**United States Poultry Production**

- U.S. broiler production in 2007 was 36.1 billion pounds, valued at $21.5 billion.
- U.S. egg production in 2007 was 90.6 billion eggs, valued at $6.68 billion.
- U.S. broiler exports in 2007 were 5.8 billion pounds, valued at $2.7 billion, and representing 16% of production.
- Sustainability of the U.S. poultry industry is vital to maintaining a safe and secure food supply and in fundamentally preserving hundreds of rural economies in many states.
- The poultry industry is a significant and critical contributor to the local economic base in many communities across the U.S poultry belt.
- The U.S. poultry industry is facing a plight similar to that faced by the textile and furniture industries.
- The U.S. currently does not import poultry products, helping to ensure domestic food safety.
- The comparative advantage held by the U.S. poultry industry lies in production technology areas, not in low cost labor or feed.
- The U.S. must continue to develop improved production technologies and to educate our production sector to maintain its leadership position.

**United States Broiler Production by State**

![United States Broiler Production by State](image.png)

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State of Alabama Poultry Production

- 20 Million Broilers are produced each week in Alabama.
- Over 1 billion broilers have been produced annually since 2000.
- $2.715 billion in poultry receipts in 2007 ($2.4 billion broilers; $315 million eggs).
- Aggregate economic impact of the Alabama poultry industry was $10.6 billion for 2007. (Multipliers – Broilers: 3.94; Eggs:3.65)
- The Alabama Poultry Industry and allied industries provide some 80,000 jobs.
- Poultry industry is critical to many local economies in Alabama
- Alabama has more than 13,000 poultry houses on nearly 4,000 farms
- Alabama’s poultry industry is poised for sustainable growth
- Major Issues facing Alabama poultry producers are:
  - Energy usage & cost issues
  - Cost and return (profitability) issues
  - Environmental (litter, water, odor) issues

Alabama Agricultural Receipts - 2007