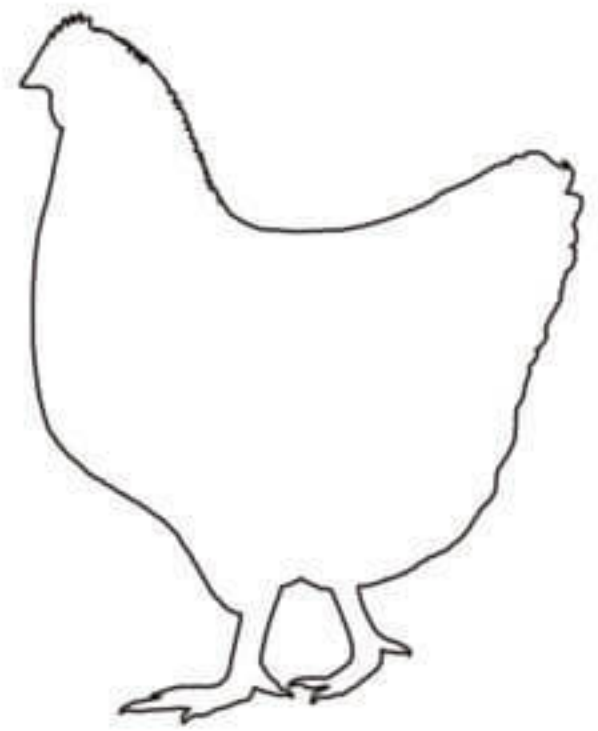




Facts about Poultry



1. The color of an egg is determined by the color of the hen's ears! **(Yes, chickens have ears!)**
2. **Hens** are female chickens. **Roosters** are male chickens. **Pullets** are females that are less than one year old.
3. **Hens** are female turkeys. **Toms** are male turkeys.
4. Chickens can have three different kinds of combs. **(Pea, rose, and single)**
5. A healthy chicken lays about **265** eggs each year.
6. An average chicken has **8,325** feathers.
7. You do not need to have a rooster with a hen to get the hens to lay eggs. You only need a rooster if you want to **hatch baby chicks**.
8. It takes a hen **24-26 hours** to lay an egg.
9. The closest living relative of a **T-Rex dinosaur** is a chicken.
10. It takes **4 pounds** of feed to make **1 dozen** eggs.
11. Some chickens lay **eggs** and some chickens are used for **meat**.
12. **Iowa** produces the most eggs in the United States. Indiana comes in second, then Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, California, Michigan, Minnesota, Georgia, and finally Nebraska.
13. **Minnesota** is the top producing turkey state in America. Next is North Carolina, then Arkansas, Indiana, Missouri, and Virginia.
14. **Indiana** produces the most chicken meat in the United States. Next is Pennsylvania, then Texas, Georgia, North Carolina, Arkansas, Michigan, and finally California.
15. Poultry stomachs are called, "**gizzards**".
16. The average chicken weighs **6 pounds**.
17. The average turkey weighs **15 pounds**.
18. There are approximately **175** varieties of chickens.

