

EVALUATION OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OF BROILER BREEDING IN KOSOVO

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ABSTRACT

In Kosovo, provision of eggs, is mainly done from the local farms, on a continuously reduced import, yet, we are far away to supplying the people of Kosovo with chicken. However, both farmers and family businesses try to make additional efforts to offer poultry products. Aiming to study the issues of poultry production in Kosovo, we have conducted two systems of broiler chickens rearing. The main intention of such a study is to assess which system is more convenient in production of more chicken on a lower cost. To ascertain the costs and breeding of broilers, there has been systematically observed 6.400 (six thousand and four hundred) broilers, 3.200 (three thousand and two hundred) broilers bred on free range system and 3.200 (three thousand and two hundred) other broilers bred and raised on a conventional rearing system (poultry hubs). Data collected included: broiler costs, broiler productivity on weight, their medical treatment, and the proper temperature in the farm, and lighting, etc. Cost measurement was done daily, in total, and then the average cost for each broiler is extracted. Broilers on the free range system, are kept for 37 days until the kill age, while broilers which are kept and bred in the conventional rearing system (poultry hubs), are kept for 30 days. Based on the results, in proportion to the days kept, the productivity has been higher in the battery system, during the 30 days kept, has reached the approximate weight compared to the broilers kept in a free range system for 37 days. Approximately, one broiler in the free range system has reached the weight of 1.800 kg, in the period of 37 days, while one broiler which has been kept on the battery system has reached the weight of 1.780 kg, in the period of 30 days, on the other hand based on the days kept, it is estimated that broilers kept in the free range system has consumed more food.

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