



# Minnesota Ag News – Chickens & Eggs

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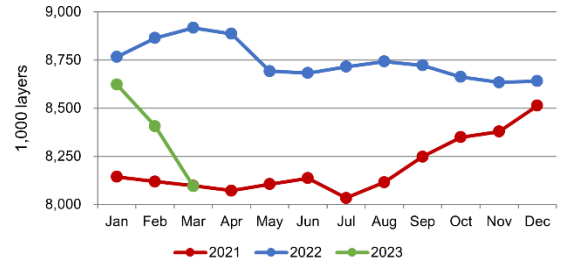
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Minnesota **egg production** during March 2023 was 199 million eggs, down 12 percent from the previous March, according to the latest *Chickens and Eggs* report from the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

The average number of **all layers on hand** during March 2023 was 8.10 million, down 9 percent from last year. **Eggs per 100 layers** for March 2023 was 2,453, down 3 percent from a year ago.

Average Number of All Layers on Hand  
Minnesota: 2021-2023



## Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During March 2022 and 2023

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding. Data by type of flock not shown for some states to avoid disclosing individual operations, data included in United States totals.]

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 & above		All layers on hand		Eggs per 100 layers		Total egg production		Table egg production	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama .....	1,406	1,381	10,904	12,099	1,999	1,914	218.0	231.6	37.1	36.7
Arkansas .....	(D)	(D)	16,541	15,504	2,294	2,107	379.5	326.7	(D)	(D)
California .....	12,350	11,123	12,978	11,718	2,461	2,375	319.4	278.3	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	4,493	1,248	5,021	1,776	2,482	2,697	124.6	47.9	(D)	(D)
Georgia .....	9,631	9,869	20,222	20,714	2,201	2,206	445.1	456.9	243.2	249.2
Illinois .....	6,072	6,406	6,637	6,969	2,292	2,396	152.1	167.0	148.1	163.0
Indiana .....	33,999	36,387	35,336	37,697	2,572	2,464	908.7	929.0	891.1	912.6
Iowa .....	38,524	43,515	40,441	45,426	2,581	2,552	1,043.8	1,159.1	1,023.2	1,136.0
Kentucky .....	(D)	(D)	5,490	5,879	2,379	2,179	130.6	128.1	(D)	(D)
Maryland .....	1,646	1,917	1,837	2,120	2,531	2,670	46.5	56.6	45.2	55.1
Michigan .....	16,591	16,525	16,911	16,854	2,600	2,581	439.7	435.0	(D)	(D)
<b>Minnesota .....</b>	<b>8,388</b>	<b>7,568</b>	<b>8,917</b>	<b>8,095</b>	<b>2,520</b>	<b>2,453</b>	<b>224.7</b>	<b>198.6</b>	<b>217.8</b>	<b>191.4</b>
Mississippi .....	(D)	(D)	5,755	5,483	2,160	2,179	124.3	119.5	(D)	(D)
Missouri .....	7,238	7,372	13,426	13,755	2,598	2,484	348.8	341.7	304.8	300.2
Nebraska .....	7,790	6,287	8,486	6,911	2,515	2,512	213.4	173.6	200.3	161.0
New York .....	5,205	5,177	5,789	5,739	2,629	2,589	152.2	148.6	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	7,212	7,049	15,783	15,786	2,200	2,241	347.2	353.7	183.6	186.9
Ohio .....	37,483	36,920	38,833	38,249	2,564	2,529	995.8	967.5	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma .....	(D)	(D)	2,326	2,326	2,029	1,999	47.2	46.5	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	1,902	1,951	2,073	2,122	2,697	2,743	55.9	58.2	55.9	58.2
Pennsylvania .....	26,390	22,760	29,252	25,854	2,636	2,528	771.2	653.6	733.5	608.1
South Carolina .....	2,271	2,495	3,515	3,803	2,208	2,253	77.6	85.7	55.2	63.0
South Dakota .....	1,850	1,175	1,905	1,230	2,682	2,285	51.1	28.1	51.1	28.1
Texas .....	(D)	(D)	23,807	23,787	2,389	2,267	568.7	539.2	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	6,562	5,963	6,614	6,015	2,542	2,539	168.1	152.7	168.1	152.7
Virginia .....	749	792	2,684	2,716	2,221	2,360	59.6	64.1	26.8	31.2
Washington .....	6,407	5,533	6,571	5,697	2,628	2,607	172.7	148.5	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	4,880	4,877	6,028	5,995	2,510	2,587	151.3	155.1	145.1	149.4
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	24,132	25,655	30,211	32,186	2,427	2,360	733.2	759.5	657.3	679.3
<b>United States .....</b>	<b>300,276</b>	<b>296,570</b>	<b>384,293</b>	<b>382,505</b>	<b>2,465</b>	<b>2,408</b>	<b>9,471.0</b>	<b>9,210.6</b>	<b>8,125.9</b>	<b>7,877.6</b>

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.  
<sup>1</sup> Includes data for states not published in this table.

## United States Chickens & Eggs

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.

Total 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.

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.

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.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at [www.nass.usda.gov/Publications](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications).

### Average Layers During the Month – United States

