

GENERAL EXPLANATIONS Continued

\$2,500 value of sales. However, since most turkeys are produced on farms with sales of \$2,500 and over, this omission has had little, if any, effect on the count of commercial production (tables 31 and 32).

In 1974, 4,407 farms with sales of \$2,500 and over reported turkeys sold. The 534 farms selling 60,000 turkeys or more accounted for 61 percent of all turkeys sold. Forty-three percent of the turkeys were sold from 240 farms which had sold 100,000 turkeys or more. Although 1,996 farms reporting less than 8,000 turkeys sold in 1974 accounted for almost 45 percent of the farms with sales of turkeys, these places accounted for only 3 percent of the turkeys sold in the United States.

Other Poultry

Ducks—Ducks accounted for much of "other poultry" production in 1974. As with the production of other types of poultry, the production of ducks, is

highly specialized. The Long Island area of New York has been a leading duck producer for many years; however in 1974, Indiana sold the largest number, followed by New York and Wisconsin. New York had only 4 percent of the farms selling ducks, but it accounted for 27 percent of all ducks sold from farms with sales of \$2,500 and over. Suffolk County, N.Y., reported 3.8 million ducks sold or 99.5 percent of the State's total sales in 1974 and over 26 percent of all ducks sold in the United States.

Geese—The production of geese is scattered throughout the United States; most States reported some production in 1974. South Dakota ranked first in sales with 140 farms reporting 212,446 geese sold from farms with total sales of \$2,500 and over.

Other or miscellaneous—Production of this classification is scattered throughout the United States. A total of 1,284 farms with sales of \$2,500 and over reported

Table 31. Turkeys—Sales for Leading States: 1974

| | Farms | | Sales | |
|---------------------------|-------|----------|-------------|----------|
| | Total | Per-cent | Number | Per-cent |
| United States, total..... | 4,407 | 100.0 | 124,738,212 | 100.0 |
| 5 Leading States..... | 1,494 | 33.9 | 69,566,772 | 55.8 |
| Minnesota..... | 370 | 8.4 | 22,252,708 | 17.8 |
| California..... | 294 | 6.7 | 16,450,924 | 13.2 |
| North Carolina..... | 250 | 5.7 | 14,091,836 | 11.3 |
| Missouri..... | 365 | 8.3 | 8,658,381 | 6.9 |
| Arkansas..... | 215 | 4.9 | 8,112,923 | 6.5 |
| Other States..... | 2,913 | 66.1 | 55,171,440 | 44.2 |

Table 32. Turkeys—Sales by Number Sold Per Farm: 1974

| | Farms | | Sales | |
|------------------------|-------|----------|----------------|----------|
| | Total | Per-cent | Number (1,000) | Per-cent |
| Farms..... | 4,407 | 100.0 | 124,738 | 100.0 |
| Turkeys sold per farm: | | | | |
| 1 to 1,999..... | 1,398 | 31.7 | 302 | .2 |
| 2,000 to 3,999..... | 173 | 3.9 | 487 | .4 |
| 4,000 to 7,999..... | 425 | 9.6 | 2,377 | 1.9 |
| 8,000 and over..... | 2,411 | 54.7 | 121,573 | 97.5 |
| 8,000 to 15,999... | 648 | 14.7 | 7,371 | 5.9 |
| 16,000 to 29,999.. | 584 | 13.3 | 12,595 | 10.1 |
| 30,000 to 59,999.. | 645 | 14.6 | 26,115 | 20.9 |
| 60,000 to 99,999.. | 294 | 6.7 | 21,529 | 17.3 |
| 100,000 and over... | 240 | 5.4 | 53,963 | 43.3 |

Turkeys Sold: 1974
(Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over—County Unit Basis)

