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August Chickens and Eggs

All layers in Ohio totaled 42.1 million during August, up 4 percent from a year ago, according to Ben Torrance, State Statistician, USDA NASS, Ohio Field Office. Egg production totaled 1.08 billion eggs, up 6 percent from last year. The rate of lay during August was 2,572 eggs per 100 layers.

United States egg production totaled 9.08 billion during August 2024, down 3 percent from last year. Production included 7.77 billion table eggs, and 1.30 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.21 billion were broiler-type and 95.8 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during August 2024 totaled 370 million, down 3 percent from last year. August egg production per 100 layers was 2,451 eggs, up slightly from August 2023.

Total layers in the United States on September 1, 2024 totaled 372 million, down 3 percent from last year. The 372 million layers consisted of 307 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 61.6 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.66 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on September 1, 2024, averaged 79.3 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from September 1, 2023.

Turkey eggs in incubators on September 1, 2024 in the United States totaled 25.0 million, down 6 percent from September 1, 2023. Turkey poults hatched during August 2024 in the United States totaled 21.0 million, down 10 percent from August 2023. The 20.3 million net poults placed during August 2024 in the United States were down 10 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier.

Egg and Hatchery Production – Ohio and United States: August 2023 and 2024

Commodity	Ohio		United States	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
All layersthousand Eggs per hundred layersnumber Eggs producedmillion Turkey eggs in incubators, Sep 1thousand Turkey poults hatched, Augthousand	2,517 1,022 (¹)	42,121 2,572 1,084 (¹) (¹)	381,649 2,446 9,337 26,636 23,451	370,277 2,451 9,077 24,983 21,009

¹ Only U.S. estimates are published due to the limited number of hatcheries involved.

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