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CHICKENS AND EGGS – 2024 SUMMARY

COLORADO

Number of layers in Colorado averaged 3.35 million in 2024, up 24 percent from 2023, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The annual average production per layer on hand in 2024 was 306 eggs, up less than 1 percent from 2023. Egg production during the year ending November 30, 2024, totaled 1,025.8 million eggs, up 24 percent from 2023. The total number of chickens on hand on December 1, 2024 was 4.50 million birds, up 130 percent from last year. The total value of all chickens on December 1, 2024 was \$17.99 million, down 13 percent from December 1, 2023. The average value increased from \$3.80 per bird on December 1, 2023, to \$6.00 per bird on December 1, 2024.

UTAH

Number of layers in Utah averaged 6.94 million in 2024, up 13 percent from 2023, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The annual average production per layer on hand in 2024 was 302 eggs, down 1 percent from 2023. Egg production during the year ending November 30, 2024 totaled 2,096.9 million eggs, up 12 percent from 2023. The total number of chickens on hand on December 1, 2024, was 6.69 million birds, up 11 percent from last year. The total value of all chickens on December 1, 2024, was \$54.41 million, up 1 percent from December 1, 2023. The average value increased from \$6.50 per bird on December 1, 2023, to \$6.60 per bird on December 1, 2024.

UNITED STATES

Layers during 2024 averaged 375 million, down 2 percent from the year earlier. The annual average production per layer on hand in 2024 was 290 eggs, up 1 percent from 2023.

Egg production during the year ending November 30, 2024 totaled 109 billion eggs, down 1 percent from 2023. Table egg production, at 93.1 billion eggs, was down 1 percent from the previous year. Hatching egg production, at 15.4 billion eggs, was down slightly from 2023.

The total inventory of chickens on hand on December 1, 2024 (excluding commercial broilers) was 514 million birds, down 2 percent from last year.

The total value of all chickens on December 1, 2024 was \$4.13 billion, up 8 percent from December 1, 2023. The average value increased from \$7.31 per bird on December 1, 2023, to \$8.05 per bird on December 1, 2024.

For a full copy of the *Chicken and Eggs Annual* report, please visit www.nass.usda.gov. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your USDA NASS State Statistician at 1-800-392-3202.

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