Product Boards for Livestock, Meat and Eggs

Recent developments in the Dutch egg sector 20 September 2005 ir. B.M. Dellaert



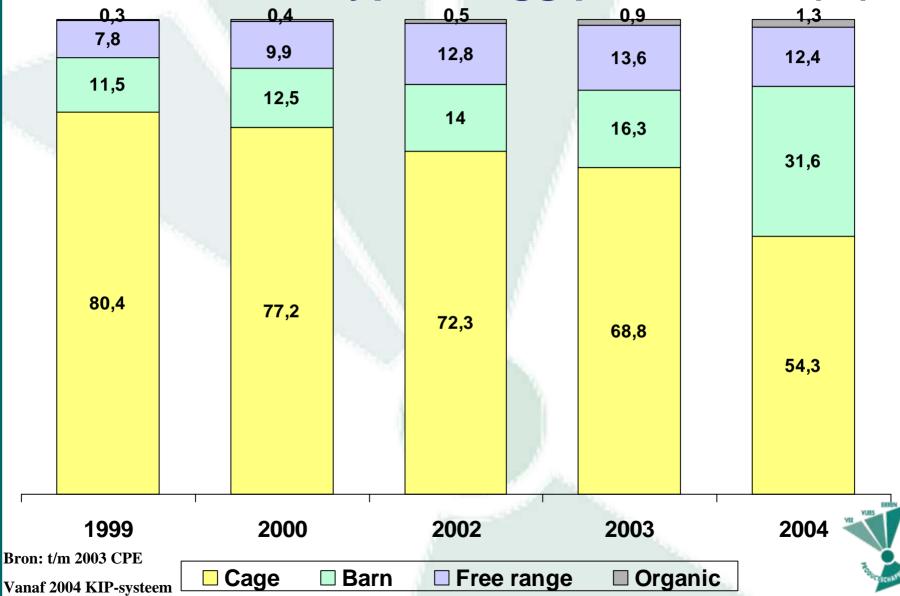
Market situation

- Dramatic producer prices 2004 / 2005
- Production shifts to non-cage eggs
- National debate on intensif farming
 outlook for egg production positive
- Increasing number of eggs marketed with health claim

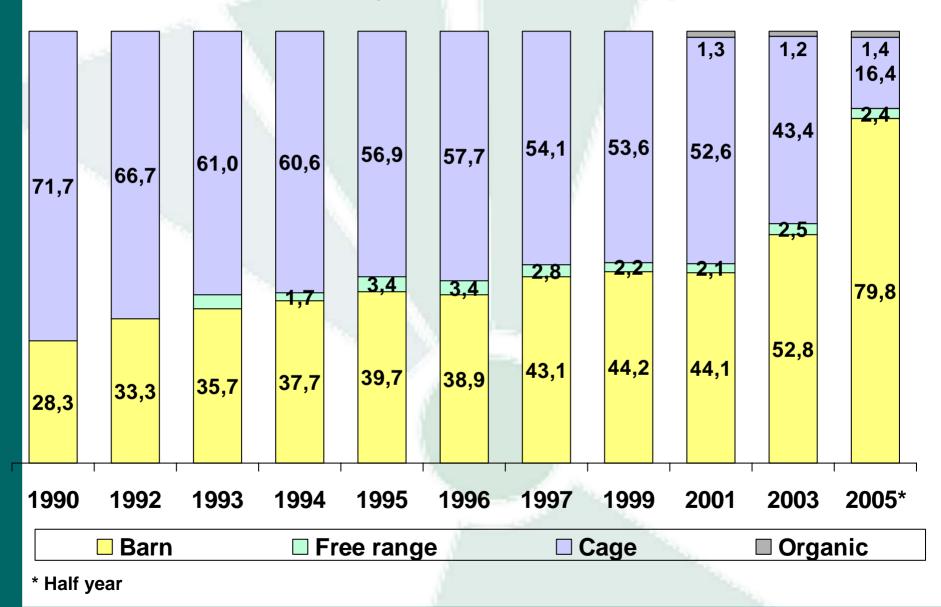
- Great concern about Al-risk: ban on outdoor poultry per 22 August



Netherlands: Type of egg production (%)



Household purchases eggs (%)







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Quality Control Scheme

- Integrated Quality Control (volentary): IKB
- 1.100 farms in NL (> 90% of the production) 52 packing stations 100 farms in Belgium 10 farms in Germany
- Regulations for all parts of the production chain

hygiene, animal welfare, feed, veterinarians and other service companies tracking & tracing

Independent control organisations

New developments IKB

- New advisory committee: role of retailers more important
- More stringent sanctions
- Animal welfare regulations beyond EU-regulations
- Coding of cage eggs on the farm per 1-1-06 (non-cage was decided earlier)
- Certification according to EN 45011
- Cooperation with German quality scheme for alternative eggs (KAT) through European Egg Consortium



