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CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during March totaled 278 million, up 23 million from February's production but down 41 million from March 2022. The all layers during the month totaled 11.7 million, down 4 percent from last month, and down 10 percent from March 2022. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,375, compared to 2,087 a month earlier, and 2,461 in March 2022.

U.S. MARCH EGG PRODUCTION

United States egg production totaled 9.21 billion during March 2023, down 3 percent from last year. Production included 7.88 billion table eggs, and 1.33 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.23 billion were broiler-type and 106 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during March 2023 totaled 383 million, down slightly from last year. March egg production per 100 layers was 2,408 eggs, down 2 percent from March 2022.

All layers in the United States on April 1, 2023 totaled 383 million, up 2 percent from last year. The 383 million layers consisted of 314 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 64.9 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 4.00 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on April 1, 2023, averaged 77.9 eggs per 100 layers, down 2 percent from April 1, 2022.

U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

Egg-type chicks hatched during March 2023 totaled 59.0 million down 2 percent from March 2022. Eggs in incubators totaled 55.5 million on April 1, 2023, down 3 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 201 thousand during March 2023, up 1 percent from March 2022.

U.S. BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

Broiler-type chicks hatched during March 2023 totaled 846 million up slightly from March 2022. Eggs in incubators totaled 722 million on April 1, 2023, up slightly from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 8.99 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during March 2023, down 3 percent from March 2022.

U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Turkey eggs in incubators on April 1, 2023, in the United States totaled 26.4 million down 5 percent from April 1, 2022. Eggs in incubators were down 1 percent from the March 1, 2023 total of 26.8 million eggs.

Turkey poults hatched during March 2023, in the United States totaled 23.6 million down 2 percent from March 2022. Poults hatched were up 9 percent from the February 2023 total of 21.7 million poults.

The 21.9 million net poults placed during March 2023 in the United States were down 2 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier. Net placements were up 10 percent from the February 2023 total of 19.9 million.

Layer on Hand & Egg Production During March, Molted as Percent of All Layers as of April 1 – States & United States

State	All layers		Eggs per 100 layers		Total egg production		Layers being molted		Layers with molt completed	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Millions</i>	<i>Millions</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Alabama.....	10,904	12,099	1,999	1,914	218.0	231.6	-	-	4.0	2.5
Arkansas.....	16,541	15,504	2,294	2,107	379.5	326.7	1.0	1.0	7.5	9.0
California.....	12,978	11,718	2,461	2,375	319.4	278.3	0.5	0.5	2.5	5.5
Georgia.....	20,222	20,714	2,201	2,206	445.1	456.9	1.0	0.5	10.0	5.0
Indiana.....	35,336	37,697	2,572	2,464	908.7	929.0	1.0	-	8.5	8.0
Iowa.....	40,441	45,426	2,581	2,552	1,043.8	1,159.1	1.0	4.5	11.0	8.5
North Carolina.....	15,783	15,786	2,200	2,241	347.2	353.7	-	0.5	10.0	7.0
Ohio.....	38,833	38,249	2,564	2,529	995.8	967.5	2.5	2.5	12.5	7.0
Pennsylvania.....	29,252	25,854	2,636	2,528	771.2	653.6	0.5	0.5	2.0	1.0
Texas.....	23,807	23,787	2,389	2,267	568.7	539.2	3.5	4.0	54.5	52.0
United States.....	384,293	382,505	2,465	2,408	9,471.0	9,210.6	1.4	1.7	12.5	10.8

- Represents zero.

Egg-Type Chicks Hatched by Month – United States: 2022-2023

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	2022	2023	Percent of previous year
	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>
January.....	49,048	50,748	103
February.....	51,796	52,009	100
March.....	60,099	58,971	98
April.....	50,636		
May.....	57,802		
June.....	56,816		
July.....	49,915		
August.....	55,991		
September.....	53,242		
October.....	50,330		
November.....	46,565		
December.....	48,438		

Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched – States and United States: March 2022 and 2023

State	2022	2023	Percent of previous year
	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Alabama.....	123,066	123,634	100
Arkansas.....	86,163	85,848	100
Delaware.....	18,013	19,206	107
Florida.....	4,294	4,189	98
Georgia.....	121,945	123,834	102
Kentucky.....	18,964	21,586	114
Louisiana.....	10,998	12,082	110
Maryland.....	27,920	28,855	103
Mississippi.....	60,837	61,229	101
Missouri.....	34,494	33,559	97
North Carolina.....	90,285	86,391	96
Oklahoma.....	25,481	24,973	98
Pennsylvania.....	22,952	23,963	104
South Carolina.....	18,363	19,746	108
Texas.....	67,248	63,730	95
Virginia.....	23,897	23,415	98
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia.....	46,266	46,113	100
Other States ¹	43,564	43,884	101
United States.....	844,750	846,237	100

¹ Not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Turkey Eggs in Incubators and Poults Hatched by Month – United States: 2021 - 2023

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Month	Eggs in incubators first of month		Percent of previous year	Poults hatched entire month		Percent of previous year
	2021-2022	2022-2023		2021-2022	2022-2023	
	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>
September	26,096	27,508	105	21,402	22,254	104
October	26,094	26,648	102	21,844	22,454	103
November	26,498	26,479	100	22,688	22,615	100
December	25,989	26,595	102	22,299	22,853	102
January	26,865	27,284	102	22,670	23,399	103
February	26,675	27,608	103	21,245	21,700	102
March	27,219	26,757	98	24,098	23,571	98
April	27,845	26,402	95	22,242		
May	26,615			22,610		
June	26,329			22,971		
July	26,895			22,467		
August	27,213			23,923		

Net Poults Placements by Month – United States: 2021-2023

[Includes imports and excludes exports. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Total all breeds		Percent of previous year	Cumulative total		Percent of previous year
	2021-2022	2022-2023		2021-2022	2022-2023	
	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>
September	19,052	19,760	104	19,052	19,760	104
October	19,783	20,472	103	38,835	40,232	104
November	20,685	20,802	101	59,520	61,034	103
December	20,306	20,955	103	79,826	81,989	103
January	20,948	21,582	103	100,774	103,571	103
February	19,539	19,871	102	120,313	123,442	103
March	22,286	21,894	98	142,599	145,336	102
April	20,877			163,476		
May	21,461			184,937		
June	22,105			207,042		
July	22,028			229,070		
August	22,783			251,853		

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