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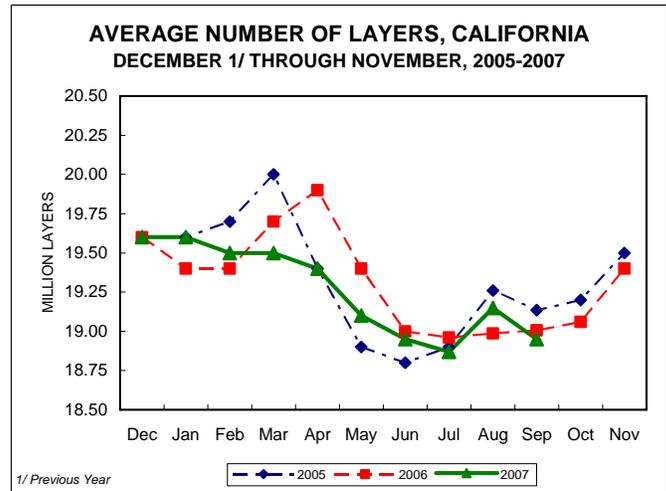
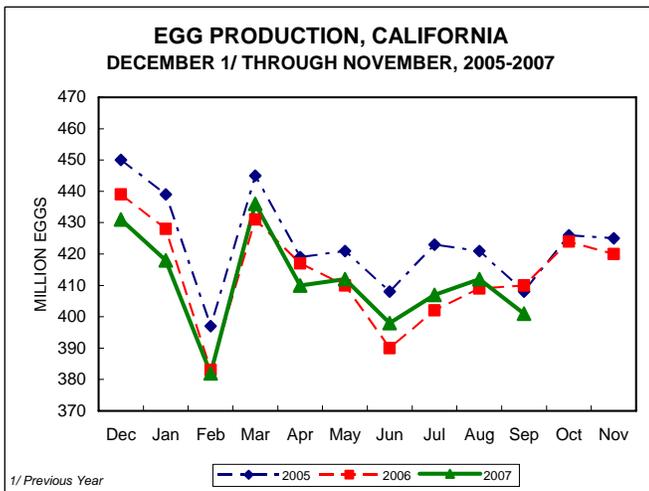
U.S. SEPTEMBER EGG PRODUCTION

U.S. egg production totaled 7.37 billion during September 2007, down 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.27 billion table eggs, and 1.10 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.03 billion were broiler-type and 64 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during September 2007 averaged 340 million, down 1 percent from last year. September egg production per 100 layers was 2,169 eggs, up slightly from September 2006.

CALIFORNIA SEPTEMBER EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during September totaled 401 million, a decrease of 11.0 million from August's production and 9.00 million below last September. The average number of layers during the month totaled 18.9 million, down 1 percent from last month and fractionally below September 2006. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,117 compared to 2,152 a month earlier and 2,157 in September 2006.

All layers in the U.S. totaled 340 million on October 1, 2007, down 1 percent from last year. The 340 million layers consisted of 281 million layers producing table or market-type eggs, 56.2 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.76 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate-of-lay per day averaged 72.7 eggs per 100 layers on October 1, 2007, up 2 percent from October 1, 2006.



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	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	Thousands		Number		Millions		Percent			
Alabama	8,748	9,082	1,875	1,861	164	169	0.0	1.0	5.0	5.5
Arkansas	13,964	13,900	1,905	1,928	266	268	3.5	2.5	12.5	12.5
California	19,006	18,945	2,157	2,117	410	401	5.0	5.0	37.0	31.5
Georgia	19,373	19,198	2,039	2,016	395	387	4.0	2.0	11.0	15.0
Indiana	24,373	24,127	2,220	2,205	541	532	5.0	4.5	30.0	31.5
Iowa	51,370	52,346	2,178	2,222	1,119	1,163	5.5	5.0	35.5	36.5
North Carolina	11,157	12,324	1,954	2,053	218	253	2.0	0.5	9.5	9.0
Ohio	28,003	26,055	2,196	2,226	615	580	7.0	2.5	26.5	19.5
Pennsylvania	23,180	22,090	2,338	2,313	542	511	1.5	4.0	16.5	12.0
Texas	18,723	18,850	2,217	2,101	415	396	1.5	2.5	25.5	27.0
UNITED STATES	343,147	339,841	2,165	2,169	7,430	7,370	4.3	3.5	25.8	23.6

U.S. BROILER HATCH

Broiler-type chicks hatched during September 2007 totaled 784 million, up 2 percent from September 2006. Eggs in incubators totaled 647 million on October 1, 2007, up 2 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.33 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during September 2007, up 4 percent from September 2006.

BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, SEPTEMBER

State	2006	2007	<u>2007</u> <u>2006</u>
	Thousands		Percent
Alabama	112,080	111,529	100
Arkansas	100,112	100,266	100
Delaware	13,844	14,402	104
Florida	4,899	4,820	98
Georgia	122,512	123,642	101
Kentucky	25,719	26,696	104
Louisiana	13,899	14,459	104
Maryland	30,636	30,592	100
Mississippi	62,749	64,871	103
North Carolina	64,205	67,887	106
Oklahoma	22,672	23,734	105
Pennsylvania	13,158	14,704	112
South Carolina	18,638	19,029	102
Texas	53,491	52,952	99
Virginia	22,069	22,602	102
California, Missouri, Tennessee and West Virginia	69,773	69,079	99
Other States 1/	21,802	22,891	105
UNITED STATES	772,258	784,155	102

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

U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

Egg-type chicks hatched during September 2007 totaled 35.3 million, down 4 percent from September 2006. Eggs in incubators totaled 33.4 million on October 1, 2007, up 2 percent from a year ago.

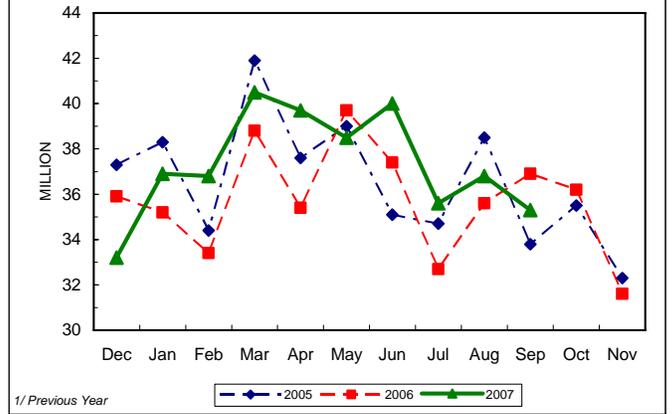
Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 300 thousand during September 2007, up 15 percent from September 2006.

EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, SEPTEMBER

State	2006	2007	<u>2007</u> <u>2006</u>
	Thousands		Percent
Georgia	2,290	2,175	95
Indiana	4,839	4,830	100
Iowa	6,752	6,420	95
Minnesota	1,037	1,012	98
Pennsylvania	4,940	4,165	84
Other States 1/	17,015	16,668	98
UNITED STATES	36,873	35,270	96

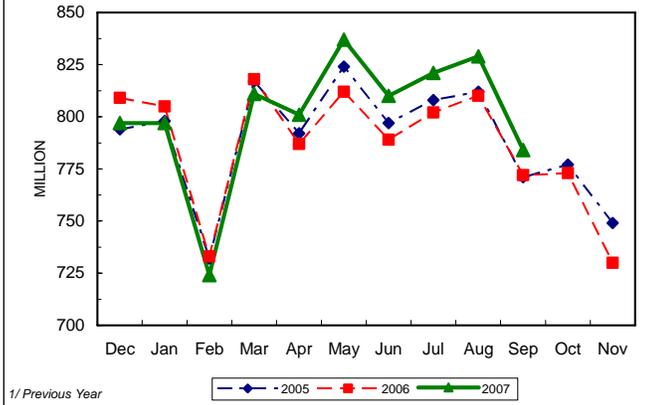
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**EGG TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2005-2007**



1/ Previous Year

**BROILER CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2005-2007**



1/ Previous Year

EGGS IN INCUBATORS, OCTOBER 1

Geographic Division	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	2006	2007	<u>2007</u> <u>2006</u>	2006	2007	<u>2007</u> <u>2006</u>
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
North Atlantic	12,057	12,824	106	6,105	5,535	91
East North Central	9,181	10,570	115	6,285	6,007	96
West North Central	27,225	28,007	103	7,546	7,695	102
South Atlantic	236,816	241,581	102	4,113	4,337	105
South Central	324,715	330,127	102	4,305	4,921	114
West	21,231	23,865	112	4,532	4,943	109
UNITED STATES	631,225	646,974	102	32,886	33,438	102

POULTRY AND EGG PRICES

The average September price for market eggs in California was 99.0 cents per dozen, 22.0 more cents per dozen greater than the August price.

Nationally, the September market egg price, at 96.0 cents per dozen, increased 24.4 cents from August and is 60.6 cents above September 2006. The September broiler price, at 50.0 cents per pound, is unchanged from August, but 8.0 cents above a year ago. The September turkey price, at 60.4 cents per pound, is up 3.2 cents from the previous month and 7.1 cents above a year earlier.

POULTRY AND EGG AVERAGE PRICES 1/

Commodity	Unit	September 2006	August 2007	September 2007
		Cents		
CALIFORNIA				
Market Eggs 2/	Doz.	46.0	77.0	99.0
UNITED STATES				
Chickens-Broilers	Lbs.	42.0	50.0	50.0
Market Eggs 2/	Doz.	35.4	71.6	96.0
Turkeys 2/	Lbs.	53.3	57.2	60.4

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.

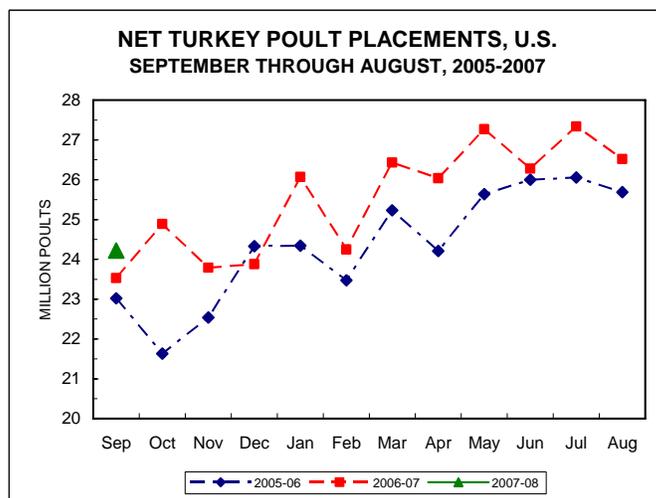
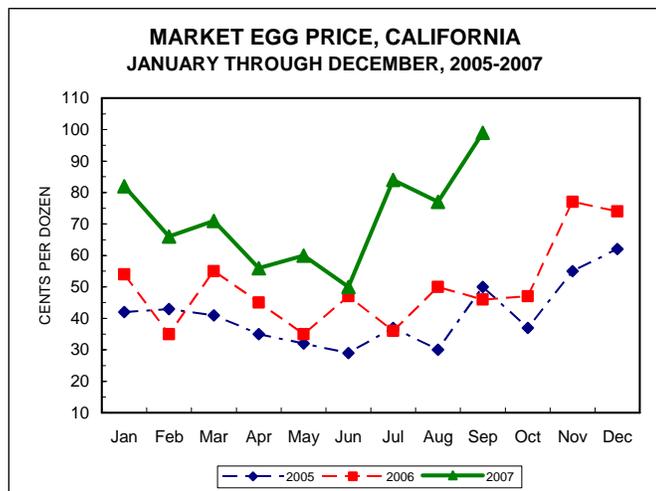
2/ Mid-month prices.

The 24.2 million net poult placements during September 2007 in the United States were up 3 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier. Net placements were down 9 percent from the August 2007 total of 26.5 million.

ALL TURKEYS 1/

Geographic Division	Eggs In Incubators October 1		2007 2006	Eggs Hatched During Sept.		2007 2006
	2006	2007		2006	2007	
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
E N Central	5,062	4,454	88	4,032	3,714	92
W N Central	11,501	12,281	107	9,222	9,317	101
N & S Atlantic	9,731	9,775	100	7,508	8,059	107
S Central & West	3,749	3,680	98	3,337	3,169	95
U.S.	30,043	30,190	100	24,099	24,259	101

1/ Regions (No. & So. Atlantic and So. Central & West) combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations.



U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Turkey eggs in incubators on October 1, 2007 in the United States totaled 30.2 million, up slightly from October 1, 2006. Eggs in incubators were down 2 percent from the September 1, 2007 total of 30.9 million eggs. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central down 12 percent, West North Central up 7 percent, North and South Atlantic up slightly, and South Central and West down 2 percent.

Turkey poult placements during September 2007 in the United States totaled 24.3 million, up 1 percent from September 2006. Poult placements were down 10 percent from the August 2007 total of 26.9 million poult placements. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central down 8 percent, West North Central up 1 percent, North and South Atlantic up 7 percent, and South Central and West down 5 percent.

NET U.S. TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS 1/

Month	Total All Breeds		2007-08 2006-07	Cumulative Total		2007-08 2006-07
	2006-07	2007-08		2006-07	2007-08	
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
Sept.	23,534	24,219	103	23,534	24,219	103
Oct.	24,891			48,425		
Nov.	23,792			72,217		
Dec.	23,879			96,096		
Jan.	26,068			122,164		
Feb.	24,249			146,413		
Mar.	26,433			172,846		
Apr.	26,040			198,886		
May	27,271			226,157		
June	26,277			252,434		
July	27,343			279,777		
Aug. 2/	26,523			306,300		

1/ Includes imports, but excludes exports.

2/ Revised 2007 data.

PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE

Commodity	Unit	September 2006	August 2007	September 2007	Sep-07 Sep-06	Sep-07 Aug-07
		<i>Thousands</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
PACIFIC COAST						
Turkeys	Lbs.	59,820	52,439	28,475	48	54
Chickens	Lbs.	41,955	23,277	52,226	124	224
Ducks	Lbs.	140	a/	a/	a/	a/
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	101,915	75,716	80,701	79	107
UNITED STATES						
Turkeys	Lbs.	464,219	524,081	498,511	107	95
Chickens	Lbs.	710,281	624,077	630,411	89	101
Ducks	Lbs.	6,341	8,095	6,496	102	80
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	1,180,841	1,156,253	1,135,418	96	98
Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	19,038	18,485	17,689	93	96

a/ As of 2007, the regional total is no longer published.

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