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MONTHLY CHICKENS AND EGGS - OCTOBER 2023

COLORADO

Colorado egg production during October 2023 totaled 108.2 million eggs, up 16 percent from September 2023 and up 163 percent from October 2022 production, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average number of layers on hand in October 2023 was 4.24 million, up 10 percent from September 2023 and up 151 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers were 2,554 eggs, up 5 percent from last year.

UTAH

Utah egg production during October 2023 totaled 162.1 million eggs, up 3 percent from September 2023 and up 13 percent from October 2022 production, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average number of layers on hand during October 2023 was 6.40 million, down 2 percent from September 2023 but up 16 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers were 2,539 eggs, up 23 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES

United States egg production totaled 9.55 billion during October 2023, up 4 percent from last year. Production included 8.23 billion table eggs, and 1.32 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.22 billion were broiler-type and 98.0 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during October 2023 totaled 389 million, up 3 percent from last year. October egg production per 100 layers was 2,452 eggs, up slightly from October 2022.

Total layers in the United States on November 1, 2023 totaled 390 million, up 3 percent from last year. The 390 million layers consisted of 322 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 63.4 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.68 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on November 1, 2023, averaged 79.1 eggs per 100 layers, up slightly from November 1, 2022.

Egg-type chicks hatched during October 2023 totaled 51.1 million, up 1 percent from October 2022. Eggs in incubators totaled 47.0 million on November 1, 2023, down 1 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 249 thousand during October 2023, down 1 percent from October 2022.

For the full copy of *Chicken and Eggs* report, please visit <u>www.nass.usda.gov</u>. For state specific questions, please contact the following State Statisticians at 1-800-392-3202.

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