

# Poultry production increases in Pa.

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UNIVERSITY PARK — Broiler and turkey production in Pennsylvania and the U.S. is on an upward trend, according to statistics released by the Penn State Cooperative Extension Service.

Although broiler production in the U.S. is on the rise, it has increased less than 1 percent in 1980 over the levels of 1979. Pennsylvania produces 111.6 million broilers and ranks 11th among the states. This production

level represents an increase of 108 percent from the 1970's level, giving Pennsylvania the highest rate increase for broiler production in the United States during the decade from 1970 until 1980. Producing 5.5 million turkeys

annually ranks Pennsylvania ninth in turkey production. This represents an increase of 140 percent from production levels of 1970 and ranks as the second highest increase among the states for that decade.

Per capita consumption of both broilers and turkeys has also increased from the 1970's levels. Broilers enjoyed an increase from 36.9 pounds to 48.1 pounds of retail weight product. Turkeys, on the other hand, increased over 2 pounds to present per capita consumption levels of 10.6 pounds.



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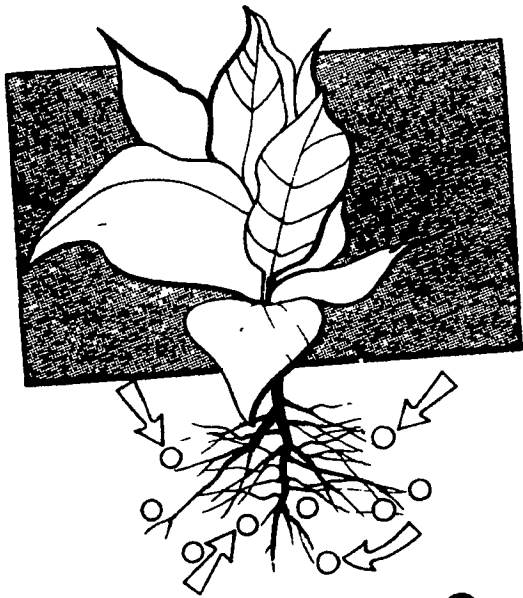
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