



BPC ANTIBIOTICS STEWARDSHIP REPORT 2020

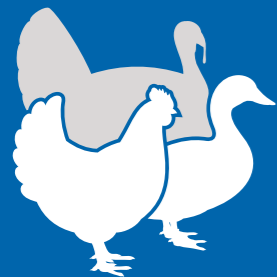
# SUSTAINABLE USE OF ANTIBIOTICS

The British Poultry Council's Antibiotic Stewardship plays a vital role in delivering good bird health and welfare; ensuring the sustainable and responsible use of antibiotics, safeguarding the efficacy of antibiotics, and helping produce food consumers trust.

Our sector stands committed to upholding the UK's position at the forefront of international efforts to preserve the efficacy of our antibiotics for future generations and contribute to turning the tide against antimicrobial resistance.

## ANTIBIOTICS USED BY THE UK POULTRY MEAT SECTOR

### IN THE LAST 7 YEARS 2012-19



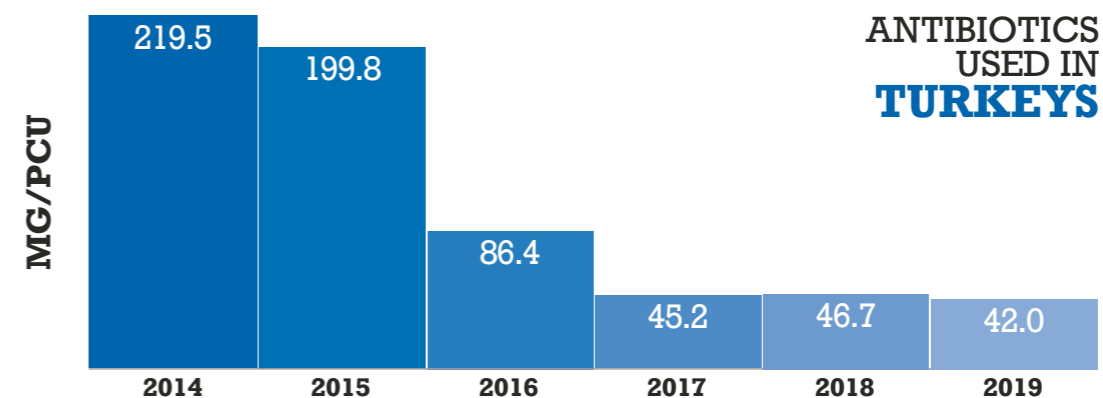
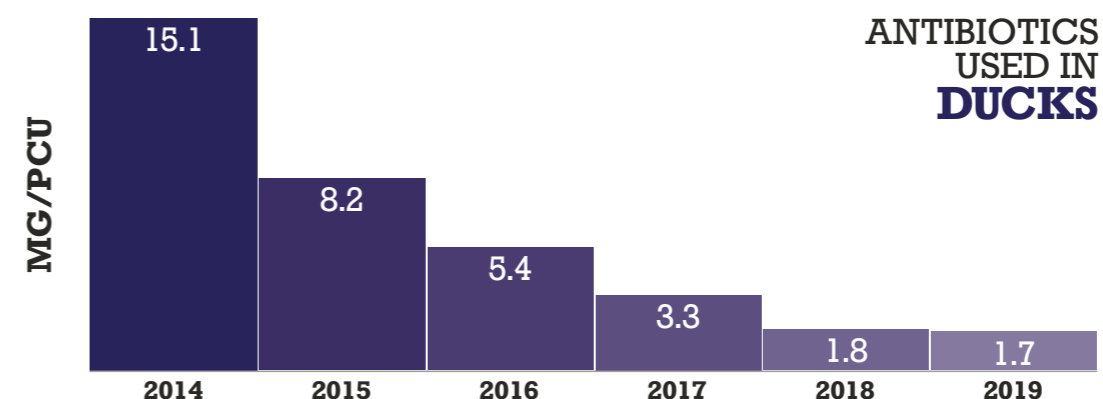
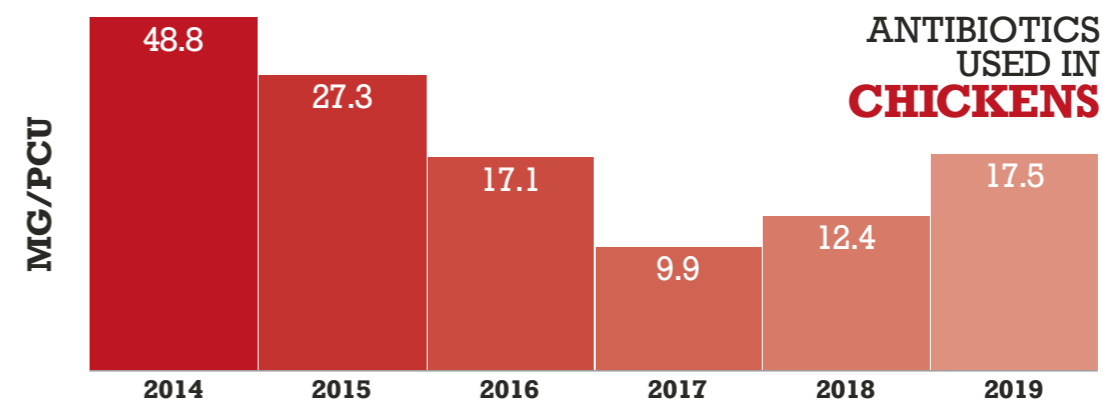
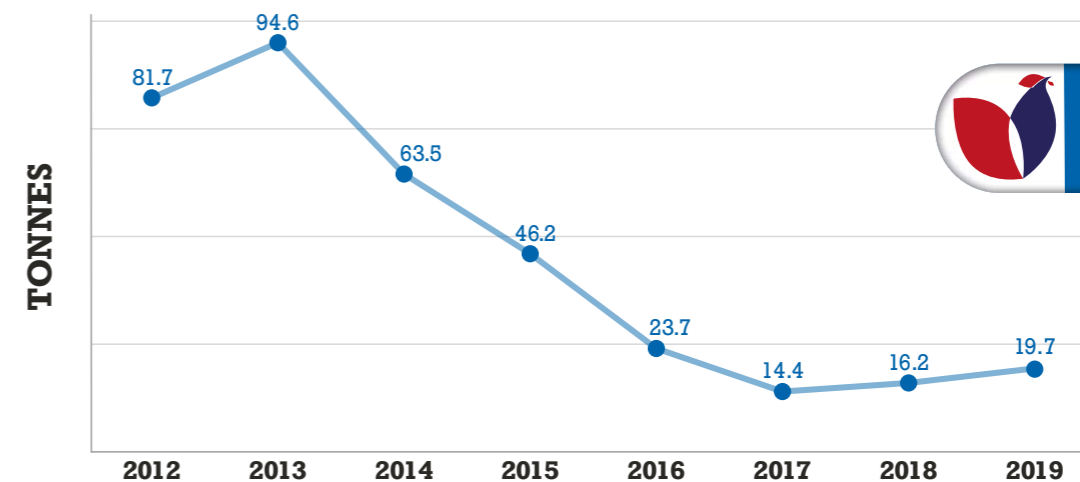
**76%**  
REDUCTION  
IN THE TOTAL USE  
OF ANTIBIOTICS

**97.3%**  
REDUCTION  
IN THE USE OF CRITICALLY  
IMPORTANT ANTIBIOTICS

IN 2019 WE USED 19.7 TONNES OF ANTIBIOTICS, WHICH ACCOUNTS FOR 9.33%\* OF THE TOTAL ANTIBIOTICS LICENSED FOR FOOD PRODUCING ANIMALS \*SOURCE: VMD, 2018

Whilst we saw an increase in usage in 2019 due to disease challenges, the sector remains well below Government approved, industry-led specific targets.

## TOTAL USE OF ANTIBIOTICS 2012-19



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