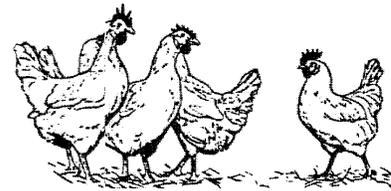


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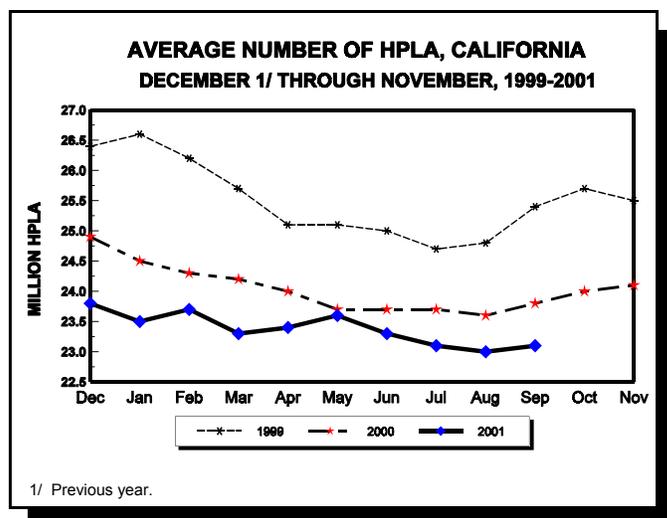
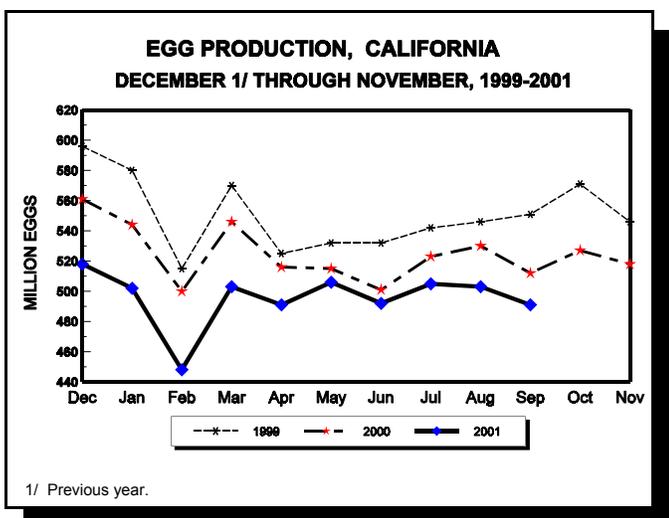
## U.S. SEPTEMBER EGG PRODUCTION

U.S. egg production totaled 7.04 billion during September 2001, up 3 percent from last year. Production included 5.99 billion table eggs and 1.05 billion hatching eggs, of which 993 million were broiler-type and 59.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during September 2001 averaged 335 million, up 3 percent from the total average number of layers during September 2000. September egg production per 100 layers was 2,104 eggs, slightly above the 2,101 eggs in September 2000.

All layers in the U.S. on October 1, 2001 totaled 336 million, up 3 percent from a year ago. The 336 million layers consisted of 278 million layers producing table or commercial-type eggs, 55.9 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.63 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate-of-lay per day on October 1, 2001 averaged 69.9 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from the 69.5 eggs a year ago.

## CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during September totaled 491 million, 12.0 million less than last month and 21.0 million less than last September. Average number of layers during the month totaled 23.1 million, slightly higher than last month, but 3 percent below September 2000. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,122 compared to 2,196 last month and 2,150 in September 2000.



## LAYER NUMBERS AND EGG PRODUCTION DURING SEPTEMBER, FORCED MOLTING AS OF OCTOBER 1

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand		Eggs Per 100 Layers		Total Egg Production		Layers Being Molted		Layers With Molt Completed	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
	Thousands		Number		Millions		Percent			
Alabama	10,316	10,392	1,871	1,867	193	194	0.5	1.5	11.5	4.0
Arkansas	15,016	14,235	1,871	1,876	281	267	5.0	3.5	10.0	9.0
California	23,812	23,135	2,150	2,122	512	491	6.0	8.5	38.5	33.0
Georgia	20,359	21,124	1,979	1,979	403	418	7.0	5.0	21.5	13.5
Indiana	22,490	22,822	2,170	2,200	488	502	5.0	3.0	25.5	27.5
Iowa	28,405	33,569	2,181	2,187	619	734	5.5	3.5	27.0	31.5
North Carolina	10,877	11,090	1,793	1,903	195	211	1.0	0.0	9.0	8.0
Ohio	30,671	30,383	2,158	2,182	662	663	12.0	3.5	16.0	21.5
Pennsylvania	23,908	24,344	2,213	2,267	529	552	6.0	5.0	17.0	20.0
Texas	17,490	18,763	2,041	2,004	357	376	7.5	3.5	17.5	26.5
UNITED STATES	326,237	334,526	2,101	2,104	6,854	7,037	5.7	4.5	22.5	22.7

**U.S. BROILER HATCH**

The September 2001 hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 730 million, was up 4 percent from September of the previous year. Eggs in incubators totaled 608 million on October 1, 2001, up 4 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 6.65 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during September 2001. This was up 3 percent from September 2000.

**BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, SEPTEMBER**

State	2000	2001	<u>2001</u> <u>2000</u>
	Thousands		Percent
Alabama	98,984	103,072	104
Arkansas	104,416	106,147	102
Delaware	13,355	12,239	92
Florida	9,016	8,139	90
Georgia	104,162	109,741	105
Maryland	27,235	30,471	112
Mississippi	63,315	65,956	104
North Carolina	59,801	59,167	99
Pennsylvania	11,576	12,784	110
South Carolina	15,939	16,666	105
Texas	50,630	51,935	103
Virginia	22,416	23,323	104
California, West Virginia & Tennessee	36,894	38,031	103
Other States <sup>1/</sup>	84,886	92,291	109
UNITED STATES	702,625	729,962	104

<sup>1/</sup> Not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

**U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED**

Egg-type chicks hatched during September totaled 36.6 million, up 1 percent from September 2000. Eggs in incubators totaled 32.3 million on October 1, 2001, up 5 percent from a year ago.

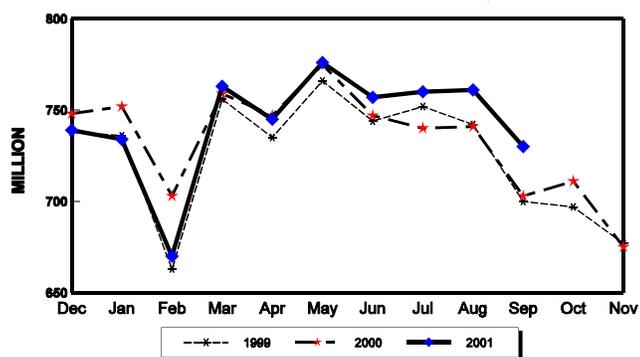
Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 225 thousand during September 2001. This was down 3 percent from September 2000.

**EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, SEPTEMBER**

State	2000	2001	<u>2001</u> <u>2000</u>
	Thousands		Percent
Arkansas	882	755	86
Florida	796	1,030	129
Georgia	2,220	2,158	97
Indiana	6,792	4,079	60
Iowa	4,415	6,004	136
Minnesota	1,540	1,438	93
Pennsylvania	5,700	5,135	90
Other States <sup>1/</sup>	13,971	15,995	114
UNITED STATES	36,316	36,594	101

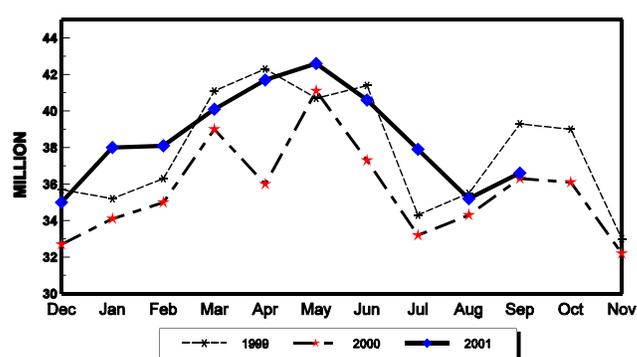
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**BROILER CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES  
DECEMBER 1<sup>1</sup> THROUGH NOVEMBER, 1999-2001**



<sup>1/</sup> Previous year.

**EGG TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES  
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**EGGS IN INCUBATORS, OCTOBER 1**

Geographic Division	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	2000	2001	<u>2001/2000</u>	2000	2001	<u>2001/2000</u>
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
North Atlantic	11,057	12,135	110	5,537	4,896	88
East North Central	6,969	7,356	106	6,548	5,996	92
West North Central	18,545	19,156	103	6,815	6,984	102
South Atlantic	221,101	225,428	102	3,327	4,437	133
South Central	307,894	323,086	105	3,771	4,987	132
West	20,265	20,857	103	4,799	5,030	105
UNITED STATES	585,831	608,018	104	30,797	32,330	105

**POULTRY AND EGG PRICES**

The average September prices received by California producers, when compared to August average prices, increased one cent per pound for turkeys. Prices for market eggs stayed the same at 41.0 cents per dozen from last month.

Nationally, the September average prices received by producers increased one cent per pound for broilers, while turkey prices increased 1.6 cents per pound. Prices for market eggs decreased slightly at 0.8 cents per dozen.

**POULTRY AND EGG AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY PRODUCERS, COMPARISONS 1/**

Commodity	Unit	Sept. 2000	Aug. 15, 2001	Sept. 15, 2001
		Cents		
<b>CALIFORNIA</b>				
Chickens-Broilers	Lb.	---	---	---
Market Eggs 2/	Doz.	43.0	41.0	41.0
Turkeys	Lb.	50.0	47.0	48.0
<b>UNITED STATES</b>				
Chickens-Broilers	Lb.	38.0	42.0	43.0
Market Eggs 2/	Doz.	41.8	38.4	37.6
Turkeys	Lb.	44.8	38.8	40.4

- 1/ The estimated prices shown in the table represent composite average prices received by producers. They are averages for all grades, classes and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.
- 2/ Average for market (table) eggs including eggs sold retail by producers.

**U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION**

Turkey eggs in incubators in the United States totaled 30.4 million on October 1, 2001, up 3 percent from October 1 a year ago. Eggs in incubators were up 1 percent from the September 1 total of 30.0 million. Regional changes from the previous year were as follows: East North Central, up 2 percent; West North Central, up 14 percent; North and South Atlantic, down 3 percent; South Central, down 3 percent; and West, down 6 percent.

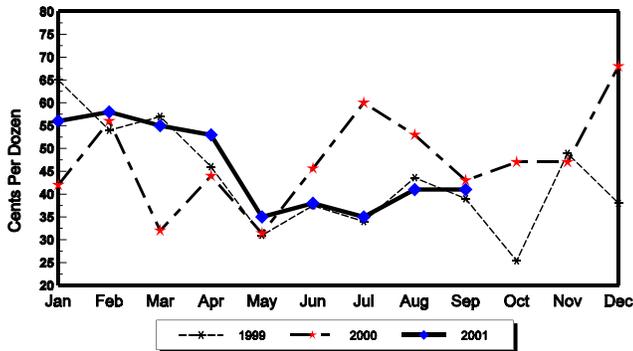
The 22.4 million poult placed during September 2001 in the United States were down 3 percent from the number placed during the same month a year ago. Placements were down 10 percent from the August 2001 total of 25.0 million. Regional changes from the previous year were as follows: East North Central, down 1 percent; West North Central, down 6 percent; North and South Atlantic, up 5 percent; South Central, down 7 percent; and West, down 14 percent.

**ALL TURKEYS**

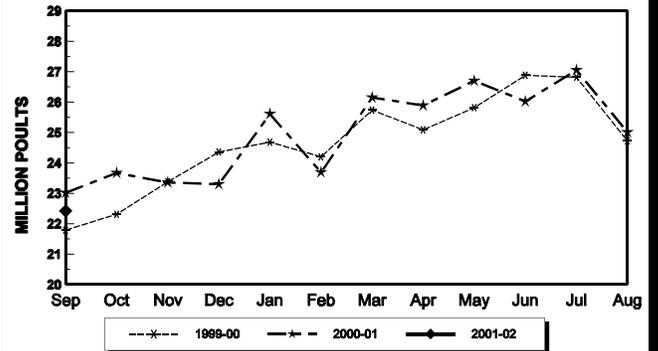
Geographic Division	Eggs in Incubators October 1		2001	Poults Placed during Sept. 1/		2001
	2000	2001	2000	2000	2001	2000
	Thousands		Pct.	Thousands		Pct.
E N Central	4,874	4,954	102	3,224	3,178	99
W N Central	9,469	10,792	114	7,958	7,517	94
N&S Atlantic	9,594	9,343	97	7,159	7,508	105
S Central	3,107	3,026	97	2,546	2,374	93
West	2,416	2,280	94	2,129	1,838	86
<b>U.S.</b>	<b>29,460</b>	<b>30,395</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>23,016</b>	<b>22,415</b>	<b>97</b>

1/ Excludes exported poults.

**MARKET EGG PRICES, CALIFORNIA JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER, 1999-2001**



**TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS, UNITED STATES SEPTEMBER THROUGH AUGUST, 1999-2001**

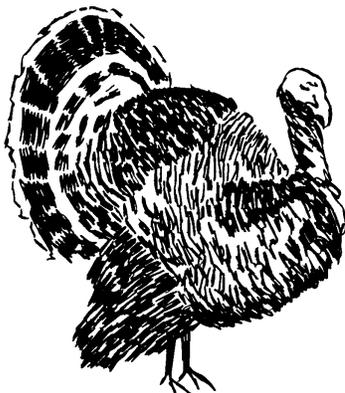


**TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES 1/ 2/**

Month	Total All Breeds		01-02	Cumulative Total		01-02
	2000-01	2001-02	00-01	2000-01	2001-02	00-01
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
Sept.	23,016	22,415	97	23,016	22,415	97
Oct.	23,672			46,688		
Nov.	23,357			70,045		
Dec.	23,297			93,342		
Jan.	25,612			118,954		
Feb.	23,775			142,729		
Mar.	26,148			168,877		
Apr.	25,858			194,735		
May	26,697			221,432		
June	26,021			247,453		
July	27,046			274,499		
Aug.	25,012			299,511		

1/ Data for 2000-01 includes revisions published in "Hatchery Production 2000 Summary."

2/ Excludes exported poults.



**PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE**

Commodity	Unit	September 2000	August 2001	September 2001	<u>Sept. 2001</u> <u>Sept. 2000</u>	<u>Sept. 2001</u> <u>Aug. 2001</u>
		Thousands			Percent	
<b>PACIFIC COAST</b>						
Turkeys	Lbs.	89,846	88,333	94,063	105	106
Chickens	Lbs.	43,097	35,918	35,837	83	100
Ducks	Lbs.	150	116	123	82	106
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	1,353,093	124,367	130,023	10	105
<b>UNITED STATES</b>						
Turkeys	Lbs.	528,066	545,311	537,515	102	99
Chickens	Lbs.	819,057	624,409	624,365	76	100
Ducks	Lbs.	5,733	9,281	10,079	176	109
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	1,352,856	1,179,001	1,171,959	87	99
Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	14,424	17,817	17,276	120	97