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MONTHLY CHICKENS AND EGGS – JANUARY 2024

COLORADO

Colorado egg production during January 2024 totaled 121.3 million eggs, down 1 percent from December 2023 but up 196 percent from December 2023 production, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average number of layers on hand in January 2024 was 4.48 million, down less than one half a percent from December 2023 but up 179 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers were 2,711 eggs, up 6 percent from last year.

UTAH

Utah egg production during January 2024 totaled 181.3 million eggs, down less than one half a percent from December 2023 but up 17 percent from January 2023 production, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average number of layers on hand during January 2024 was 6.69 million, unchanged from December 2023 but up 12 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers were 2,712 eggs, up 5 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES

United States egg production totaled 9.27 billion during January 2024, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 7.98 billion table eggs, and 1.29 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.19 billion were broiler-type and 98.3 million were eggtype. The total number of layers during January 2024 averaged 377 million, up slightly from last year. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,458 eggs, up 2 percent from January 2023.

All layers in the United States on February 1, 2024 totaled 376 million, up slightly from last year. The 376 million layers consisted of 309 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 62.9 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.79 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on February 1, 2024, averaged 79.0 eggs per 100 layers, up 2 percent from February 1, 2023.

Egg-type chicks hatched during January 2024 totaled 52.1 million, up 3 percent from January 2023. Eggs in incubators totaled 51.1 million on February 1, 2024, up 2 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 206 thousand during January 2024, up 5 percent from January 2023.

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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