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STRUCTURE OF HATCHERIES, 2024

The Report on the Structure of Hatcheries is submitted only for registered hatcheries that generated a production value in the reference year, that is, for those that were engaged in hatching of poultry.

Data on the number, capacity and usage of hatcheries for hatching of ducks, geese and turkeys as well as on particular categories of hatcheries of hens, cocks and chickens are protected pursuant to the Official Statistics Act (NN, Nos 25/20 and 155/23) and the Instruction on the Method of Protection of Confidential Statistical Data in the Croatian Bureau of Statistics (NN, No. 78/21).

1 TOTAL CAPACITY AND USAGE OF HATCHERIES, 2024¹⁾ (hens, cocks, chickens)

Size category (capacity)	Number of hatcheries	Capacity, ´000 p/st	Usage, ´000 p/st		
			Laying	Meat	Mixed
Hens, cocks, chickens					
Total	18	6 857	710	66 400	483
1 000 – 10 000	Z	Z	-	Z	Z
10 001 – 20 000	Z	Z	z	Z	Z
20 001 – 50 000	6	171	324	994	226
50 001 – 100 000	Z	Z	-	Z	-
100 001 – 200 000	z	Z	Z	Z	-
200 001 – 500 000	3	740	Z	2 482	z
500 001 and more	3	5 677	Z	61 927	-

1) See Notes on Methodology.

2 TOTAL CAPACITY AND USAGE OF HATCHERIES, 2024¹⁾ (ducks, geese, turkeys and other poultry)

	Number of hatcheries	Total capacity, ´000 p/st	Usage, ´000 p/st
Ducks	4	74	199
Geese	3	46	21
Turkeys	4	308	1 108
Other poultry	-	-	-

1) See Notes on Methodology.



NOTES ON METHODOLOGY

Sources and methods of data collection

Data on the structure of hatcheries are collected from hatcheries engaged in the production of day-old poultry chicks. This survey enables the collection of data on the total capacity of hatcheries and on the total number of incubated eggs in a reference year, according to the kind of poultry, category and type.

Coverage and comparability

Reporting units included in the annual report on the structure are hatcheries in households, private commercial hatcheries and industrial hatcheries engaged in hatching of poultry, which are classified in section A Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing, class 01.47, as well as other entities classified elsewhere but engaged in the said activity. The address book of hatcheries has been taken over from the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries – the Directorate of Veterinary and Food Safety.

Data on hatcheries engaged in hatching of more than one kind of poultry are presented separately for each kind.

Confidentiality

Aggregate data for which there are reasons for confidentiality (small number of units, the dominance rule or secondary confidentiality rule) according to the Official Statistics Act (NN, Nos 25/20 and 155/23) and the Instruction on the Method of Protection of Confidential Statistical data in the Croatian Bureau of Statistics (NN, No. 78/21) are treated as confidential and therefore are not published.

Legal basis of the European Union

Commission Regulation (EC) No 617/2008 of 27 June 2008 laying down detailed rules for implementing Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 as regards marketing standards for eggs for hatching and farmyard poultry chicks, OJ L 168, 28 June 2008, pp 5 – 16.

Definitions

Size category denotes a size class of a hatchery in relation to its total capacity expressed in the number of eggs.

Number denotes the total number of hatcheries within a respective size capacity of a hatchery.

Capacity denotes the maximum number of eggs for hatching that may be placed simultaneously in incubators.

Usage denotes an actual exploitability of incubators in a hatchery in relation to the number of eggs set for hatching in a reference year.

Abbreviations

EC	European Community
NN	Narodne novine, official gazette of the Republic of Croatia
p/st	pieces or sticks
Z	data are not published for confidentiality reasons
'000	thousand

Symbols

- no occurrence

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