

1. Growth pattern of helmeted guinea fowl keets was studied in two types of housing management: an open-air system (OAS) and a deep litter system (DLS). Changes in live body weight, wingspan, breast height, and head width and helmet height were analysed from four to twenty-eight weeks of age.
2. A common growth pattern was obtained in both systems. The growth period in the two systems was from four to fourteen weeks after which there were no further changes in growth parameters except live body weight and helmet height.
3. The results show that the helmeted guinea fowl can be reared successfully for meat production in either of the two systems.

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