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Chickens strut around the barnyard. There are many kinds of chickens. These are white leghorns. The male (rooster) is bigger than the female (hen). He has longer tail feathers, too.





Hens lay eggs even if there is no rooster around. If a hen mates with a rooster, he fertilizes her eggs. Then a chick will grow inside each fertilized egg.

After the hen lays several eggs, she begins to brood, or sit on them. Her body keeps the eggs warm. A brooding hen does not leave her eggs for long.

