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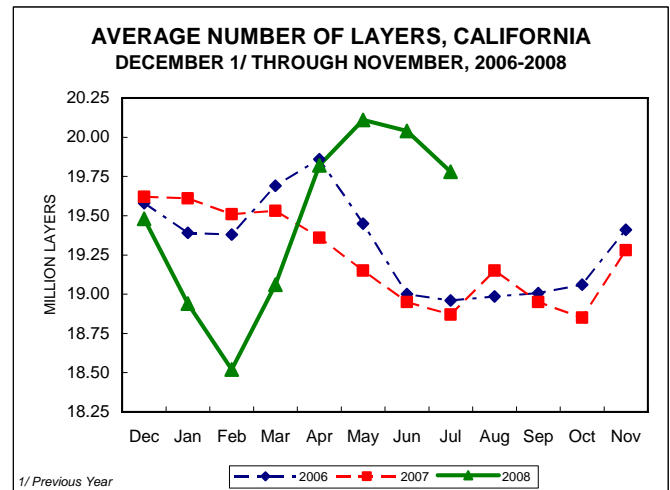
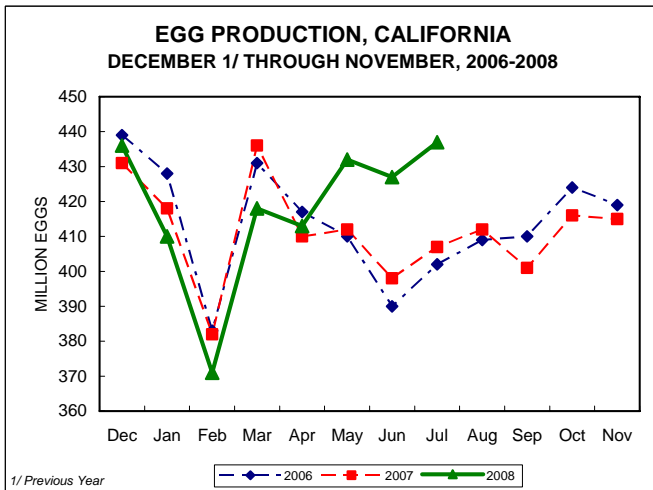
CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during July totaled 437 million, an increase of 10.0 million from June's production and 30.0 million above July 2007. The average number of layers during the month totaled 19.8 million, 1 percent below last month, but 5 percent above June 2007. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,210 compared to 2,131 a month earlier and 2,157 in July 2007.

U.S. JUNE MARCH EGG PRODUCTION

U.S. egg production totaled 7.60 billion during July 2008, up slightly from last year. Production included 6.49 billion table eggs, and 1.12 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.05 billion were broiler-type and 64 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during July 2008 averaged 336 million, down 1 percent from last year. July egg production per 100 layers was 2,262 eggs, up 1 percent from July 2007.

All layers in the U.S. on August 1, 2008 totaled 335 million, down 2 percent from last year. The 335 million layers consisted of 277 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 55.2 million layers producing broiler type hatching eggs, and 2.69 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on August 1, 2008, averaged 72.5 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from August 1, 2007.



LAYER NUMBERS AND EGG PRODUCTION DURING JULY, FORCED MOLTING AS OF AUGUST 1

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand		Eggs Per 100 Layers		Total Egg Production		Layers Being Molted		Layers With Molt Completed	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	<i>Thousands</i>		<i>Number</i>		<i>Millions</i>		<i>Percent</i>			
Alabama	9,153	9,213	1,945	1,932	178	178	0.5	1.5	5.5	3.5
Arkansas	13,838	13,488	1,973	2,002	273	270	0.0	1.0	13.5	10.0
California	18,869	19,778	2,157	2,210	407	437	5.5	3.5	30.0	32.0
Georgia	19,121	18,493	2,061	2,066	394	382	1.5	4.0	17.0	10.0
Indiana	24,639	23,896	2,281	2,327	562	556	7.0	6.0	29.5	32.5
Iowa	52,878	53,325	2,275	2,323	1,203	1,239	3.5	3.5	36.0	32.5
North Carolina	12,137	12,253	2,060	2,065	250	253	2.0	0.0	9.5	8.5
Ohio	25,815	26,586	2,270	2,340	586	622	4.0	2.5	18.5	19.0
Pennsylvania	21,884	21,865	2,417	2,424	529	530	1.5	6.0	12.5	11.5
Texas	18,502	18,296	2,259	2,235	418	409	5.0	5.5	24.0	21.5
UNITED STATES	340,035	336,101	2,235	2,262	7,599	7,601	3.4	3.6	23.6	21.1

U.S. BROILER HATCH

Broiler-type chicks hatched during July 2008 totaled 807 million, down 2 percent from July 2007. Eggs in incubators totaled 651 million on August 1, 2008, down 3 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.07 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during July 2008, up 6 percent from July 2007.

U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

Egg-type chicks hatched during July 2008 totaled 37.9 million, up 5 percent from July 2007. Eggs in incubators totaled 33.0 million on August 1, 2008, up 2 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 244 thousand during July 2008, up 33 percent from July 2007.

BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, JULY

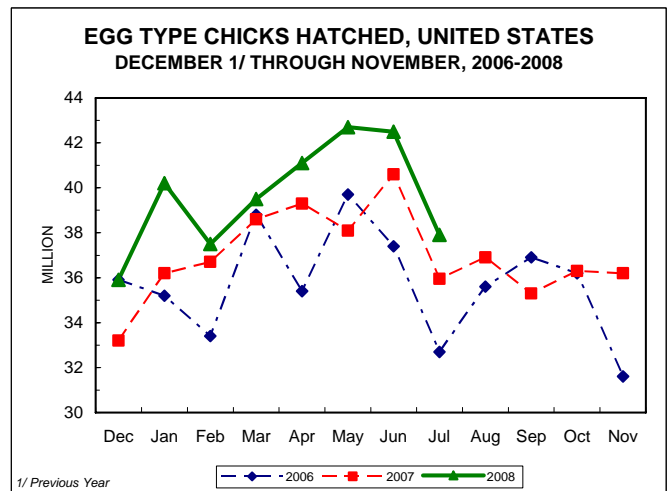
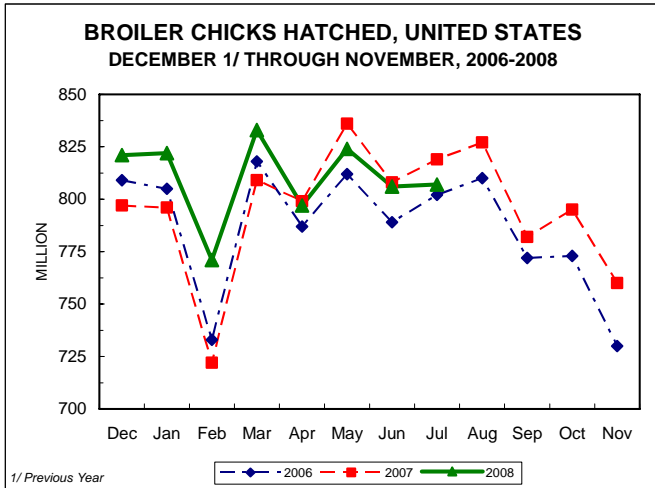
State	2007	2008	<u>2008</u> <u>2007</u>
	Thousands		Percent
Alabama	115,396	114,172	99
Arkansas	103,993	97,655	94
Delaware	15,728	13,178	84
Florida	5,029	5,095	101
Georgia	127,616	123,297	97
Kentucky	27,947	28,395	102
Louisiana	14,479	13,798	95
Maryland	32,038	31,902	100
Mississippi	70,283	70,011	100
North Carolina	71,976	69,616	97
Oklahoma	24,934	25,110	101
Pennsylvania	14,267	15,935	112
South Carolina	19,694	19,459	99
Texas	56,251	57,974	103
Virginia	23,662	23,095	98
California, Missouri, Tennessee and West Virginia	71,806	72,969	102
Other States 1/	23,884	24,894	104
UNITED STATES	818,983	806,555	98

EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, JULY

State	2007	2008	<u>2008</u> <u>2007</u>
	Thousands		Percent
Georgia	2,164	1,825	84
Indiana	5,275	4,922	93
Iowa	7,286	7,931	109
Minnesota	1,094	1,127	103
Pennsylvania	4,040	4,892	121
Other States 1/	16,093	17,232	107
UNITED STATES	35,952	37,929	105

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

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U.S. EGGS IN INCUBATORS, AUGUST 1

Geographic Division	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	2007	2008	<u>2008</u> <u>2007</u>	2007	2008	<u>2008</u> <u>2007</u>
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
North Atlantic	12,135	13,403	110	4,755	4,381	92
East North Central	11,977	12,191	102	6,522	6,643	102
West North Central	29,557	29,594	100	8,349	8,355	100
South Atlantic	248,901	239,229	96	3,881	2,999	77
South Central	347,085	333,810	96	4,245	5,665	133
West	24,361	22,571	93	4,689	4,997	107
UNITED STATES	674,016	650,798	97	32,441	33,040	102

U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Turkey eggs in incubators on August 1, 2008, in the United States totaled 31.9 million, down 5 percent from August 1, 2007. Eggs in incubators were down 3 percent from the July 1, 2008 total of 32.8 million eggs. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central down 7 percent, West North Central down 4 percent, North and South Atlantic down 3 percent, and South Central and West down 8 percent.

Turkey poults hatched during July 2008, in the United States totaled 27.5 million, up 1 percent from July 2007. Poults hatched were up 5 percent from June 2008 total of 26.2 million poults. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central up slightly, West North Central down 3 percent, North and South Atlantic up 4 percent, and South Central and West up 3 percent.

The 26.8 million net poults placed during July 2008 in the United States were down 2 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier. Net placements were up 5 percent from the June 2008 total of 25.6 million.

ALL TURKEYS 1/

Geographic Division	Eggs In Incubators August 1		2008	Eggs Hatched During July		2008
	2007	2008	2007	2007	2008	2007
	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Percent
East No. Central	4,954	4,599	93	4,099	4,104	100
West No. Central	12,808	12,335	96	10,416	10,120	97
No. & So. Atlantic	10,876	10,524	97	8,844	9,176	104
So. Central & West	4,819	4,425	92	3,943	4,063	103
UNITED STATES	33,457	31,883	95	27,302	27,463	101

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

NET U.S. TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS 1/

Month	Total All Breeds		2007-08	Cumulative Total		2007-08
	2006-07	2007-08	2006-07	2006-07	2007-08	2006-07
	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Percent
Sept.	23,534	24,073	102	23,534	24,073	102
Oct.	24,891	25,222	101	48,425	49,295	102
Nov.	23,792	24,755	104	72,217	74,050	103
Dec.	23,879	24,091	101	96,096	98,141	102
Jan.	26,068	26,067	100	122,164	124,208	102
Feb.	24,249	25,011	103	146,413	149,219	102
Mar.	26,433	26,369	100	172,846	175,588	102
Apr.	26,034	25,863	99	198,880	201,451	101
May	27,266	27,084	99	226,146	228,535	101
June 2/	26,282	25,557	97	252,428	254,092	101
July	27,258	26,793	98	279,686	280,885	100
Aug.	26,523			306,209		

1/ Excludes exported poults.

2/ Revised 2008 data only.

U.S. TURKEYS RAISED

The preliminary estimate of turkeys raised in the United States during 2008 is 271 million, down slightly from the number raised during 2007.

The following six States are expected to account for about two-thirds of the turkeys produced in the United States during 2008: Minnesota, at 49.0 million turkeys, is up 2 percent from last year; North Carolina, at 39.0 million turkeys, is unchanged from last year; Arkansas, at 31.0 million turkeys, is unchanged from a year ago; Virginia, at 21.0 million turkeys, is unchanged from 2007; Missouri, at 20.0 million turkeys, is unchanged from last year; and Indiana, at 15.9 million turkeys, is up 5 percent from last year.

TURKEYS RAISED IN 2007-08 1/

State	Number		2008
	2007	2008	2007
	Thousand Head		Percent
Arkansas	31,000	31,000	100
California	16,000	15,700	98
Illinois	2,700	2,700	100
Indiana	15,100	15,900	105
Iowa	8,300	9,000	108
Maryland	750	760	101
Massachusetts	55	58	105
Michigan	4,800	4,800	100
Minnesota	48,000	49,000	102
Missouri	20,000	20,000	100
New Jersey	39	35	90
New York	640	630	98
North Carolina	39,000	39,000	100
North Dakota	1,700	1,200	71
Ohio	5,200	5,200	100
Pennsylvania	11,500	11,500	100
South Carolina	10,500	10,500	100
South Dakota	4,500	4,600	102
Vermont	51	51	100
Virginia	21,000	21,000	100
West Virginia	3,500	3,500	100
Other States 2/	27,350	24,950	91
UNITED STATES 3/	271,685	271,084	100

1/ Excludes young turkeys lost. Revised 2007 data only.

2/ CO, KS, NE, OK, TX, UT, WI, and WV (2006) combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

3/ 28 State total.

PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE

Commodity	Unit	July 31, 2007	June 30, 2008	July 31, 2008	Jul. 2008 Jul. 2007	Jul. 2008 Jun. 2008
		Thousands			Percent	
PACIFIC COAST						
Turkeys	Lbs.	44,361	34,368	43,451	98	126
Chickens	Lbs.	26,444	34,231	33,933	128	99
Ducks	Lbs.	59	161	721	1,222	448
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	70,864	68,760	78,105	110	114
UNITED STATES						
Turkeys	Lbs.	503,547	562,693	618,448	123	110
Chickens	Lbs.	665,583	768,776	747,227	112	97
Ducks	Lbs.	9,186	1,684	2,485	27	148
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	1,178,316	1,333,153	1,368,160	116	103
Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	17,495	16,139	19,886	114	123

POULTRY AND EGG PRICES

California mid-month market egg price for July 2008 was 64.0 cents per dozen, 32.0 cents below the June mid-month price and down 20.0 cents from July 2007.

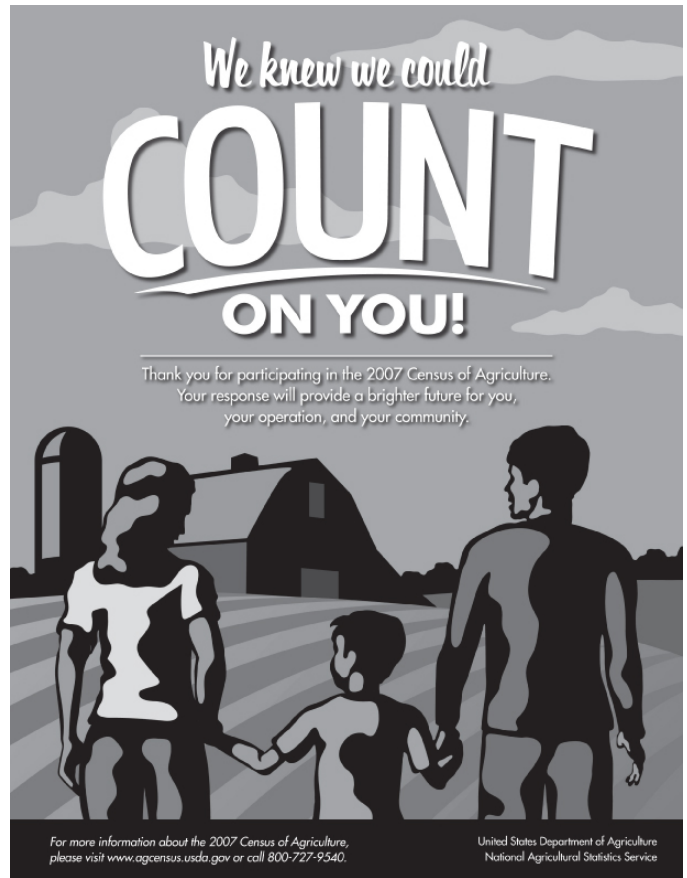
Nationally, the July market egg price, at 66.8 cents per dozen, decreased 25.9 cents from June and is 14.6 cents below July 2007. The July broiler price, at 50.0 cents per pound, is up 2.0 cents from June and 3.0 cents above a year ago. The July turkey price, at 60.7 cents per pound, is up 0.6 cent from the previous month and up 5.2 cents from a year earlier.

POULTRY AND EGG AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED 1/

Commodity	Unit	July 2007	June 2008	July 2008
		Cents		
CALIFORNIA				
Market Eggs 2/	Doz.	84.0	96.0	64.0
UNITED STATES				
Chickens-Broilers	Lbs.	47.0	48.0	50.0
Market Eggs 2/	Doz.	81.4	92.7	66.8
Turkeys 2/	Lbs.	55.5	60.1	60.7

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



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