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TEXAS TURKEYS

BREEDER HENS—INVENTORY DECEMBER 1, 1979



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TEXAS

26 STATES

Breeder Hens up 12 Percent

All heavy turkey breeder hens on Texas farms December 1, 1979 totaled 533,000, according to the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service. This is 12 percent above the 475,000 on hand December 1 a year earlier.

The December 1, 1979 value of breeder hens on farms was \$8.3 million. The average value per bird was \$15.50, up \$2.50 from the past year.

Breeder Hen Inventory Up 10 Percent

Turkey breeder hens on December 1, 1979 in 26 States totaled 3.70 million head, up 10 percent from a year earlier. Of this total, 3.36 million were heavy breeds, up 8 percent, and 343 thousand were light breeds, up 38 percent from December 1, 1978.

TURKEY BREEDER HENS: NUMBER ON FARMS, SELECTED STATES, DECEMBER 1, 1978-1979

State	Heavy breeds		Light breeds		Total		1979 as % of 1978
	1978	1979	1978	1979	1978	1979	
	- 1,000 head -						Percent
Minnesota.....	460	460	133	173	593	633	107
N. Carolina...	1/	1/	1/	1/	495	620	125
California....	530	1/	20	1/	550	553	101
Texas.....	475	1/	1/	1/	475	533	112
Missouri.....	1/	1/	1/	1/	230	300	130
Others					1,027	1,061	103
Total.....	3,121	3,357	249	343	3,370	3,700	110

1/ Breakdown by breeds combined to avoid disclosing individual operations. 2/ Breakdown by breeds not published for other states.

TURKEY BREEDER HENS IN FLOCKS ON DECEMBER 1, 1979 BY AGE GROUPS

State	Heavy breeds			Light breeds			All breeds			Total all breeds
	Less than 5 mo.	5 to 10 months	Over 10 months	Less than 5 mo.	5 to 10 months	Over 10 months	Less than 5 mo.	5 to 10 months	Over 10 months	
	- 1,000 head -									
Minnesota.....	71	342	47	38	66	69	109	408	116	633
N. Carolina 1/							216	252	152	620
California 1/							189	268	96	553
Texas 1/.....							151	291	91	533
Missouri 1/...							87	138	75	300
Others 2/.....							293	604	164	1,061
Total.....	946	1,814	597	99	147	97	1,045	1,961	694	3,700

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ALL TURKEY BREEDER HENS: NUMBER ON FARMS AND VALUE, DECEMBER 1, 1977-1979

State	Number			Value per head			Total value		
	1977	1978	1979	1977	1978	1979	1977	1978	1979
	1,000 head			Dollars			1,000 dollars		
Minnesota.....	480	593	633	10.70	13.50	12.80	5,136	8,006	8,102
N. Carolina...	420	495	620	13.60	11.90	10.90	5,712	5,891	6,758
California....	500	550	553	8.90	10.60	12.40	4,450	5,830	6,857
Texas.....	460	475	533	11.00	13.00	15.50	5,060	6,175	8,262
Missouri.....	220	230	300	12.00	12.00	16.60	2,640	2,760	4,980
Others.....	958	1,027	1,061	11.89	13.20	14.35	11,392	13,560	15,228
Total.....	3,038	3,370	3,700	11.32	12.53	13.56	34,390	42,222	50,187

TURKEYS RAISED 1979 AND 1980 INTENTIONS

TEXAS

Texas turkey growers intend to produce 6 percent more turkeys in 1980 compared with 1979 according to the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service.

If growers carry out their intentions, approximately 8,500,000 turkeys will be raised compared with 8,000,000 a year ago.

In 1979, there were 8,000,000 turkeys raised in Texas. This number is up 10 percent from 1978.

20 SELECTED STATES

Turkey grower intentions above 1979

Turkey growers in 20 major States intend to raise 164 million turkeys in 1980 compared with 150 million in 1979.

The number of turkeys actually raised in 1980 may vary from growers's intentions shown in this report depending on feed prices, supply and price of hatching eggs and poults, and prices growers receive for turkeys during the next few months.

UNITED STATES

Turkeys Raised in 1979 Increased 13 Percent From 1978

In 1979, turkeys raised in the United States, increased 13 percent from 1978. Heavy breed turkeys totaled 145 million, up 11 percent from a year ago, and light breeds totaled 11.3 million, up 41 percent from 1978.

TURKEYS: NUMBER RAISED IN 20 SELECTED STATES IN 1978 AND 1979 AND NUMBER INTENDED TO BE RAISED IN 1980

STATE	HEAVY BREEDS			LIGHT BREEDS			ALL BREEDS			1980 AS % OF 1979
	1978	1979	1980 ^{1/}	1978	1979	1980 ^{1/}	1978	1979	1980 ^{1/}	
										PERCENT
										1,000 HEAD
ARK ^{2/}							12,500	13,340	14,500	109
CALIF	16,760	18,781	19,550	20	74	75	16,780	18,855	19,625	104
COLO ^{2/}							3,580	3,885	3,890	100
GA	1,799	2,516	2,642				1,799	2,516	2,642	105
IND	4,624	5,631	6,790	31	9	15	4,655	5,640	6,805	121
IOWA	6,214	6,113	6,785	45	47	46	6,259	6,160	6,831	111
MINN	17,319	18,994	19,394	3,919	5,672	7,360	21,238	24,666	26,754	108
MO ^{2/}							10,500	10,950	13,640	125
N C ^{2/}							18,854	23,100	25,950	112
N DAK ^{2/}							950	1,020	1,070	105
OHIO							2,565	2,350	2,714	115
OKLA ^{2/}							1,450	1,890	2,080	110
OREG ^{2/}							1,275	1,265	1,265	100
PA	3,280	4,070	4,958	170	670	777	3,450	4,740	5,735	121
S C	2,527	2,998	3,000				2,527	2,998	3,000	100
S DAK ^{2/}							979	1,253	1,328	106
TEX ^{2/}							7,300	8,000	8,500	106
UTAH	2,794	2,921	2,775				2,794	2,921	2,775	95
VA ^{2/}							8,546	9,174	9,130	100
WIS	5,680	5,640	5,700	26	5	4	5,706	5,645	5,704	101
20 ST TOTAL	126,186	139,857	149,607	7,521	10,511	14,331	133,707	150,368	163,938	109

^{1/} INTENDED. ^{2/} BREAKDOWN BY BREEDS NOT PUBLISHED TO AVOID DISCLOSING INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS.

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