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MONTHLY CHICKENS AND EGGS - SEPTEMBER 2024

COLORADO

Colorado egg production during September 2024 totaled 39.0 million eggs, up 24 percent from August 2024 but down 58 percent from September 2023 production, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average number of layers on hand in September 2024 was 1.74 million, up 31 percent from August 2024 but down 55 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers were 2,247 eggs, down 7 percent from last year.

UTAH

Utah egg production during September 2024 totaled 188.3 million eggs, up 2 percent from August 2024, and up 19 percent from September 2023 production, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average number of layers on hand during September 2024 was 7.46 million, up 5 percent from August 2024, and up 15 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers were 2,526 eggs, up 3 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES

United States egg production totaled 8.92 billion during September 2024, down 2 percent from last year. Production included 7.65 billion table eggs, and 1.27 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.18 billion were broiler-type and 91.3 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during September 2024 totaled 375 million, down 3 percent from last year. September egg production per 100 layers was 2,381 eggs, up 1 percent from September 2023.

Total layers in the United States on October 1, 2024 totaled 377 million, down 2 percent from last year. The 377 million layers consisted of 312 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 61.5 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.66 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on October 1, 2024, averaged 79.3 eggs per 100 layers, up slightly from October 1, 2023.

Egg-type chicks hatched during September 2024 totaled 53.3 million, up 4 percent from September 2023. Eggs in incubators totaled 52.3 million on October 1, 2024, up 4 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 276 thousand during September 2024, up 2 percent from September 2023.

For the full copy of *Chickens 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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