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Turkeys Raised
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2007 Turkey Production

North Dakota

Turkeys raised in North Dakota during 2007 totaled 1.90 million birds compared to 1.80 million in 2006 and 1.10 million in 2005, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. This is up 6 percent from the turkeys raised in 2006.

As of December 2007, producers intend to raise 2.00 million turkeys in 2008. This is an increase of 100,000 birds from 2007. The number of turkeys raised in 2007 may vary from growers' intentions. Actual production depends on the feed costs, supply of hatching eggs, cost of poults and prices growers receive for turkeys during the next few months.

United States

Turkeys raised in the United States during 2007 totaled 272 million birds, up 4 percent from the 262 million raised in 2006.

Minnesota ranked first in the number raised with 48.0 million, followed by North Carolina with 39.0 million, Arkansas with 31.0 million, Virginia with 22.0 million, Missouri with 20.0 million, California with 16.0 million, and Indiana with 15.3 million. These States accounted for 70 percent of the turkeys produced in the United States during 2007.

Turkey growers in 23 States intend to increase the number of birds raised by 2 percent in 2008. These States produced over 99 percent of the turkeys raised in 2007.

Intentions for the top seven producing States, compared with 2007, are as follows:

Minnesota up 2 percent, North Carolina unchanged, Arkansas up 3 percent, Virginia up 2 percent, Missouri up 5 percent, California up 4 percent, and Indiana up 6 percent.

Turkeys: Number Raised in 2006 and 2007 1/

| State | Number | | 2007 as % of 2006 |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------|-------------------------|
| | 2006 2/ | 2007 3/ | |
| | ----- 1,000 Head ----- | | Percent |
| AR | 30,000 | 31,000 | 103 |
| CA | 15,800 | 16,000 | 101 |
| IL | 2,700 | 2,800 | 104 |
| IN | 13,800 | 15,300 | 111 |
| IA | 8,200 | 8,300 | 101 |
| MD | 730 | 750 | 103 |
| MA | 62 | 59 | 95 |
| MI | 4,600 | 4,800 | 104 |
| MN | 45,000 | 48,000 | 107 |
| MO | 20,000 | 20,000 | 100 |
| NJ | 33 | 39 | 118 |
| NY | 630 | 640 | 102 |
| NC | 37,500 | 39,000 | 104 |
| ND | 1,800 | 1,900 | 106 |
| OH | 5,100 | 5,100 | 100 |
| PA | 10,500 | 11,000 | 105 |
| SC | 9,600 | 10,500 | 109 |
| SD | 4,200 | 4,500 | 107 |
| VT | 55 | 51 | 93 |
| VA | 21,500 | 22,000 | 102 |
| WV | 3,600 | 3,500 | 97 |
| Other States 4/ | 27,050 | 26,450 | 98 |
| US 5/ | 262,460 | 271,689 | 104 |

1/ Revised. 2/ Based on turkeys placed September 1, 2005 through August 1, 2006. Excludes young turkeys lost. 3/ Based on turkeys placed September 1, 2006 through August 31, 2007. Excludes young turkeys lost. 4/ CO, KS, NE, OK, TX, UT, and WI combined to avoid disclosing individual operations. 5/ 28 State total.

**Turkeys: Number Raised in 2007 and Intentions for 2008,
Selected States and 23 State Total**

| State | Number | | 2008 as % of 2007 |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------|-------------------------|
| | 2007 | 2008 | |
| | ----- 1,000 Head ----- | | Percent |
| AR | 31,000 | 32,000 | 103 |
| CA | 16,000 | 16,600 | 104 |
| IL | 2,800 | 2,900 | 104 |
| IN | 15,300 | 16,200 | 106 |
| IA | 8,300 | 8,700 | 105 |
| MI | 4,800 | 4,800 | 100 |
| MN | 48,000 | 49,000 | 102 |
| MO | 20,000 | 21,000 | 105 |
| NC | 39,000 | 39,000 | 100 |
| ND | 1,900 | 2,000 | 105 |
| OH | 5,100 | 5,100 | 100 |
| PA | 11,000 | 11,200 | 102 |
| SC | 10,500 | 10,900 | 104 |
| SD | 4,500 | 4,600 | 102 |
| VA | 22,000 | 22,500 | 102 |
| WV | 3,500 | 3,600 | 103 |
| Other States 1/ | 26,450 | 26,500 | 100 |
| 23 State Total | 270,150 | 276,600 | 102 |

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