Utah	4,600	117,300	75,189
Virginia	17,000	448,800	278,256
West Virginia	3,100	87,730	52,638
Other States ¹	36,788	1,207,197	742,482
United States	244,188	7,110,527	4,373,866

¹ Includes State estimates not shown and States withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Turkey Production and Value – States and United States: 2011

[Based on turkeys placed September 1, 2010, through August 31, 2011. Excludes young turkeys lost]

State	Number raised (1,000 head)	Pounds produced (1,000 pounds)	Value of production (1,000 dollars)
Arkansas	30,500	603,900	411,860
California	15,000	421,500	287,463
Indiana	16,000	579,200	395,014
Minnesota	46,500	1,171,800	799,168
Missouri	17,500	568,750	387,888
North Carolina	32,000	1,132,800	772,570
Ohio	5,000	210,000	143,220
Pennsylvania	7,500	174,750	119,180
South Carolina	11,500	448,500	305,877
South Dakota	4,400	180,400	123,033
Utah	4,300	97,610	66,570
Virginia	17,500	460,250	313,891
West Virginia	3,300	92,400	63,017
Other States ¹	37,500	1,177,392	802,981
United States	248,500	7,319,252	4,991,732

¹ Includes State estimates not shown and States withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Chickens Lost, Sold for Slaughter, Pounds Sold, and Value – States and United States: 2010

[Annual estimates cover the period December 1 previous year through November 30. Excludes broilers. Totals may not add due to rounding]

State	Number lost ¹	Number sold for slaughter	Pounds sold	Value of sales
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 dollars)
Alabama	2,754	12,453	95,888	11,602
Arkansas	4,767	13,377	100,328	11,839
California	4,059	7,754	24,037	24
Colorado	1,065	1,816	8,717	610
Connecticut	1,382	561	1,907	32
Florida	3,637	3,935	14,166	382
Georgia	6,016	15,692	101,998	10,710
Hawaii	74	117	374	135
Illinois	434	2,072	7,459	194
Indiana	3,820	11,598	38,273	344
Iowa	31,837	5,376	17,203	103
Kentucky	1,554	3,342	23,060	2,537
Louisiana	339	1,663	12,971	1,582
Maine	421	1,214	3,763	11
Maryland	209	1,168	4,088	102
Massachusetts	9	78	257	1
Michigan	1,053	3,968	12,698	13
Minnesota	2,546	4,779	17,204	447
Mississippi	1,675	6,937	48,559	5,487
Missouri	1,185	4,536	21,319	1,428
Montana	90	37	118	(Z)
Nebraska	1,918	5,648	17,509	18
New York	406	2,144	6,861	14
North Carolina	3,287	12,958	88,114	9,604
Ohio	8,022	10,345	34,139	239
Oklahoma	884	3,236	23,623	2,740
Oregon	1,405	613	1,962	14
Pennsylvania	2,267	12,509	42,531	595
South Carolina	673	3,891	22,179	1,996
South Dakota	523	676	2,163	2
Tennessee	472	1,714	13,198	1,597
Texas	9,826	5,306	38,203	4,393
Utah	612	1,388	4,442	4
Vermont	23	184	681	20
Virginia	985	2,280	15,960	1,772
Washington	3,792	30	96	(Z)
West Virginia	354	2,176	16,755	2,027
Wisconsin	960	2,205	8,600	327
Wyoming	1	7	22	(Z)
Other States ²	2,457	3,304	11,257	162
United States ³	107,793	173,087	902,682	73,107

(Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

¹ Includes rendered, died, destroyed, composted, or disappeared for any reason except sold during the 12-month period.

² Alaska, Arizona, Delaware, Idaho, Kansas, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Dakota, and Rhode Island combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Chickens Lost, Sold for Slaughter, Pounds Sold, and Value – States and United States: 2011

[Annual estimates cover the period December 1 previous year through November 30. Excludes broilers. Totals may not add due to rounding]

State	Number lost ¹	Number sold for slaughter	Pounds sold	Value of sales
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 dollars)
Alabama	3,431	11,485	89,583	11,825
Arkansas	4,826	14,179	106,343	13,718
California	5,195	6,848	21,914	22
Colorado	1,138	2,027	8,513	426
Connecticut	1,826	66	304	21
Florida	3,292	4,079	15,500	543
Georgia	5,114	15,806	105,900	12,496
Illinois	771	1,623	5,843	152
Indiana	3,856	13,253	43,735	394
Iowa	27,926	8,109	26,760	107
Kentucky	2,250	2,484	19,375	2,577
Louisiana	301	1,166	9,095	1,210
Maine	505	1,009	3,229	3
Maryland	629	1,399	5,316	170
Massachusetts	7	85	272	(Z)
Michigan	1,098	4,326	13,843	14
Minnesota	2,724	5,424	19,526	449
Mississippi	1,606	7,075	50,940	6,368
Missouri	971	5,219	25,573	1,995
Montana	186	88	282	(Z)
Nebraska	1,282	6,332	20,262	20
New York	376	3,632	11,622	23
North Carolina	4,305	12,933	89,238	10,798
Ohio	9,211	9,469	31,248	250
Oklahoma	829	3,257	23,776	2,996
Oregon	1,258	305	1,007	11
Pennsylvania	2,230	13,682	47,887	814
South Carolina	883	3,404	22,126	2,522
South Dakota	946	584	1,869	2
Tennessee	465	1,984	15,475	2,058
Texas	9,214	7,585	47,027	5,079
Utah	345	1,785	5,712	6
Vermont	19	181	652	17
Virginia	669	2,947	19,156	2,184
Washington	4,202	31	99	(Z)
West Virginia	234	1,440	11,088	1,464
Wisconsin	1,611	1,507	6,329	335
Wyoming	1	7	22	(Z)
Other States ²	1,757	3,778	12,882	185
United States ³	107,489	180,593	939,323	81,254

(Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

¹ Includes rendered, died, destroyed, composted, or disappeared for any reason except sold during the 12-month period.

² Alaska, Arizona, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Dakota, and Rhode Island combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

All Eggs Production and Value – States and United States: 2010 and 2011

[Annual estimates cover the period December 1 previous year through November 30. Includes hatching and market (table) eggs. Totals may not add due to rounding]

State	Eggs produced		Value of production	
	2010 (million eggs)	2011 (million eggs)	2010 (1,000 dollars)	2011 (1,000 dollars)
Alabama	2,182	2,115	291,344	323,044
Arkansas	2,957	2,951	365,723	406,174
California	5,283	5,287	367,788	391,578
Colorado	1,066	1,163	77,131	85,389
Connecticut	695	638	39,566	42,538
Florida	2,592	2,666	150,746	180,584
Georgia	4,485	4,289	442,065	491,117
Hawaii ¹	70	(NA)	8,128	(NA)
Illinois	1,272	1,264	73,893	83,017
Indiana	6,493	6,483	373,592	422,337
Iowa	14,614	14,467	824,319	931,495
Kentucky	1,119	1,111	101,530	116,110
Louisiana	462	508	46,210	55,250
Maine	1,034	1,000	57,690	65,312
Maryland	616	569	35,837	38,461
Massachusetts	36	36	2,010	2,355
Michigan	2,912	2,989	162,789	189,998
Minnesota	2,869	2,824	167,922	186,690
Mississippi	1,467	1,437	179,794	200,824
Missouri	1,993	2,054	158,388	171,235
Montana	119	119	6,619	7,569
Nebraska	2,751	2,697	152,857	171,382
New York	1,161	1,256	66,177	83,919
North Carolina	3,251	3,220	327,373	377,308
Ohio	7,540	7,607	427,361	490,563
Oklahoma	769	745	84,499	88,032
Oregon	715	676	51,756	52,988
Pennsylvania	6,976	7,306	408,227	497,039
South Carolina	1,102	1,153	86,243	102,511
South Dakota	672	698	37,696	44,542
Tennessee	308	363	43,922	59,742
Texas	4,811	4,909	395,052	420,567
Utah	929	975	64,329	72,151
Vermont	59	60	3,769	4,441
Virginia	735	716	77,640	88,754
Washington	1,739	1,924	120,732	142,005
West Virginia	267	237	38,911	39,411
Wisconsin	1,312	1,277	78,316	86,112
Wyoming	2.4	2.4	167	177
Other States ²	2,049	2,065	136,588	152,582
United States	91,482	91,855	6,534,699	7,365,303

(NA) Not available.

¹ Included in Other States in 2011.

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Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: These estimates were based on inventory, disposition, production, and price estimates as published in various NASS poultry and agricultural prices reports, as well as information on imports, exports, and slaughter obtained from other sources. Individual NASS field offices maintain a list of all known poultry operations and use known sources to update their lists. Data are collected from all known broiler hatcheries and a sample of all known turkey grow-out operations. Also, data are collected from layer and egg contractors and independent producers who have at least 30,000 table egg layers, flocks of hatchery supply layers, or pullet only operations with at least 500 pullets. In every situation, operations are contacted as close to the reference date as possible and given adequate time to respond via mail, fax, or electronic data reporting (EDR). Those that do not respond are contacted by phone. Care is exercised to ensure that all operations of interest are accounted for in the estimates.

Estimation Procedures: Sound statistical methodology is employed to derive the estimates from reported data. All data are analyzed for unusual values. Data from each operation are compared to their own past operating profile and to trends from similar operations. Data for missing operations are estimated based on similar operations or historical data. NASS field offices prepare these estimates by using a combination of survey indications and historic trends. Individual State estimates are reviewed by the Agricultural Statistics Board for reasonableness.

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Reliability: All chicken estimates in this report have no sampling error since they are based on a census of all known contractors and independent producers who have at least 30,000 table egg layers, flocks of hatchery supply layers, pullet only operations with at least 500 pullets, and all known broiler hatcheries. Since all known turkey grow-out operations are not included in the sample, survey estimates are subject to sampling variability. Estimates are subject to errors such as omission, duplication, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. While these errors cannot be measured directly, they are minimized through strict quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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